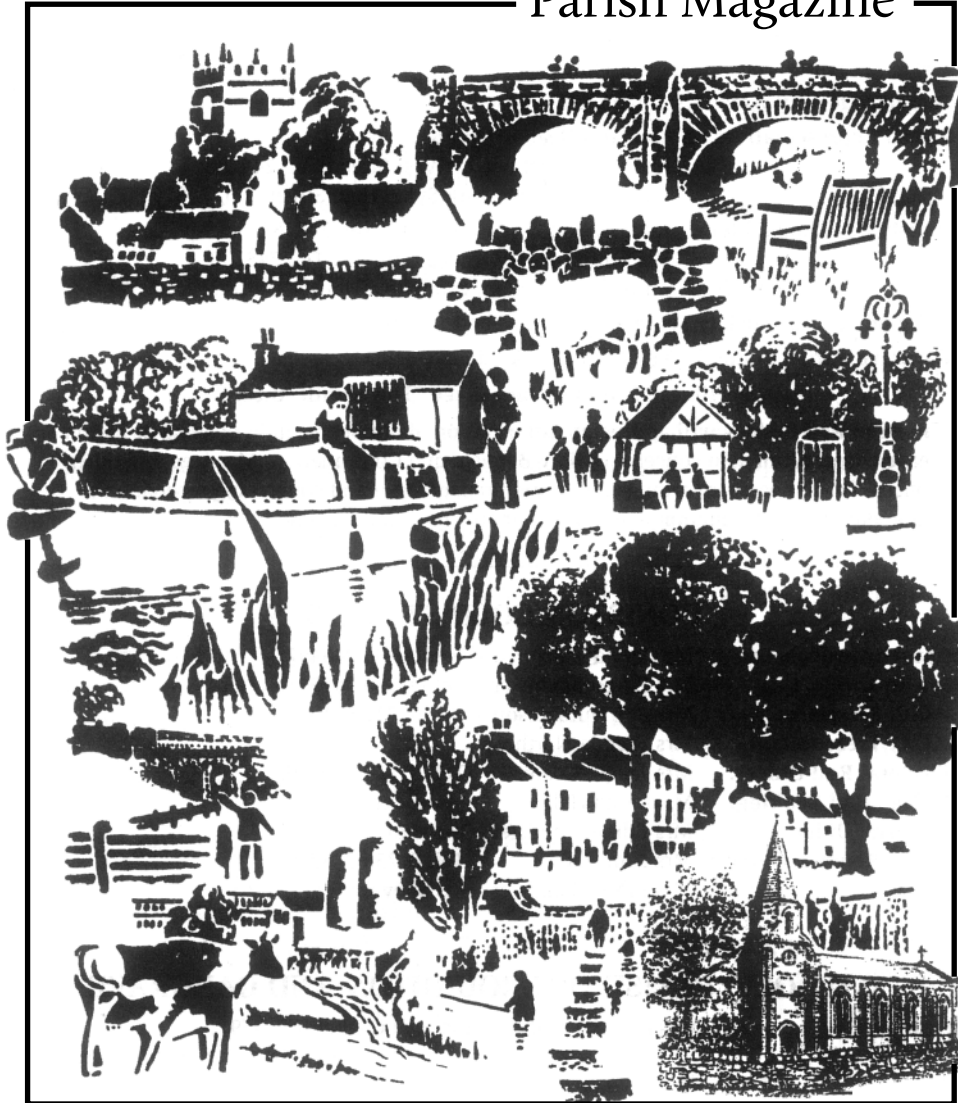


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ROD'S REFLECTIONS

Keeping a Promise, not a Resolution

ON NOVEMBER 27th we will be celebrating the First Sunday in Advent, the time when we begin to look forward to Christ's birth at Christmas, by looking back to the various people in the Bible who were, in different ways, fore-runners of that great event which changed history for ever.

It is also the beginning of the Christian Year, so it is New Year's Day as far as Christians are concerned, the day to celebrate the beginning of the fulfilment of God's promise to the whole of Creation - that it would never be without the opportunity to become as God had intended it to be, through the life, death and resurrection of his Son, Jesus.

There are two things in the statement above that are possibly not often considered in general.

Firstly, I don't think that I have ever seen a Diary in any shop that has, instead of just "Advent Sunday", the addition of "Christian New Year". Interestingly, the Diary I am using at the moment has both Jewish and Islamic New Years in it.

Perhaps the printers don't want to confuse the supposedly Christian population of the country by having a Christian New Year and a New Year celebrated on January 1st. I wonder, if it doesn't confuse our neighbours of other Faiths, why should it be neglected?

Possibly, because it DOES make that distinction between the Monthly Calendar New Year and the Christian New Year and that could be too much of a challenge to those who are nominally Christian and don't closely follow the Christian Year?

I don't know the answer, but it is perhaps something that we need to consider. Do we follow the Christian Year, with all the various important celebrations within it, or just when the Christian Year is used to mark Bank Holidays? The answer we each come to on that question has a great deal of bearing on our own relationship with God and his Son, Jesus.

The second thing to consider about the earlier statement is that God made a Promise to the whole of Creation, not a Resolution. A Resolution implies making a personal decision to do something. A Promise entails doing something in the future that involves others, with the intention of carrying it out. God didn't make a Resolution, he made a Promise.

That is why we celebrate God's relationship to humanity through Prophets, Patriarchs, and people such as Mary, Joseph and John the Baptist...and importantly, ourselves. We also are called to remember that the Promise of Jesus' coming and continual presence is for all of Creation, not just humanity.

Should and does this make a difference to how we live?

Yours in Christ, Rod Geddes

DIARY FOR NOVEMBER

Gargrave

- Tue 1 All Saints Day. Communion 9am, Church
- Fri 4 Dance – Swing Commanders, 7pm to Midnight, Village Hall
- Sat 5 Over 60's Coffee Morning, 10am to Noon, Village Hall
- Sun 6 Communion 8am; Sung Eucharist 10am, Church**
- Mon 7 Parish Council Meeting, 7.15pm, Village Hall Committee Room 1
- Tue 8 Communion 9am, Church
Slide Show 'Yugoslavia as it was', 7.30pm, Village Hall
- Wed 9 WI Meeting, 7.30pm, Village Hall Annex
- Fri 11 11am, Whole school to the village cenotaph for Remembrance Day
- Sat 12 Knit and Natter Soup Lunch 11am to 2pm, Village Hall
- Sun 13 Service at the War Memorial 10.45am. followed by procession to Church for further worship.**
Service with Prayer for Healing 6 pm, Church
Flea Market, 10am to 4pm, Village Hall
- Tue 15 Communion 9am, Church
Coffee Morning, 10.30am to Noon, Swinden Hall
- Fri 18 Ladies Section Dance, 7pm to Midnight, Village Hall
- Sat 19 Coffee Morning, 10am to Noon, Village Hall
- Sun 20 Communion 8am; Sung Eucharist 10am with talk by Tim Broughton about the Isaiah Trust's work in Kenya, Church**
- Tue 22 Communion 9am, Church
Slide Show 'In the shadow of Vesuvius' 7.30pm, Village Hall
- Wed 23 Bingo, 7.30pm, Village Hall Annex
- Fri 25 PTA Christmas Fayre, early evening, School
Ladies Section Dance, 7pm to Midnight, Village Hall
- Sat 26 Coffee Morning and Mission Sale, 10am to Noon, Village Hall
Modern Sequence Dance, 7 to 11pm, Village Hall
- Sun 27 Communion 8am; Morning Prayer 10am, Church**
Flea Market, 10am to 4pm, Village Hall
- Tue 29 Communion 9am, Church
- Wed 30 St. Andrew the Apostle; Communion 7 pm.

