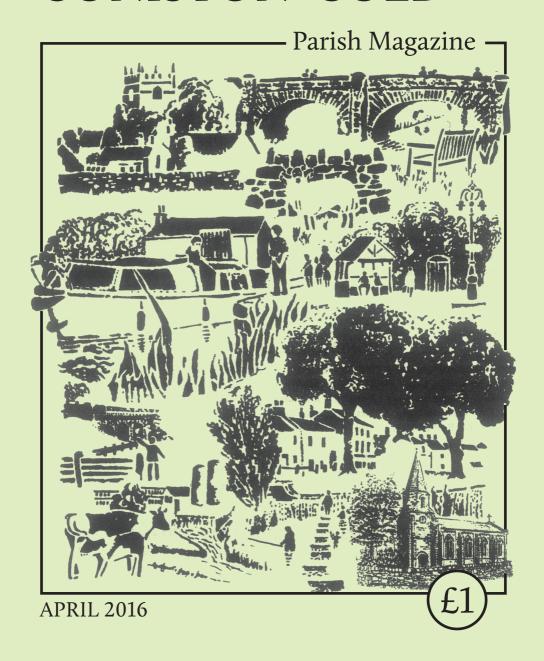
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20 August	Gargrave Show

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behind St Andrew's church's font

DAVID'S DISPATCHES

Rev David Houlton

SIR ARTHUR CONAN DOYLE is credited with devising a ruse to show that even the most upright of gentlemen have dark secrets which they fear ever coming to light. It is said that sent a telegram to 12 leading figures in London that simply stated "We are discovered. Flee for your life!" and within the day all of them had left the country... Then there is the version where there are only 5 gentlemen who disappear never to be seen again; or maybe only one!

The truth is, probably, that this urban myth is based on a story in Conan Doyle's "Adventures of Sherlock Holmes" series in which a secret message is sent to warn a coconspirator that their secret is out: "The game is up. Hudson has told all. Fly for your life." Hudson and the person who sent the message, and a sailor, all mysteriously disappear.

That we think that might really have happened points to a truth behind the story - that we all have guilty consciences about somethings we have said or done.

Surprisingly, for a country that thinks it has become more humanist, we are all under more and more pressure to think, speak and act correctly, and high profile people are quickly judged for their faults - as if they are the only ones who ever did anything wrong. So it was a breath of fresh air at a church conference in March to hear Justin Welby the Archbishop of Canterbury, urging us to be authentic and honest about ourselves and admit that we all have faults and weaknesses.

He recounted a recent experience of preaching in a Cathedral and

mentioning, quite routinely that "you know, we are all sinners. I am a sinner - exactly like everyone else here" and that someone came up to him afterwards, guite cross, and told him "If I'd known you were a sinner I wouldn't have come!"

Our world seems trapped knowing that no-one is perfect, but somehow demanding that we should

There are two ways to try to cope with the dissonance caused by that contradiction. The first way is to try to insist that everyone is okay really. "I'm okay, you're okay" works... as long as we are good at explaining why what we want, say or do is okay, or aren't too honest about who we really are. But it always falls down in the end. There are just too many people who aren't okay if we think about it (dishonest politicians, greedy bankers, manipulative leaders. even inconsiderate neighbours).

The other way is to admit that all of us are not okay. We know what we should do, but we sometimes do the opposite; we are not angels. That way makes it easier to accept our own failings as well as other people's failings, and "love your neighbour as you love yourself" takes on a whole new meaning! What's more, the fact that God loves us, although we are not okay in His eyes, explains why Jesus's death and resurrection, on that first Easter, were so important: As we saw in the village Passion play, we are caught in our own sins, so God had to come to take them away, and to give us new spiritual life.

And it's true isn't it? Just like the Archbishop of Canterbury, we are all sinners. But the Good News is that, if we are prepared to be open and honest with Him, Jesus offers us a new life - learning to live well, with Him in our lives, now and forever. Thinking of that first Easter, let's pray:

"Lord Jesus thank you for dying for my sins, and giving me a new Life. I'm sorry for everything I've done wrong, and ask You to be with me, and help me live life Your way; now and forever. Amen."

