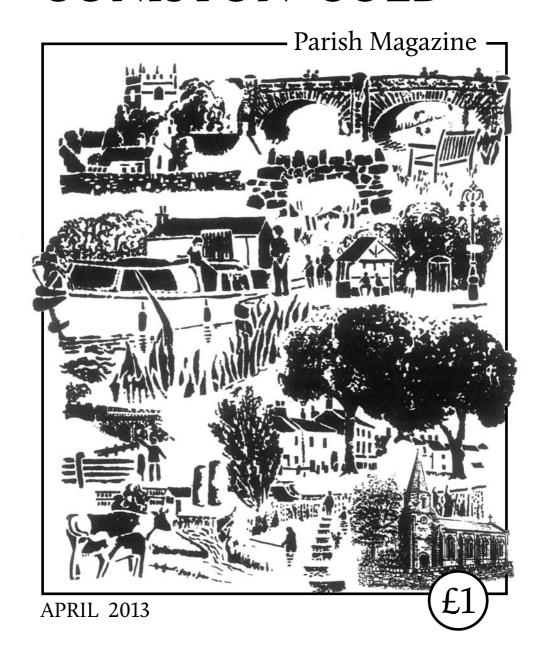
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Caterpillar Club (0+) - St Andrew's, Wed 10-11.30am, Gemma Tetley 07835 739899

**Rainbows** (5+) – Debbie Gomersall 01729 830589

**Brownies** (7+) - Rose Turner 01729 825886

Young Farmers Club - Coniston Cold, Tues 7.30pm, Janet Bolland 01729 830505

Wednesday Club (over 60s) – Village Hall Annex, Wed 1.30-3.30pm, Veronica 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** – **outdoor** Gargrave Bowling Club, Michael Cox (748285)

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

Golf - Mason's Arms Golf Society, www.masonsarmsgolfsociety.com, 749304

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, 1st Sun of month, 10am, Olive Coates 748379

Walking for Health – 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month, 10am, Jean Maxwell 748851

Yoga - Village Hall Annex, Wednesdays 9.30-11.30am, Sally Thomas 748098

Zumba - V. Hall (16+) Tues 5.45-6.45pm & Thurs 5-6pm, 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 Davina Cockshott 07772 179561

Bingo – Village Hall Annex, 4<sup>th</sup> Wed of month 7.30pm, Joan Philip 749468

**Dog training –** Village Hall, Wed 5-10pm, Helen & Brian Coates 751816

Fuchsia & 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

Pantomime - Steve Rawson 748434

Parish Council Meeting – Village Hall side room, 1<sup>st</sup> Mon of mth, or 2<sup>nd</sup> on bank hols

Snooker Club - Village Hall Snooker Annex, every day, Stewart Smith 749340

Stan Drew's Community Choir - Ruth Abbott, 748483

WI – Village Hall Annex, 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed of month 7.30pm, Moyra Sonley 749634

Masons Arms – Quiz Sundays 9pm, Acoustic live music 1st Friday of the month

#### JERRY'S JOTTINGS

Jerry Ford

#### Hard words

At our homegroup recently, we were looking at a Bible passage from the Book of Joshua concerning the destruction of Jericho. We can probably all remember the story where the people of Israel march around the city once each day for six days, and on the seventh day march around it seven times. Then, the seven priests with seven trumpets blast on their horns, everyone shouts, and the walls come tumbling down. Amazing!!

However, what follows is rather concerning. In obedience to God's instructions.

"when the men gave a loud shout, the wall collapsed; so everyone charged straight in, and they took the city. They devoted the city to the LORD and destroyed with the sword every living thing in it—men and women, young and old, cattle, sheep and donkeys."

Joshua 6:20,21

Again, in obedience to their instructions, Rahab – who had harboured the spies – and her family were brought out to safety, but

"they burned the whole city and everything in it, but they put the silver and gold and the articles of bronze and iron into the treasury of the LORD's house."

Joshua 6:24

I find it very difficult, in our culture and society, to feel comfortable with that. Is it a case of 'horses for courses', and that was just the way things happened in the 15<sup>th</sup> century BC (or at least portrayed as such when written at a later date)? Or am I failing to grasp the necessity of the drastic actions that God saw were required to enable Israel to make a clean start as a nation dedicated to Him?

Either way, it is hard to square our understanding of God, focused through our experience of Jesus, as a God of love, reconciliation and forgiveness, with what reads as a jealous, vengeful, genocidal God.

There are thoughts that we can develop positively from the Biblical account; for example, the source material for our homegroup went on to suggest that, like the Israelites at Jericho, we need to follow through on what we understand God to be asking us to do. But where such hard words seem to conflict with compassion, without casting aside the principles that are contained in Scripture, perhaps we also need to re-interpret them.

There are arguments about this within and across cultures and denominations, and no single position will (this side of Armageddon at least!) ever satisfy everybody. But when we hear hard words, let us at least give them some thought, some 'airtime', and most of all some prayer time.

