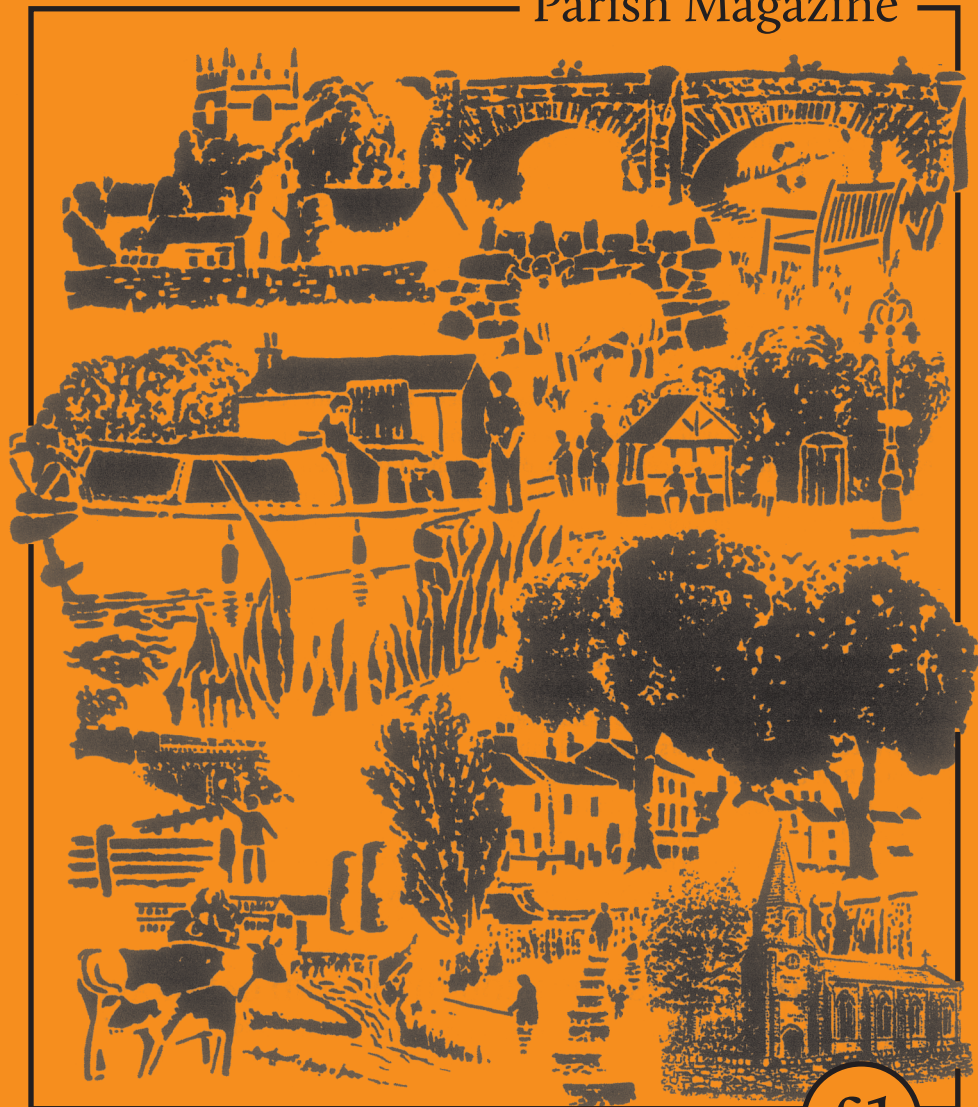


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DAVID'S DISPATCHES

Rev David Houlton

PEOPLE FROM HULL HAVE FISH & CHIPS IN OUR BLOOD, even though no local trawlers have sailed since the 1970s' "cod wars". TV reports from the streets of Hull would always show someone wandering round behind the reporter eating a bag of chips. So it was with some delight that your vicar discovered that a fish shop was opening in Gargrave – though I can't wander round eating bags of chips too often any more.

Every outing - to scouts, youth group, clubs or whatever - ended, if possible, with dropping by the chippy for a bag of chips and 'scraps' (fried batter)... and, every Wednesday, the family lunch was brought home from Crimlis's or another fish & chips shop. Fish-and-chips ... "nature's perfect food!" Yum!!.... and my younger constitution seemed to have no problem burning up the calories!

Unfortunately, your middle-aged vicar will no longer be overdoing the fish & chips. My aunt warned me years ago that the youthful, calorie-burning, Houlton constitution gives way to a rather more "efficient" metabolism – and is prone to "middle-aged bedspread". Both she and her twin brother had been runners, and she competed at county level, but by her thirties she was already rather more "comfortable."

My aunt was an inspiration in several ways. When their mother died young, one brother (my father) left school to help look after the family business and she chose to live in the family home to look after their father, as he too had serious health problems. She worked hard as a teacher, she was committed to helping in the church and community, and she knitted for her many nephews and one niece. I still keep the last jumper she knitted for me – a multi-coloured pullover that seems to have shrunk round the belly(!). She told me that there was "love in every stitch".

How she lived her life is an inspiration to me - the value of family, of community, and of living life open to God. It's great, isn't it, that so many people in our villages have the same attitude. Social services can do a lot, but caring for each other is invaluable - it brings a quality of life for the cared-for, and for the carer, that money can't buy. It is part of what the "Kingdom of God" is about.

And Mary didn't miss out on having a family either. Shortly after her father died she met a recently widowed colleague and married in her mid-forties. She acquired an instant family and, although he was twenty years her senior, Bill was from good Driffeld stock; they saw their Silver Wedding anniversary.

Her life reminds me of what Jesus taught us about priorities: to trust God for what we need, to be sincere in seeking God, and to be generous to others... and so to aim to "store up treasures in heaven", not just treasures on earth: *"...Your Father in heaven knows that you need all these things. Instead, be concerned above everything else with the Kingdom of God and with what he requires of you, and he will provide you with all these other things. So do not worry about tomorrow; it will have enough worries of its own. There is no need to add to the troubles each day brings."*

DIARY FOR MAY

Conston Cold

Sun 3	Holy Communion, 9.30am, Church
Sun 10	Evensong, 4pm, Church
Sat 17	Holy Communion, 9.30am, Church
Sun 24	Evensong, 4pm, Church
Sun 31	Joint with Gargrave, 10.45am
Sun 7 June	Holy Communion, 9.30am, Church

