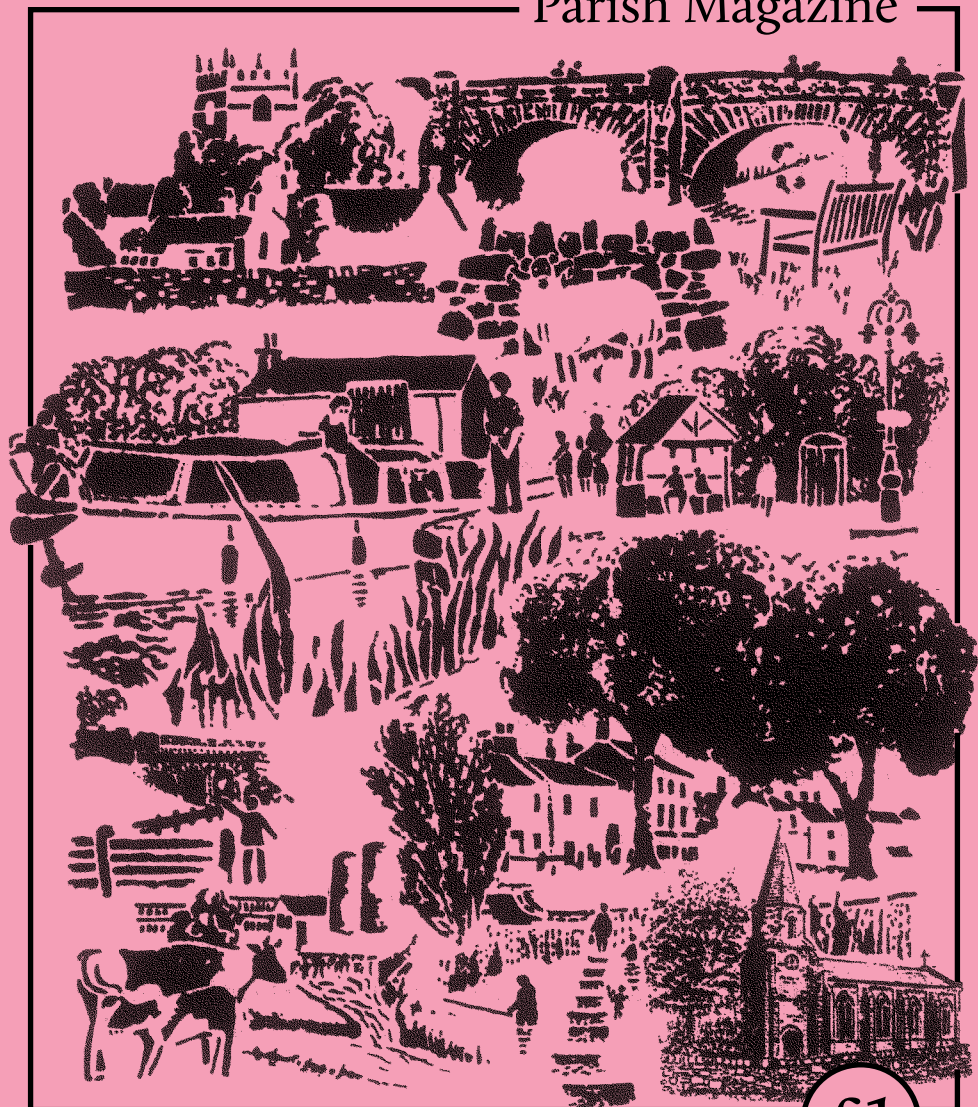


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DAVID'S DISPATCHES

Rev David Houlton

Summer is almost upon us and hopefully it will be as good as last year! It's great when the weather is good enough to be able to relax and enjoy nature around us, to wander round the village, or just stand around and have a chat, without being drenched or blown away. Last month we were thinking about how nature shows us that it is reasonable to believe in a good God – even though, sometimes, terrible things can happen in this world. This month let's think about that other big question - whether there is a conflict between science and religion.

In May we hosted a meeting of the "Society of Ordained Scientists, Northern Chapter, at Gargrave church. Although it sounds like something out of Harry Potter, the SOSc is actually an Order of vicars who have scientific qualifications and are dedicated to explaining how, in Christianity, God and Science work together.

Some religions see scientific knowledge as a threat (as have some parts of the Christian church in the past) but there is no need to: Truth is what it's all about... after all, Jesus said "I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life"!

Part of the problem some people have is that scientists on TV always seem to be atheists. So it is surprising to hear that many leading scientists are committed Christians. Famous examples include: Dr Francis Collins, until recently Director of the Human Genome Project; Rev Dr Sir John Polkinghorn – who gave up his post as Professor of Mathematical Physics at Cambridge University to retrain to be a vicar, and Prof Alister McGrath, who holds three doctorates from the University of Oxford - in Molecular Biophysics, Theology, and Intellectual History. He was an atheist but became a committed Christian and is highly critical of the famous Oxford atheist Dr Richard Dawkins. Another critic of atheists is Prof John Lennox, Professor of Mathematics at the University of Oxford. He once said that atheists may think that Christianity is for people who are afraid of the dark... but in fact atheism is a "delusion ... for people afraid of the light"!