December

- Sun 4 Communion 8am; Sung Eucharist 10am, Church**
W.I. Carol Service 2 pm, Church.
Advent Parade from the Summer Seat, 6 pm, ending in Church.

Each Sunday: prayer time in church open to all, 9.30 - 9.50am

Coniston Cold

- Sun 6** Holy Communion 6pm, St Peter's
Sun 13 Remembrance Service 10.45am, St Peter's
Tue 15 Christmas Coffee Morning 10.30-12.00, Swinden Hall.
Thur 17 Meeting and Christmas Clean and Tea, 1pm, St Peter's
Sun 20 Book of Common Prayer Communion 9am, St Peter's
Pendle Forest & Craven Hunt Christmas Fayre, 11am-5pm, Coniston Hall.
Sun 27 Evensong with Gargrave 6pm

Catholic mass times in Broughton and Gargrave

Sundays: 9am at Broughton Hall Chapel
11.30am Latin Sung Mass first Sunday of month
Thursdays & Holydays: 9.30am at the Oratory, 3 West Street, Gargrave

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Zumba

Sally Thomas

The new Zumba classes have started in the Village Hall - Tuesday evenings from 5.45 to 6.45, and Thursday evenings from 5 'til 6. They started in October and have been well attended. The dances are easy to follow and good fun - it keeps you fit at whatever level you wish to partake and is open to all ages from 16 upwards. Newcomers very welcome. For more information, contact Julia Priestly: japriest7@googlemail.com, 07769 692471, zumba.com.

Mother's Union Gargrave and Coniston Cold

Ethne Bannister

Meeting with Hellifield Mother's Union Wednesday 2nd November 2pm in the Institute, Hellifield. Speaker Chris Bibby from Bibby's Travel "The History of Bibby's Travel".

Swing Commanders

Sally Thomas

This popular band are playing at the village hall on Friday 4th November. Tickets are £10 per person and can be reserved by contacting Caroline on 749235.

Over 60s Coffee Morning

Veronica Fletcher

Village Hall, Sat 5 November 10am to noon. Jewellery stall, cakes, bring & buy, raffle. £1.50 for entrance, coffee and biscuit.

Neville House Open Events

Kath Sagar

On 7 November a young singer, Leanne King, will be entertaining us. All welcome.

Knit and Natter Soup Lunch and Sale

Norma Brothers

Knit and Natter are having a Soup Lunch on Saturday 12 November from 11am to 2pm. Entrance - £5 for soup, sweet and a cup of tea; children half price. There will be stalls (including knitwear) and a raffle.

Coffee Morning at Swinden Hall

Ethne Bannister

Christmas Coffee morning by kind permission of Sue Hutchinson on Tuesday 15th November 10.30-12.00. All proceeds to St Peter's Church, Coniston Cold.

Pendle Forest and Craven Hunt

Ethne Bannister

Christmas Fayre on 20 November from 11am to 5pm at Coniston Hall. Christmas stalls and refreshments, everyone welcome.

Gargrave Christian Mission Coffee Morning & Christmas Sale of Work with Raffle

Joyce Brotherton

At a recent meeting the Committee decided to support the Yorkshire Air Ambulance which runs entirely on public subscription. The date is Saturday November 26th from 10-12 at the Village Hall. There will be the usual stalls with the addition of a chocolate/sweet tombola; also the chance to have a massage (no need to take your clothes off). Donations of cakes, jams, mince pies, books, toys and bric-a-brac will be very welcome. The hall will be open from 9am.

Christmas Fayre - stalls available

Kath Sagar

Neville House are holding a Christmas Fayre at the Village Hall on Saturday 10th December from 11am to 2pm. A Brass Band will play carols, there will be stalls and a Pie & Pea lunch. If anyone would be interested in having a stall, please contact Kath Sagar on 793039.

Christmas concert in Gargrave by Pinsuti

Duncan Faulkner

Since we no longer have the Gargrave Nativity Play to help prepare us for the Christmas season, this year there will be a Christmas concert in St Andrew's Church by Pinsuti (Ilkley Chamber Choir) on Saturday 10 December at 7.30pm. Proceeds will go to the church and the choir. Refreshments in the interval.

Tickets £5/£4 in advance from Duncan Faulkner (tel. 749443) or PCC members from mid November, or £7/£6 on the door.

Put your Facebook friends in a nativity play

From Parish Pump

"Roll on Christmas" is an online, interactive nativity play on Facebook, set for release this month. It is a two-minute farce about the incarnation getting lost in the madness of Christmas 2011. The stars of this chaotic animation are your Facebook friends – their faces cut out and stuck on toilet rolls depicting the usual Bethlehem suspects (if you don't follow all this, ask your grandchildren).

Gargrave Advent Parade

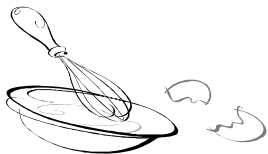
Claire Cadman Bond

St Andrews' Church, The Caterpillar Club and Gargrave Pre-school are having a real life Advent Parade on Sunday 4th December at 6pm.

We'd like children of all ages to dress up as any Nativity character and meet at the Summer Seat at 6pm. From there we will walk to the Mason's Arms to see if they have any rooms and then on to St Andrew's Church where we will light the first Advent candle, have a short service and sing carols. There will be refreshments available after the service.

Please come along and support this village event (and bring your grand children!) If you would like any more information please contact Claire on 01756 748527.

Jamie at Home!



Jamie Oliver tableware, cookware, linen and more, all exclusive to 'Jamie at Home' parties [not available in shops]

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You will get a fantastic 20% commission

[on a very average party, that equates to £50 worth of products!!] and superb host offers PLUS access to the exclusive host website!

Give Sheila Blackshaw a call on

01729 830389 to talk it through or for more information

NEWS

Magazine News

Bea and Duncan Faulkner

Apologies to those whose magazine last month had a pair of blank unprinted pages. There are spares at the back of St Andrew's Church if anyone needs a replacement, although we are hoping this won't be repeated....

Many many thanks to Kevin Jackson for contributing his enlightening series "Into the Distant Past" which is concluded this month with Gargrave's Tudor Period. We'd welcome further local history articles - please get in touch if you are able to help out, or know someone who might be able to.

Moving House

Chris Lancaster has moved from 13 Skipton Rd. to 7 East St, Gargrave.

Gravestone Cleaning

Marie Chapman

Richard Blades (grave digger) from Salterforth now undertakes gravestone cleaning (Tommy Rayson of Clitheroe, page A19 doesn't do it any more). Contact Poppy Fields, page A19, for further information.