Gargrave

Sun 26 Apr	8am Communion, 10.45 short Morning Prayer; 11.15am annual parochial church meeting Village litter pick 11am, Summerseat Flea Market, 10am to 4pm, Village Hall
Sat 2 May	Coffee Morning, 10am to Noon, Village Hall
Sun 3	8am Communion, 10.45am Sung Eucharist, Church
Wed 6	New 6 week yoga session, 9.30am, Village Hall Annex Fuchsia and Geranium Society Meeting, 7pm, Annex
Thurs 7	Voting in the General Election, All day, Village Hall
Fri 8	Dance with Elizabeth Harrison, from 8pm, Village Hall
Sat 9	NSPCC Event – Coffee and Cupcakes, 10am to Noon, Village Hall Play– A Month of Sundays, from 7.30pm, Village Hall
Sun 10	8am Communion, 10.45am Morning Prayer, Church
Mon 11	Horton Community Café, 2pm, Annex Annual Parish Meeting 7pm followed by Parish Council meeting 7.30pm, Village Hall
Wed 13	WI Meeting, 7.30pm, Village Hall Annex
Thurs 14	Ascension Day Service, 7pm, Church
Sun 17	8am Communion 10.45am 'A Silent Eucharist' with Rev Paul Booth, Church Flea Market, 10am to 4pm, Village Hall
Wed 20	Bingo, 7.30pm, Annex
Sat 23	Coffee Morning and collection of Gargrave memorabilia, 10am to Noon, Village Hall (see page 4). Modern Sequence Dance 7pm, Village Hall.
Sun 24	8am Communion 10.45am Pentecost Service with Canon Steve Allen, Church
Wed 27	Bingo, 7.30pm, Village Hall Annex.
Sat 30	Merrell Art Exhibition (with refreshments) along with public presentation of Local Plan, 10am to 4pm, Village Hall
Sun 31	8am Communion, 10.45am Trinity Sunday Service, Church

Flea Market, 10am to 4pm, Village Hall

Sun 7 June 8am Communion, 10.45am Service Remembering St Robert of Gargrave (Newminster), Church

Additional regular weekly Gargrave events

Mondays:

9 am Morning Prayer, Church
10 am Stay and Play, Village Hall Annex
1.30pm Art Club, Village Hall Committee Room 1
7pm Modern Sequence Dancing, Village Hall
7.30pm Bell ringing, Church
8pm Church home group, see "Weekly Sheet" in church for venue

Tuesdays:

9 am Communion Service, Church
9.30am Gargrave Tuesday Club Cycling, dep The Dalesman Cafe
10 am Heritage Group, Church
10 am Pilates, Village Hall Annex
10.30am Adult Tennis Coaching and Social Tennis (weather permitting)
2pm Knit and Natter, Church
2pm Indoor Bowls, Village Hall
pm Brownies & Rainbows (school term only)
pm Tap dancing lessons, Village Hall Annex

Wednesdays:

9 am Morning Prayer, Church
9.30 am Gentle Hatha Yoga, Village Hall Annex
9.30 am Twins and Multiple Birth Group, Village Hall
1.30pm Wednesday Club, Village Hall Annex
2pm Mini Movers Group, Village Hall

Thursdays:

9 am Phoenix Club, The Anchor, (alternate Thursdays)
10am Gargrave Tuesday Club Cycling, dep the Dalesman Cafe
2 pm Indoor Bowls, Village Hall
5pm Theatre-craft lessons, Village Hall Annex
7.30pm Tai Chi, Village Hall Annex

Fridays:

9 am Morning Prayer, Church
9 am Pilates, Village Hall Annex

Saturdays:

am Ballet lessons, Village Hall Annex
10 & 11am Junior Tennis coaching

Sundays:

1.30pm Social Tennis

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Coffee and Cupcake Coffee Morning

Eileen Holden

Gargrave NSPCC committee invite you to Coffee and Cup Cakes in the Village Hall on **Saturday 9 May**, 10am – 12 noon. Raffle, Bring & Buy stall. Admission £3, (pay on the door).



A month of Sundays –the Jaywalkers

Duncan Faulkner

The comedy 'A Month of Sundays' will be coming to Gargrave Village Hall on **Saturday May 9th at 7.30pm**.

The play is written by Bob Larbey, who, along with John Esmonde penned the huge comedy series 'The Good Life' and 'Ever Decreasing Circles' among others.

Jay Walkers have produced critically acclaimed shows such as 'Teechers', 'Blue Remembered Hills', 'The 39 Steps', 'Ladies Day', 'Time of my Life' and most recently 'Not About Heroes'.

Tickets at £7 are available in advance from the library. The event will be hosted by Gargrave Pantomime Group, and a bar will be available during the interval.

Collection Coffee Morning - Old Gargrave

Norma Brothers

Gargrave Heritage Group are appealing for loans or donations of photographs of Old Gargrave and World War 2 and Coronation memorabilia in preparation for their "Coming Home" exhibition this autumn. There will be a collection of photos and artefacts at the Village Hall Coffee Morning on **Saturday 23 May**. Further details will be available at the preceding Saturday Coffee Mornings and from Martin Thompson on 748309. Thank you for your assistance.

Merrell Art Exhibition

Peter Merrell

An exhibition of the work of Margaret & John Merrell is to be held in Gargrave Village Hall on **Saturday 30th May**, from 10am to 4pm. Refreshments will be served throughout the day.

Margaret died in 2010 and John in 2013 and the family have quite a collection of their artwork. This exhibition will be an opportunity to see and purchase some of the work they created over the years.

Margaret and John retired to Gargrave where they lived for approximately 30 years. John had been a GP in Skipton and Margaret was a botanist and they were married for over 60 years.

Both Margaret and John joined classes in drawing and painting and they also showed their work in local exhibitions. Their interests in travel, walking and plants were reflected in their artwork, Margaret being inspired particularly by their garden and John by his long distance walks.

Library events

Dave Smith

On **Friday 5th June** Chris Emmett, a retired policeman and local author, will give an illustrated talk on his life as a Colonial policeman in Hong Kong.

For both the above events the doors will open at 7.00 pm with the talks starting at 7.30pm. Seating will be café style. and, if you wish, please bring along your own refreshments. Admission on the door: £4

On the **19th June** we will be showing 'The 100year old man who climbed out of the window and disappeared'. The book of the same title is extremely funny and can be found on the shelves of the library.

NEWS

Gargrave Open Gardens - 4 July

Bea and Duncan Faulkner

We are appealing for offers of gardens available to be opened on **Saturday 4 July** for Gargrave Open Gardens, a classic annual village event. We welcome gardens of all shapes and sizes and aim to include a variety from the more manicured to those on the wild side.

Assistance would be most appreciated with advertising, stalls, and catering. Donations for the plant stall and tombola will be welcomed too.

Once again, we are hoping to incorporate live music – do spread the word to potential players.

If you'd like to share your talents, produce or garden for the day, please contact us on 749443 or by email via editor@gargravemag.co.uk.

Gargrave Duck Race – 5 July

Cathryn Turner

Gargrave's annual duck race will take place on **Sunday the 5th July** this year. Organised by the Primary school's PTA, the event will be a fun day for the whole family and will include a fancy dress competition, dog show, hot food and drinks, ice creams, tombola, games and the duck race at 3pm.

If you could help to sell tickets or volunteer your time on the day to help, please contact the Chair of the PTA, Cathryn Turner on 749464.

All proceeds from the day go to the PTA funds which this year will be raising money for 10 new cameras and outdoor play equipment, which are superb contributions for enhancing school life.