As someone who spent thirty years in research and design in the Chemical Industry I can confirm that I didn't find anything in science that was incompatible with true Christianity. In fact, I'm so convinced about Jesus that I gave up the day job to become a vicar!

So, with my colleagues in the Society of Ordained Scientists I pray to God: *Almighty and everlasting God, ultimately it is You who made the Universe with all its order, atoms, worlds, galaxies and the intricate complexities of living creatures. Grant that, as we probe the mysteries of your creation, we may come to know you more, and faithfully fulfil our role in your eternal purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

DIARY FOR JUNE

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Gargrave

Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday: Morning Prayer, 9am, Church

Every Tuesday: Communion, 9am, Church

- Sat 31 May Coffee Morning, 10am to Noon, Village Hall
Skate Park Official Opening, 2pm, Gargrave Playground
- Sun 1 June Communion 8am; Sung Eucharist 10.45am, Church**
- Mon 2 Parish Council Meeting, 7.15pm, Annex
- Wed 4 Fuchsia and Geranium Society, 7pm, Annex
- Sat 7 North West Book Fair, 10am to 4pm, Village Hall
North Yorkshire Open Studios, 10.30am to 5.30pm, details on page 3
Consultation about Playground proposals, 10.30am to 4pm, Church
- Sun 8 Pentecost: Whit Sunday - Communion 8am, Church;
- Service of the Word and Village Celebration on the High Green,
10.45 am, with choir, prayer boats etc**
Flea Market, 10am to 4pm, Village Hall.
North Yorkshire Open Studios, 10.30am to 5.30pm, details on page 3
- Thurs 12 Art Class 10am, Village Hall Annex, contact Alison on 07743007784
- Sat 14 Coffee Morning for the Mother's Union, 10am to Noon, Village Hall
North Yorkshire Open Studios, 10.30am to 5.30pm, details on page 3
- Sun 15 Trinity Sunday - Communion 8am;
- Sung Eucharist 10.45am, Church**
North Yorkshire Open Studios, 10.30am to 5.30pm, details on page 3
- Wed 18 New 6 week yoga session commences, 9.30am, Village Hall Annex.
- Fri 20 Dance with Elizabeth Harrison, 8pm, Village Hall.
- Sat 21 Coffee Morning for Lancaster and Skipton Rail User's Group, 10am to Noon, Village Hall
- Sun 22 Communion 8am; Morning Prayer 10.45am, Church**
- Wed 25 Bingo, 7.30pm, Village Hall Annex
- Thurs 26 Art Class 10am, Village Hall Annex, contact Alison on 07743007784
- Fri 27 Gargrave Primary School Summer Production "Ye Ha", 2pm and 6pm, Village Hall
Autoharpers playing in the Masons Arms, evening
- Sat 28 Gargrave Autoharp Festival 2014. Grand Concert from 7pm,
Tickets £4, Refreshments and fully licensed bar, Village Hall
- Sun 29 Communion 8am;
Autoharp service - Service of the Word, 10.45am, Church**

Flea Market, 10am to 4pm, Village Hall.

Sat 5 July Library Film Night – Jour de Fete & A Day Out, 7pm, Village Hall.

Sun 6 July Communion 8am; Sung Eucharist 10.45am, Church

Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday: Morning Prayer, 9am, Church

Every Tuesday: Communion, 9am, Church

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- Sun 1 June Baptism 4pm, St Peter's
- Sun 8 Pentecost: Whit Sunday Holy Communion, 9.30 am
- Sun 15 Trinity Sunday Evensong 4pm, St Peter's
- Sun 22 Evensong 4pm, St Peter's
- Sun 29 Evensong 4pm, St Peter's

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Mother's Union Coffee Morning

Mother's Union

Coffee Morning, 10am-12noon, **Saturday 14 June**. Please come along.

LASRUG coffee morning

Kay Craven

The Lancaster and Skipton Rail User Group is holding its annual Gargrave Coffee Morning on **Saturday, 21st June**, 10 - 12 noon in the Village Hall. You have all kindly supported us in the past and we hope you will do so again this year.

We will have our usual stalls for cakes, plants and books, along with a raffle and tombola.

The Group promotes travel possibilities on our local line and continues to seek further improvements to the Leeds to Morecambe train service as a whole. Please help us to do so.

And if you want a really nice day out, why not get on a Bentham Line train at Gargrave and head to the city of Lancaster or the seaside resort of Morecambe, enjoying the scenery as you go."