Jerry

#### DIARY FOR APRIL

See back inside cover for regular weekly events and meetings

#### Gargrave

Sun 5 May	Communion 8a.m: Sung Eucharist 10.30 a.m, Church
Sun 28	Communion 8a.m; Morning Prayer 10.30 a.m, Church Flea Market, 10am-4pm, Village Hall
Sat 27	Modern Sequence Dance, 7pm, Village Hall
Fri 26	Ceilidh with Sean Gilligan, 7.30pm, Village Hall
Wed 24	Bingo, 7.30pm, Village Hall Annex
Tues 23	Communion 9am, Church
Sun 21	Communion 8am; Sung Eucharist, 10.30am, Church
Ja: 20	Library Film Event: "Ice Age 4", 2pm, Village Hall
Sat 20	Coffee Morning for Oxfam 10am-noon, Village Hall
Fri 19	Carers Resource Art Session, 1pm, Village Hall Committee Room 1
Tue 16	Communion 9am
MOU T2	Art Workshop from 10am, Annex. Contact Sue on 228330  Housing development committee meeting 8pm, Village Hall
Mon 15	Flea Market, 10am-4pm, Village Hall  Art Workshop from 10am, Appex Contact Sup on 228330
	Annual Parish Church Meeting around 11.15am, Church
Sun 14	Communion 8am, Short Service 10.30am, followed by
Sat 13	Coffee Morning, 10am to Noon, Village Hall
Fri 12	Dance with Elizabeth Harrison, 8pm, Village Hall.
Wed 10	WI Meeting 7.30pm, Village Hall Annex
	Craft Night, 8-10pm, The Swan Inn
Tue 9	Communion 9am, Church
Mon 8	Parish Council Meeting 7.15pm, Village Hall Committee Room 1
Sun 7	Communion 8am; Sung Eucharist, 10.30am, Church
Sat 6	Coffee Morning, 10am to Noon, Village Hall
Fri 5	Carers Resource Art Session, 1pm, Committee Room 1
Wed 3	Fuchsia and Geranium Meeting, 7pm, Annex
	Easter Bingo, 7pm, Neville House, £1 admission
Tues 2	Communion 9am, Church
Mon 1 Apr	Flea Market, 10am to 4pm, Village Hall
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The church services may be subject to change.

#### Coniston Cold

Wed 3	PCC AGM 7pm, St Peter's
Sun 7	Evensong 4pm, St Peter's
Sun 14	Service of the Word, 10.30am, St Andrew's - Gargrave
Sun 21	Holy Communion & Baptism 11am, St Peter's
Sun 28	Evensong 4pm, St Peter's
Sun 5 May	Evensong 4pm, St Peter's

#### FORTHCOMING EVENTS

#### Skipton Oxfam Group Coffee Morning

Wendy & Mike Robinson

We will be holding a Coffee Morning in the Village Hall on **Saturday 20th April** 10am-12noon. There will be a selection of cakes on sale and a book stall. Everyone welcome.

There will also be a chance to find out more about the work of Oxfam, at home and abroad, and about our newly formed local group of volunteers. We are on the look out for new members to help organise further activities in the locality and offer new ideas and /or skills. Meetings usually involve a trip to "The Narrow Boat" pub in Skipton which is quite a good incentive!

If anyone has any book donations, possible raffle prizes, or could offer help on the day or contribute some cakes please contact me on 01756 748 325.

# **Are You Thinking of Moving?**

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#### Future Events at the Village Hall

Sally Thomas

Film Ice Age 4 - This will take place from 2pm on Saturday 20 April and will raise funds for the library.

Ceilidh. Gargrave Village Hall Committee is delighted to welcome back an old favourite to the Village Hall, Sean Gilligan and his band on Friday 26 April. The Ceilidh will commence at 7.30pm and there will be a pie and pea supper, raffle and a fully licensed bar. Tickets are priced at £10 per adult and £5 per accompanied child. Tickets may be purchased from the newsagents and by contacting Frank 749609 or Caroline 749235.

NSPCC Concert. This is taking place from 7.30pm on Saturday 18 May and the entertainment will be provided by the Skipton Musical Theatre Company (formerly known as the Skipton Operatic Society).

The First Gargrave Autoharp Festival. This event is being funded by the Arts Council and commences on Friday 31 May until Sunday 2 June. The weekend has attracted interest from Scotland, the Isle of Man and Southern England so Gargrave is well and truly on the map as far as the Autoharp Society members are concerned. The main part of the festival will take place in the Village Hall on Saturday 1 June with tuition and classes during the day and a concert in the evening. Further details on page 11.

Gargrave Art Show. This takes place between Thursday 11 and Sunday 14 July.

Fuchsia and Geranium Show. This annual event will take place on Sunday 11 August.

Jumble Sale. This will be held on Saturday 21 September between 10am and 1pm. All proceeds will go towards the running of the Hall. Any donations for this event can be left at the Village Hall on Saturdays when there is a coffee morning taking place.

Arts and Crafts Weekend. This will take place between Thursday 17 and Sunday 20 October.

Dance. The 'Swing Commanders' will be back on Friday 8 November.

Missionary Sale Of Work. This will take place between 10am and Noon on Saturday 23 November.

Hobbies and Crafts Weekend. This will take place on Saturday **30 November and Sunday 1 December**. The Hall will be full of stalls selling a variety of crafts. Many of the stallholders will be demonstrating how their finished products are made. There will also be a display of local memorabilia. Entry is free and refreshments will be available. Please contact Caroline for any further details on 749235.



Mothers (Note: Gargrave & Coniston Cold

Ethne Bannister

Monday, 8 April - Lady Day Service - Holy Trinity Church, Skipton - 2pm



#### Pendle Forest and Craven Hunt

Tom Bannister

Saturday, 6 April, 12 noon onwards

End of Season Grand National Lunch at The Thack, Bell Busk By kind permission of Tom Bannister. £25.00 per person Contact, Tom Bannister 01756 748080 or Charlotte Walker 07958083587

Saturday, 27 April

Hunt Ball at The Stirk House Hotel, Gisburn, Clitheroe Room reservations - 01200 445581 Champagne Reception 7.00pm with 3-course dinner 7.45pm Tickets £65 (Under 25's £50) Contact. John Mortin 07796087316

#### Saturday 4 May

Pendle Forest and Craven Hunt Point-to-Point (Skipton Races)

Heslaker Farm, Heslaker Lane, Carleton, Skipton BD23 3AB Gates Open 11.00am, First Race 2pm Entry price £10 per person. Contact. Tom Bannister 01756 748080

#### Summer term tennis coaching sessions

Beth Whitley

Craven Lawn Tennis Club, based in Gargrave, will be running tennis coaching sessions again during the Summer Term on both Monday evenings and Saturday mornings.