Gargrave Village Summer Art Exhibition

Alan Poxon

The Summer Art Exhibition will be taking place **from Thursday, 16th July - Sunday, 19th July**, so remember to put it in your diaries.

If you would like to enter up to three pieces of work into the exhibition, Entry Forms are available from:

Lesley Woodhouse at ljwoodhouse@btinternet.com;
Alan Poxon on 749686 or alan@kitemaker.co.uk.

Alternatively, forms will be available from the Library, or from the Gargrave Art website www.gargravearts.webs.com.

If you have entered in recent years, you should receive an Entry Form automatically. The closing date for entries is Saturday 20th June.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Knit and Natter

Norma Brothers

Our weekly meetings are starting again on **Tues 5 May** at 2pm in Gargrave Church. All welcome.

Bingo!

Sally Thomas

Bingo is played on the 4th Wednesday of every month in the Village Hall Annex from 7.30pm. Entry is free and there are tea and biscuits served during the interval. Books are priced at 80p each and there are prizes for both a line and full house. There is also a flyer at the end of the evening with a cash prize on offer for a line, two lines and full house. Everybody is very welcome to attend this fun and entertaining evening - this month's is on **Wednesday May 27th**.

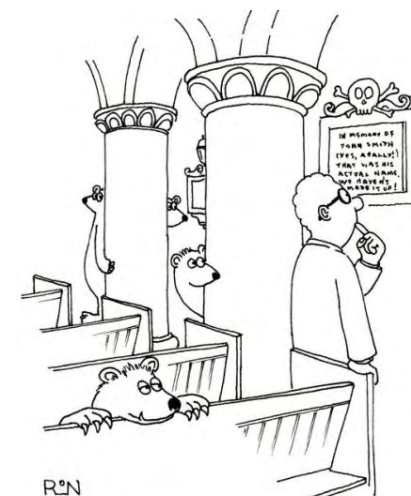


"Police? This is St Mary's Ladies' Knitting & Vigilante Circle. We've detained two gents trying to nick the church silver."

A Night to Remember

Donavon Slaven

On Friday 20 March, the Gargrave Heritage Group presented a collection of pictures from the Dennis French collection. The church was packed and the audience was treated to a look back at the people and places from Gargrave's past. The Heritage Group are planning future events and would welcome suggestions, feedback and the loan of pictures and artefacts to enable us to preserve the history and heritage of our village. Apologies for keeping everyone up late - we promise to make the next event shorter!

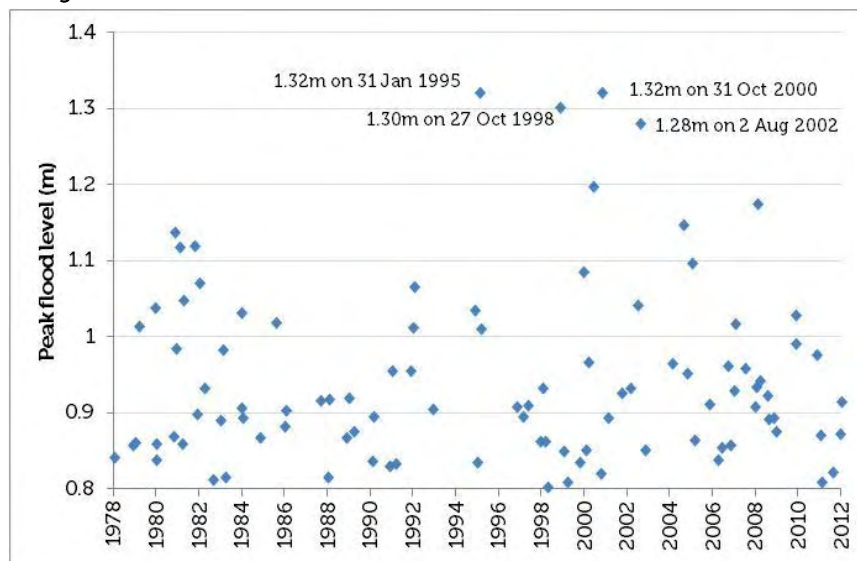


Dennis spent a long time in church looking for his forbears

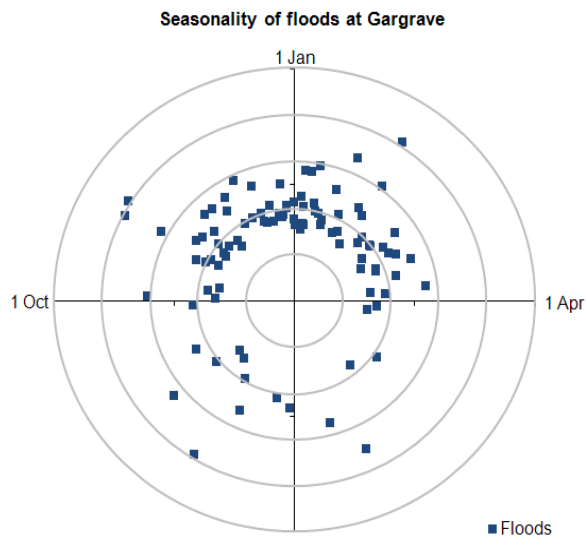
River Levels to Remember

Duncan Faulkner

Stories and photos of floods that have affected Gargrave, shared at the excellent Gargrave history evening on 20 March, reminded me that a few years ago I managed to obtain from the Environment Agency the complete record of river level data from their Gargrave gauge, upstream of the weir by Airebank Terrace. The gauge measures level only, not flow, and has a record dating back to May 1976. The graph below shows the peak river levels since then, up to March 2012. I have labelled the four highest peaks, most of which coincided with widespread flooding elsewhere in the country. The last big flood (water in our hen run) was in August 2002.



The second graph illustrates the seasonality of the peak levels. Go around the circle clockwise to follow the seasons. Each point represents a peak river level, with the distance from the middle of the circle representing the height of the peak. Most floods occur in the autumn and winter, but big floods appear possible at any time of year. April and May have been the quietest months historically, and this year looks like being no exception...so far.



New improved bus services for Gargrave

Chris Wright

The recently announced hourly 580 weekday service to Skipton and Settle will start on 4 May. Detailed timetables will be available soon around the village.

As a further reduction in transport funding, NYCC have reviewed their approach to the ENTS concessions. It is regarded that summer seasonal services are for tourism and will be excluded from the mandatory free travel concession. The picture is confusing but the new Sunday 580 service will not be affected. Some services to Wharfedale, but not the 842 from Burnley to Grassington are affected. The 75 Saturday service to Harrogate is retained as are the Summer services to Malham from Skipton. If you board your bus in West Yorkshire or Lancashire you can use your pass on all of the services. The picture is further confused as many services are to be reviewed later. Please be patient with the driver in these changing times!

Hunt news

Elizabeth Adams

Our big event in May is Skipton Races which is our local point to point. This is held on Saturday 2nd May at Heslaker Farm, Carleton Skipton.