DIARY FOR APRIL

Coniston Cold									
Sun 3	9.30am Holy Communion, Church								
Sun 10	4pm Evensong, Church								
Thurs 14	6pm, Coniston Hotel, Taster evening for Voices of Craven – Communities in Chorus, see page 6-7								
Sun 17	9.30am Holy Communion, Church								
Sun 24	4pm Evensong, Church								
Sun 1 May	9.30am Holy Communion, Church								
Sun 8 May	4pm Evensong, Church								
Gargrave									
Sat 2	Coffee Morning, 10am to Noon, Village Hall								
	Modern Sequence Dance 7pm, Village Hall								
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Sun 3	8am Communion, 10.45 Sung Eucharist
	6pm Evening Reflections, Church
Mon 4	Parish Council Meeting, 7.15pm, Village Hall Annex

New 6 week yoga session, 9.30am, Village Hall Annex. Wed 6

Fuchsia and Geranium Society Meeting, 7pm, Village Hall Annex.

Thu 7 Watercolour Painting Class, 9.30am, Annex.

North Craven Stollers: Walk around Gargrave, meeting 10am at the

Summerseat

Fri 8 9am Friday Pilates resumes, Village Hall

Community Library Film Night: 45 years, 7pm, Village Hall

Heritage Group Talk: Gargrave and the Harrying of the North, by

Gillian Waters. 7.30pm, Church

Sat 9 Coffee Morning, 10am to Noon, Village Hall

Sun 10 8am Communion, 10.45 Sung Eucharist, 6pm Evening Reflections,

Church

Flea Market, 10am to 4pm, Village Hall

Tue 12 Tuesday Pilates resumes, classes at 10am and 11.30am, Village Hall

Wed 13 WI Meeting, 7.30pm, Annex

Thu 14	Watercolour Painting Class, 9.30am, Annex
Sat 16	Coffee Morning, 10am to Noon, Village Hall
Sun 17	8am Communion, 10.45 A Service of the Word, Church
Tues 19	[Sorry, no 11.30am Pilates]
Thu 21	North Craven Stollers: Walk around Ingleton, 10.59 bus from Gargrave
Fri 22	[Sorry, no 9am Pilates]
	Dance with The Bill Johnston Sound, 8pm, Village Hall
Sat 23	Coffee Morning, 10am to Noon, Village Hall
Sun 24	8am Communion, 10.45 Sung Eucharist, Church
	Flea Market, 10am to 4pm, Village Hall
Wed 27	Bingo 7.30pm, Annex
Thu 28	Watercolour Painting Class, 9.30am, Annex
Fri 29	Tour de Yorkshire passes through Gargrave. School finishes early, library closed
Sat 30	Coffee Morning, 10am to Noon, Village Hall.
	The Jay Walkers theatre group present Godfrey's Last Stand and The Holiday, 7pm, Village Hall.
Sun 1 May	8am Communion, 10.45 Morning Prayer, Church
Mon 2 May	Outing to Ripon Cathedral Revealed festival
	Bank holiday: Library closed
Sun 8 May	8am Communion, 10.45am Sung Eucharist, Church
	7pm Rogation Service at Broughton

Regular weekly Gargrave events

Mondays:

9 am Morning Prayer, Church (most weeks, - see weekly church news sheet

or: http://www.standrewsgargrave.org.uk/church-calendar/)

1.30pm Art Club, Village Hall Committee Room 17pm Modern Sequence Dancing, Village Hall

7.30pm Bell ringing, Church

7.30pm 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 & 11.30am Pilates & Standing/Sitting Pilates, Village Hall - term time

10.30am Adult Tennis Coaching and Social Tennis (weather permitting)

2pm Craft and Chat, Church2pm Indoor Bowls, Village Hall

pm Brownies & Rainbows (school term only)pm Tap dancing lessons, Village Hall Annex

Wednesdays:

9 am Morning Prayer, Church (most weeks)9.30 am Gentle Hatha Yoga, Village Hall Annex9.30 am Twins and Multiple Birth Group, Village Hall

10 am Caterpillar Club, Church

1.30 pm Wednesday Club, Village Hall Annex

Thursdays:

