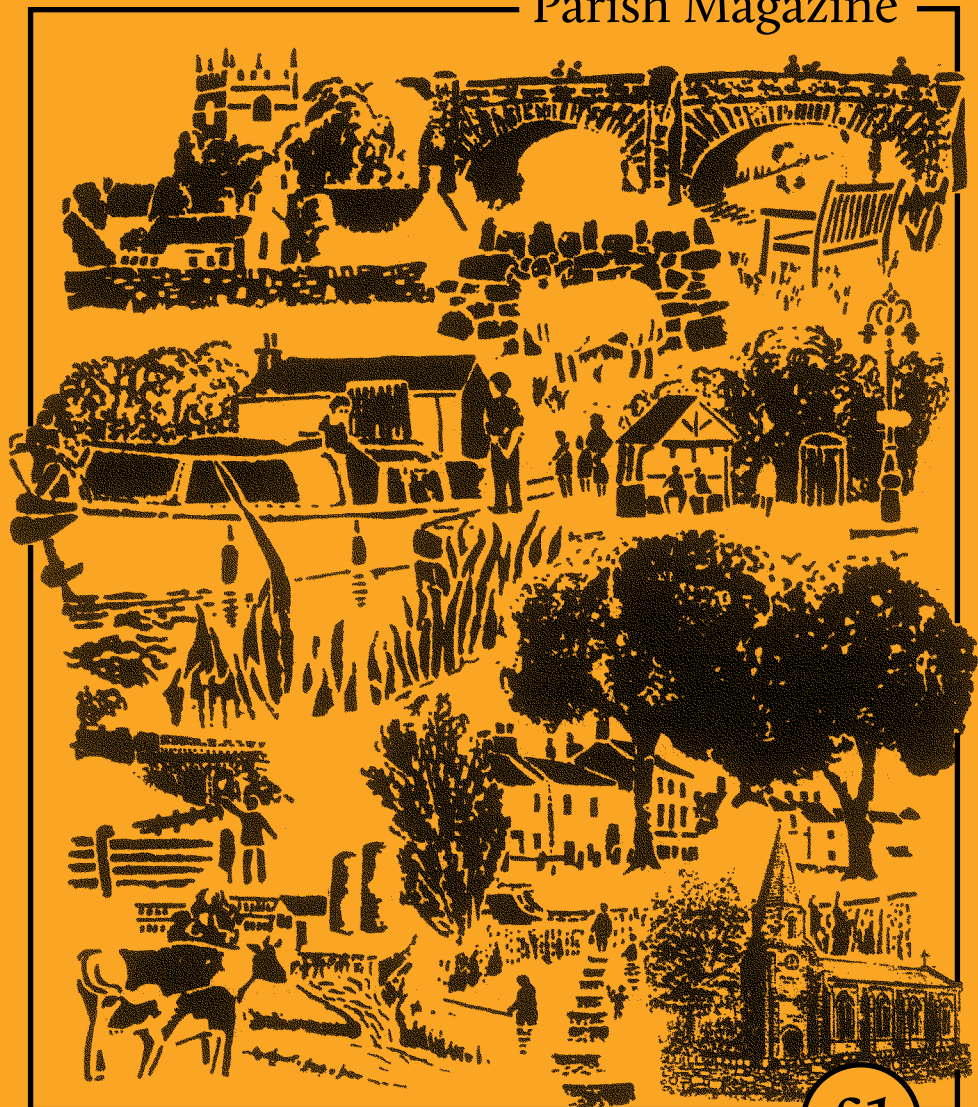


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30 Nov	Switch on of Christmas lights
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## DAVID'S DISPATCHES

*Rev David Houlton*

THE NAME "GARGRAVE" probably goes back to old English or another Teutonic language but, with the remains of a Roman Villa at Kirk Sink, and a Roman ford still visible near the bridge, it's clear that we have a long heritage. So I'm looking forward to the Exhibition the Gargrave Heritage Group are putting on in church at the start of November.

It coincides with one of the traditional times of year for remembering our heritage and roots. At this time of year, around All Soul's Day, people in many Christian countries bring flowers to the graves of relatives, and light candles & say prayers to God, as they remember family and friends.

So, on Sunday 2nd November, during the Heritage Week, the 10.45 church service will focus on our family heritage. And, from 2-4pm there will be opportunity, while visiting the exhibition, for everyone to think about people we have known and loved, to light a candle, say a prayer, and join in special prayers remembering those who have gone before us.

Christians have always believed that there is hope in death as well as in life. Indeed, most serious academic scholars now agree that the early Christians always insisted that Jesus was raised from the dead. It wasn't something made up at a later date to justify Christianity. It is there in the earliest Christian beliefs - recorded from just after Jesus was on earth. And, of course, many of us have experienced something of the spiritual side of life – things that go beyond the physical.