The Monday evening sessions begin on 15th April. For those aged under 11 years there will be sessions from 4-5pm at a cost of £4 per session and for those aged over 11 years there will be sessions from 5-7pm at a cost of £6 per session.

The Saturday morning sessions begin on 20th April with three groups. 10am for those aged 10-13 years, 11am for those aged 14 years + and at Noon for those aged under 10. The cost of each session is £4 and £32 for the block of 8 weeks.

Bookings can be made for any of the sessions with Beth Whitley on 01756 749664 or by emailing secretary@craventennis.org.uk.

We look forward to seeing both familiar and new faces in 2013.

#### Gargrave Bowling Club

Ruth Abbott

The Bowling Club will be opening on Easter **Saturday, 30 March** for the season. As tradition goes, the President, Mr John Hall, will bowl the first ball at 2pm after which there will be general play.

We are always pleased to welcome new members; if you would like to come and "have a go" early in the season, please do so before you join. It is a wonderful way of getting gentle exercise in the fresh air in beautiful surroundings, and trying to beat that wretched crown in the middle of the green (don't expect to conquer for a few years!!) but it provides a lot of fun and frustration. Contact Michael Cox (748285) or just turn up.

#### **NEWS**

#### Magazine advertising

Bea Faulkner

The 2013/14 annual advertising directory begins this month. First come the small ads, the places to eat, shop and have parties, then the care, fitness and therapies, vets & pets, and schools, followed by trades people and then services. We have some new types of advertisers this time too:— accountants, machine embroidery, and a photographer. Look out for the signposting footnotes at the bottom of the advertisement pages, and check out the index of advertisers on A1.

Thank you to everyone who has renewed their adverts for the coming year, to the new advertisers, and to those who have advertised with us previously.

Further advertisers are welcome – there's a page and a half still available at the reduced price annual advertising rate – see page 21 for prices and more information.

#### Walking for health

lean Maxwell

AT LONG LAST the walking for Health Group set off over the fields on the first Thursday in March. This is the route we have been planning since the walks began last year and we all really enjoyed the challenge of walking up Moorber Lane and over the fields to Bank Newton. It wasn't a brilliant day (especially after the glorious sunshine earlier in the week) but at least we were dry and felt we deserved our refreshments at the Dalesman.

The April Walks will take place on the first and third Thursdays. On April 4th we will be taking the bus into Skipton as Helen and Jeff are leading another walk around Skipton Woods and on April 18 we will be catching the bus in the other direction to walk in Hellifield. Please meet at the Summerseat in time to catch the bus just before 10.00 am.

The walks are part of the national Scheme coordinated by the Ramblers and McMillan Care to provide safe, easy walks lasting for just over and hour. Everyone is very welcome to join us and we look forward to meeting you soon.

For further information please contact Jean Maxwell on 01756 748851.

#### Thanks from Marie

Marie Chapman

I WAS MOST GRATEFUL to receive the lovely knitted hats for the Christmas shoe-boxes from the knit and natter ladies. I am collecting cuddly toys and dolls to dress and cars if anyone has any to give for the poorest children in the world. This charity is run by Samaritans Purse. Thank you to all that can help.

#### CRAFT NIGHT

Starting on Tuesday 9th April at The Swan in Gargrave from 8pm until 10pm. Every second Tuesday of the month thereafter.

Come along for a knit and a natter (or bring any craft you like from quilting through to crochet).

Contact Georgina via <a href="mailto:dittyknitty@gmail.com">dittyknitty@gmail.com</a> for more information or just turn up!

#### Knit and natter

Norma Brothers

Knit and Natter is resuming on Tuesday 9 April, 2pm in St Andrew's Church. All welcome – contact Norma on 748392.

#### An Update from your Library

Dave Smith



#### Children's reading

#### We stock:

- Children's fiction, non-fiction and reference books
- Picture books and board books
- Teenage fiction
- Audiobooks and story tapes

We are pleased to participate in the **Bookstart Bear Club**, a national scheme for children from birth to when
they start school, which encourages a love of books
The annual **Summer Reading Challenge** is a fun way for
primary school children to maintain their reading over
the summer holiday period.

#### Adult reading

#### We stock:

- Adult fiction and non-fiction books, including large print editions
- Reference books, maps and directories
- Audiobooks

If we don't have what you want, we can request it for you from another library - just ask a volunteer.

#### Computers

Two computers are available for borrowers to use. You can access a range of reference sources via the NYCC website, including:

- Ancestry.com (to find out about family history)
- Encyclopedia Britannica (junior, student, or full)
- Grove Art Online
- Newstand—over 90 regional and national papers
- Oxford Dictionary of National Biography
- Oxford English Dictionary Online
- Oxford Reference Online Premium
- Who's Who and Who was Who

We now have a **photocopier** too (colour and black & white)

#### DVDs

We stock a range of DVDs for all age groups, and can request many more from other libraries.

Can't get to the library? Please ask about our Home Library Service for the elderly, disabled or infirm.

Contact us . . . If you are interested in joining our team of volunteers, we would be delighted to hear from you! Please telephone (during opening hours) 01756 748982

or e-mail gargrave.library@btinternet.com

We are always pleased to receive feedback so if you have any comments about the library please contact us.