The first race starts at 2pm but gates are open at 11am for people to picnic or lunch before racing begins. There are trade stands, a fun fair, bookmakers and a licensed bar and refreshments. For further details and information ring 01756 748136. Come along and cheer horses and riders, it's a great day out for the whole family.

Charity stall thanks

Caroline Thompson

Please may I extend my thanks to everyone who supported the Charity stall at the Village Hall Flea Markets last year. Many readers will probably still refer to it as Betty's stall, I do too! Through the generosity of either donations of cash, goods or purchases from the stall, a grand total of £704.92 was raised during 2014.

The proceeds are split between Betty's original choice of charity, the Oncology Research Trust fund at Airedale General Hospital and Manorlands Hospice at Oxenhope. The latter a charity which I personally think is such an important one for our area.

Dr. Crawford, the Honorary Senior Lecturer in Oncology and Clinical research at Airedale was delighted to receive £362.00 which will support the hospitals work in Cancer research.

The Sue Ryder home, Manorlands Hospice, received £342.92 which will be put towards the specialist care of patients both in Manorlands and out in the community. Last year 1170 people received this incredible care.

I am currently taking a short break from running the Charity stall but hope to have a few sales as the year progresses.

Pilates dates - May

Bee Faulkner

Tuesday Pilates session will be running weekly at 10am, with a break for half term on Tues 26 May, in the Village Hall Annex

Friday sessions will resume weekly from 8 May onwards, with a break for half term on Friday 29 May, again in the Annex.

For more information, or to book a place, please contact me on 749443.

Yoga

Bee Faulkner

A new six week block of Gentle Hatha Yoga with Corinne Doherty will be starting on Wednesday 6 May. Contact Sally on 748098 for more information.

Gargrave Playground Association

Sarah Pawson

We would like to share some more news with you all which has given us a real boost. A few weeks ago we received a phone call out of the blue from a lovely gentleman who said he would like to donate some money that he has inherited to our project. He has given us £5000, and said how he remembered us from the Craven Herald and couldn't think of a more worthy local charity. The donation will be held in the name of Jim Simpson, formerly of Highlands Close, Gargrave. We plan to keep in touch with the kind gentleman (Michael Green) with the projects development and decide nearer the time of completion to how we can use the money in a special way and create something in Jim's name. We are so thankful for his generosity and kindness.

We have also been awarded £2000 by Craven District Council who was impressed with what we want to do for the playground, and the many projects we would love to do for the village. This now allows us to look again to register as a charity, which if possible will open so many more doors for funding.

Our other news is about the Coulthurst Trust who want to help our project by awarding us £20,000 once the project plans are finalised and all the costs are available. This includes the proposed drainage, art and planting projects. We have to thank David Houlton for helping us achieve this and fingers crossed we get all our information needed really soon.

The meeting with the Brownies went really well, with lots of constructive and positive feedback was collected in a workshop ran by Maxine Fletcher, Wendi Bunting and Gemma Tetley. As our project isn't just about putting in new equipment we like to think that a philosophy is developing for creating a place for the whole village and families where they can become really involved.

One of our fab members of the group, Camilla Driscoll is bravely running the Great North Run to raise funds for The Playground Association! She has even got a tread-mill...thats how dedicated she is. The race is on the 13th September. Camilla will be running a long 13.1 mile route! It is a massive event and last year 57,000 people entered the run. If you wish to sponsor her please message our page on Facebook or contact the Co-op, or Sarah Pawson.

We would like to share an offer that we are running with Sycamore Studios in Skipton. Colin Marshall has kindly chosen us as a charity where he offers a free

family portrait session and free framed desk top photo worth £75 in exchange for a £20 donation directly to us. We have 10 of these vouchers. If you are interested (it would make a great fathers' day present) then please contact Sarah Pawson on 01756 748722, or speak to Gill at the Co-op. There is a poster up in the Co-op with more details.

Please, if you wish, log on to www.surveymonkey.com/s/G3J32PL where we have an online survey for the playground. Every survey helps us with our lottery bid which we are hoping will be near to completion in a few weeks (ish). Our consultant Stephanie Wheelhouse has been working extremely hard helping us with this.

And lastly...If anyone has the following plants that they are splitting up and don't want then please let us know. With advice given by the top herbal gardener in the UK, Gemma Tetley and Martin Harrison have asked for the following:-

Russian sage, Hosta, Black eyed Susan, Rosemary, Switchgrass, Yarrow, Veronica, French Lavender, Asters, Astilbe, Black, red, white currant bushes, Dog woods all colours

Thank you for the support you have given us so far, and we look forward to sharing more news soon.

Community Energy in Gargrave and Malhamdale

Sandy Tod

Wind Power – a role to play in the right location.

For the third in this series of renewable technologies, we're looking at wind power. The UK is one of the windiest countries in Europe and here, on top of the Pennines, wind is our most prolific source of renewable energy, but also our most controversial!



Large scale onshore wind farms make a cost-effective contribution to the UK's demand for clean electricity. New technologies such as smart grids and energy storage will, in future, overcome intermittent performance. However the value of their contribution has to be weighed against high visual impact and loss of landscape quality, while expensive undersea infrastructure pushes up the price of electricity generated by offshore wind farms.

Locally our proposed community-owned renewable energy scheme aims to replace as much as possible of our share of national demand from the grid with home grown clean energy. Income from the government's Feed-in Tariffs (FIT's) can be used to support local amenities such as village halls, sports facilities, churches, etc. Small scale wind power has a valuable role to play if developed sensitively in consultation with residents, local authorities and the network operator.

The National Grid distributes electricity "downstream" from large central power stations. Hence there is a limit to the amount of energy we can feed

“upstream” into the local grid as it stands. What we generate needs to be matched to local demand.

A survey of local energy usage will set an overall target for installed generating capacity. Sensible decisions need to be made as to how best to deploy small scale renewable energy technologies to get the most out of existing solar, wind and other renewable energy resources. As part of this process consultation with residents and local authority planners will minimise environmental and visual impact.

Siting of wind turbines

To be effective, small wind turbines need a site where they can benefit from an average wind speed of around 5m/sec or more, or 11 – 12 mph. When choosing a site it is essential to assess wind speed by erecting an anemometry mast and monitoring wind speed for at least 6 months, preferably a year.

The wind turbine shown here with a capacity of 12kw and a tower height of 15m on a good site with an average wind speed of 5 m/sec will give an output equivalent to the average annual electricity demand of 6-7 family homes or, to put it technically, an annual output of 22,500 kWhrs.

While the installed cost per kW of small wind turbines is 3 to 4 times that of solar panels their energy capture is twice as high. Wind provides more energy in winter and at night so will do more to reduce the energy usage of your home or business. In combination they complement each other.

In upper Malhamdale suitable wind turbine sites are unlikely to be found below the 300m (1,000ft) contour while grid connection may be a problem on Malham Moor. Further down the dale and around Gargrave suitable sites at a lower altitude can be found. To be effective the site must be clear of obstructions such as trees or buildings. An arrangement most likely to harmonise with the surroundings would be an appropriately sized turbine situated in the proximity of the settlement it serves. Nearness to a settlement is also necessary for connection to the grid.