So it's not really much of a surprise that scientists at the University of Southampton published work in October, examining more than 2,000 people, which found that nearly 40 per cent of people who survived cardiac arrests (at hospitals in the UK, US and Austria) had some sort of awareness while they were clinically dead - even though the brain shuts down about 20-30 seconds after the heart has stopped. For instance a man in a Southampton hospital recalled leaving his body and watching his resuscitation from the corner of the room. Dr Sam Parnia, formerly Research Fellow at Southampton, now at New York State University said: "The man described everything that had happened in the room, but importantly, he heard two bleeps from a machine that makes a noise at three minute intervals. So we could time how long the experienced lasted for ... everything that he said had happened to him had actually happened."

We are not just physical beings. Jesus said "My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am."

That is his promise to all of us that trust and follow him. We can have His forgiveness and blessing now. We can know Him in our hearts and lives on earth. And He doesn't forget us when we die; He will give us new life with Him in heaven.

Personally, I have a growing list of friends that I am very much looking forward to catching up with, in due course!

## DIARY FOR NOVEMBER

See back inside cover for regular weekly events and meetings

### Gargrave

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

**Every Tuesday: Communion, 9am, Church**

Fri 31 Oct Swing Commanders, 7pm, Village Hall.

Sat 1 Nov Tales of Old Gargrave Exhibition & Refreshments, 10am-4pm, Church

**Sun 2 Nov Communion 8am; All Souls Day Service 10.45am, Church**  
**All Souls Memorial afternoon 2 - 4pm (remember family, visit the grave, light a candle, say a prayer.)**



Tales of Old Gargrave Exhibition, 10am to 4pm, Church  
 Flea Market, 10am to 4pm, Village Hall

Mon 3 Tales of Old Gargrave Exhibition & Refreshments, 10am-4pm, Church  
 Parish Council Meeting, 7.15pm, Village Hall Annex

Tues 4 Tales of Old Gargrave Exhibition & Refreshments, 10am-4pm, Church

Wed 5 Fuchsia and Geranium Society Meeting, 7pm, Village Hall Annex  
 New 6 week yoga session commences, 9.30am, Annex.

Fri 7 Limited Edition Concert, 7.30 pm, Church

Sat 8 Coffee Morning, 10am to Noon, Village Hall

**Sun 9 Communion 8am; Remembrance Sunday Service, starts at Gargrave Cenotaph, 10.45am, then in Church**

Wed 12 Women's Institute Meeting, 7.30pm, Village Hall Annex

Fri 14 Dance with Elizabeth Harrison, 8pm, Village Hall

Sat 15 Coffee Morning, 10am to Noon, Village Hall

**Sun 16 Communion 8am; Sung Eucharist 10.45am, Church**  
 Flea Market, 10am to 4pm, Village Hall

Tues 18 A Night of Good Cheer, 6-9pm, Crossgates Health, North St

Sat 22 Coffee Morning & Sale of Work (Gargrave Christian Mission fundraiser for Manorlands Hospice), 10am to Noon, Village Hall.  
 Modern Sequence Dance. 7.30pm, Village Hall

**Sun 23 Communion 8am; Holy Baptism 10.45am, Church**

Wed 26 Bingo, 7.30pm, Village Hall Annex

Sat 29 Coffee Morning (Pantomime fundraiser) 10am to Noon, Village Hall  
 Quiz Night, 7pm, Village Hall

**Sun 30 Communion 8am; Morning Prayer 10.45am, Church**  
**Switching on village Christmas lights at the Summerseat 4pm, followed by mince pies, mulled wine & carol singing in Church**

Flea Market, 10am to 4pm, Village Hall

3 Dec "Lights of Love" - Manorlands Service, 7pm, Church

6 Dec Hobbies & Crafts Weekend, 10am to 4pm, Village Hall

**7 Dec Communion 8am; Sung Eucharist 10.45am, Church**  
 Hobbies & Crafts Weekend, 10am to 4pm, Village Hall



### Conistone Cold

Sun 2 Evening Service 4pm

Sun 9 Remembrance Sunday Service led by Michael Bannister, 10.45am

Sun 16 Evening Service 4pm

Sun 23 Holy Communion, 9.30am

Sun 30 Evening Service 4pm

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

### "Tales Of Old Gargrave"

*Norma Brothers*

**Saturday 1 to Sunday 9 November,**  
 St Andrew's Church, 10 am to 4pm.  
 Refreshments available Saturday to Tuesday. *See advert overleaf.*

Includes All Souls Memorial afternoon in Church on **Sunday 9 Nov,** 2-4pm, a time to remember loved ones.