#### Skipton Food Bank

Jerry Ford

Last Christmas, a group within Skipton Baptist Church put together a number of seasonal hampers for those in the community for whom Christmas would be an especially difficult time. The hampers were a great success, and the group have done the same for Easter.

As times become increasingly difficult, it is clear that there is an ever-growing number of people who need support to provide food for themselves and their families. However, Skipton Baptist Church has become aware that there is currently no provision for such support in Skipton. And so the idea of the Food Bank has developed so that emergency food aid can be offered throughout the year.

It is hoped that this way of reaching out will link in with, and support, the work of the CAP centre which offers debt counselling, and may offer more long term support for those experiencing financial difficulties.

Referrals are made to the Food Bank by many agencies, and all applications are 'screened' to avoid any abuse. Hampers will provide food for a family for 3 or 4 days.

St Andrew's Church would like to support this initiative, and Hugh & Janet Turner have suggested a 'dustbin' at their house (Kirk Syke, on the High Street, next to the Co-op) as a collection point for donations of food. Suitable tins, jars or cartons – no fresh food, please - would be:

Soup	Beans	Vegetables	Meat	Fish
Pasta sauce	Fruit	Custard	Rice Pudding	Jam
Sugar	Pasta	Rice	UHT Milk	Coffee
Tea bags	Soap	Toothpaste	Shampoo	Shower gel

If you would like more information, please contact Skipton Baptist Church on 01756 701099.

#### World Challenge - Fundraising Quiz

Ela and Hattie Lindley (9 Old Hall Croft)

We are both taking part in the World Challenge (www.world-challenge.co.uk).

Those pupils taking part at our school (Settle College) have been allocated "Project Sri-Lanka". This is focused around local schools in the central Hill Country or south coast. We will visit schools in these rural areas and participate in a variety of projects. We could be involved with developing the library and learning resources available to students, installing new playground equipment, planting a vegetable garden or installing water tanks. Previous projects were classroom renovation and painting dormitories at a school for deaf and blind children.

To complete this challenge, we must raise £3,295 each. By completing a portfolio of our expedition and fund-raising we can earn 70 UCAS points for our University application. The money raised contributes to funding the project.

We have prepared a Yorkshire Quiz, prized £1, which can be purchased from / returned to Anchor Inn, Dalesman Café, Gargrave News, Gargrave Pharmacy, Oh So Pretty, Poppyfields Florist, Twin Locks Garden Centre.

The closing date for entries is 31 May. We will publish the answers in the July magazine and also do an update on how our fundraising is going.

We hope you will support us by buying our quiz and that you enjoy completing it.

#### Gardens and musicians wanted

Duncan Faulkner

Gargrave Open Gardens is on Saturday 29 June this year...assuming the snow has melted by then! We would welcome offers of gardens for opening at this annual community event.

This year we are planning a new theme, gardens and music around Gargrave. We have signed up several musicians who will be busking either in gardens, at the Village Hall or at other locations round the village. We would love to hear from any more musicians who are willing to offer their talents, even just for a half hour slot during the day (between 11am and 5pm).

News

Marguerite Mason

WELL! We always anticipate some bad weather in the early part of the year but the day of our February meeting was a shocker- snow most of the day followed by rain in the evening. Hardly surprising the roads were treacherous. Our brave speaker Michael Copping who lives locally, was willing to come, but we didn't expect so many members to turn out. Those who did make it were in for a most interesting talk about Skipton castle which many of us had visited several times. Indeed it is a remarkable place! Although 'slighted' after the Civil War by Cromwell and his party, that is made unfit for military use, the formidable owner, Lady Anne Clifford, eventually obtained permission to restore the roof and repair damage so, although it was never fit to be used again for war, it has stayed secure and does give us a fair idea of what a mediaeval castle was like. Many of the visitors today are parties of school children who Mr. Copping shows round as part of his duties as one of the official guides. To judge from my own experience, young people are fascinated to see the kitchens and dungeons, let alone the loos, the slits for firing arrows and the great hall where everyone ate. It is well worth considering a visit sometime and of course the entrance fee helps maintain the place, now owned by Mr Fattorini

Among the romantic stories we were told about the Shepherd Lord. The owners of the castle and Lords of Craven at the time of the Wars of the Roses in the fifteenth century were the Cliffords, who supported the Lancastrian claim to the throne. After the battle of Towton in 1461 the Yorkist kings ruled until 1485. During this period the Clifford children were forced to hide. The heir was eventually found working as a farmer raising sheep in the Lake District. Restored to his inheritance he must have had a struggle to manage his new situation; indeed he is said to have kept his Cumbrian accent all his life. He made sure his

son was suitably educated. Henry VIII was at school with him and became a lifelong friend. As a courtier this Clifford put on a remarkable display of clothes and fancy armour which cost a fortune. He eventually married one of the King's sisters, but their daughter and only child, who would have inherited the throne after the death of Elizabeth I, died young.

Lady Anne was a descendant, the youngest and only surviving child when her father died. She was forced to leave Skipton at the age of seven because her uncle inherited the property under her father's will. Nothing daunted she went to law, fighting first her uncle and then her cousin, and finally inherited after fifty years. After that she had her tussle with Cromwell and put the castle in order, eventually dying at the age of eighty-six.

Our logo says the WI is attempting to inspire women to achieve as much as they can. Lady Anne might be a suitable role model, especially considering that women were widely regarded as inferior at the time she lived. Not many people in any age could hold a candle to such a determined lady! In less remarkable situations we do try to give our members opportunities to find their interests and develop their talents. If you would like to join us you can be sure of a warm welcome.

#### Pantomime thanks

GARGRAVE 15 YEAR OLD GIRL Harriet Ball is to be congratulated on both writing and performing in the leading role of Cinderella which was performed in the Village Hall in February.