Making the transition to a low carbon economy will reduce our reliance on imported fossil fuels and can reduce fuel poverty. It can also make our communities more resilient and sustainable. To make that happen we need your support and suggestions for possible sites and projects. If you know of a good solar or wind turbine site, or are interested in supporting our group please contact me, Sandy Tod, on 01729 830690 or at jamestod@btinternet.com.


Thank you. Next month we will look at hydro-electric power.



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theWI News

Marguerite Mason

In March we welcomed David Winpenny as our Speaker and his subject was 'Landscape and Literature'. This was quite a different evening for us and Mr. Winpenny told us that it was the first time he had given this particular talk. It was an unusual combination of slides showing gardens and artificial landscapes followed by comments written at the time they were first made. Most of the passages he read to us were by well-known people and were generally approving, but several places which are much admired today were scathingly dismissed as ugly and inappropriate by contemporary authors. New ideas still receive unfavourable receptions!

The Speaker started with various pictures representing the Garden of Eden, mostly of medieval origin, and these gave us an idea of what a garden was expected to look like in the Middle Ages. Did you know that the word 'paradise' originally meant an enclosed and protected space, safe from the dangerous wilderness outside? He then went on chronologically showing historical gardens or modern attempts to recreate them. These were supported with quotations from Chaucer, Shakespeare and Milton, among others. From the eighteenth century onwards there are some good examples of gardens and landscapes in this country which are little changed from when they were first built, including those by famous designers whose work was discussed.

While these slides were interesting and beautiful the standard of the literature on gardens seems to have gone downhill. No doubt there were more important matters to engage contemporary authors. Nevertheless, the passages

read were often interesting because they illustrated changing tastes; notably the change from regulated and formal designs favoured in the past as a refuge from the dangerous, uncontrolled natural world, to the present tendency to copy the natural world in an attempt to preserve it or even to bring it virtually indoors. Any practising gardener would tell you that none of these efforts could ever be entirely successful. We were very grateful for a most engaging talk which left us with a lot to think about, as well as lovely places to remember.

Following the talk we had our usual business meeting, in particular we have to discuss how we can celebrate our centenary this year. The consensus is that we should try to involve local people in the event, so it is a case of 'Watch this Space'!

FARMING ON SCALEBER HILL

John Hall

WATCHING THE SIX NATIONS RUGBY from Italy, memories of a man from Milan who came onto the farm as a P.O.W came to mind. His name Louis Ferrari. Apparently he was forced into the German army and captured by the British army in North Africa. Quite a number of Italians surrendered who were placed on a troopship to sail to London.

During their voyage through the Mediterranean the Germans torpedoed the ship Louis was sailing in. He swam for four hours before being rescued by a British cargo ship. He eventually arrived in Hull and was transferred to the camp in Skipton. The year was 1944. Most of the work on the farm was by hand and horse and cart. As I have mentioned in previous notes corn, potatoes, turnips and mangolds had to be grown.

The group of Italian men were asked to volunteer to help with harvest. The farms in the area were asked if they would take POWs to help with harvest. A lorry was to bring them out and drop off in the morning and collect at night. Most farms asked for one, two or even three.

The first morning was quite amusing to locals and the Italians themselves. 33 men with one British guard and he was the smallest of the group!!! Each man brought 2 slices of bread and one slice of raw bacon - the ration for the day. Rationing at this time was very severe. As one can imagine, being captured and transported, food was in short supply. The morning Louis first arrived at Scaleber must have been an ordeal – he'd never been on a farm with no idea what he was expected to do in a strange country.

The first thing my mother did was to take him in and gave him a good meal. This proved the turning point for Louis's time in England. He was very grateful for being made welcome and took to farming like a duck to water. He soon began to hate 5 o'clock when the lorry came to collect them back to camp. The group in the lorry soon asked for an extension to their day as meals on farms at that time were more appetising than in camp!!!

As it was daytime and harvest time, farms made a request on their behalf which the camp commandant agreed. Seven o'clock was the new collection time. My father then arranged with the camp that on fine evenings Louis could stay until dusk provided my father would take him back to camp. Louis proved

to be a great help and highly respected. As a young lad at the time I spent a lot of time with Louis in the fields and he would always have a game of football when time permitted.

I had a lot of respect for the man in POW uniform, brown overalls with yellow patches. Possibly the most amazing thing was, despite being in the sea for four hours, the only possession not destroyed was a photo in his wallet of his fiancée's face, everything else had been destroyed. The surround of the photo was damaged by seawater on the edges but her face was intact.

There was rather a sadness when the group was repatriated as Louis proved a very popular man. For years afterwards he kept in touch by post and Christmas cards. He never forgot his time spent at Scaleber. Sadly the time came when my letters were returned with a "Not in Milano". I can only assume he passed on. A man who was good to know and for whom I had a lot of respect.

ROUND AND ABOUT

Ray Payne and Daphne Murgatroyd

Pictures seen on a canal boat, and in a church:



TREAD LIGHTLY UPON THE EARTH

Alison Burgess

EVERY YEAR, I AM ESPECIALLY PLEASED to welcome back lapwings to their breeding grounds. For me there is something joyful about their strange electronic sounding calls and rollercoaster flight that really announces that Spring has arrived. Of course, there is a lot of avian activity at this time of year as birds manoeuvre for partners and nesting sites and, for the first time, I witnessed herons squabbling high in some treetops. Herons have been populous around Gargrave for many years as shown in this lovely piece from Harry M Gill's 'The History of Gargrave' attributed to Skipton historian R B Cragg in 1897:

'In the woods near St Helen's Well there is a colony of herons. There may be 30 or 40. Sir Matthew W Wilson protects them. Their graceful, though slow flight can often be noticed, and in Skipton they are no strangers. They are on very bad terms with the rooks, and every Spring they have them battles royal, which are their nightly diversions. The crows want to evict them, but the herons believe

that possession is nine points of law, and eventually the rooks have to build elsewhere.'

Obviously, it's not just the birds that have sprung into activity at this time of the year. I have seen hares 'boxing' on a hillside and tried to work out whether they were males fighting for females or vice versa. And so many plants are bursting into life; I pick the early hawthorn shoots to chew which taste nutty and remind me of my grandfather who called it the Bread and Cheese tree. And there's a renewal of human activity signalled by the smoke rising from the grouse moors as the heather is burned. And the brown bins are parked on paths again. And every animal, every plant, everyone, everywhere is just that bit busier.

MOYRA'S MIGRATIONS

Moyra Sonley

My own personal Tour de France in 1960, continued...