North Yorkshire Open Studios

*France-Leigh Hadrysiak,
Beverley Hicks*

Over 2 weekends in **June, Sat & Sun 7/8 & 14/15**, 126 artists will open their studios in stunning locations across North Yorkshire. A chance to meet artists and buy original artwork from a range of inspiring studios and venues, 10.30am to 5.30pm

Two of the artists, Heather and David Cook, are exhibiting in Gargrave at the Art Depot, Eshton Road VD23 3SE. David is a printmaker/painter and Heather works in collage.

Come along to Airton to see Beverley Hicks and Annabelle Bradley, and Katharine Holmes in Malham. Look forward to seeing you.

For a free brochure, contact: info@nyos.org.uk, 01756 748529, www.nyos.org.uk. (You can also arrange to visit artists by appointment between Monday 9 June and Friday 13 June.)

Gargrave Autoharp Festival

Sally Thomas

The Gargrave Autoharp Festival 2014 is a joint venture by the UK Autoharp Association and Gargrave Village Hall. The festival will commence on **Friday evening 27 June** when some of the autoharpers will be playing at the Masons Arms in Gargrave.

The main event will be held on the **Saturday 28 June** from 10am in the Village Hall when various workshops, demonstrations and classes will be held. Homemade refreshments will be available in the Village Hall throughout the entire day and everybody is more than welcome to attend and join in.

The day will end with a Grand Concert featuring Mike Fenton (he went down very well in 2013), Heather Farrell-Roberts, Ian White, Nadine White and Guy Padfield.

As the event takes place just before the Tour de France the Autoharp Association have arranged for Patrick Couton to appear. Patrick is based in Nantes on France's West coast and his other job is that he translates the novels of Terry Pratchett into French! Other visitors to the festival will include Jan Brodie who leads the little autoharp community on the Isle of Man and Siegfried Knoepfler, from Cologne, in Germany (also known as Ziggy Harpdust).

The Grand Concert will commence from 7.30pm and as well as a fully licensed bar there will be pie and peas available to buy during the evening. Tickets for this concert are £4 per person and can be purchased from Sally on 01756 748098.

The festival concludes on **Sunday 30 June** with some of the players featuring at the 10.45am service in St Andrew's Church, Gargrave.

Art Course – mixed media

Beverley Hicks

Local Artist Beverley Ann Hicks is running four one day Art courses looking at mixed media techniques. Each day course will cost £52 which will include: art materials, lunch and tea/coffee. **Dates of courses: Wed 25 June, Thur 26 June, Wed 9 July, Thurs 10 July**, 10am – 4pm. Venue - The Barn and Meeting House in Airton, BD23 4AE

If you are interested in booking one of my courses, either as an individual or a group, minimum of 6 maximum of 10 per day; or want further information please contact me direct on: 01729 830 325, beverley.hicks1@btinternet.com www.beverleyhicks.co.uk.

Tennis Club

Beth Whitley

Craven Lawn Tennis Club, based in Gargrave, will be holding their Annual Open Afternoon on **Sunday 29th June** from 1.30pm - 4.30pm.

There will be free tennis & croquet for people to come and play and refreshments will also be available.

Do come along and bring the family and have "an afternoon on us" and enjoy our fabulous facilities of 7 courts in the heart of the village.

Directions to the Club can be found on our website at: www.craventennis.org.uk.

You can also find us on Facebook for all our latest news and events at: facebook.com/craven.tennis.

Further information from secretary@craventennis.org.uk or 01756 749664.



Tour de France night film showing

Dave Smith

On the **Saturday** night of The Tour de France (**5th July**) we are planning to show a couple of films, **Jacques Tati's** amusing silent film '**Jour de Fete**' and **Alan Bennett's 'A day Out'**. The WI has kindly volunteered to host a French themed Wine and Cheese event, so we should be in for a treat, a couple of films washed down with some wine and cheese.

The film night will be held in the Village Hall with the doors opening at 7.00pm and the films starting at 7.30pm.

Gargrave Summer Art Exhibition

Martin Winterton

The exhibition will be held in the Village Hall **from Wednesday 9th July to Sunday 13th July**. The opening times will be:

Thursday 10th & Friday 11th July:	11am to 7pm
Saturday 12th July:	10am to 7pm
Sunday 13th July:	11am to 5.30pm

Please note there will also be a Preview Evening on Wednesday 9th from 7pm to 9pm. If you would like an invitation to the Preview please contact:

Alan Poxon	(01756-749686) or
Lesley Woodhouse	(01756-749421)

ARTISTS!! There is still time to enter. Entry Forms from Lesley Woodhouse, Alan Poxon or the Library. Closing date for completed entry forms is **Monday 16th June**.

Coniston Cold vs Bell Busk cricket match

Philip Eddleston

Coniston Cold vs Bell Busk cricket match, **Sunday 13th July**, match starts 1pm.

All welcome. BBQ lit from 12 noon, bring your own food and drink.

Contact Philip Eddleston, 07776 202531.

Table Top Sale

Neville House

Table Top Sale at Gargrave Village Hall, organised by Neville House:
Saturday 2 August, 10am to 2 pm. Tables are £10, contact 749349.