From the oldest to the youngest every one acted in a near professional way which in turn made the pantomime a



Marie Chapman



most happy and joyous occasion well worthy of a visit. The ambience of the Village Hall lent to a perfect venue.

Thank you to everyone. You were wonderful and so worthy of praise. We look forward to next year.

PS. From the pantomime

committee: Congratulations also to Harriet and friends for their successful funding bid from the Craven Dragon's Den which will be used to buy a sound system for the Village Hall.

#### AUTOHARPS AND THE COMING FESTIVAL

Patrick O'Sullivan



THE GARGRAVE AUTOHARP FESTIVAL comes together as an alliance between UK Autoharps, a small national organisation, and Gargrave Village Hall, a vital community resource. We have just

heard that we have secured Arts Council funding for our festival. This is the first ever autoharp event in the North of England – it is our equivalent, perhaps, of the USA's Mount Laurel. But in Gargrave I want us to discover the English Autoharp.

On the Saturday, June 1, there will be a day of autoharp demonstrations and classes – inexperienced would-be musicians welcome. On the Saturday evening there will be a – heavily subsidised – family-friendly Grand Concert. On the Sunday there will an Autoharp Service in Gargrave's lovely church. And throughout the weekend we will fill the village with formal and informal music sessions. We can hope for good weather...

The autoharp is one of those nineteenth century 'parlour instruments', developed when our ancestors wanted to make music at home – when they began to have a little more leisure, and have parlours. We can think of the mass produced piano or the violin as 'parlour instruments', or the reed instruments, like the concertina and the accordion. Very often a parlour instrument would have some special feature to help the amateur musician. On the autoharp the special feature actually works. The autoharp is a shallow box with stretched strings, like a zither. The autoharp has a series of chord bars. You press a button, the chord bar comes down – and it silences the strings that you do NOT want. You play a chord. Then you play another chord. And you are making music.

A fun thing nowadays is go to Google Patents, and chart the attempts to change and improve the autoharp over the century. The autoharp travelled to the United States – where the Oscar Schmidt company became the main seller and developer. At one point Oscar Schmidt had a contract to supply US schools – you can see that the autoharp will work, in small schools, to support children singing. American schools keep finding autoharps in the backs of cupboards – they put them on Ebay.

In the USA the availability of the autoharp meant that it became a kind of folk instrument, particularly associated with Appalachian country music and with bluegrass. The Carter Family used an autoharp in their line up – you can now see the original performances on Youtube. Mother Maybelle Carter is usually credited with the decision to pick the autoharp up, from the lap or the table, and hug it, like a baby. I think she did that to get the instrument near the microphone. But it is certainly an easier and more fun playing position.

The redesign of the autoharp continues – it is a great instrument for people who like to tinker. There are now different flavours – autoharps that are stronger in specific keys, for example. I usually sing in the key of G, so I have an autoharp that helps me there. There are beautiful, hand crafted 'luthier' instruments – Alec

Anness is the main English luthier autoharp maker. For the moment I make do with what I find on Ebay – but one day, perhaps.

A really strange thing about the autoharp is that the best players who have ever lived are alive now. And you will see and hear one of them – Mike Fenton - in Gargrave, in June. It is only in recent decades that really skilled musicians have taken up the autoharp, understood it, and redesigned it to meet their needs. In the USA you will find the Mount Laurel Autoharp Gathering, and the MLAG Autoharp Hall of Fame. Mike Fenton is the English member of that Hall of Fame. Also watch out for Nadine White, our expert on the autoharp alongside other folk instruments. And the Kilcawley Family – brother and sister duo, Damon and Louiza. Louiza is on our poster (look out for it in the village hall and around the village).



#### GARGRAVE C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

Sarah Peel (Head Teacher)

"Every child counts, every child contributes"

IT'S BEEN A BUSY, short half term and the pupils have certainly appreciated and enjoyed the practical approach to the teaching. We have also had periods of calm and reflection as we think about peace and what that means to us. We were delighted that Dr David Hope (previous Bishop of York) was able to lead worship and remind us that we are all unique and have something special to offer. His final words of "anything is possible with the help of God".

**Mid-day Supervisor Vacancy:** We have a vacancy for a mid-day supervisor, one hour a week, to assist with lunch and playtime afterwards. Please contact school if you would be interested or if you know of anyone else who may be interested.

**STAR centre:** Our Oak class visited the centre in Keighley and found out about space. The pupils were all space cadets and explored controlling moon buggies, wearing an astronauts uniform, working on a mission to name and organise the planets. The commanding officer led them on this mission and they all thoroughly enjoyed the experience. Well worth a visit.

**Linton Falls:** Willow class visited the hydro-electric power station through a project led by Bentleys. They learned about the need for renewable energy. They saw how the screw turned to generate the power, although on the day we visited the output was only 8%. The pupils learned that this was because of the lack of rainfall, although we were grateful for this on the day we visited. We discovered that in the past there had been two generators to power the large mill that had been there many years ago.

**Kings and Queens Day:** In school we held a Kings and Queens day where we dressed up and worked in mixed age groups for the whole day. We discovered about clay pots, made castles and danced to udor music. Some even improved their juggling skills.

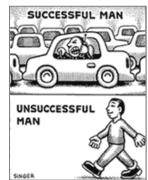
#### **GOING GREEN IN GARGRAVE**

Duncan Faulkner

FREEDOM. Can you think of any word more often associated with the car? For at least three generations now, car ownership has been a near-universal aspiration in this country. With a car comes the freedom to go where we want, when we want. Most of the 80-90% of households in Craven who have a car<sup>(1)</sup> would probably find it very hard to imagine coping without one.