### "Limited Edition" Concert

*Ruth Abbott*

There will be a concert on **Friday, 7th November** at 7.30pm in Church for Church funds. We are delighted that "Limited Edition", a group led by Andrew Linden (Violin) from the village, has agreed to come again to play for us. They did a concert a few years ago in Church and performed for the Library in the Village Hall.

They play a very varied range of music which I am sure you will enjoy. In the interval there will be Cheese and Wine. Tickets are available at £10 each. I do hope you will come and enjoy yourselves. We don't mind if you bring cushions. We know church pews are not the comfiest of seats!!

## JULIAN SMITH MP SURGERY DATES

### SKIPTON

Saturday 13 December, 10 - 11am  
 at Skipton Town Hall

### AGRICULTURAL SURGERIES

Wed 12 November, 11.45am - 12.30pm  
 at Skipton Auction Mart

Wed 12 November, 3.15 - 4pm  
 at Bentham Auction Mart




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Gargrave Heritage Group 

**"Tales of Old Gargrave"**

**Saturday 1st to Sunday 9th of November 2014**

**10 a.m. - 4.p.m. daily (Times Subject To Change)**

*Refreshments available Saturday, Sunday Monday and Tuesday*

Set in the historic ssurroundings of St. Andrew's church, this unique exhibition explores tales of old Gargrave through the stories of the people who lived and worked in the village

Examine the Village's entries in the Domesday Book.

What was an elephant doing in the High Street?

What's the connection between "Wuthering Heights" and Robert Storey's house?

Is the original James Bond buried here?

How did the local mill owners try to fix cricket matches and did they succeed?

Is it a bird, or is it a bat?  
No it's the Yorkshire Blotman!

## A Night of Good Cheer

*Hannah, Crossgates*

Crossgates Health invite you to embrace the festive spirit and join us for a glass of mulled wine, mince pies and lots of fabulous Christmas gift ideas on **Tuesday 18 November**, 6-9pm, The Barn, North Street, Gargrave, 01756 748881.

## Gargrave Christian Mission Coffee Morning & Sale

*Joyce Brotherton*

A Coffee Morning and Christmas Sale of Work with Raffle will be held in the Village Hall on **Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> November** 10am – 12 noon. At a recent meeting, the committee decided to support Manorlands Hospice this year.

There will be the usual stalls with the popular chocolate tombolas, as well as cake, produce, toys, books, bric-a-brac etc, etc.

Donations of jams, cakes, books, mince pies etc will be welcome. The Village Hall shall be open from 9amm so come along and have a chat with friends and a coffee. You will be very welcome.

## Quiz Night

*Sally Thomas*

The Quiz night due to be held at the Village Hall on the 21st November has now been changed to **Saturday the 29th November**. Quiz master Steve (who organises regular quiz nights at various venues in the depths of Lancashire) has compiled a fun quiz covering almost every subject with something for everyone, including a picture round. We need teams of two to four people; children may be included in the maximum entry of four people. Entry fee is £5 per person which will include a legendary Village Hall Pie and Peas supper which will be served in the break. There will be a licensed bar.

The quiz begins at 8pm but the hall will be open at 7.30pm for early drinks. Will anyone wishing to enter a team please contact Caroline on 01756 749235. A fun evening is guaranteed. Why not enter a family, workplace, committee, Village group, or friends team?

## Christmas Lights Switching On

*Revd David Houlton*

Switching on village Christmas lights at the Summerseat **Sunday 30 November** at 4pm, followed by mince pies, mulled wine & carol singing in Church

## Hobbies and Crafts Weekend

*Sally Thomas*

This will take place on **Saturday and Sunday 6 and 7 December**. The Hall will be full of stalls selling a variety of crafts including rag rugs, textiles, jewellery and cards. Many of the stallholders will be demonstrating how their finished products are made. The event is an ideal opportunity to purchase some very exclusive Christmas presents. Entry is free, and refreshments will be available during the entire weekend. Please contact Caroline for any further details on 749235.

## Nativity Play

*Ruth Abbott*

We are proposing to "resurrect" the Gargrave Nativity Play for the service on **Sunday 14th December** at 4pm. It will not be exactly as it was before, but you can't change the story!! Katie Milner (Wendy's daughter) who is studying Drama at Liverpool and has recently played at the Edinburgh Fringe has put a new look to it. There will be the same costumes and the familiar words and music. However we do need help to produce it again.

We would like anyone who would like to join the Stan Drew's Choir to let us know; anyone who would like to help with the costumes, anyone who could help to direct it that evening, anyone who would like to take part etc etc. All parts are non-speaking ones (apart from the narrator)! Willing hands will be most welcome. We shall, of course, have to have 2 or 3 rehearsals, and the Dress rehearsal will be on Saturday 13th December, again at 4pm.

As Katie is back at college, could you please ring Ruth Abbott on 748483 with your offers of help. I shall be delighted to hear from you.