Village Hall News

Sally Thomas

The Jumble Sale was a huge success and made over £1600 for the Village Hall funds. Thank you to all the people who contributed or helped in any way. Hopefully we can make this an annual event.

Gargrave and Malhamdale Library News Update

Dave Smith

DESPITE THE NOBLE EFFORTS of the Library Committee, which was formed in January to fight to save Gargrave Library from closure, the NYCC axe fell in July of this year. The Library is scheduled to close on the 31st March 2012.

In an attempt to soften the blow NYCC offered limited support to assist communities which wish to manage and run their own library service. Since July a small group of villagers have been busy developing a Business Plan for the Library which was submitted to NYCC in September.

The Plan received a very positive response from both the Officers and Politicians at NYCC and discussions are now being held with NYCC to agree a Service Agreement which should ensure the future of Gargrave Library for another 3 years and beyond.

One big obstacle stands in the way of a successful campaign to save the library. **We need more volunteers** to take an active role on the Management Committee together with volunteers willing to assist 'behind the counter.'

In addition to the 'behind the counter' role the Business Plan defines a number of management roles including: **Librarian, Volunteer Coordinator & Marketing/ Fund Raising.**

At previous public meetings in Gargrave a number of people kindly put their names on a volunteers list and you will be contacted by the present committee to confirm your interest.

If you haven't put your name forward, now is the time. Please contact Alan Simpson, tel 749418 or by email: sylsam.gargrave@virgin.net, who will be happy to give you a fuller explanation of the roles which need to be filled if the community library in Gargrave is to become a reality.

Without these roles and your support the library will close in March 2012.

Massage Therapy Treatments



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Isaiah Trust race support

Jerry Ford

FOR AROUND 54,000 PEOPLE of all shapes and sizes, in all manner of costume ranging from Serious Runner, through Spiderman, to Heavyweight Fairies, Sunday 18th September was the culmination of months of training and preparation. In glorious sunshine, at around 10.40am, the masses started their journey from Newcastle, via the iconic Tyne Bridge to South Shields; just 13.1 miles.

Of course the professionals (with no runners in front of them to dodge) finished in times that would hardly see a potato baked, whereas most of us common folk staggered across the line in 2 hours or more, by which time it was raining. At the finish, although exhausted, it really didn't seem like 2 hours of running, mainly due to the huge swathes of other runners that filled the route as far as the eye could see, (in both directions!) and the fantastic crowds that always turn out to encourage, applaud and offer refreshment. I didn't spot the beer man this year.

The Isaiah Trust obtained places for 14 runners this year, all of whom finished, and all of whom helped raise funds for the work in Kenya. If you'd like to know how much was raised in total, why not come along to the 10 am

service in St Andrew's Church on November 20th when Tim Broughton will be talking about the work of the Isaiah Trust.

Finally, a BIG thank you to everyone who sponsored me to a total of more than £500 with some Gift Aid on top. You can still contribute at www.justgiving.com/JustJerryFord and/or have a chat with Tim if you would to get more involved with the Isaiah Trust. Anyone fancy it next year?

WI news

Janet Sturgess

THIS HAS BEEN ANOTHER BUSY month for Gargrave WI. We have participated in the Federation Pub Quiz and our Team B is now through to the final, where 9 teams will compete. We have held our AGM and members have voted for Jean Maxwell as President and three new committee members: Val Davies, Olive Hopkins and Moyra Sonley. This gives us a total of 11 on the team.

The Speaker this month was Lesley Horton, a crime novelist from Keighley. She described her teaching career and role as local correspondent for the Keighley News and the Telegraph and Argus newspapers and how her experiences in those roles contributed to her writing skills. Using her experiences of writing to deadlines and exact word limits she began to write, when the opportunity for early retirement arose; taking P.D. James' advice to 'Use all your experiences in writing'. One example of this was taken from an interview with a fell runner many years before, when he explained why he trained at night. Lesley used his quote 'I had to let my feet learn to understand the ground' in one of her books.

Lesley went on to describe the strategies she used in writing. First was, 'Have an Idea' – but remember an idea is not a novel. Ideas combine to create the novel. She then creates her characters with the intention of making people rather than 'cookie cutter characters' by building a life for them. She aims to describe them as real people combining both good and bad traits. Thirdly she stressed the importance of research, which has to be meticulous, since readers readily identify anachronisms and errors of fact. A variety of methods of killing were described and she stated that 'I have only shot one of my victims and I'm not doing it again!' Apparently the knowledge required of guns, trajectories etc. was too demanding. The fourth element was use of direct experience and observation: examples she cited included giving a DNA sample, fingerprinting and observing a police incident room. Her fifth strategy was 'To write it!' adhering to her own advice of never returning to a blank screen. On average it takes Lesley a year to write a book.

She has published 7 books, each of which has a 'natural length' of approximately 120,000 words. Lesley enjoys the writing process, especially 'The End' as well as talking to groups like the WI. She likes to say 'Yes' and worry later.

She knows a number of crime writers, including Colin Dexter, PD James and Ruth Rendall. She described how she attended a writers' conference at

Winchester, where she met authors, editors, agents and publishers and got her first break as a novelist. Her talk gave members a real insight into her life as a writer.

Coniston Cold Young Farmers

Janet Bolland

TO CELEBRATE 75 years of Coniston Cold Young Farmers, a Dinner was held at the Coniston Hotel on Friday 30th September. The Guest Speaker was Mr Jim Wight the son of James Alfred Wight who was the famous vet James Herriot.

The Annual Cups were presented as follows:-

Sheila Stapleton Cup Boys Attendance: Angus Walton; *Girls:* Kate Beresford

Junior Boys: Liam Wallbank; *Girls:* Aimee Beresford

Joe & Olive Coates Cup Under 14s Boys: Angus Walton; *Girls:* Niamh Forster

Intermediate Boys: Michael Thwaite; *Girls:* Jodie Bolland

Senior Boys: James Bolland; *Girls:* Natalie Crisp

Overall Boys: Liam Wallbank; *Girls:* Aimee Beresford

NFU Trophy – District and County competitions: Jodie Bolland

Ted & Barbara Phillip Cup – for the member making most progress throughout the year: Mackenzie Forster

The Annual General Meeting was held on Tuesday 4th October and officers for the following year were elected including President Gordon Beresford and Chairman William Throup.

Meetings continue every Tuesday, with November's programme including a first aid demonstration, design a Christmas card and the Settle District Public Speaking competition. For details of YFC, telephone Janet Bolland, 01729 830505

Birth Announcement

Helen & Mark Carruthers

We are proud to announce the birth of **Elliot James Carruthers**, born on 12th September 2011. Little brother to Monty.

Obituary - Neville Owen Gaskell (Nev)

John Gaskell

30th Sept 1932 – 16th Sept 2011.