Christian Conferences

Revd David Houlton

You can find out about national (and one or two international) Christian summer conferences and similar from:

Keswick Convention: <http://youtu.be/cCm7zGgk17E>

New Word Alive: http://youtu.be/vZa3R8D-u_o

New Wine: <http://www.youtu.be.com/watch?v=nfvwORLDHkA>

Spring Harvest: <http://youtu.be/MGJxurbQkZU>

Green Belt: <http://youtu.be/DiV32Un6ksU>

Taize: <http://youtu.be/AhRwFLdRsbQ>

Walsingham: <http://youtu.be/ecYO7alTEik>

Chemin Neuf: <http://youtu.be/8GDWF5OOfpk>

And, closer to home: Scargill House, Kettlewell: <http://scargillmovement.org/>

NEWS



News from your Library

Ruth Abbott

We have just celebrated the 2nd anniversary of our opening as Gargrave and Malhamdale Community Library. We seem to be keeping our head above water and we all feel much more confident about what we are doing!! We even feel we've got control of the dreaded machine, but I'd better not speak too soon! We'd like to thank you all for your patience and for your good humour when things have gone pear-shaped!

We are much indebted to the volunteers who faithfully turn up to do their duties at the Library, but we are appealing for new volunteers as some of our original ones have moved from the district and two or three have had to give up for health reasons. It is not a difficult task for there are always two volunteers working together and you are allowed to sit down for the odd rest or two. It usually is a pleasant task as one of the functions of the Library is to provide a meeting place and you'll find that most folk like a chat as well as choosing a book.

So please see if you could spend a couple of afternoons a month helping us... We will show you all that is necessary and welcome you with open arms. Please let Patsy Simpson or Ruth Abbott know (at the Library) if you'd like to join us and we'll tell you more details.

Can we also remind you that we have a very successful 100 Club going, and three monetary prizes are given each month; the draw takes place at the last Saturday coffee morning of the month in the Village Hall.

We are continuing to have films on some Friday evenings, and also on **Saturday July 5th**: if you've not been able to move all day, please come out in the

evening to the Cheese and Wine evening, organised by the WI, with the showing of two very amusing films, one by Alan Bennett and a French one for which no subtitles are necessary with Jacques Tati. Thank you for all your past support and we hope, your continuing support.

Gargrave Playground Association

Sarah Pawson

The playground consultation held by the Gargrave Playground Association at Gargrave Primary school was a real success and we wish to thank all the children for all their pictures and discussing with us what they'd like to have in their playground.

We started with asking them what they don't like about the playground and all their comments were written on a flip chart. Then we moved onto what other playgrounds they got to and why, what type of play is their favourite whether it be climbing, spinning, sliding and that helped us lead onto what products they would like to have for their playground.

It looks like the zip wire is top of the wish and want list and other equipment they want has to be versatile for different types of play and be imaginative. For example a point they made was they only want a climbing wall if it's really high because you can only do one thing, and if it isn't really high they don't want it.

Slides and climbing frames are a big favourite, and trampolines were mentioned a lot too. But I think the helicopter pad, and tent to play your Xbox in sadly is unachievable this time round. Everyone could write on post stick notes for the last part of the session and were placed next to products saying why they like it and why they don't which worked really well and was interesting for everyone.

We plan to present everyone's work with the three quotes at the village consultation focusing on all the children's feedback. This will be on **Saturday 7 June**, 10.30am to 4pm in the church. We will be setting up Friday so if anyone who can't make Saturday wants to, they can come along then for a look and chat. There will be questionnaires for people to fill in so all their comments will be used to make the final decision on anything for the playground. Also lots of tea, coffee and cake.

We raised at our Easter Cake Stall £178 and a big thank you to the Coop who helped us raise the last £25. Our next fund raiser will be a raffle at the Coop on the 4th July from ten till four with some very lovely prizes.

Thank you so much for supporting us with trying to help the playground. If anyone is interested in joining our group as a volunteer, or if you have a skill you can share with creating a play area, then please come to our village consultation day or send a message via face book.

Gargrave Art Group

Lesley Woodhouse

'The "Gargrave Art Group" was set up by Lesley Woodhouse and Hilary McCormac in January of this year with the aim of bringing together anyone with an interest in making art regardless of experience. We meet once a week every Monday afternoon from 1.30pm for two hours at Gargrave Village Hall to draw, paint and sew in an informal and friendly environment.

The first four months have been very successful and at the present time there are about 10 regular members although we always welcome more. Alan Poxon, a member of our group, in conjunction with Jo Ball, contributed to the illustrations for the autoharp festival publicity this year (see May's Parish Magazine). We are affiliated to the Gargrave Village Hall Art Exhibition and will be demonstrating what we get up to in a small exhibition alongside the main show this year.

Anyone interested can contact me on 01756 749421 or Hilary on 01756 749593.