## Good News: Strictly Gargrave

*Marie Chapman*

Bethany Young, aged 17 years, came 1<sup>st</sup> in the UKA Ballroom Dancing at Blackpool in the under 21s, and Elizabeth Mukherjee came 1<sup>st</sup> in the 16 year old Ballroom Dancing throughout all Great Britain. Well done! Both are trained at Thomson's Dance. Bethany is a trainee florist at Poppyfields, and Elizabeth is a pupil at Craven College.

## Winter Bus Services for Gargrave

*Chris Wright*

Good news. Because of its success the Dales and Bowland Community Interest Company are going to continue the popular 75 Saturday only DalesBus service to Malham, Skipton and Harrogate through the winter months. This means no parking problems during the pre Christmas shopping rush.

The 580 services to Skipton and Settle along with the 581 continuing to Kirkby Lonsdale will continue as at present but with slight timetable changes. The 0841 to Skipton is retimed to 0821 to help students and others to arrive with less pressure. As a special dispensation N.Y.C.C. will allow concessionary passes to be used on this service. Normally these can only be used after 0900.

New Metro timetables will be available in the Library. And public transport timetables for Gargrave are at the end section of this Parish Magazine.



## Operation Christmas Child Shoe-Box Appeal

*Marie Chapman*

Once again Poppyfields florists of High Street, Gargrave are collecting shoeboxes filled with toys, soap, flannels, pens, pencils, writing books etc for boys and girls from the poorest parts of Europe. The ages are boys 2-4 years, 5-9 years, and

10-14 years and similarly for girls. Please call in for a covered shoebox or for further details.



## Girl Guiding – Room for more



*Debbie Gomersall*

Malhamdale Rainbows currently have places available for girls age 5 and 6. If you are interested, please contact Debbie Gomersall on 01729 830589.



## Pendle Forest and Craven Hunt

*Elizabeth Adams*

We had a wonderful day at the hunter trials at Coniston on 5th October. We were so lucky with the weather as it was a beautiful sunny day so the setting of the lake and autumn colours on the trees made for some great photographs of horse and rider. 166 horses went around the superb course, 51 of these were children, with 11 under 10. It was a fun day enjoyed by many riders and spectators.

In November we are holding an Old Tyme Dance at Gargrave Village Hall on **Saturday 8th November**. Dennis Westmorland is playing for this evening: a very popular entertainer with a wide repertoire of music. Pie and pea supper is included in the ticket price of £10, to book tel 01756 749772.

## Pilates

*Beatrice Faulkner*

We are now meeting on Tuesday mornings at 10am, in addition to Fridays at 9am, in the Village Hall Annex (access via green side door). If you'd like to join in, please contact me on 749443 or 0777 89809994.



## News

*Jean Maxwell*

Our recent Group Social was a coming together of the members of all the Upper Wharfedale Group, when 9 local Institutes joined together for Supper and to listen to The Story of the Music Hall – complete with a sing along – and a good time was had by all.

The Federation Quiz was round one of two, where teams from 7 other institutes came together for a very enjoyable quiz complete (as usual) with a supper of soup and desserts provided by our members. Our Team went to Clapham to take part there and gained 70 points – maybe enough to get through to the final – we have yet to find out. As you can imagine quite some time at our monthly meeting was spent in organising volunteers for the Social and the Quiz but we were also treated to the fascinating story of how Jane Ellison became interested in Knitting and eventually opened her shop in Skipton (Purl and Jane). She brought some lovely examples of finished and unfinished articles and samples of the beautiful wool that she has for sale.

Our next meeting in November will be with our new President and Alison Brain will be showing us how to make some North American Beadwork. You are welcome to come along and join in – we get together from 7pm for a 7.30pm start in the Village Hall Annex. We look forward to meeting you there.



## LETTER: A THANK YOU

Having been established in Settle for two years, Kathy and I would like to say a big thank to the residents of this area in North Yorkshire for your amazing support. Local shops need local shoppers, and you are helping to keep a small market towns up here vibrant. We appreciate all the support we have received.

When Kathy and I moved up from Bath (where we were also working with traditionally-made cheese), we were welcomed very warmly by all the residents of Settle and we have been so encouraged by the support we received from day one. Thankfully you were prepared to come and try out *The Courtyard Dairy*, and you welcomed our ethos to supply only top-quality rare and unusual cheeses – for which we thank you, because some farmers we work with would not be able to continue to make cheese and farm if it wasn't for you buying their cheese through us. We remain extremely dedicated towards championing and keeping alive traditionally-made farmhouse cheese.

Unfortunately there are not many farmhouse cheese-makers left (for example, there's only one farmer in Yorkshire making unpasteurised cheese with milk from his own herd of cows). We believe it is more important than ever to champion the small family farms that make cheese with milk from their own herds and flocks – making sure money and employment remains in the rural communities and keeping alive traditional and sustainable farming practices. And, most importantly, their cheeses taste great too – a real expression of each farm!