Nev was born at Urmston, Manchester to Harold and Laura, and christened Neville Owen (Owen was his mothers' maiden name). They lived in Carrington nearby; he attended a local school until the war broke out. He was then, because of the proximity of the family home to Trafford Park industrial estate (which was under regular bombing), evacuated to the safer confines of Gargrave. He was billeted with a local family until his father, who was a chief tax collector and exempt from war service due to disability, could get transferred to join him, the family home then being 20 North Street in Gargrave. On leaving school, Nev became apprenticed as a trainee wire man at John Phillips in Skipton; during this time he was called up to do his national service

and opted to do three years instead of the compulsory two. He became a leading aircraftsman - he was still able to rhyme his service number off by heart sixty years later!! He was posted to RAF Wellesbourne in Warwickshire, where he first met Mary Edwards Sloggie.

They married in 1957 at Bearley church in Warwickshire and moved back to Skipton living in Brook Street for a short while before moving to Gargrave where they lived at Rose Cottage, Marton Road. Nev was 'old school' in his understanding of family life: the wife stays at home whilst the husband goes to work and provides for his family's needs. This was how it was throughout our formative years. Both myself and Ann were born whilst they lived at Rose Cottage, Nev had now started work at Johnson & Johnson, where he remained until his retirement, some 49 years later. During his time at the mill he could be seen riding one of a series of bikes, most of which the Antiques Roadshow would have been pleased to see, down Mill Lane in all weathers and at all hours.

Nev never learned to drive so he relied on a series of locals to act as 'Mr Shift It' at various stages of his life. I can remember when I was not much older than my son Harry, helping Dad load up the equipment needed to do the lighting for the Passion Play, and later in the year the Nativity Play, onto a wheelbarrow and him pushing it from North Street, where he had a garage, to church. It took six or seven trips to get it all there and then the same to get it back. He would spend many nights alone in the church setting it all up and taking it down. Happy days. Throughout his life Nev did electrical repairs and jobs for many people, more often than not never charging them for even the materials he used. On more than one occasion Mother had someone at the door begging her to get Nev to send them a bill, on one occasion in exasperation at the lack of a bill Nev was given a Terry's chocolate orange as a thank you. Thereafter anytime he said he was doing anything for somebody, the chorus was 'Ok another chocolate orange job is it?'

Retirement was a pivotal point in his life, as 'the mill' was his second home, and he couldn't believe it would be able to run without him!! When Mother became ill, he took on the role of looking after her and learnt, for the first time in his life, how to cook. Under the supervision of May, he even ventured into that alien world of dishwashers and washing machines. He took it all in his stride without any complaint and did a sterling job of catering to Mother's needs. When she died he lost the will to go on. Then he met Dorothy; he eventually moved in with her and became the happiest we had seen him for several years. Then the news that he had developed cancer arrived. This vile illness was to rapidly spread and eventually cause his death. Throughout all of this Dorothy was at his side, nursing and tending to him.

Nev was a good man with a heart of gold who would do anything to help anybody, always with a smile on his face and a passion for modern music, affectionately known as the oldest DJ in town with his regular spots at the 'club' at Johnson & Johnson and disco's all over the area. His passing will leave a void in many lives and he will be greatly missed by those that loved him.

WILDLIFE FROM MY WINDOWS

Sue Smith, Gargrave, October 6

*"O wild west wind thou breath of Autumn's being
Thou from whose unseen presence the leaves dead
Are driven like ghosts from an enchanter fleeing"
Percy Bysshe Shelly "Ode to the West Wind"*

WILD, WET AND WINDY just about sums up the last month, continuing the early arrival of Autumn this year. The exceptionally warm weather at the end of September and early October, brief here, but prolonged further South and non-existent to the North gave us a welcome spell of sunshine. The wet cool weather had made the honeysuckle linger to delight us, and in the sunshine the butterflies sought it out and also the last flowers of the brambles, and I saw many Tortoiseshells which had been almost absent earlier, and a few Red Admirals.

The rowan berries were harvested by the blackbirds weeks ago, and there are very few haws or elderberries left. There are quite a number of smaller snails about, but the large ones, so enjoyed by the song thrush are absent.

The rowan, now almost bare of leaves, still gives food from its branches, and is enjoyed by tits - blue, great, coal and longtailed.

There are rather fewer finches, either because they are hiding from the wind and rain, or because of the worrying infection that has afflicted them in so many parts of the country, or simply because I have not been looking in the right place at the right time. I did, though, see goldfinch on the wild grasses, rather than the preferred teasel.

A highlight of September was a welcome sighting of goldcrests, these enchanting little birds that so enjoy conifers.

At one point the rowan was alive with willow warblers, as they made a last flourish before migrating. This is the time of departures, though the housemartins are still here. The winter visitors, especially fieldfares and redwings have been notably absent in recent years - maybe our luck could change this year.

Ducks are frequently seen flying around, and I saw a skein of geese flying westward, but wildfowl are not really a feature of this area. Our coastal refuges, though, will soon be welcoming large flocks of Whooper and Bewick swans, and Pinkfeet, Barnacle and White-fronted geese. I shall not see or hear them from my windows, but it is wonderful to know that there is an internationally renowned wildlife spectacular here on these shores - let's keep it that way.

GARGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

Monthly meeting, 3 October 2011

Janet Turner

Apologies: District Cllr Simon Myers and Cllr. Peter Perls.

Public participation: Advent Sunday on 4 December is to be celebrated by villagers who will gather at the Summer Seat and wend their way with small people to the church for carols and refreshments.

A general discussion followed about rubbish which has been left in various parts of the greens.

Christmas lights: The Council discussed various options which the electrician has put forward.

Matters arising from last month's meeting: There was a long discussion about vehicle parking within the village, potential limitations thereon and the expectations of the Parish Council with regard to other public bodies. The response to the address given at last month's meeting by Stephen Brown from Craven D.C., Planning Department was also discussed.

Public toilets: It has been one year since the honesty boxes were fitted into the ladies' and gents' toilets. The Council has collected £1,200 from these boxes.

The greens: On Low Green near Pinfold Croft the gaps between the large stones are to be filled by additional stones of a similar size.

The grass cutter is to be reminded of the October strimming regime on various parts of the greens.

Next meeting: Monday 7 November 2011 at 7.15 pm in the Village Hall.

A guide for bonfires

1. Remember to check for hibernating hedgehogs and sleeping pets before lighting fires.
2. Never leave a fire unattended or leave it to smoulder. Douse it with water if necessary.

Funeral for a dog

Muldoon lived alone in the Irish countryside with only a pet dog for company. One day the dog died, and Muldoon went to the parish priest and asked, 'Father, my dog is dead. Could ya' be saying' a mass for the poor creature?'

Father Patrick replied, 'I'm a-fraid not; we cannot have services for an animal in the church. But there are some Baptists down the lane, and there's no tellin' what they believe. Maybe they'll do something for the creature.'

Muldoon said, 'I'll go right away Father. Do ya' think 5,000 euros is enough to donate to them for the service?'

Father Patrick exclaimed, 'Sweet Mary! Why didn't ya tell me the dog was Catholic?'

INTO THE DISTANT PAST

Kevin Jackson

I LEFT YOU SOME TIME AGO at the end of the Mediaeval period. We now move forward in time to that of the Tudors.