Pendle Forest and Craven Hunt

Elizabeth Adams

We held our annual point to point, normally called Skipton Races, on Saturday 3rd May at Heslaker Farm Carleton. We had the most wonderful day due to the lovely sunny weather which brought the bank holiday crowds out to enjoy amateur racing at its best. The Coniston Racing Club did particularly well with two very good winners to claim two large silver trophies which were promptly filled with champagne and passed around all their members! It was a great event with afternoon teas, bouncy castles, and shopping stalls all adding to the atmosphere.

Our next big fundraising event is on **1st June** "Mount up for Manorlands" A good ride starting from the Coniston Estate and up through the countryside towards Malham incorporating some of the cross country jumps on the estate and finishing at the hotel. If you do not have a horse why not cycle or walk to raise funds for Manorlands hospice care.

This is followed by a ride on **14th June** at Coniston with Kilnsey. a breathtaking ride over the tops to see the view up the dale.

29th June is our Puppy Show at the Hunt Kennels. Come and have Afternoon tea and watch last year's hound puppies being judged for their breeding and confirmation with prizes for the people who cared for these puppies when they were young.

World Challenge Fundraising Update

Ela and Hattie Lindley

We are pleased to say we have now reached our fundraising target for our World Challenge. In July we will travel to Sri Lanka for 3 weeks, to carry out projects within the community. We will use the funds raised to pay for materials to be used on the projects. Once again we would like to thank everyone who has encouraged & supported us in our fund raising efforts.



Open Gardens thanks

Dunc and Bea Faulkner

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who helped make Gargrave Open Gardens such a success on Saturday 17 May.



Planning a route round the 21 gardens



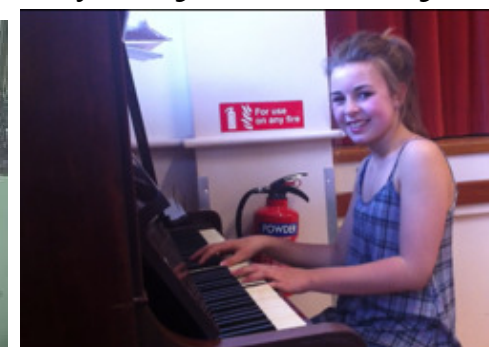
The Big Band entertains



Catering crew in action



Bicycle brings colour to Stonelea garden



Ruth Abbott playing the keyboard in the Dalesman Café's secret courtyard garden; Jasmine Aldous playing the Village Hall piano while visitors have their tea.

We are thankful to the gardeners who were willing to share their 21 diverse gardens with visitors, and to the 41 musicians whose performances throughout the village surprised and delighted our 500 visitors. They ranged from young solo accordionists through guitarists to the full jazzy might of Skipton Music Centre's Big Band. Many thanks also to everyone who helped with the colossal catering

operation, the well endowed plant stall and the beautifully presented tombola. Events like this make us thankful to God for this lovely corner of the world and its fantastic community spirit. Open Gardens raised over £2830 for St Andrew's Church, a valuable proportion of its annual income.

Photographs courtesy of Duncan Faulkner, Peter Hardyman and Steve Aldous

LETTER

I feel we should all feel very grateful to Bea and Duncan Faulkner and many others in the village for organising such a very enjoyable Open Gardenseven the weather!! The route was well explained and even the stepping stones were just negotiable,(even by an octogenarian!) The music was marvellous and varied...so nice to hear so many talented young musicians. The food was excellent in the Village Hall and altogether I think it was one of the best Open Gardens we have had and I think it's mostly down to the hard work and good organisation. I'm sure it made a lot of money for the church as well.

Thank you, organisers.

Barbara Martin

MOYRA'S MIGRATIONS

Moyra Sonley

Phoenix to Salt Lake City Part 2

AFTER WE LEFT our new friends and their tarantula in the town of Congress, we continued cycling through the semi-desert country and then started climbing into a range of mountains until we came to a small town called Ash Fork. This was on the historic Route 66. We stayed in Ash Fork for two nights in a motel run by a very nice English couple. Dave had picked up a stomach upset and didn't dare be far away from the bathroom for long.

He was much better the following day, so we set off up a long hill climbing gradually for about 17 miles. We arrived at a town called Williams which was about 7000 feet above sea level, which is roughly the height of the south rim of the Grand Canyon. We had a meal at a diner in Williams and the service was very poor, so when we came to pay the bill, the waiter asked how much we wanted to tip? In America, they make a great thing of tipping. Dave said \$1 and he was lucky to get that. We knew we wouldn't be going there again!

We had been travelling in an easterly direction up Route 66, but at Williams we had to turn left and go north towards the Grand Canyon. We had about 50 miles to go and on the way we saw an old railway engine belonging to the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe rail company. It had got rather rusty and dilapidated.