9 am Phoenix Club, The Anchor, (alternate Thursdays)

10 am Gargrave Tuesday Club Cycling, dep the Dalesman Café

10.30 am Social tennis

2 pm Indoor Bowls, Village Hall

5pm Theatre-craft lessons, Village Hall Annex

7.30 pm Tai Chi, Village Hall Annex

Fridays:

9 am Morning Prayer, Church (most weeks)

9 am Pilates, Village Hall Annex – during term time

Saturdays: am Ballet lessons, Village Hall Annex

Sundays: 1.30pm Social Tennis

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Settle Stories

Charles Tyrer



A good story can make your heart go faster. A great one can make it stop. Imagination transports us to other worlds so get ready for adventure as we step into the 6th Settle Stories Festival. Come and celebrate the many ways in which story can touch and transform our lives. Lend us your ears and let us open your minds from **1st to 3rd April**.

Adults - discover how global thinkers David Babbs from 38 Degrees use story for radical change. Then have a good laugh with comedian Alfie Moore, relax into the mystery of the Arabian Nights with Arabic storyteller Alia Alzougbi or dance the night away with Gypsy folk band Barbarella's Bang Bang.

Children - meet Kenyan storyteller Githanda Githae and travel across Africa. Escape to Alice's

Wonderland then party with Captain Hook and Tinkerbell.

With 50+ events (lots free), come and create a story that will last a lifetime. Tickets at www.settlestories.org.uk.

With the Tour de Yorkshire passing through Gargrave the library will be closed on **Friday 29th April** but open as usual on the Saturday morning. We will also be closed for the two May Bank Holidays on the 2nd and 30th of May.

On **Friday 8th April**, we are showing the much acclaimed film "45 years." Anchored by sensational performances from Charlotte Rampling and Tom Courtenay, 45 Years is an intimate, moving and beautifully restrained portrait of a marriage shaken to its core by things left unspoken. Winning Best Actor and Best Actress awards at the 2015 Berlinale Film Festival, "45 Years" is British filmmaking at its very best.

The now customary café style seating will be in place so please bring your own refreshments. Doors open 7pm, Film starts 7.30pm. Tickets £5 on the door.

Wednesday the **4th of May** will see us celebrating our 4th birthday as a Community Library for which we will be having a little celebration. Further details in next month's magazine.

Harrying of the North

Sue Lyell

Friday April 8 at 7.30 pm in St Andrew's Church. The next in the series of illustrated talks by Gillian Waters.

Gargrave and the Harrying of the North.

After the Battle of Hastings in 1066, William the Conqueror moved northwards to take over the whole of England. Three years later, men from Gargrave joined an alliance of northern earls to rebel against the Normans. William the Conqueror retaliated by burning livestock and seed corn – this was known as the Harrying of the North.

Gillian will look at these events and the impact of the Norman conquest on Gargrave.

Future talks will be:

Friday 20 May People and Place Names of Craven Friday 17 June Gargrave Divided – a Tale of Two

Manors

Friday 23 Sept Gargrave and the Tudor Rebellion

Ripon Cathedral Revealed

Ruth Abbott

From 28 April to 2 May Ripon Cathedral is holding a festival of music, flowers, spirituality, food and drink. Please contact Ruth Abbott as soon as possible (on 748483) if you are interested in joining a group outing by bus from Gargrave on **Monday 2 May**. Activities on that day include a beer festival in the cathedral grounds, flower displays, ceramic art installation, drop in embroidery workshop, tours of the bell tower, a performance by the Rock Choir and even a chance to play the cathedral organ.



Jay Walkers bring theatre to Gargrave

Jaywalkers, a local touring theatre group, are again visiting Gargrave Village Hall to perform 2 one-act plays on **Saturday 30th April**.

Written by Alan Stockdill, Godfrey's Last Stand tells the story of Godfrey Shackleton, a cricket umpire in the Yorkshire Dales league for half a century, whose big dream is to officiate an England-Australia match with sidekick Freddie Fitton as his fellow umpire. His chance comes thanks to a £3.2m lottery win, but his daughter Donna is definitely not bowled over by the turn of events.