For those of you interested in how Kathy and I work with small farmers and what we are looking for when we visit each farm to select out the cheese batches for *The Courtyard Dairy* watch this five-minute video at [www.tinyurl.com/kirkhams](http://www.tinyurl.com/kirkhams).

Thanks again for all your support – we are extremely grateful and we enjoy living in Settle and being part of the community. And for those of you who haven't yet been in the shop – please do pop in for a taste of the cheeses: we know you'll be pleasantly surprised by their great value and wonderful depth of flavour.

Andy Swinscoe

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## HEDGEHOGS

*Morris Charlton*



November is highly significant for our hedgehogs for 2 reasons. The first is Bonfire night (week) and the other is for hibernation, with many going into hibernation around mid-November.

November 5<sup>th</sup> comes first, so please do take extra care when checking bonfires. It is far better to collect the materials for the fire and only put them into place on the day it is to be lit. Those built before the day can attract hedgehogs so should be inspected before lighting. If possible, lift the materials around the bottom edge of the pile using a broom handle or similar, and check for extra piles of leaves, or you may even see the hedgehog itself. A disturbed hedgehog may also make a hissing sound (like a snake) to try to intimidate those disturbing it. Start by lighting one side of the bonfire, and allow the quiet side, ie the side with the least people standing around, to remain unburnt for a few minutes, as this may allow an escape route for any missed hedgehogs.

If you find a hedgehog, put it in a high sided box with some meat-based cat food and a towel to snuggle under. Put it in a quiet place, and once the noise etc has died down release the hedgehog with its dish of food.

Larger hedgehogs will go into hibernation around mid November. Those that do not hibernate (Autumn Juveniles) will need extra help, particularly when the weather turns colder.

Regular visitors should be able to cope, provided extra food is put out every evening. Weighing them regularly should ensure there is a weight gain. If there is a problem, eg out in the day, or there is only a small weight gain, or it is still considered too small to hibernate and the weather is closing in, then contact the BHPS for details of a local hedgehog rehabilitator. In addition, those wandering without a regular supply of food, and especially when there are frosts expected, will struggle to find any natural food, so they too will need to be rescued. So if you find a hedgehog that you have not seen around before, weigh it and call the British Hedgehog Preservation Society for advice.

If you are concerned about any hedgehog, or you see one out in the day, contact the BHPS on 01584 890801 (if you can weigh the hedgehog first that is always helpful, but do use gloves when you handle them). For more information about hedgehogs and how to help them, including a leaflet on Autumn Juveniles, visit the BHPS web site at [www.britishhedgehogs.org.uk](http://www.britishhedgehogs.org.uk)

## MOYRA'S MIGRATIONS

*Moyra Sonley*

NOW FOR SOMETHING completely different

My second husband Arthur, was a self employed builder and I used to help him sometimes with some of the jobs he got. I was the labourer and he did all the clever stuff, but I used to enjoy it. One particular job he got was to build a single storey extension on to the living room of a semi-detached house. It was to be a separate room with a door leading through to it.

I think basically it was an overspill for the house, because Mr and Mrs Smith were hoarders, every room was full of everything imaginable. Apart from furniture there were piles and piles of books, papers and magazines and just lots of *things*. There were narrow passages between the clutter, you had to squeeze your way through to get from one side of the room to the other. They obviously didn't want to throw anything away, because you never know, it might come in!

Now Mr and Mrs Smith were nice people, but they were very tight with their money. They both worked, I don't know what Mrs Smith did, but Mr Smith was a travelling salesman for a company which supplied funeral directors with all their requirements. He went round with his samples and took orders.

Anyway the building work went well and when Arthur had finished the structural work, he then had to paint the guttering. He asked Mr Smith what colour of paint he would like, so that he could go and buy some. Mr Smith hastily said there was no need to buy anything, as he had something suitable that would do.

He produced a tin of what looked like brown paint, so Arthur started using it and indeed it seemed quite adequate for the job. After he had done some of the painting he wondered what shade of brown it was, so he looked at the label. He found he wasn't using paint at all - for the label simply read, 'COFFIN SEALER!'

### Rude parrot

A minister had been left a parrot in the Will of a member of his congregation, and soon regretted it: the bird was very rude to anyone in the congregation who dropped by the parsonage. Finally in exasperation the minister warned the parrot he would take drastic action if he did not behave. When the parrot reduced the next visitor to tears, the minister grabbed him and stuffed him into the fridge for five minutes while he apologised to the visitor, and saw her out.