TOUR OF ITALY: In the last instalment we were arriving on the outskirts of Rome. We cycled into the city, which was terrifying, as the traffic was hair raising, even all those years ago, and we weren't sure where we were going anyway. We found the Youth Hostel eventually and booked in for three or four nights. This gave us chance to look round the city on foot, as we thought it would be a lot safer than cycling round and trying to keep an eye on our bikes whilst sight-seeing. It's a beautiful and very interesting city, so much to see. The weather was hot and dry and one of the things that struck me was the number of fountains everywhere we went. Very refreshing as I believe the water was safe to drink. We took a chance and did drink it anyway and came to no harm. On our limited budget we couldn't afford to buy drinks. We looked at many of the tourist sights; St Peter's, the Coliseum, the Roman Forum, the Trevi Fountain, Castel San Angelo and so on, walking miles, but enjoying it all.

When we left Rome, we decided not to go any further towards the south of Italy, so we headed in a north-easterly direction, back towards the Apennine Mountains once more and rode up and down numerous hills in very hot weather. The roads went from town to town which were all perched on hill tops. We would do any shopping for food that we needed and cool off in the narrow streets which were mainly in the shade. We were frequently asked where we had been and where we were going. Then we were off again swooping down the hill and the climb to the next little town. We went to Perugia, another lovely old city, until after a few days crossing the country, we arrived at the little Republic of San Marino. It has three defensive fortresses perched on Mount Titano. It is landlocked, surrounded by Italy, but from the top of the fortress that we went into, we could see the Adriatic a few miles away. San Marino is only 23.6 square miles in area and is thought to be the world's oldest surviving republic. A children's story book sort of place.

From here we dropped down to Rimini on the Adriatic coast and turned to follow the coast northward. We were in flatter country now so it was easier riding. We were now heading for Venice. It is a lovely place and I think there is nowhere quite like it anywhere else in the world. We stayed a night or two there, wandering round the narrow streets and crossing numerous canals. We went to

St Mark's Square, saw the Rialto Bridge and the Bridge of Sighs, the Grand Canal and watched the gondolas passing with the gondoliers serenading their passengers. Very romantic (and very expensive). Free to watch though and listen. Unfortunately riding in a gondola was way beyond our budget at that time. I have had a ride on a gondola since and it was expensive, but I'm glad I've done it.

Next month we head for the Dolomites.

BOOK REVIEW

Tony Wimbush

On Rock or Sand? Firm Foundations for Britain's future edited by John Sentamu

"Part of the responsibility of the Church is to hold up a mirror to contemporary society to see clearly whether it reflects what a healthy and hopeful society should look like." Archbishop John Sentamu

IS IT TRUE TO SAY that most of the country is disillusioned or disengaged with our national politics or, if not, has become bored by the party mantras on the economy, the NHS, immigration, Europe, welfare, education and housing? Have our politics become just another dimension of our individualistic consumer culture; a marketing game offering up a choice of promises and who to blame in return for your vote?

Way back in 2010 in the midst of the financial crisis John Sentamu, Archbishop of York, felt a need to call together a symposium of 'experts' - academics and practitioners from both religious and secular backgrounds. Their ambitious task was to undertake a survey of the foundations of our society's structures and the complex challenges they face. This book is the result of some of their thinking, discussions and conclusions and was presented in the lead up to the 2015 general election. It predictably covers the issues of the British economy, education, poverty, work, health, ageing, well-being, young people and children. Perhaps the most relevant essays are by Ruth Fox and Philip Mawer on politics itself and the need to rescue it from the distrust, cynicism and apathy in which it has become mired. Most encouragingly Ruth Fox advocates the transformation of politics to one driven by values and ethical behaviour within the framework of a distinct vision of the kind of society in which we want to live rather than one rooted in "interests" and old ideological divisions based on outdated ideas of social class.

Of particular interest to Christians, and hopefully many others as well, is the chapter by John Sentamu on the role of the church in rediscovering a vision for Britain - the common good. In it he reminds us that most progressive politics from Wilberforce to Beveridge, as well as from what he calls the Chocolate Trinity of Rowntree, Fry and Cadbury, have been rooted in Christianity.

It is a brave archbishop who produces a book about the common good (that is the goodness of community!) and the values and principles that should underpin our future particularly in the year of a general election. Such a project immediately invites criticism from secularists who object to religion occupying

anything other than a private part of our life whilst most politicians will interpret it as support for the views of their opponents. That is a sure indication that Archbishop Sentamu is saying and doing the right things and probably provides the best recommendation for reading and reflecting on this book!

Rock and Sand is published by SPCK and is available from www.wordery.com for £6.50 post free.

CONNECTING WITH CULTURE

Brendan Jacoby, London Institute for Contemporary Christianity



A good question

AS AN AMERICAN who has married into Britain, I prefer the sprint to the finish that is General Election campaigning over the marathon that surrounds US presidential elections. I also appreciate the way in which British politicians don't court the religious vote to the same extent as their American counterparts. And yet, it strikes me that political leaders on both sides of the pond are missing out on a crucial strategy in their engagement with voters.

In his lecture, 'The Importance of Asking Honest Questions', Ellis Potter, a former Buddhist monk turned Christian minister, explains how merely asserting one's perspective can shut down dialogue, while inviting questions from others creates space for exchange. As a Christian, Potter believes that Jesus is, ultimately, the answer to the questions troubling people today, but he explains that it would be unhelpful simply to assert that to be the case. Instead, asking 'What are your questions?' makes space for others to ask about the things that matter to them.

The difficulty is that being open to questions requires us to be vulnerable. Someone might have a question we're unable to answer. Or their question might confirm a doubt we ourselves harbour about our own belief system. Perhaps that is why this week, as members of the media have pointed out, UK party leaders greeted the public and answered their questions – but only those questions that had been properly vetted. Being open to authentic questions is certainly risky.

Still, like Christians eager to share the gospel, if politicians want their manifestos to be seen as more than empty promises, they would do well to engage in honest dialogue with the voting public. They must show voters that their political platforms are strong enough to handle the real issues impacting everyday life in Britain.

While meeting others where they are by inviting honest questions and giving honest answers can be dangerous, the failure to do so can be alienating. If we will not receive questions that may be difficult for us to answer, we miss the opportunity to engage with others and to have our own perspectives refined in the process of doing so.

GARGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

Janet Turner

Monthly meeting Monday 13 April

Matters arising: Included a reminder to North Yorkshire CC regarding possible repairs to the footpath along Damside. There was a general discussion about the newly erected fence on that stretch of the Green.

Confirmation with NYCC that the possible switch off of street lights does not include those owned and repaired by the Parish Council.

Again from NYCC a response to Systagenix's question about public liability as they have very kindly offered to cut the deep verges each side of and opposite to their entrance drive.

"Hot spots" to be drawn to the attention of the Craven DC Dog Warden in relation to areas with regular dog mess not cleaned up are: North Street; the snicket path to Meadow Croft from opposite the Old Swan Inn and West Street. Parishioners are invited to contact the Parish Council office to draw our attention to any other such "hot spots".

It was agreed that the posts on Low Green will be erected again in early May on a date when the weather is fine.

Neighbourhood Planning Group: Edward Bartle, the Chairman, gave a monthly update – the Plan is coming along well. Paper copies of the latest draft are available to read in the Library, the Post Office, the Church and the Parish Council office.