Very little evidence remains in Gargrave of this period. In the church is a carved wood tablet bearing the date 1521 in Roman numerals. This is thought to be the date that the previous church was built with the tower now being the only remnant.

The next period of interest comes along during the 2nd English civil war in the 1600's. (I can see you asking the question 2nd! Indeed, the 2nd. The 1st was between Stephen and Matilda 1135-1154 in the 12th Century). A garrison is said to be held at Gargrave. Evidence of this period has come about through the finding of two small cannonballs from a falconet cannon, both found near to the church. This would suggest that the garrison was in or near to the church.

We move further on in time now to just after the civil war and it is believed that Paget Hall was built at this time, although this building has evidence of a spiral staircase and a garderobe. So there maybe the remains of an earlier building on the site, remains of which were incorporated into the present building. Old Hall, near to the canal, also looks to have been built at this time and dating evidence of the boundary wall comes along when the archaeological excavation at Old Hall Croft found a 17th Century musket ball under the base of the wall.

From the 17th Century we move forward into more modern times and the era of plenty of written documents and this period is most certainly out of my scope and better left to local historians who have better knowledge than I.

When we started this small series of articles it shows a progression of human influence in the area for many thousands of years. So what of the next few thousand years?

Finally what is the derivation of the village name 'Gargrave'.

'Gara's grove - the grove belonging to Gara.

The copse in a triangular plot of land (old Norse + Old English)

The meaning of a copse and grove are the same, so it is very likely that 'Gara' was the owner of the trees in a triangular plot of land that gave Gargrave its name.

I've enjoyed writing these small pieces for the Parish Magazine and I hope that they have given some insight into the rich and varied history of our village and who knows what further archaeological information may come to light with future developments.

CONNECTING WITH CULTURE

Peter Heslam, Transforming Business, University of Cambridge



Steve Jobs – iVisionary

Since his untimely death, so many tributes to the co-founder of Apple have poured in from across the world that the internet has buckled under the weight of the words 'Steve Jobs'. It is a measure of the depth and breadth of his impact.

One thing in particular accounts for that impact: Jobs' foresight and vision in anticipating, and seeking to fulfil, people's needs and desires. This was not the result of the superior market research and technology consultancy; he disdained such services because he sought to generate new markets and products: 'You've got to start with the customer experience and work back to the technology, not the other way around'.

This reverse progression is made difficult by the fact that most potential customers find it hard to articulate their needs and desires - either because they cannot imagine solutions or because they are looking for them in the wrong place. The generation that initially dismissed personal computers, mobile phones and emails as unnecessary is now the generation that cannot live without them. As Henry Ford is attributed with saying: 'If I'd asked customers what they wanted, they would've said "a faster horse"'. Steve Jobs, arguably Ford's successor as the world's greatest entrepreneur, put it more even more succinctly: 'A lot of times, people don't know what they want until you show it to them'. He used ice hockey to make his point: 'I skate to where the puck is going to be, not where it has been'.

Jobs was no saint. His employees often found him arrogant, impolite and mercurial. Following complaints about his 'Management by Frightening' technique, he was ousted from the leadership of his company, only to return some years later. He has also been criticised for bequeathing products to the world that encourage individualism, hedonism and social disintegration.

But the art of anticipating people's wants and needs before they know they have them, or whilst they are looking in the wrong place to satisfy them, belongs to the role of the seer. It is reflected in the lives of the great prophets, pastors, leaders and teachers of history. They are revered as visionaries because they saw people's needs and desires with greater clarity than did the people themselves and re-directed their search for gratification. All who seek to follow them, especially in the arena of *ultimate* needs and desires, should take note.

ASK SHEILA AND TED

Dear Sheila and Ted

I'm lonely: that's my problem. It's not as if I don't have friends: I do. But they are busy and it always feels like I'm the one who picks up the phone. My family's the same: they don't have much time for me. I don't mind a bit of my own company: but you can have too much of a good thing.

Yours truly, Sam Body

Dear Sam,

It's privacy when you choose to be alone and loneliness when you don't. If you've friends then ring them up, or better still meet up. I can tell you from experience: it always feels like you are doing the most of the running – but it may well feel the same for them: relationships are like that. Why don't **you** make time for your family: busy people often value help and company. They may not have time to ask you round, but I'm sure they would love an invitation from you. And if you've not talked to someone in a while: remember let them have half the conversation.

Yours truly, Sheila

Dear Sam,

There are many lonely people out there: more and more of us live on our own. Often it is not our choice: we feel trapped by circumstances. Sometimes we can spend a lot of time with people, but still feel alone. Have you tried prayer? God is always there for a chat, advice or just to listen. You can tell him things you can't other people. He already knows what you are thinking, understands all about you, and he loves you. Tell God about your problem and then see what happens. I am amazed how things change when I pray. Prayer is just like talking with a friend. But God is the very best friend.

Yours sincerely, Ted

Glass

The two window panes were arguing as to which one was made of the better glass. One said to the other, "Well, you may think you are a better glass, but I know what you are trying to prove. Believe me, I can see right through you."

The glass

To the optimist, the glass is half full. To the pessimist, the glass is half empty. To the engineer, the glass is twice as big as it needs to be.

ALL CREATURES (MOSTLY SMALL)

Helen Pratt B.V.Sc., M.R.C.V.S., G.P Cert (Small Animal Medicine)

PEOPLE HAVE OCCASIONALLY asked for their dog "spayed". I assume they don't mean it. Also when I worked in Scotland I was most confused when a gentleman came in to get his dog "dressed". "What as?" I naively asked. I don't think he thought much of me. Spayed, neutered, or sterilized are the more common terms.

When spaying a bitch, we perform an ovario-hysterectomy; the womb and ovaries are both removed. This is done under general anaesthetic usually through a midline incision. Although spaying is abdominal surgery so not to be belittled, it is very routine, so complications are rare. Performing the surgery at 6 months old pre-season, or around 4 months after a season means the blood flow to the reproductive organs is at its lowest, and also there is little chance of milk in the mammary glands from a false pregnancy which can otherwise be problematic to clear. Restricted exercise for 10 days or so is all that's generally needed – makes us female humans look pretty soft...

To spay or not to spay, that is the question. We often get asked for our opinion, and I would suggest if you are not considering breeding, to spay, but at the end of the day it is a personal choice.

There are definite health benefits to neutering. If spayed early (before the first season) at about 6 months old, the chance of developing mammary tumours is virtually nil. This protective effect of neutering diminishes and is lost after the second season. No chance of a pyometra, a potentially fatal womb infection and a fairly common occurrence in older unsplayed bitches.

However there is an increased incidence of incontinence, though treatable, in neutered bitches, and this is higher if spayed very young. Some larger breeds, such as Labradors, which commonly suffer from incontinence, I would personally leave till after 1st season, but it's personal choice on timing depending on which you consider most important to you (and if you have a male entire dog...).

Also weight gain can be a problem in neutered dogs as requirements are lower, due to a slower metabolism and often coinciding with a reduction in growth rate due to age. But this gain is preventable - it's up to you what you put in the food bowl- see a previous article!