With help from the advertising industry, car ownership is associated with *success*. Once they have their first set of wheels, some people never darken the doors of a bus or train again, and are rarely seen on foot either

In contrast, I was interested to read recently<sup>(2)</sup> about the concept of "peak car use". In the last eight years the USA, most of Europe and Australia has started to see reductions in car usage which look set to continue. Apparently the trend is more prominent with younger people due to cultural shifts that have made the car less compatible with modern day lifestyles:



"...young people are finding freedom and flexibility through their smart phones and computers, and that these are less useful in cars than [on public transport] and even easier in the local coffee shop." (2)

A global survey of teen attitudes has found that young people "increasingly view cars as appliances not aspirations, and say that social media give them the access to their world that would once have been associated with cars".  $^{(3)}$ 

However, I doubt if the coffee shops of Gargrave are in the forefront of this revolution. "In most rich countries car use has been stable or increasing in rural areas, where driving still offers freedom and convenience." (3)

The freedom, convenience and sense of success offered by our cars are thanks to one physical cause: *power*. The engine of our VW Golf has a power of 70kW. Compare that with the power output of half a kW for a person working hard. So my car is 140 times more powerful than me.

As we all know, with great power comes great responsibility. Unfortunately in the case of internal combustion engines, with great power also comes great pollution (local air quality and global  $CO_2$ ), great danger, all-pervasive noise and a remarkable amount of inefficiency. Frequent letters to the Craven Herald<sup>(4)</sup> refer to the "inefficiency" of wind power, because wind turbines typically operate at around 20-30% of their potential maximum power\*. Yet if those correspondents drive petrol cars, they happily pour fuel into a machine whose efficiency is around 25%. Three quarters of the energy in petrol is wasted by a car, lost to the atmosphere as heat<sup>(5)</sup>. And only a small fraction of the remaining quarter goes into moving the driver of the car, because cars are so much heavier than people.

Diesel engines and hybrids are rather more efficient; around 30-40%. But there seems little prospect of a dramatic increase in the efficiency of internal combustion engines. The good news is that there are several ways to get around that are dramatically more efficient than a solo-occupied car, and so produce much less pollution:

- 1. Share lifts. Four people in a car means four times less fuel per person, so a quarter of the cost (to you and to the earth).
- 2. Get plugged in. Electric motors can be 90% efficient, vastly better than internal combustion. The increase is so large that it would be beneficial to the environment to switch to an electric car even if it was recharged using electricity from an old dirty coal-fired power station. In addition, electric vehicles offer the prospect of using energy from renewable sources, and using it in a smart way to smooth out variations in supply and demand<sup>(5)</sup>. I haven't seen one in Gargrave yet, but they are on their way. "Almost nobody disputes that ... eventually most cars will be powered by batteries alone" (6).
- 3. There is a vehicle whose fuel consumption is 30 times lower than a car: it's you, on a bike. A cyclist at 13mph consumes just 3% of the energy per mile of a lone car driver on the motorway<sup>(S)</sup>. Cycling is a very popular activity in this area, all the more so with the prospect of the Tour the France next year. But I suspect most cyclists passing through Gargrave are doing it for the exercise, not because they want to get somewhere.

In this area, cycling is often viewed as a sport (with associated ideas of needing special clothing, fitness and perhaps an element of danger) rather than a highly efficient mode of transport. Attitudes elsewhere can be quite different – Holland for instance.



Bike rack at Delft railway station, Holland

4. Finally, if none of the above appeal, the other way to reduce fuel consumption, and hence pollution, is to go slower. Air resistance is proportional to the cube of velocity – so, if you slow down from 70mph to 50mph, the energy needed to overcome air resistance is around three times smaller. For some cars, fuel consumption can be halved as a result.

Of course for many people a car is much more than a means of getting from A to B. It's a fashion statement, an extension of their personality as well as of their body. A cultural icon as ubiquitous and thoroughly embedded as the car has had a profound effect on the way we view the world, how we relate to other people and the environment around us. Here's one perspective on this effect:

"When you drive, society becomes an obstacle. Pedestrians, bicycles, traffic calming, speed limits, the law: all become a nuisance to be wished away. The more you drive, the more bloody-minded and individualistic you become. The car is slowly turning us, like the Americans and the Australians, into a nation that recognises only the freedom to act, and not the freedom from the consequences of other people's actions."

George Monbiot<sup>(7)</sup>.

(For an alternative view, just seek out any quote from Jeremy Clarkson).

So we are back to where we started, with the concept of freedom. Cars can give us freedom, but when we use them we can restrict the freedom of children to play outside, the freedom of people to enjoy the peace of the countryside, the freedom of anyone who is vulnerable to a changing climate...

Jesus was a fan of freedom. "He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners" he said<sup>(8)</sup>. He also told us to love our neighbour. So the next time you pop round to your neighbour, if they live within a mile, how about walking there? If within five miles, how about cycling? If further afield, can you get there by train, or bus, or sharing a car?

#### "The road to hell is paved"— Andy Singer

References: (1) 2011 census results; (2) Peter Newman, December 2012, Urban Design and Planning Journal, Institution of Civil Engineers; (3) The Economist, 22 Sept 2012; (4) For example from Paul Morley of Long Preston, 21 March 2013; (5) David MacKay, 2009, Sustainable Energy – Without the hot air; (6) The Economist, 4 Sept 2008; (7), The Guardian (of course), 20 Dec 2005. (8) The Bible, Luke 4:18; (9) Cartoon by Andy Singer, used with permission, www.busgrrrl.org.

#### GARGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

#### Monthly Parish Meeting, 4 March

Janet Turner

**Apologies:** Clerk Helen Carruthers, Cllr Robert Marshall and PCSO Gary Battison.

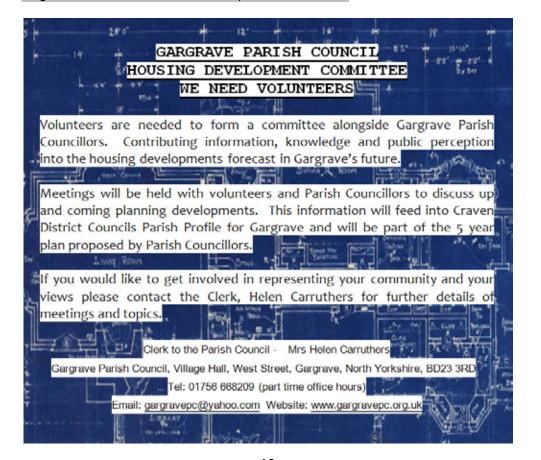
**Public Participation:** The main item discussed was the planning application for the erection of 29 houses on land on Hellifield Road bounded by the road and the canal. Certain neighbouring residents voiced their various concerns over the application. The Chairman reported that, in view of the scale and complexity of the application, several members of the Parish Council had already met in order to consider and discuss it and had also met Cllr Brian Dismore of Craven DC, responsible for open spaces. Cllr Dismore was concerned that the application provided insufficient open spaces on the planning criteria for the number of houses involved. The Parish Council expressed a list of concerns over the application and agreed to write to Craven DC to ask that the application be refused subject to satisfactory responses being received to those concerns.

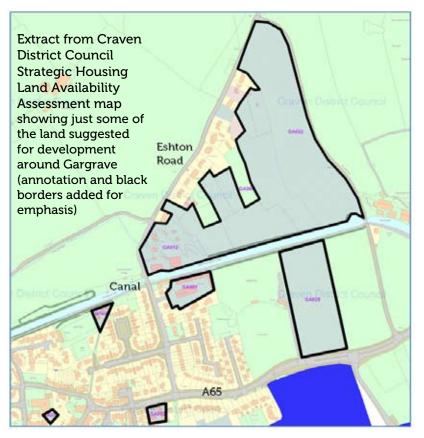
<sup>\*</sup> This load factor is not actually the same as efficiency, but we'll let that be for now.

**County Councillor's report:** Cty Cllr Shelagh Marshall advised the Parish Council that there are opportunities for villages to pay for the installation of vehicle activated 30 mph speed limit signs.

She also reported that North Yorkshire CC is to make "equitable" changes to the charges made for transport to Upper Wharfedale School from April 2013. This probably involves raising the charges on buses from Skipton so that they are no less than the charges from Gargrave which are fixed until October 2013.

Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment: The 49 page document showing the sites potentially available for the erection of a total of 675 houses in Gargrave can be found on the Craven DC website. It was passed around the meeting. It is essential that the village, i.e. not just Parish Councillors, forms a group to draw up a Parish Plan in order to be able to influence the type of development which will take place in the village. A poster inviting volunteers for such a group was approved to be put up around the village and in the Parish Magazine. [See notice below and map extract overleaf].





**Planning Applications:** 6 were considered, including the item where discussion was in advance of public participation for the convenience of members of the public wishing to contribute to the discussion. The council had no objection to any except that referred to in public participation. It was reported that Craven DC had approved two applications which had previously been considered by the Parish Council.

Allotment Committee: The Committee consists of Cllr Graham Fletcher, Robert Marshall, Mark Carruthers and Paul Fenlon. They had met the landlord of the Masons Arms to discuss his offer of land for this purpose. The plots will be smaller than the specific size of an allotment and will therefore be known as "community gardens". The Parish Council is investigating the costs of the fencing required.

**Police report**: PCSO Battison's report was read out in his absence. There had been only 2 crimes reported during February involving damage to a car and the theft of 2 chimney pots. He was encouraged by the community having reported suspicious issues, in particular some suspect door to door salesmen on 6 February.

**Unwanted telephone sales calls** were discussed. Cty. Cllr Shelagh Marshall referred to the Telephone Preference Service. Once one has registered with this, further calls received can be reported to the Information Commissioner who now has powers to impose heavy fines on the callers.

**Erosion of the river bank at Middle Green:** A further meeting with the Environment Agency is to be sought to discuss this issue.

**Grass cutting contract:** The tenders for the 2013 contract were discussed and the contract was awarded.

Next meeting will be on Monday 8 April at 7.15 pm in the Village Hall.

#### **Gargrave Parish Council**





#### **Vacancy for Parish Councillor**

There is a vacancy for a Parish Councillor on Gargrave Parish Council. We want to hear from you if you are interested in representing your community and want to make a difference.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you would like any further information. You can reach me on the details below.

Applicants must be a European national at least 21 years old, an elector and living within three miles of the parish for twelve months or have land or a primary place of business in the parish.

Closing date for applications is Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2013.