When he took the parrot out five minutes later, the bird was transformed. 'I am just so sorry. I was completely out of order. I promise I will never be rude to anyone again.' The minister was happily astonished, and put the bird back into his cage. He was about to go back to work when the parrot coughed politely and ventured: "Mind if I ask something? When I was in the fridge just now, I wondered: what had that chicken done?"

## FARMING ON SCALEBER HILL

*John Hall*

OCTOBER HAS A LONG TRADITION of Yorkshire farmers attending Oban cattle sales – Oban being the town on the northwest coast of Scotland which provides a lifeline and services to many of the Hebridean islands. The Auction Mart in Oban provides a gathering place for farmers and crofters from the Highlands & Islands to sell their cattle and sheep.

My first recollections of Scotland were as a 15 year old, taken on holiday by an uncle to the cattle sales. It was my first holiday ever, one I shall never forget. My first trip out was on a ferry up to Loch Sunard to collect 70 cattle off a pier. Pens had been erected on the deck, and the cattle penned. The Island of Coll was the next call. Returning to Oban late that night (the auction was situated in the town with a railway line into the auction yard) gangways were placed onto the deck with the cattle driven through the streets to the auction. I cannot imagine this being done today. Can you imagine driving a hundred cattle through the streets these days?

The sales consisted of four days. The Monday sale was of suckled calves off the Highlands, the Tuesday one, off the mainland. There was a full day of dairy cattle, mostly Shorthorn and Ayrshire, many of which come to Yorkshire. The beef breeds were mainly Angus, Highland and Hereford.

The highlight for a 15 year old was the day for the Highland Cattle sale, to see them all washed, and horns polished, never mind the owners' kilts!!!

Each evening, most of the cattle were loaded onto cattle trucks to be moved by steam train over a wide area – motor transport was only in its infancy.

How many readers remember cattle pens at Hellifield, Bell Busk and Gargrave? There was a time when up to 500 dairy heifers were for sale.

It has all changed now. Following a beef shortage during 1950-60, the government paid a headage payment for all beef bred calves. As a result, I bought the last two dairy heifers off the Isle of Lismore in 1975.

As our farming system has changed, I have not bought cattle at Oban for some time, but I enjoy visiting and attending the sales and meeting friends, with all the banter. To see all the autumn colours at his time of year speaks for itself. Over the years, the weather is often good at early October. The sunset over Oban bay can be fantastic. Although our Scottish friends are divided over the "Yes/NO" referendum, they can at least have a discussion!!!

### Shepherd

Why do you call your dog Bra, shepherd?

Because 'e rounds 'em up and points 'em in the right direction.

### Dream

Politician: "I dream of a better tomorrow where chickens can cross the road and not have their motives questioned."



## HAPPY CHILDHOOD

*Enid French*

I AM VERY FORTUNATE and grateful for being born in Gargrave and living here for almost all my life. I cannot think of a better place! A village that has grown and grown over the years but is still beautiful with good walks away from the heavy traffic on the main road.

Growing up, everyone knew everyone, and woe betide if you did anything wrong! You could be sure someone would tell your parents: one of the best deterrents for making you stop and think before you were naughty!

The two schools in the village were run in parallel and whilst I went to the Wesleyan (Council) School, my husband of the future attended the Church School. We never attended the same school at the same time although in 1942 the school arrangements were changed, and the Council School became the Infants School and the Church School catered for the 8 to 11 year olds. That is when, instead of just crossing the road to school, I had to walk all through the village and over to the other side of the river. There I was in a class taught by Miss Townson, who I later often teased about only letting me play a triangle in music lessons!

I then had much further to come home for my dinner. I cannot remember any children that I knew being late for meals even if we were just playing out. I often arrived before my Father, coming home from Johnson and Johnson on his bike, and dismounting as he crossed the main road from East Street. Motor traffic was considerably less than now! Having said that, there was quite a rush from the factory at finishing time. The cinder track across the green was well used.

Perhaps I should say that being born in one of the Smallholdings, I then lived at 40 Skipton Road until I was married in 1957.

At that time the village had many and varied shops, for example, three butchers, three bread and cake shops, the Co-op, the Post Office, three grocers, greengrocer, newspaper and sweet shops, two fish and chip shops and one or two shops that sold all sorts, as well as the chemist. Also three public houses and probably some establishments I have temporarily forgotten.

With the war in 1939 came the blackout - no street lights and even no lights showing through the curtains at home. I can remember being sent to Gilligans' fish shop and, as was usual then, having a long wait for my turn, and coming out to find that it was pitch dark and being very glad to reach home.

Also with the war, came rationing, and as far as I was concerned, sweet rations. My Father used to take us to buy our ration either at Mr. Hogan's - who sometimes, if he was in a good mood, would give you one or two extra, or to Miss Hudson's who had 'better' sweets but only gave you the exact amount.

The grapevine was very good at alerting people to a consignment of tinned fruit, for example arriving at the Co-op, and all who could went to queue for their share.