But no ovaries = no season, so less mess and less dogs hanging around the back door. Easier to take the dog out for a walk, no phantom pregnancy and no hormonal behavioural changes - yes it happens to the dog too.... And of course no unwanted pregnancies.

As always, the best person to discuss any neutering questions or concerns with is your vet.

P.S. Don't think the boys have got away scot free - keep your legs crossed for next month's article.



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OWD BILL'S OWD TALES

AH'VE TELLED YE afore abaas mi dad. 'E 'ed a sense o' humour all on 'is awn thanaws. One on 'is tales wor abaas a fella 'at lived in a big 'aas daan bi Wakefield. 'E med aat 'at 'e wor a prophet – wun o' them theer 'at God 'es sent as a messenger, thanaws. 'Is name wor Prophet Wroe. Ah reckon 'at local fowk weren't tekken in bi 'im, thoa. Wun day, 'e went ter see a farmer, an' said ter 'im: "The Lord says tha mun gi' me a cow". Like leetnin', t'farmer cum back to 'im, an said: "Ah, burr ah've seen 'im sin thee, an' 'e said 'at ah evn't" !

Mi father wor born on t' twentieth o' February – t'day afore mi awn birthday. 'E allus said 'at ah wor born between two great men – George Washington, who nivver told a lie, an' thi' dad, who nivver told owt else! But thanaws, ah've fun aat sin 'at Washington's birthday wor on t' sixteenth o' February, so 'appen 'e wor telling' a fib abaas that an' all!

'E 'ed a cousin called Jack – 'e mun o' been o't' same breed as mi dad, 'cos 'e wor just as daft. Ah 'e'd ter tak im ter't' 'ospital one day, fer one o' them theer barium meals, thanaws – ther gives yer a glass full o' white stuff – yer 'ev to sup it soa ther tak' a X-ray on yer innards. Well, Jack cum aat o' t' room 'e wor in, to weer ah wor waitin for 'im, wi' t' glass in 'is 'and 'e says ter me: " Ah can't sup it, Tom – thee sup it" .

Mi father ewsed ter be a pop man – thanaws, 'e med lemonade an stuff. When t'kids at schooil won t' cup for lakin' at cricket, ther took it daan ter t' pop-oil, an' 'e'd fill it wi' pop for 'em ter sup!

Me an' mi mates ewsed ter lake abaas i't' popoil, an' me father sed 'at one summer, he fun' 56 dozen empty bottles 'at we'd supped! Ah knew secret ways o' gerrin inter t' popoil, an' one neet three on us went in an' supped a bottle o' pop apiece, an' then went ter t' local shop an' asked for t' brass back on t' bottle. But, thanaws, 'e knew me, an' 'e knew me father, an' 'e telled me father, an' me father sent mi ter bed! 'E wor nooan ser pleased abaas that!

When ah wor a bit owder, ah wor at a party, thanaws, all silly kissing games an all that. For a forfeit, ah wer telled ter goa ter t' shop in t'village, wi' mi coyt inside aat, an' ask fer a bottle o' mi dad's pop. Ah wor fair flummoxed, ah can tell ther!

TRANSLATION - STORIES BY OLD WILLIAM

I HAVE MENTIONED my father previously. His sense of humour was unique, you will appreciate. One of his stories was regarding a person who lived in a big house near Wakefield, who gave people to understand that he was a prophet sent by the Lord. He became known as Prophet Wroe. I think that the locals were not taken in, however. One day, he visited a farmer, and said to him: " The Lord says that you must give me a cow"! The prompt reply said in no uncertain terms: "Ah, but I have seen Him more recently, and He instructed me otherwise"!

My father was born on the twentieth of February – the day before my own birthday. He always said that I was born between two great men, George Washington, who never told a lie, and my father, who never told anything else! But I found out subsequently that Washington's birthday was on the sixteenth of February, so perhaps he was lying about that as well!

He had a cousin called Jack, who must have had as absurd a sense of humour as my father. I took him to hospital one day for a barium meal. They give you a glass of white liquid to drink so that they can X-ray your abdomen. Well, Jack came out of his room, and told me that he was unable to drink it. And would I drink it for him!

My father was a soft drinks manufacturer. When the children at school won the cricket cup, they took it to him, and he filled it with lemonade for them to drink!

My friends and I used to play in the factory. My father discovered that in one summer holiday, we had consumed 56 dozen bottles of soft drinks! I knew secret ways of entering the factory, and one evening, three of us went in and drank a bottle each, and then went to the local shop and asked for the penny back on the bottle. But the shopkeeper told my father what had happened, and I was sent to bed. He was not pleased! When I was older, there was a party where they played kissing games. For a forfeit, I was sent to the shop with my jacket inside out, to ask for a bottle of pop! I was embarrassed, you may rest assured!

GARGRAVE C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

Sarah Peel (Head Teacher)

'Every Child Counts; Every Child Contributes'

Families with younger children: Prospective pupils and their families are most welcome to see the school at work, please ring Sharon (749433) to arrange a time. Parents of pupils due to start school next year need to complete a local authority application form and school admission form, copies available from the school office.

WHO DO WE THINK WE ARE? This is our current theme and past head teacher Mr Robinson talked to the older pupils about his recollections and memories from his time at the school for over 20 years. He designed our school logo and he also carved a stone version of it which is near the entrance to our school. The pupils asked some fantastic questions and found out that the boys and girls were kept separate and a 'strap' was used for misbehaviour. The boys had to use an 'outside' loo!!

Residential Year 6s: Our year 6s go to East Barnby for a week in early November. They will be sledging, walking, gorge walking, climbing and having an amazing week at the centre on the East coast. We are going with pupils from Thornton-in-Craven so that will allow them to make friends prior to transition to secondary school - stories from the pupils in next month's magazine.

Path: We now have a path that goes all around the school grounds. This allows the pupils the space to run and move on days when we don't want to go on the field. We shall be enhancing the space with an area for staging, orchard, willow sculpture.....more ideas welcome.

Dates for diaries for Christmas: There are several events run by school which we would welcome more members of the community at:

11.11.11 11am	Whole school to the village cenotaph for Remembrance Day
25.11.11	PTA Christmas Fayre, early evening in the school
9.12.11	2pm and 6pm "Christmas Recipe" whole school production, led by the younger ones, Gargrave Village Hall
19.12.11	Carol Service in St Andrew's Church. Evening.

GARGRAVE PRE SCHOOL

Gargrave Pre-School Staff and Committee)

THE NEW OUTDOOR safety play surface is now in place and we are still busy fundraising to pay for this. The playground is very colourful with a road and roundabout, parking bays and a hopscotch.

Our topic this term is "All About Me." We have been looking at photographs of when our children were babies, and photographs of them now. The Health Visitor has been to talk to the children and brought in her weighing scales; the children weighed and measured a doll. She also brought lots of fruit

and vegetables which we named and talked about eating to make us all strong and healthy.

From 11 November there will be a new free Stay and Play session each Friday from 9.15 to 10.45, run by Skipton Children's Centre. For more information phone NYCC Skipton Children's Centre on 01609 798094.