When we got to Grand Canyon village the only place we could find to stay was a very posh (and expensive) hotel. We asked for a safe place to keep our bikes and we were told we could take them into our room. So we had to wheel our rather scruffy bikes right through the hotel to get there. The following morning we rode the few miles to the actual Canyon and it really is a breathtaking sight. A very high WOW factor. We had a helicopter ride over the Canyon, which was

fantastic. We stayed for two nights in the hotel and were then faced with the problem of how to get to the other side of the Grand Canyon as we wanted to cross over into Utah and on to Salt Lake City. The Canyon is 277 miles long, so we would have had to ride many miles east to Page or ride even further west to Las Vegas to get round it.

Dave had the idea of hiring a small plane with a pilot, so we went to the small airfield and did just that. It was a very small plane with just room for me to sit in the back with two bikes and baggage and Dave was in the co-pilot's seat. The pilot was a young man called Patrick whose job was to take people on short sight-seeing flights over the Canyon. He said it was a very boring job and his ambition was to get a job with one of the big airlines. He said taking us over to Utah was a welcome change.

So we set off and flew right across with sensational views. We had decided to go to a town called St George, so as we got closer, Patrick radioed ahead to get permission to land. The answer was, "Sorry, but you can't land here, the runway is out of action, it is being resurfaced," and indeed we could see some large machinery parked in the middle of it. Patrick asked, "What do we do then?" Back came the reply, "You will just have to fly around until you see another airstrip and try to land there."

FARMING ON SCALEBER HILL

John Hall

AS FARMING IS ALWAYS AT THE MERCY of the weather and there are never two years the same, nature of course is a great leveller. In the Dales April is the main lambing month. What a difference a year can make.

2013 was one to remember. Many farms now have a modern building which can be used for lambing in adverse weather conditions. The emphasis in modern buildings is on ventilation, south facing and Yorkshire boarding (rails with a gap between). The prevailing wind for rain is west, for snow east or north. April 2013 a blizzard came from the south with very fine snow filling many buildings on the open side. The snow being so fine went through the Yorkshire boarding, smothering hundreds of ewes and lambs. Grass was very scarce and due to a poor harvest grain was in short supply for feeding livestock. Not a good year for sheep farming.

In contrast 2014 has been one of the best lambing times I can remember. We had the storms and floods during which a lot of time was spent feeding the ewes with silage and concentrates. This kept the sheep in good condition, producing strong lambs. This coupled with good weather meant that lambing time was a pleasure. The grass must be three weeks ahead of last year.

I have contact with farms in Sydney, Auckland and Estevan: Australia, New Zealand and Canada. I spoke to all three one day in February. It was raining!!!. Sydney: 40°C with forest fires, Auckland a drought with no grass, Estevan 40° below. I decided Gargrave ain't bad.

By the time you read these notes Spring will be well and truly here. Take a stroll on the Pennine Way and tell me of a better place!

One content farmer.

WHAT WOULD YOU SAY TO HIM?

Ruth Abbott

If Jesus came and appeared today to us in church as he did to his disciples so many times after his Crucifixion, what would you say to him? This question was put to the PCC by David in the meeting last week and there were some interesting answers so I asked the same question to those in church on Sunday after the service. Here are the replies, obviously anonymous:

A very candid one....."I imagine that once the truth had struck me that this was Jesus, I would be so overwhelmed in awe that words would fail me completely."

Some answers were from realists who accepted him just as an ordinary person coming into church:....."Are you a visitor?", "Welcome to our beautiful church. Do you come here often?" "Are you around for long? I love a good chat", and the real Martha....."Milk and two sugars?"

There were three doubting Thomases....."How can I know that it is really you?" "I am doubting like Thomas. I find this unbelievable.....", but went on to make valuable points....."How can I be more faithful in sharing my faith with others?", "Forgive us and teach us how to live". "Why are you here in Gargrave after two thousand years?"

Four had personal requests..... "Peace for my son". "Please help my dad to move on from his current state of depression, delusion, anxiety and illness.", "Please bless and look after my family", and "Please help my wife and me through the illness I am suffering", and "Is my dad busy as he always was and trying to make a difference?".

And two people made general prayers....." Bless everyone", "Bring peace to the world".

Perhaps those of you not there would like to think about it in your own time? Many thanks to those who took up the challenge.



GARGRAVE C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

Sarah Peel (Head Teacher)

"Every child counts, every child contributes"

Sports Report

As the summer term rolls on the sporting fixtures and activities build. We are embracing the tour de France with "endurance" being our theme. The year 5's will have their bikeability training.

This year we have taken part in a number of different sporting events including cricket, orienteering, and rugby.

This term we are taking part in the Tempest League for football where we play competitively against a number of local schools. Ten Y3/4 children took part in the Athletics at Sandylands where overall we came 5th!

We are also running Archery as an after school club with Sam Pickard. The children are really excited to try out a more unusual sport.



Zoe Gaskell (Y3) competing in the chest push, Bela Dean (Y3) taking part in a relay race, and after school Archery on the School field.

YeHa!