We were lucky living in a country place because the occasional rabbit or old hen supplemented the rations. And one big plus was that we were fairly free from air-raids, even warnings, the worst and nearest raid being at Coniston

Bridge. (I am told by Dennis French that the only casualty was a rabbit.) Indeed the scariest experience was an earth tremor which actually knocked some newspapers to the floor in our sitting room.

I hope these jottings remind many people of happy times in their childhood whether in Gargrave or elsewhere. For more memories, please visit the exhibition in Church early this month.

## GARGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

*Janet Turner*

### Monthly meeting, 6 October

Apologies: Craven District Councillor Simon Myers

There was no police presence or report this month.

The Parish Council formally adopted the policy and regulations regarding a variety of recording methods which are permitted to be used during meetings of the Council.

As the end of the grass cutting season is fast approaching the Council discussed this year's specification and possible changes for next year.

The shrubbery around the perimeter of the playground's car park was discussed with a view to tidying it up and planting up the gaps.

Parishioners were formally thanked for their work in tidying up various areas of the village which they know that they do not own.

Councillors discussed the open Consultation Day regarding the Neighbourhood Plan which was held on 20 September. It was thought that about 120 people had attended. It was reported that Kirkwells have been appointed to act as the consultants to help to formulate the Neighbourhood Plan.

The bus timetable in operation from the end of October is on display in shops and notice-boards as well as at the library and church.

The next meeting will be at 7.15pm on **Monday 3 November** at the Village Hall.

### How well do you know your spouse?

At a seminar on Marriage, the minister was stressing how essential it is that couples discern what is important to their partner. He challenged the men: "Can you even name your wife's favourite flower?" Baffled silence followed, until one husband nudged his wife with a hopeful smile and hazarded: "It's MacDougal's Self-Raising, right?"

### Now hear this?

My wife says I never listen, or something like that...

## INFORMATION

### Rotas for St Andrew's Church

*Enid French, Janie Kennerdale & Revd David Houlton*

#### Readings for worship

2 Nov	<i>All Saints Day/4th Sunday before Advent</i> Revelation 7:9-end; 1 John 4:1-3; Matthew 5:1-12
9 Nov	<i>Remembrance Sunday/3rd Sunday before Advent</i> Wisdom 6:12-16 or Amos 5:18-24; Matthew 25:1-13
16 Nov	<i>2nd Sunday before Advent</i> Zephaniah 1:7,12-end; Matthew 25:14-30
23 Nov	<i>Christ the King/Sunday next before Advent</i> Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24; Matthew 25:31-end
30 Nov	<i>St. Andrew's Day/1st Sunday of Advent</i> Isaiah 64:1-9; Mark 13:24-37
7 Dec	<i>2nd Sunday of Advent</i> Isaiah 40:1-11; Mark 1:

#### Sidesmen 8am

2 Nov		Phyll Harrison	Alan Brown
9 Nov	Kay Craven	Sarah Curtis	Eileen Holden
16 Nov	Janet Sturgess	Joyce Brotherton	Isobel Lacey
23 Nov	Colin Chapman	Dorothy Rishworth	Mollie Blackburn
30 Nov		Phyll Harrison	Alan Brown
7 Dec		Sarah Curtis	Eileen Holden

#### Sidesmen 10.45 am

10.45 am:	Readings	Offertory procession	Intercessions
2 Nov	Pauline Barnes	Judith Douglas	Norma Brothers
9 Nov	Hugh Turner		Janet Turner
16 Nov	Ruth Abbott	Eileen Hoskin	Pat Cockshott
23 Nov	Jerry Ford		Ruth Abbott
30 Nov	John Bailey	Judith Douglas	Norma Brothers
7 Dec	Pauline Barnes	Joyce Brotherton	Isobel Lacey
			Pat Cockshott
			Jean Coldwell

#### Church cleaning

3- 14 Nov	Alison Ford	Jerry Ford	<i>If you are unable to carry out your duties, please arrange a swap.</i>
17-28 Nov	Jean Banks	Carole Ballard	
1-12 Dec	Beatrice Faulkner	Annie Faulkner	



## Public Transport

*Jerry Ford*

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#### TRAINS from Gargrave to:

##### Skipton & Leeds

Mon – Fri	0747	0811	1201	1349	1452	1728	1814	2028	2131
Saturday	0747	0927	1201	1345	1452	1744	1814	2028	2131 <sup>1</sup>
Sunday			1121	1352	1455	1557	1907		2106