The Pre-School sessions are very busy and some are already full. We will be looking at opening an additional session in January, but it is very important that all children enrol at Pre-School as soon as possible as this will help to guarantee a place and allow us to plan ahead our future sessions. Please contact 01756 748377 for an enrolment form. You may also visit our website at www.gargravepreschool.co.uk.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

REMEMBERING

How do you remember things?

In bible times God's people sometimes built a large pile of stones as a monument to remember what God had done for them and held festivals and celebrations to give thanks to God.

Read Joshua 4:1-9 and Exodus 12:1-14

Today we too build monuments to remember special events and hold festivals of thanksgiving like Harvest and services of remembrance like Remembrance Sunday.

Is there anything special you would like to thank God for?

REMEMBRANCE

Cut out each letter stone and move around to spell the word **REMEMBRANCE** then see how many other words you can make...

...here's one to start you off:

R A N

Nov 11

Which man won?

Little Charlotte was at her first wedding and was enthralled by the entire ceremony. When it was over, she asked her mother, "Why did the lady change her mind?"

Her mother asked, "What do you mean?"

"Well, she went down the aisle with one man, and came back with another one."

Puns...

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INFORMATION

Rotas for St Andrew's Church

Readings for worship

6 Nov	3 rd Sun before Advent: Wisdom 6:12-16; 1 Thess. 4:13-end; Matt. 25:1-13
13 Nov	2 nd Sun before Advent: Remembrance Sunday. Zeph.1:7,12-end; 1 Thess.5:1- 11; Matt.25:14-30
20 Nov	Christ the King: The Sunday next before Advent. Ezek.34:11-16,20-24; Eph.1:15-end; Matt.25:31-end
27 Nov	1 st Sun of Advent Isa .64:1-9; 1 Cor.1:3-9; Mark 13:24-end
4 Dec	2 nd Sun of Advent Isa. 40:1-11; 2 Pet.3:8-15a; Mark 1:1-8



"When she said to pay attention to her sermon because there would be questions later, I thought it was a joke."

Sidesmen		8am	10am
06-Nov	Marion Scarborough	Stanley Preston	Tim Warner
13-Nov	Kay Craven	Sarah Curtis	John Bailey
20-Nov	Janet Sturgess	Joyce Brotherton	Isobel Lacey
27-Nov	Colin Chapman	Eileen Holden	Jean Coldwell
04-Dec	Marion Scarborough	Sarah Curtis	Tim Warner
Readings		Offertory procession	
06-Nov	John Bailey	Eileen Holden	Jean Coldwell
13-Nov	Hugh Turner		
20-Nov	Pauline Barnes	Norma Brothers	Judith Douglas
27-Nov	Ruth Abbott		
04-Dec	Valerie Geddes	Joyce Brotherton	Isobel Lacey
Church cleaning		<i>If you can't carry out any of these duties, please arrange a swap.</i>	
24 Oct to 4 Nov	Joyce Brotherton and Sarah Curtis		
7 to 18 Nov	Judith Douglas, Nancy Harrison & Susan Lupton		
21 Nov to 2 Dec	Jean Banks and Carole Ballard		

Public transport

Trains from Gargrave to:

Leeds

Mon - Fri	0747	0814	1204	1349	1452	1730	1814	2029	2131
Saturday	0746	0928	1204	1345	1452	1744	1814	2029	2131 ¹
Sunday			1121	1352	1547	1557	1909		2124

Morecambe

Mon - Fri	0545 ²	0905	1105		1439	1730			
Saturday	0645 ²	0905	1105		1439	1730			
Sunday		0931	1135		1541		1805		

Carlisle

Mon- Fri	0545 ²	0932	1105 ³	1331	1439 ²	1730 ²	1846		
Saturday	0645 ³	0932	1105 ³	1331	1439 ²		1840		
Sunday		0953	1135 ²	1400	1541 ²		1805 ³		

Buses from Gargrave to:

Skipton

Mon - Fri	0706	0756	0820	0841	0956	then every hr until	1756		
Saturday	0956	1110	1156	1356	1445	1556	1705	1756	
Sunday				1208		1508		1653	1813

Settle

Mon - Fri		0740	0859	then every hour until	1659	1804	2129		
Saturday		0740 ⁴	0859	then every 2 hrs until	1659				
Sunday									

Malham

Mon- Fri	0725		1000 ⁵		1300 ⁵		1610		
Saturday			1015		1230	1400	1615		
Sunday				1102 ⁶	1242 ⁶		1242 ⁶		

Notes

1. Change at Skipton
2. Change at Lancaster
3. Change at Hellifield
4. Saturdays during term time only
5. Monday, Wednesday & Friday only
6. 20th November only

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Please phone a day in advance – 01756 795666 – to book your place and pick up location.

Refuse and recycling collection days

Collections	Gargrave – Mon & Tue	Coniston Cold – Mon
31 Oct/1 Nov	Blue bin, blue bag & brown bin (1 st)	Blue bag
7/8 Nov	Green bin	Green bin & brown bin
14/15 Nov	Blue bag & brown bin (15 th)	Blue bin & blue bag
21/22 Nov	Green bin	Green bin & brown bin
28/29 Nov	Blue bin, blue bag & brown bin (29 th)	Blue bag

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Mon 4-7pm; Wed & Fri 2-5pm; Sat 10am-1pm

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	School Closes	School Opens
Christmas	Tuesday 20 December 2011	Monday 9 January 2012
Half term (Spring)	Friday 10 February 2012	Monday 20 February 2012
Easter	Thursday 29 March 2012	Monday 16 April 2012
May Day	Friday 4 May 2012	Tuesday 8 May 2012
Half term (Summer)	Thursday 31 May 2012	Monday 11 June 2012
Summer	Friday 20 July 2012	

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Organisations

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Caterpillar Club (0+) – St Andrew's, Wed 10-11.30am, Claire Cadman-Bond 748527
Rainbows (5+) – School Hall, Tues 5.15-6.30pm, Debbie Gomersall 01729 830589
Brownies (7+) – School Hall, Tues 6.15-7.45pm, Rose Turner 01729 825886
Young Farmers Club - Coniston Cold, Tues 7.30pm, Janet Bolland 01729 830505

Over 60s – Village Hall Annex, Wed 1.30-3.30pm, Veronica Fletcher 749347
Phoenix Group (over 65s) – The Anchor Inn, alternate Thurs 9am-1pm,
 Jean McHale 01729 850329, 07775 880557
Meals on Wheels – Mon & Wed, Brenda Longbottom 749883

Bowling – **Gargrave Bowling Club**, Marton Road, Ruth Abbott, 748483
Bowling – **Indoor Bowls**, Village Hall, Tues & Thurs 2pm, Doreen Lambert 749495
Cricket – **Gargrave Cricket Club** (over 13s) Tony Cockshott, 07788 100199
Croquet – Craven Lawn Tennis Club, Gargrave, Tues 2-6pm, Roy Berry 748065
Cycling – **Gargrave Tuesday Club**, Dalesman Café, Tues 9.30 for 10am start,
 Thurs 10 for 10.30am start, Trevor Pickles 01282 844788
Football – **Gargrave AFC** (over 16s), Tues eve training, Sat games
 www.gargraveafc.co.uk, Caroline Thompson 749235
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Tennis – **Craven Lawn Tennis Club**, Beth Whitley 749664, www.craventennis.org.uk
Tai Chi – Village Hall Annex, Thur 7.30-8.30pm, Ian Cresswell 748540
Walking – **GAP Group**, start outside V Hall, 2nd Sun of mth 10am Olive Coates 748379
Yoga - Village Hall Annex, Wednesdays 9.30-11.30 am, Polly Leach 748118
Zumba - V. Hall (16+) Tues 5.45-6.45pm & Thurs 5-5pm, Julia Priestley 07769 692471