Finally, on **Friday 27 June** it is our summer production, this year called YeHa! All the pupils will be on the stage, with the lead roles given to the oldest pupils. All the community are most welcome, the performances will be at 2pm and 6pm. Please come along and join in the fun.

GARGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

Janet Turner

Monthly meeting, Monday 11 May

Apologies: Craven District Cllr. Simon Myers, Cllr. Janet Sugden.

Appleby Horse Fair: The Council agreed a date to install the wooden posts around Low Green and agreed to buy some extra posts ready to use if necessary. The volunteers for this work were thanked in advance.

Playground: It was agreed that there will be an open afternoon at the playground at 2pm on Saturday 31 May. In addition to villagers, invitations are to be extended to members of Grassington Juniors football team who use Low Green on a regular basis and the volunteer Playground Group.

Neighbourhood Planning Group: A member of the Group showed the Council the draft of a pamphlet for distribution to all houses in the village. The Council approved its format and content.

World War I centenary: At 7pm on 4 August there will be a special gathering in the village culminating in St. Andrew's church for various events. The War Memorial was discussed with a view to having it cleaned in the approved manner. Sources of grant finance were noted.

County Councillor's report: County Cllr. Shelagh Marshall provided the Council and a large number of residents at the meeting information about the impending changes to the buses. The new bus timetable is on the basis of two buses provided by North Yorkshire CC and is to be sent to the Parish Magazine. At the time of the meeting no bus operator has come forward with a view to providing services between Skipton and Giggleswick. However school students up to 16 years old will have their transport to school guaranteed up to the end of this

academic year. Cty. Cllr. Marshall is pursuing a wide range of options and working closely with transport staff at North Yorkshire CC.

Next meeting: The meeting closed at 9-30pm and was the last one of the four year term of the existing Parish Council.

June meetings are:

7-00 pm on **Monday 2nd June** – Annual Parish Meeting

7-30 pm on **Monday 2nd June** – first Parish Council meeting of the new term.

7-30 pm on **Wednesday 4th June** – Neighbourhood planning Group meeting.

7-30 pm – Meeting for the whole village regarding transport issues

All will be held at the Village Hall

Gargrave Neighbourhood Plan Working Group

Edward Bartle

We are still awaiting the announcement from Craven District Council Planners, regarding their preferred sites for building 75 new houses in Gargrave over the next 15 years.

Meanwhile, many of you may be wondering, what exactly is a Neighbourhood Plan and how will it affect the village we all live or work in?

Well, in simple terms, a Neighbourhood Plan is a way of helping local communities to influence the planning of the area in which they live and work. It can be used for:

- Developing a shared vision for your neighbourhood.
- Choosing where new housing, including affordable housing (ie houses which are not normally for sale on the open market) is to take place as well as influencing the type of buildings and what they should look like.
- Provision for businesses to set up or expand their premises.
- The development of schools, places of worship, health facilities, leisure and entertainment facilities, village halls, community and youth centres etc.
- Protection and creation of open space, nature reserves, allotments, sports pitches, play areas, parks and gardens and the planting of trees.
- Transport and access (including issues around roads, cycling, walking and access for the disabled).
- Protection of important buildings and archaeological remains.
- Consideration of renewable energy projects such as solar energy and wind turbines.

In order to formulate a Neighbourhood Plan, the Working Group will be asking for your opinions. Various opportunities for everyone to comment will be available in the coming months, either at events in the Village Hall, or by way of a questionnaire delivered to every household and business.

A website will also be up and running to provide info and allow feedback.

Your views are really important, so together, let's plan a great future for Gargrave!

INFORMATION

Rotas for St Andrew's Church

Readings for worship

1 June	<i>7th Sunday of Easter; Sunday after Ascension Day</i> (Ezekiel 36:24-28); 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11; John 17:1-11
8 June	<i>Pentecost: Whit Sunday</i> Acts 2:1-21 or Numbers 11:24-30; 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13 or Acts 2:1-21; John 20:19-23 or John 7:37-39
15 June	<i>Trinity Sunday</i> Isaiah 40:12-17,27-end; 2 Corinthians 13:11-end; Matthew 28:16-20
22 June	<i>1st Sunday after Trinity</i> Genesis 21:8-21; Romans 6:1b-11; Matthew 10:24-39
29 June	<i>St. Peter and St. Paul, Apostles</i> Zechariah 4:1-6a, 10b-end or Acts 12:1-11; 2 Timothy 4:6-8,17-18; Matthew 16:13-19
6 July	<i>3rd Sunday after Trinity</i> Genesis 24:34-38; 42-49, 58-end; Romans 7:15-25a; Matthew 11:16-19, 15-end

Sidesmen 8am

Sidesmen 10.45 am

1 June	Marion Scarborough	Joyce Brotherton	Isobel Lacey
8 June	Kay Craven	Dorothy Rishworth	Mollie Blackburn
15 June	Janet Sturgess	Phyll Harrison	Alan Brown
22 June	Colin Chapman	Sarah Curtis	Eileen Holden
29 June		Joyce Brotherton	Isobel Lacey
6 July	Marion Scarborough	Dorothy Rishworth	Mollie Blackburn