Applications to be made in writing to:

Helen Carruthers - Clerk

Gargrave Parish Council, Gargrave Village Hall, West Street, Gargrave, BD23 3RD

01756 668209 gargravepc@yahoo.com

#### Rotas for St Andrew's Church

Readings fo	or worship					
7 April	2nd Sunday o	2nd Sunday of Easter				
	Acts 5:27-	32; Revel	ation 1:4-8; John 20:19-	end		
14 April	3rd Sunday of	Easter				
	Acts 9:1-6(7-2	0); Revel	ation 5:11-end; John 21:	1-19		
21 April	4th Sunday of	<sup>•</sup> Easter				
	-		ation 7:9-end; John 10:2	22-30		
28 April	5th Sunday at	ter Easte	r			
	-		ion 21:1-6; John 13:31-3	5		
5 May	6th Sunday at	ter Easte	r			
	Acts 16:9-15	5; Revela	tion 21:10,22-22:5;			
	John 14:23-	29 or Jo	hn 5:1-9			
Sidesmen	8am		1	0.30am		
7 April	Marion Scarbo	orough	Joyce Brotherton	Isobel Lacey		
14 April	Kay Craven		Tim Warner	Sarah Curtis		
21 April	Janet Sturgess		Stanley Preston	John Bailey		
28 April	Colin Chapman		Eileen Holden	Jean Coldwell		
5 May	Marion Scarborough		Phyll Harrison	Alan Brown		
	Readings		Offertory procession			
7 April	Ruth Abbott		Eileen Holden	Jean Coldwell		
14 April	Hugh Turner					
21 April	John Bailey		Eileen Hoskin	Pat Cockshott		
28 April	Pauline Barnes					
5 May	Ruth Abbott		Norma Brothers	Judith Douglas		
Church clea	aning			If you are unable		
25 Mar - 4 April Judith Dougla		as and Nancy Harrison	to carry out any of the above duties,			
8-19 April Ron & Sylvia H			•	please arrange a		
22 April – 3		•	Carole Ballard	swap.		

#### **Public Transport**

TAXI from Gargrave: phone Gargrave Private Hire 07877 054698, see page A5

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 <sup>1</sup>
Sunday			1121	1352	1455	1557	1909		2124
Morecambe									
Mon - Fri	$0545^{2}$	0905	1105		1439	1730			
Saturday	0645 <sup>2</sup>	0905	1105		1439	1730			
Sunday		0931	1135		1541		1805		
Carlisle									
Mon- Fri	$0545^{3}$	0933	1105 <sup>3</sup>	1331	1439 <sup>2</sup>	1730 <sup>2</sup>	1851		
Saturday	$0645^{3}$	0932	1105 <sup>3</sup>	1331	1439 <sup>2</sup>	1730 <sup>2</sup>	1840		
Sunday		0953	1135 <sup>2</sup>	1438	1541 <sup>2</sup>		1805 <sup>3</sup>		

Regular Sunday bus services are back!

Over the weekend 13th/14th April, there are engineering works between Skipton and Carnforth. A bus replacement service will run, but please check before travelling. No dogs, bikes, pushchairs etc

Notes 1 Change at Skipton, 2 Change at Lancaster, 3 Change at Hellifield

BUSES from G	argrave	to:							
Skipton									
Mon – Fri	0706	0756	0820	0841	0956	then ev	ery hr u	ntil	1756
Saturday	0956	1110	1156	1325	1356	1455	1556	1710	1756
Sunday				1207 <sup>6</sup>		1507 <sup>6</sup>		1657 <sup>6</sup>	1847 <sup>7</sup>
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15-Apr / 16-Apr	Blue bin & blue bag	Blue bag and brown bin
22-Apr / 23-Apr	Green bin & brown bin	Green bin
29-Apr / 30-Apr	Blue bag	Blue bin & bag & brown

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#### Gargrave C of E Primary School & Pre-School holiday dates

	School closes	School opens
Easter	Thursday 28 March 2013	Monday 15 April 2013
May Day	Monday 6 May 2013	Tuesday 7 May 2013
Summer half term	Friday 24 May 2013	Tuesday 4 June 2013
Summer	Friday 19 July 2013	Tuesday 3 September 2013
Autumn half term	Friday 25 October 2013	Tuesday 5 November 2013

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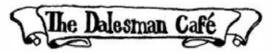
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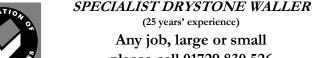
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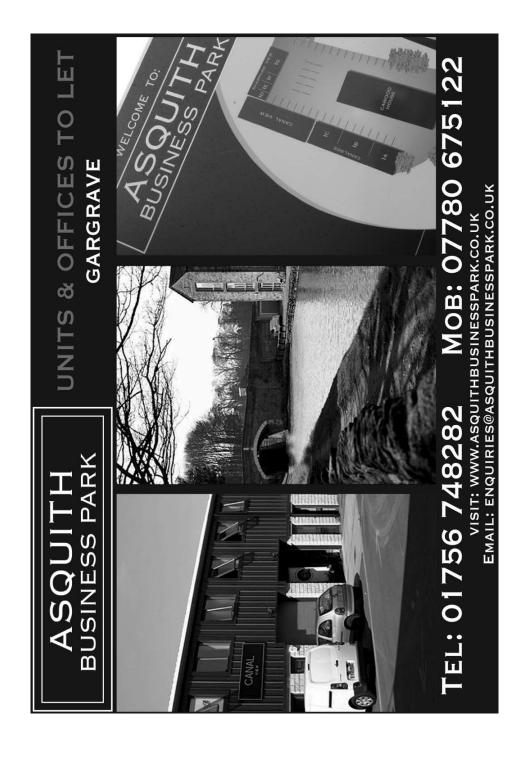
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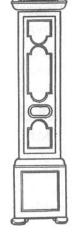
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"Gargrave. On part of the Village Green, known as High Green:

1 copper beech (Fagus sylvatica cuprea); planted by W. Lofthouse, Esq., Chairman, and presented by the Parish Council."

#### Jesus' granny

The little boy came home from his first day at Sunday School and casually told his mother that the Sunday school teacher was Jesus' granny. Astonished, his mother asked: "Whatever makes you think that?"

"Well, it's pretty obvious," said her son. "She never stopped talking about him all morning. She told us Jesus is smarter and stronger and better-behaved than anyone else she knows. She even showed us a picture of him."