Modern sequence dance – Village Hall, Mon 7.45-10pm & a monthly Saturday
 (see diary, p.2), John Stephenson 01535 632935
Chance 2 dance – Village Hall Annex, Tap (3-18, adult) Tues 4.15-7.30pm
 Ballet (3-18) Sat 9am-2.30pm, Theatre-craft Thur 5-6pm
 Jaki Prescott 0758 2086345 chance2dance@hotmail.co.uk
Thomson's Dance Centre – (3+, teens & adults) School Hall, Wed 5.30pm,
 Sat am, Kathy Thomson 748003, 07912 441913

Bell ringing – St Andrew's, Mon 7.30pm Sun 9.30am David Cockshott 07772 179561
Bingo – Village Hall Annex, 4th Wed of month 7.30pm, Joan Philip 749468
Dog training – Village Hall, Wed 5-10pm, Helen & Brian Coates 751816
Fuschia & Geranium Club - V.Hall, 1st Wed of month 7.30pm, Paula Jackson 752175
Knit and Natter - St Andrew's, Tues 2pm, Norma Brothers 748392
Mothers Union – Ethne Bannister, 749551
Parish Council Meeting – Village Hall side room, 1st Mon of mth, or 2nd on bank hols
Snooker Club – Village Hall Snooker Annex, every day, Stewart Smith 749340
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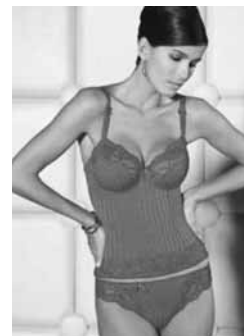
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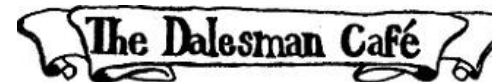
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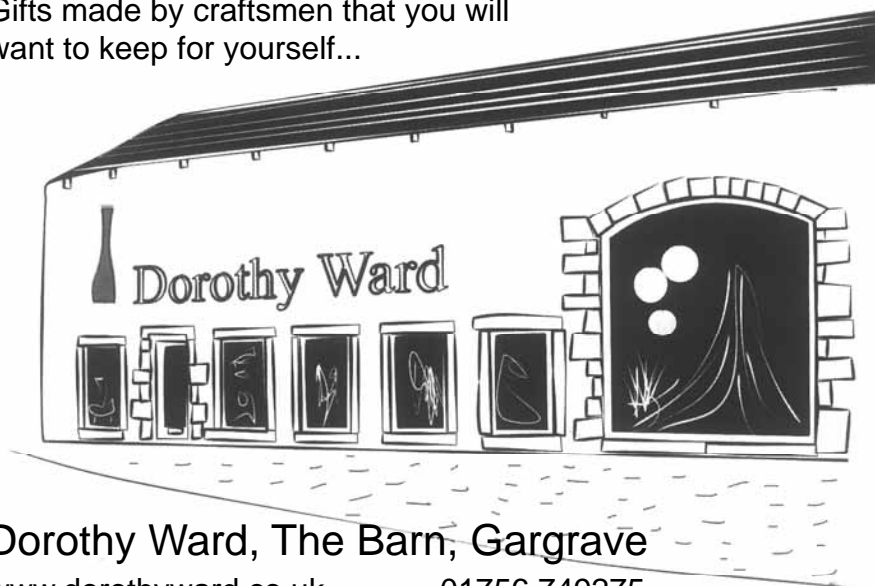
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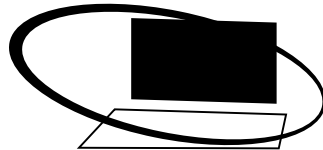
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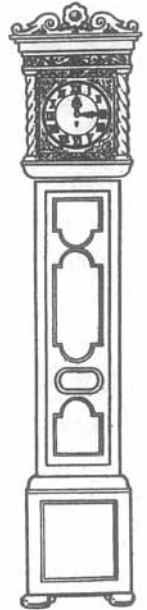
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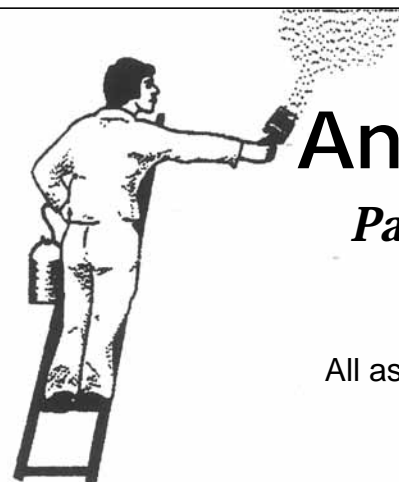
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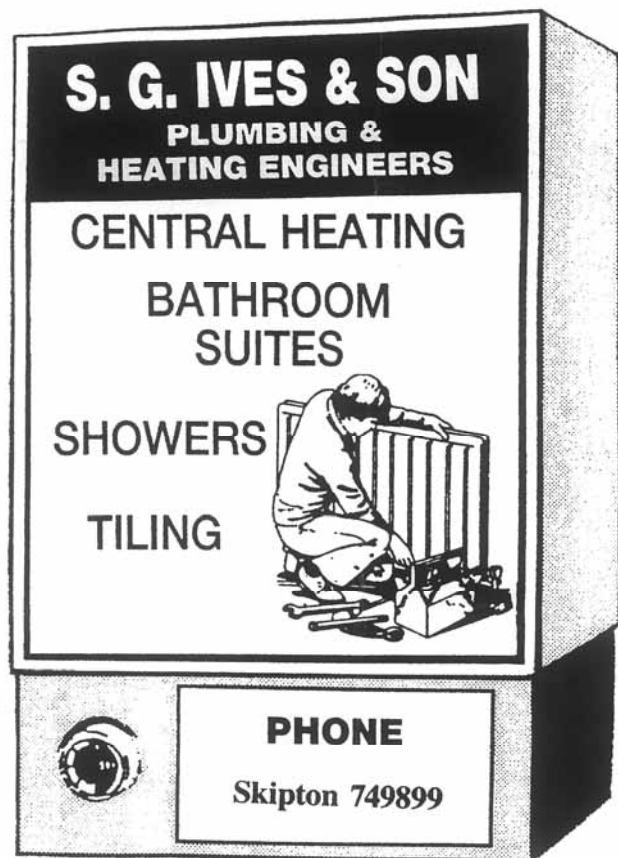
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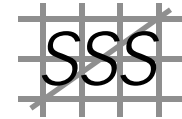


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