10.45 am:	Readings	Offertory procession	Intercessions
1 June	Pauline Barnes	Judith Douglas	Norma Brothers
8 June	Hugh Turner		
15 June	Ruth Abbott	Eileen Hoskin	Pat Cockshott
22 June	Pauline Barnes		
29 June	Hugh Turner	Judith Douglas	Norma Brothers
6 July	Ruth Abbott	Eileen Hoskin	Pat Cockshott

Church cleaning

2 to 13 June	Jean Banks	Carole Ballard
16 to 27 June	Beatrice Faulkner	Annie Faulkner
2 to 13 June	Phyll Harrison	Alan Brown

If you are unable to carry out your duties, please arrange a swap.

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TRAINS from Gargrave to:

Skipton & Leeds

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Saturday	0747	0927	1201	1345	1452	1744	1814	2131 ¹
Sunday			1121	1352	1455	1557	1909	2124

Giggleswick & Morecambe

Mon – Fri	0547	0901	1105		1406	1730		
Saturday	0643	0905	1105		1439	1730		
Sunday		0931	1140		1541		1807	

Settle & Carlisle

Mon- Fri	0547 ²	0932	1105 ³	1331	1406 ²	1730 ²	1851	
Saturday	0643 ³	0932	1105 ³	1331	1439 ²	1730 ²	1840	
Sunday		0953	1140 ²	1438	1541 ²		1807 ³	

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

There are no planned engineering works affecting rail travel from Gargrave during May

BUSES from Gargrave to:

Skipton

Mon – Fri	0926	0956	1056	1156	1256	1356	1456	
Saturday			1107					1717
Sunday				1205			1505	1655

Settle

Mon - Fri	0859		1059		1259			
Saturday – no service								
Sunday			1102 ⁵				1542 ⁵	

Hellifield

Mon-Fri		1034		1234		1434		
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Malham

Mon, Wed & Fri		1000 ⁴			1300 ⁴			
Saturday		1017						1617
Sunday			1102		1242		1542	

Notes 4. Mon, Wed & Friday only, 5. Change at Malham Buck Inn

Following the closure of Pennine Motors last month, bus services are severely affected. At the time of going to press, no decision had been made on additional services to Malham during the week. Capacity has been reduced on the Settle service to 16 seats which will also affect return services in to Skipton.

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Half term	Thursday 23 Oct 2014	Monday 3 Nov 2014
Christmas	Friday 19 Dec 2014	Tuesday 6 Jan 2015

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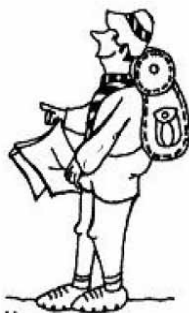
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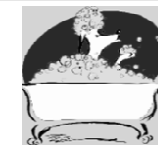


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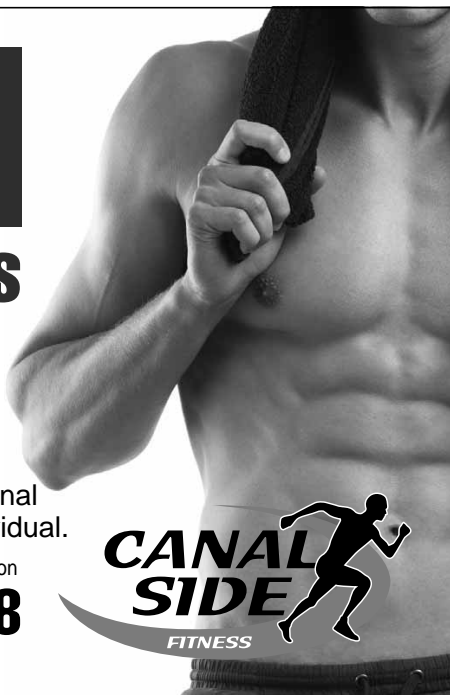
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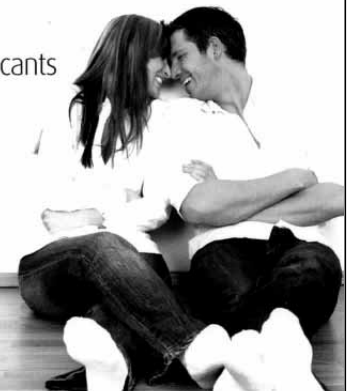
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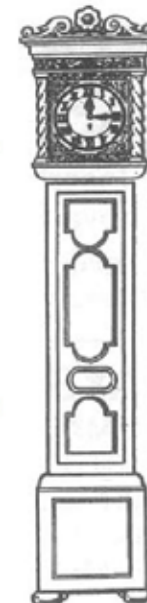
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