"This feel-good, gentle comedy will really make the audience think about family, forgiveness, responsibilities, hopes and dreams," says the playwright.

The second play is The Holiday, by

Peter Quilter. Shelley and Bobby are getting divorced, but that hasn't stopped them from going on a final holiday together in Spain! How will it all end?

"Quilter's understanding of human desires and quirks is on show and probed so endearingly ... A warm and funny exploration of love and other bruises." - Daily Telegraph

Tickets are £7 and are available from Gargrave Library, or from Jaywalkers at boxoffice@thejaywalkers.co.uk or 01756 760302.

The performance starts at 7:30pm, but you are welcome to come along from 7:00pm and enjoy a drink from the bar (at your own expense!!)

Voices of Craven: Communities in Chorus

June 2016 will see the first year of an exciting new choral festival - launched in Gargrave, Coniston Cold & Bell Busk, Settle, Giggleswick and Rathmell, and Kirkby in Malhamdale. The aim of the festival is to inspire and foster a greater sense of local community. You do not have to have a professional voice to take part – just be willing to learn and participate, and hopefully have a great deal of fun. Local community choirs will be formed in each village with visits by professional singers (maybe not Gareth Malone) to help us rehearse selected pieces for concerts in our villages for the Queen's 90th birthday, and for a Grand Finale at Giggleswick school chapel on 25th June). Local schools are also being invited to join in.

In parallel there will be a month of concerts and musical events by local, national and international performers. The first event is a concert at Gargrave Parish church by Sarah Fox, a famous operatic soprano who was born in Giggleswick and has performed at several of the world's leading Opera Houses and with leading orchestras. Other events will include Swedish jazz and folk

singers Anna and Andreas Andersson, local opera singers Bibi Heal and Alexander Lowe, well-known Christian speaker and singer John Bell, and the Ripon Cathedral Choir. More news shortly!

For everyone interested in joining in the local choirs there will be a Taster Evening at The Coniston Hotel on Thursday 14th April at 6pm.

Our village coordinators are:

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Open Gardens, 11 June

Bea and Dunc Faulkner

Gargrave Open Gardens this year is on Saturday June 11th (the Queen's birthday weekend) – please put it in your diary. All gardens, musicians and helpers welcome! Please contact us on 749443 if you would like to volunteer your garden or your help in any other way. We have had 3 gardens offered so far...

NEWS

2016/17 Magazine Advertising

Bea Faulkner

The new directory of advertisers in the central pages of this magazine starts this month. Thank you to all those who have placed an advert with us. Adverts are grouped together according to type. This time stoves, fuel and chimney sweeps are all together, and there's another section for all things car related: driving lessons, valeting, servicing and taxis — including two new airport transfer advertisers. We now have clock and barometer repairs alongside the expanded antiques section, and we have a printer in the collection too.

There is further space for advertisers to join the end of the directory – if you'd like to be included, please see the details on the back page of the magazine, or by calling me on 749443.

2016/17 Magazine subscriptions

Ruth Abbott

These are now overdue: £6 per annum (excellent value). Please would those delivering magazines try to collect in any outstanding money. Thanks very much for all your good will in delivering the magazines monthly.

From your library

Dave Smith

The Library has now moved into the cyber world and WiFi is now available, free of charge, to all Library visitors. The library committee is looking into the possibility of running some basic training courses for users of tablets and smart phones.

On the subject of the cyber world, free Audio books, supplied by NYCC are available to download onto to your PC, tablet and smart Phone. If this is of interest please ask one of the library volunteers to provide you with a step by step explanatory leaflet.

Also available in the library are two short guides, 50p each, of walks around Gargrave.

Finally an appeal: the Home Delivery Library Service is in need of more volunteers to collect books from Gargrave and deliver them to people's homes. Settle Library coordinate the scheme. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, or would like more information, please contact Settle Library on 01609 534535.

Houses for rent wanted

Heather Houlton

Refugees from Syria. Craven District Council are looking for self-contained family houses of all sizes in Skipton, Crosshills, Glusburn or Sutton. Refugees will be initially claiming housing benefit when they arrive in the UK, so rents charged must be in line with the Local Housing Allowance rates.