##### Giggleswick & Morecambe

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

##### Settle, Ribbleshead (shaded boxes only) & Carlisle

Mon- Fri	0547 <sup>2</sup>	0931	1105 <sup>3</sup>	1331	1406 <sup>2</sup>	1730 <sup>2</sup>	1851	2006 <sup>4</sup>
Saturday	0643 <sup>3</sup>	0931	1105 <sup>3</sup>	1331	1439 <sup>2</sup>	1730 <sup>2</sup>	1840	2006 <sup>4</sup>
Sunday		0953	1140 <sup>2</sup>	1438	1541 <sup>2</sup>		1807 <sup>3</sup>	

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

4. Terminates at Ribbleshead

**No engineering works are planned to affect trains from Gargrave in November.**

#### BUSES from Gargrave to:

##### Skipton

Mon – Fri	0821	0956	1057 <sup>7</sup>	1156	1356 <sup>7</sup>		1506	1656
Saturday	0821	0956	1105 <sup>5</sup>	1156	1356		1556	1705 <sup>5</sup>
Sunday	- November 16 only <sup>9</sup>			1200			1500	1655

##### Settle

Mon - Fri	0904		1059		1259	1459	1559	1759
Saturday	0904		1059		1259	1459		1659
Sunday	- no service over the winter							

##### Malham

Mon- Fri		1000 <sup>8</sup>		1310 <sup>8</sup>				
Saturday		1006 <sup>6</sup>	1006			1606 <sup>6</sup>		
Sunday	- November 16 only <sup>9</sup>			1056		1251		1551

**Notes** 5. Connects in Skipton with bus X75 to Harrogate, Saturdays only

6. Bus to Malham from Skipton, connected with X75 from Harrogate to Skipton, Sat only

7. Stops at Coniston Cold 4 minutes earlier, Tuesdays & Thursdays only

8. Stops at Coniston Cold 4 minutes later, Tuesdays & Thursdays only

9. Sunday November 16 only, Craven Link 884, 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month service

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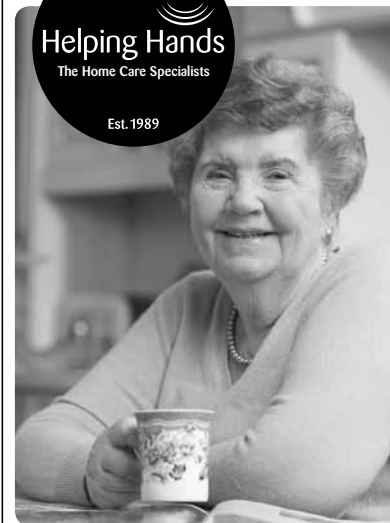
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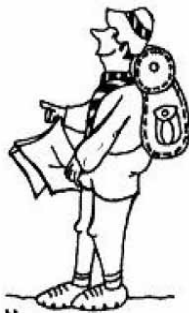
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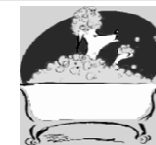


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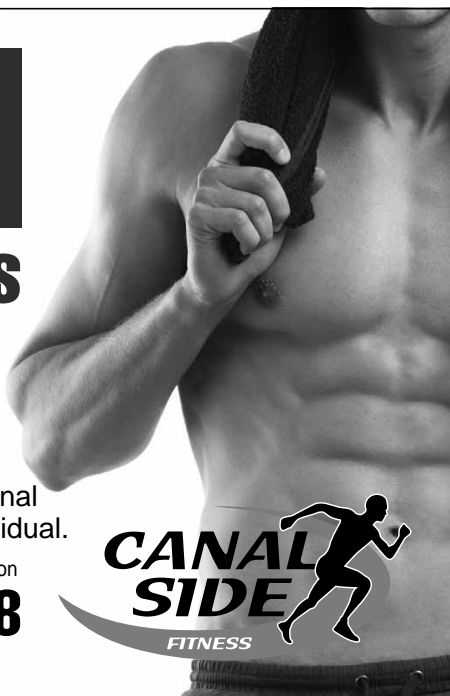
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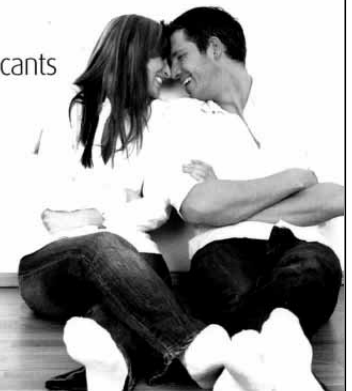
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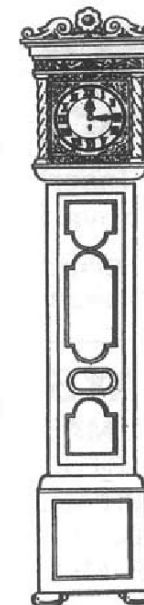
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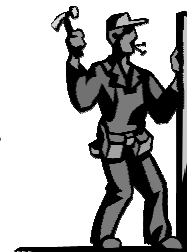
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