VERY IMPORTANT DATES for YOU to attend PLEASE!

Sunday 26 April – 11-00 am Litter Pick

Monday 11 May – Annual Parish Meeting 7pm – Village Hall – then the monthly Parish council meeting at 7-30 pm

Saturday 30 May – PUBLIC PRESENTATION FOR NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN – Village Hall 10am to 4pm. Note that, to be enforceable the Plan will need at least a 50% response in the referendum in due course.

How to Get Rich Quick

A young man asked an rich old man how he had made his fortune. The old man replied: "Well, lad, it was 1932, the depth of the Great Depression. I was down to my last shilling. I invested that shilling in an apple. I spent a few minutes polishing that apple and sold the apple for a shilling and six pence. The next morning, I invested that shilling in another apple, and after carefully polishing it, also sold it for a shilling and six pence. I continued this system for a month and by the end of which I'd accumulated a fortune of 14 shillings. Then my wife's father died and left us two million pounds."



GARGRAVE C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

Sarah Peel (Head Teacher)

"Every child counts, every child contributes"

Visit to the Capital

"The year 6 visited London, they had a fabulous time. It was a long day, leaving on the direct 7am train and then returning at 9pm. However, they visited parliament, Downing Street, South Bank, Horse Guards Parade, Buckingham Palace, and Platform 9 ¾. Many memories were made and here are two pupils' accounts of part of the day."



My favourite part of the London trip was when we took a trip to Downing Street. We went through a huge barred gate leading to the massive buildings. We had to be checked by security for anything suspicious looking, and then we were escorted by one of the many policemen, that patrolled the area, to ten Downing Street. The man answered all our questions and also told us something that none of us knew. That David Cameron actually lives in number eleven because it is a bigger and nicer flat. Afterwards, we thanked the policeman, took pictures of us at number ten, then took off to go and eat lunch."

By Richard Greenwood

The Tube

We had to wait on the platform for a bit and then finally we saw it coming speedily into the station. It was so fast that we thought it would never slow down enough to stop at the station. Some of us were quite worried about getting on, but we were also really excited about it at the same time. We had to hold onto a bar otherwise we would fall over; because when the train started we would lean forward and then jerk backwards."

By Ari Davies



INFORMATION

Rotas for St Andrew's Church We need more volunteers for 8am Sidesmen and pairs of volunteers for cleaning. Please contact Janie Kennerdale, tel 748970.

Readings for worship

Sun 3	5th Sunday of Easter : Philippians ch 3, John 15:1-8
Sun 10	Rogation Sunday : Philippians ch 4, John 15:9-17
Sat 17	3rd Sunday of Easter : 1 John 5:9-13, John 17:6-19
Sun 24	Pentecost : Acts 2:1-21, John 15:26-27 & 16:4b-15
Sun 31	Trinity Sunday : Romans 8:12-17, John 3:1-17
Sun 7 Jun	1st Sunday after Trinity : 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1, Mark 3:20-35

Sidesmen	8am	10.45 am		
Sun 3	Vacancy	Sarah Curtis	David Pears	
Sun 10	Kay Craven	Eileen Holden	Pauline Gilfoyle	
Sat 17	Janet Sturgess	Joyce Brotherton	Isobel Lacey	
Sun 24	Colin Chapman	Dorothy Rishworth	Mollie Blackburn	
Sun 31		Yvonne Poulter	Peter Poulter	
Sun 7 Jun	Vacancy	Sarah Curtis	David Pears	
10.45 am	Readings	Offertory procession	Intercessions	
Sun 3	Yvonne Poulter	Judith Douglas	Norma Brothers	Ruth Abbott
Sun 10	Pauline Barnes			Pauline Barnes
Sat 17	John Bailey	Eileen Hoskin	John Bailey	Michael Bland
Sun 24	Hugh Turner			Hugh Turner
Sun 31	Yvonne Poulter	Judith Douglas	Yvonne Poulter	Sarah Curtis
Sun 7 Jun	Jerry Ford	Eileen Hoskin	Jerry Ford	Duncan Faulkner

Cleaning

20 Apr to 1 May	Jean Banks	Carole Ballard
4 - 15 May	Yvonne Poulter	Peter Poulter
18-29 May	Sylvia Humphreys	Ronald Humphreys
1-12 June	Susan Lupton	Sarah Curtis

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

Safeguarding Valuables

To safeguard valuables, register their serial numbers on the National Property Register at www.immobilise.com for free

Police Non emergency 101, Emergency 999

NHS Helpline 111

Public Transport leaving Gargrave

Information compiled by Peter Hardyman

TAXI from Gargrave: phone Gargrave Private Hire 07877 054698, see page A7

TRAINS, from Gargrave - from Sunday 17 May (see April magazine until 16 May)

To Skipton (arrives approx. 5 mins later) & **Leeds** (arrives approx 50 mins later)

Mon-Fri	0745	0811	1201	1347	1453	1728	1814	2028	2131
Saturday	0745	0927	1201	1345	1452	1744	1814	2028	2131
Sunday			1121	1352	1455	1554	1907		2105

To Giggleswick (arrives ~ 20 mins later) & **Morecambe** (arrives ~ 95 mins later)

Mon-Fri	0547 ¹²	0901	1105	1406	1730				
Saturday	0643 ¹²	0905	1105	1439	1730				
Sunday		0932	1145	1543		1809			

To Settle (arrives ~ 18 mins later if direct) & **Carlisle** (arrives ~ 2hrs later if direct)

Mon-Fri	0547 ³	0901 ²	0932	1105 ³	1331	1406 ²	1730 ²	1851	2007 ⁴
Saturday	0643 ³		0932	1105 ³	1331	1439 ^{2 (or 3)}	1730 ²	1840	2007 ⁴
Sunday			0954	1145 ²		1440	1543 ²	1809 ³	

Notes 1. Change at Skipton 2. Not Settle; change at Lancaster for Carlisle
3. Change at Hellifield 4. Terminates at Ribbleshead 12. Change at Lancaster
No engineering works are planned to affect Gargrave trains during May.