For further information please contact Claire Willoughby on 01756 706466.

Syrian refugee weekend, March 5th & 6th

Alison Ford

A massive thank you to everyone in Gargrave who made the Syrian refugee weekend such a success. Proceeds from the coffee morning on the Saturday together with the collection in church at the Mothers' Day service have gone to help Syrian refugees via Tear Fund's special appeal.

At the coffee morning a fabulous cake stall run and contributed by the Women's Institute, along with a tombola stall supplied and run by members of St Andrew's, added to the receipts from teas and coffees at the village hall. We were also pleased to meet two Eritrean asylum seekers there who happened to be staying at the vicarage that same weekend. In all the takings at the village hall amounted to £424. Those who attended the Mother's Day service the next day, responded fantastically to an appeal to bring the total up to £500. They smashed the target to make a final amazing total of just over £600!

It was a really worthwhile effort and was so encouraging to see so many from the village lending it their support. .

Walking for Health

Jean Maxwell

North Craven Stollers out for a walk up Mark House Lane in Gargrave last November. Our next walk was cancelled because of the rain but we are hopeful that on Thursday mornings in 2016 things will be better. We have been busy planning a variety of "Days Out" during the Spring and Summer months – if you would like a copy of the programme please contact

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Jean on 01756 748851 but in the meantime our walks in April will be on
Thursday 7th and 21st. On April 7th we will walk round Gargrave meeting at the
Summerseat at 10 am. On the 21st we will take the 10.59 bus towards Kirkby



Lonsdale and walk from Country Harvest to Ingleton stopping in Thornton in Lonsdale for lunch and returning to Gargrave about 4pm. If your New Years' Resolution was to get fitter then why not begin by coming and joining us for a free, guided open to all walk of not more than 90 minutes with refreshments and a chance to meet new friends.

Pilates News Beatrice Faulkner

Tuesday Pilates at 10 am (mat based) will be having a 2 week Easter break, resuming on April 12th for 7 consecutive Tuesdays. The 11.30 am (standing and sitting) group will be likewise, except for no meeting on Tuesday 19 April.

Friday Pilates at 9 am (mat based) will run on 8 and 15 April, 29 April and on throughout May (no meeting on 22 April).

All classes are in the Village Hall, for further details, please contact me on 749443.

Craft and chat Sylvia Humphreys

The photograph shows the Craft and Chat Group together with the impressive collection of items recently produced by the Group. These items include beautifully knitted blankets, hats, scarves, etc. and the items filled two large tables at the coffee morning for refugees in the Village Hall on 5th March. All items will be shipped to the charity Hand in Hand for Syria as part of our church's effort to



help refugees. I thank everyone involved for all their help and hard work.

If you are interested in coming to the Craft and Chat Group it meets on Tuesday afternoons at 2:00 p.m. in church except during holiday periods. Everyone is welcome.

Wl News Jean Maxwell

Many members attended the Memorial Service for Marguerite Mason. She was a member for many years and Olive Payne has written this tribute to her.

Marguerite was a woman of many parts and it is not easy for one person to do full justice to her. I knew her as a devoted and supportive member of the Women's Institute Movement. She brought all her experience and talent as a trained science teacher to her role as Secretary and then Chairman of the Gargrave Institute. And, although she held these positions so ably, she never forgot the individual members.

Each visitor and potential member was welcomed by her and she made sure each new member was given a chance to play her part in the group. I joined over 20 years ago when Marguerite was already Secretary. Before I knew it I was coopted on to the Committee and taking the place of the resigning Treasurer. I had no financial experience but, with Marguerite's initial support and encouragement, I managed it. And this was no isolated case!

On our many car journeys together to and from Federation Headquarters in Ripon I began to appreciate how much she cared for the WI movement. She knew everyone there and kept abreast of all the changes and new ideas which were emerging at the time. Marguerite played a big part in the wider WI movement, too. Through the National Federation she campaigned very strongly indeed for the need for a lower salt content in food. Her efforts played a large part in the success of this campaign.

Marguerite said very little about the other community groups to which she belonged. However, I am sure she was as whole-hearted in her support of them. As a wife, mother, grand-mother and great-grandmother she also cared deeply for the varied individuals of her family. We were delighted to learn that we had each been born and bred in Sussex at about the same date. Our families then were from very different backgrounds but that made no difference to the warm feelings we had for each other now.

Marguerite will be sadly missed by the many groups and individuals with which she was associated but especially by the members of Gargrave WI.

During the meeting in February we were shown more of the beautiful films by Gordon and Anne of Spellbound Films, the Fylde and Wyre provoked many comments as ladies recognized local places of interest. In the business meeting we voted for the resolutions we thought should be put forward to the AGM. The Federation then added up each individual vote and sent the result to National so that everyone's vote did count. The 2 resolutions for debate this year are on Food waste and Care for the Elderly with Dementia in hospital.

At our March meeting Mark Wilkinson spoke about the shoulder. He is a physiotherapist in Skipton and brought his wife and Sam the Skeleton with him to show aspects of his work relating to the shoulder. It really is an amazing part of the body and he explained just how it can rotate, lift and twist with ease when young beginning to degenerate from 40 onwards. He demonstrated the use of Kinesiology tape and a body blade – ask anyone who was there if they had a go!

In April you would be welcome to join us as Sue Seeger tells us of the Evolution if the Modern Miss. 7.30 pm in the Annex of the Village Hall on Wednesday 13th.

Snoring

A clergyman consulted his doctor about his wife's snoring. It has to STOP,' he insisted. The doctor was intrigued: 'Does it really bother you that much?' 'Well, it's not just me,' explained the minister. 'She is bothering the whole congregation.'

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Please mention "Parish Magazine" when contacting advertisers.

To celebrate Her Majesty the Queen's 90th Birthday the Lord Lieutenant is organising a celebration on Sunday 12th June in Ripon Cathedral. The event is expected to be attended by 1,000 invited guests and the Lieutenancy is hoping to invite

some very special people who reside within the Lieutenancy

Invitation to the Queen's birthday

area which includes North Yorkshire.

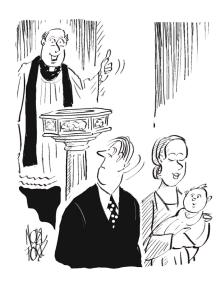
The Lieutenancy is seeking to make the event as inclusive as possible, and to that end has decided to invite a unique group of people, but we need the help of our communities to identify them.



If your date of birth is either 21st April 1926 or 12th June 1926 (the dates of Her Majesty's actual & official birthdays), you may apply for a free ticket for yourself and for someone to accompany you. Alternatively, do you know anyone who may be eligible to attend? Anyone with birthdays on these dates will be guaranteed an invitation to this prestigious celebration.

In addition, we will hold a draw for anyone with a 90th birthday occurring during 2016. If this applies to you and you live in the above area, then you may apply online for inclusion in the draw. Those successful will be advised and receive an invitation for themselves and someone to accompany them.

To apply for an invitation go to www.nyll.org.uk/iam90thisyear. Applications may be made on your behalf by a member of your family or by anyone else. The Lieutenancy sees this as the key event of the year and hope that a wide cross-section of our communities will be represented, including these important 90 year olds who have contributed so much throughout Her Majesty's reign.



"See you back here again for bar wadding?"



...and when it comes to "the peace", I want all those who want to stay in

Many thanks to all who played their part in the revival of the Passion Play. Below are some photos courtesy of Rob Ingham: www.inghamphotography.com.







The 580 service to Settle and Skipton will continue at present, including the 581 to Kirkby Lonsdale. However the Sunday service will not run this year.

The popular X75 direct Saturday service from Skipton to Harrogate linking with the 75 from Malhamdale will be withdrawn at the end of March. The 75 to Skipton will continue . This is indeed sad as it was very well used but the low level of reimbursement concessionary passes meant the service lost money in spite of use of the Dales and Bowland Community Interests Company's reserves to keep it.

Heavy losses were also caused by the landslip closure of the A59. Sadly no alternative sources of funding have materialised. It highlights the problem of longer journeys in less populated rural areas. Harrogate can still be reached by bus by changing at Ilkley.