For live information on the next two trains text GARGRAVE to 84950

BUSES from Gargrave - from 3 May 2015 (See April Magazine for 1 & 2 May)

To Skipton (arrives ~ 15 mins later) (Services 75, 210/ 211, 580, 873, 884)

Mon-Fri*	0821	0911 ¹¹	0956	1056	1057 ⁷	1156	1256	1356	1357 ⁷	1456	1556	1656	1806
Saturday	0821		0956	1056	1105 ⁵	1156	1256	1356	1456	1556	1656	1705 ⁵	1806
Sunday ^o	0926		0956			1200		1326		1500		1655 ⁹	1656

To Settle (arrives ~ 25 mins later) and onward to **Kirkby Lonsdale** (Service 580/581)

Mon-Fri*	0904	0959 ¹¹	1059	1159	1259	1359	1459	1559	1659	1759	1839		
Saturday	0904		1059	1159	1259	1359	1459	1559	1659	1759	1839		
Sunday ^o			1059			1429				1759			

To Malham (arrives ~ 25mins later) (Services 75, 210/ 211, 873, 884)

Mon-Fri*	1000 ⁸							1310 ⁸					
Saturday	1006 ⁶											1606 ⁶	
Sunday ^o	1006		1046 ¹⁰		1236					1536			

Notes 5. Service 75 connects at Skipton with X75, arr Harrogate ~75 mins later, Sat only
6. Service 75 connected at Skipton with X75 from Harrogate, Saturdays only
7. Tues & Thurs (as service 211) stops at Coniston Cold 4 mins before Gargrave
8. Tues & Thurs (as service 211) stops at Coniston Cold 4 mins after Gargrave
9. Service 884, continuing to Harrogate & York 10. Service 884 from York, Harrogate & Ilkley
11. During school term only * **Except Bank Holidays** O **Suns and bank hols to 27 Sept**

Public Transport back to Gargrave

TRAINS, to Gargrave – from Sunday 17 May (see April magazine until 16 May)

From Leeds (arriving Gargrave ~ 45 mins later)

Mon-Fri		0815	0849	1017	1249	1316	1645	1806	1919
Saturday	0554	0819	0849	1019	1249	1350	1646	1750	1919
Sunday		0840	0900	1100		1357	1459	1720	

From Morecambe (arriving Gargrave ~ 95 mins later)

Mon-Fri	0610 ¹²	1034	1333	1619	1908				
Saturday	0736 ¹²	1034	1331	1616	1909				
Sunday		1222	1446	1741	1946				

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From Carlisle (journey time is dependent on route – check timetables)

Mon-Fri	0550	0949 ²		1155	1249 ²		1506 ¹	1618	1814 ³
Saturday	0649 ²	0924 ³	0947 ²	1151	1233 ²	1421 ¹	1539 ²	1618	1807 ³
Sunday			0925	1133 ²	1259		1520 ¹	1701 ²	1850 ²

Notes 1. Change at Skipton 2. Not Settle; change at Lancaster 3. Change at Hellifield
12. Change at Lancaster

BUSES to Gargrave - from 3 May 2015 (See April Magazine for 1 & 2 May)

From Skipton (arrives Gargrave ~ 15 mins later) (Services 75, 210/ 211, 580, 873, 884)

Mon-Fri*	0850	0945 ¹¹	0950 ⁸	1045	1145	1245	1300 ⁸	1345	1445	1545	1645	1745	1825
Saturday	0850		0950	1045	1145	1245	1345	1445	1545	1550	1645	1745	1825
Sunday ^o		0945	1030 ¹⁰	1045		1225		1415		1525		1745	

From Settle (arrives Gargrave ~ 25 mins later) (Service 580)

Mon-Fri*	0755	0845 ¹¹	0930	1030	1130	1230	1330	1430	1530	1630	1740		
Saturday	0755		0930	1030	1130	1230	1330	1430	1530	1630	1740		
Sunday ^o		0900	0930				1300			1630			

From Malham (arrives ~ 25mins later) (Services 75, 210/ 211, 873, 884)

Mon-Fri*		1035 ⁷				1335 ⁷							
Saturday			1040 ⁵					1640 ⁵					
Sunday ^o			1135			1435		1630 ⁹					

Notes 5. Service 75 connects at Skipton with X75 to Harrogate, arr 75 mins later, Sat only
6. Service 75 connected at Skipton with X75 from Harrogate, Saturdays only
7. Tues & Thurs service stops at Coniston Cold 4 mins before Gargrave
8. Tues & Thurs service stops at Coniston Cold 4 mins after Gargrave
9. Service 884 continuing to Ilkley, Harrogate & York
10. Service 884 from York, Harrogate & Ilkley 11. During school term only

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75, 884 – York Pullman Bus Co Ltd – 01904 622992

210/211 – NYCC – 08458 725282;

580/581 – Kirkby Lonsdale Coach Hire – 01524 733831 www.kirkbylonsdalecoachhire.co.uk

Buses (general) www.dalesbus.org; **Traveline** 0871 200 22 33, www.traveline.info

National Rail Enquiries 08457 48 49 50, www.nationalrail.co.uk

Gargrave Library

West St, BD23 3RD

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West Street (corner of Higherlands Close): Mn-Fr 9am, S 7am

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Collections	Gargrave – Mon & Tue	Coniston Cold – Mon
04-May / 05-May	Green bin & brown bin	Green bin
11-May / 12-May	Blue bin & blue bag	Blue bag and brown bin
18-May / 19-May	Green bin & brown bin	Green bin
25-May / 26-May	Blue bag	Blue bin & bag & brown bin
01-Jun / 02-Jun	Green bin & brown bin	Green bin

Doctors

Gargrave Branch Surgery, Higherlands Close BD23 3RF
Tel 749226 from 8am. Open Mon-Fri mornings, 8 to 10.30am.

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

	School closes	School opens
Half term (Summer)	Fri 22 May 2015	Mon 1 June 2015
Summer	Fri 17 July 2015	Tues 8 Sept 2015
Half Term (Autumn)	Fri 23 Oct 2015	Mon 2 Nov 2015
Christmas	Fri 18 Dec 2015	Tues 5 Jan 2016
Half term (Spring)	Fri 12 Feb 2016	Mon 22 Feb 2016

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Organisations Please let us know if you'd like to amend or add an entry

Caterpillar Club (0+) – Heather Taylor 749499, or visit Gargrave Caterpillar Club on Facebook

Stay and Play (0+) Village Hall Annex, Mondays 9.30-11.30am, Sally Thomas 748098

Twins and Multiple Birth Group,

V Hall, Wednesdays 9.30am, NYCC 01609 533990

Mini Movers Group, V Hall, Wednesdays 2pm, NYCC 01609 533990

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,

Phoenix Group (over 65s) – The Anchor Inn, alternate Thurs 9am-1pm,

Jean McHale 01729 850329, 07775 880577

Meals on Wheels – Mon & Wed, Brenda Longbottom 749883

Bowling – outdoor Gargrave Bowling Club, Michael Cox, 748285

Bowls – indoor, Village Hall, Tues & Thurs 2-4pm, Mary Rushton 748908

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.masonsarmsgolfclub.co.uk, 749304

Hunt – Pendle Forest & Craven Hunt, Elizabeth Adams 01756 749772

Pilates – Village Hall Annex, Tuesdays 10-11am, Fridays 9-10am, Beatrice Faulkner 749443

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 for Health – 1st Thursday of the month, 10am, Jean Maxwell 748851

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

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 0758 2086345

Thomson's Dance Centre – (3 - adults) School Hall, Sat am, Kathy Thomson, 07912 441913

Art – Gargrave Art Group – Village Hall, Mondays 1.30-3.30pm, Lesley Woodhouse 749421

Bell ringing – St Andrew's, Mon 7.30pm Sun 9.30am Davina Cockshott 07772 179561

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

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