The summer Dalesbus 884 service from Gargrave to Ilkley, Skipton, Embsay and Malham will start on 1st May this year. At Malham this will use a new bus stop in the National Park Car Park to avoid the dangers of reversing vehicles amongst pedestrians. Monday to Saturday services will still use the stop opposite the Buck Inn.

Metro Dalesbus timetables will be available soon from the library.

New diabetes support group

Summer bus services

Sheila Blackwell

Diabetes is a condition affecting an increasing number of people, so Fisher Medical Centre and Dyneley House Surgery have begun a new Diabetes Support Group in Skipton.

* LEARN TO LIVE WELL WITH DIABETES! *

This is a friendly and informal group, which holds regular meetings, with guest speakers. The group aims to:

- ... Offer a place where people with diabetes and their families can meet to gain support and share experiences.
- ... Provide information and increase understanding about living with diabetes to enable those with diabetes to enjoy healthy lives.
- ... Work closely with local agencies who support those living with diabetes.
- ... Work to influence those who make decisions about diabetes care and funding to ensure effective care in the area.

The next meeting will take place on **Wednesday 6th April**, from 6pm to 7.30pm at Dyneley House Barn, Newmarket Street, Skipton BD23 2HZ.

For more information please contact Emma Taylor, Health Promotion Officer on 07591 067930.

MOYRA'S MIGRATIONS

Moyra Sonley

Continuing from last month when Dave had disappeared:-

I REALISED THAT THE STRIP OF LIGHT I could see down the side of the door wasn't from the bathroom, but it was the door into the corridor outside the room.

The door was slightly ajar so I realised that Dave must have gone out. I went back to the phone to tell this to the caller and he said it was alright, that my husband was downstairs in the hotel lobby.

"I will come down, just wait a minute please," I said.

"No, it's alright, we will bring him up," I was told.

I hastily put some clothes on, (I said it was a very warm night as it's not all that far north of the equator). Then there was a knock at the door and there were two of the hotel staff with Dave, who was wearing nothing but a tablecloth.

I apologised for any trouble it had caused, thanked them very much, told them that Dave hadn't been feeling very well and got him back into bed. As we were both still very tired, we went back to sleep and I waited until the morning to get the full story, by which time the effect of the lactose in the anti-malaria tablets had worn off. This was normal I knew, as it had happened before.

Apparently Dave had woken up wanting to go to the toilet and had found his way to the wrong door and opened it, gone through and found himself in the corridor. It was the room door and not the bathroom door. Since he wasn't thinking of going further than the bathroom, he hadn't thought of putting anything on. He was wearing what he had gone to bed in. That was precisely nothing. He was still confused, so instead of coming back in to the room he had set off down the corridor looking for the bathroom. He passed lots of closed doors so rang a few bells on the way, but got no response (fortunately). He came to the lift so went in and pressed a button and found himself up at roof level. He realised this wasn't what he wanted, so back to the lift, pressed another button and got out when it stopped and found he was in the basement. There were lizards darting about down there but of course no bathroom. Back to the lift, tried again but had no idea which floor he wanted and so went down another corridor or two, rang a few more bells, thankfully still no response. By this time he was beginning to realise what the situation was and knew he needed to get back to our room. The only trouble was that he had no idea what our room number was or what floor we were on as I had checked us in the previous evening, got the key and got us both up to our room and in to bed.

There weren't too many floors and eventually by going up and down in the lift and along various corridors, he found himself on the ground floor, saw a door with a glass panel and light shining through. He knocked on the door and someone came to answer it. It was the kitchen with night staff working there. All male fortunately, since he wasn't dressed for the occasion!! He explained that he was trying to find his way back to our room, but didn't know the number. They provided him with a table cloth to wear and asked him his name. At least he knew who he was, so the staff were able to find where he was supposed to be and rang me to check.

By morning he was fully back to normal. We went down for breakfast and returned the table cloth to the kitchen staff. They were very diplomatic about the whole affair, apart from giving other members of staff a nudge and a nod in Dave's direction and saying that's the guy we were telling you about who was wandering about last night.

We heard some of the guests saying indignantly that someone had been ringing their room doorbells in the middle of the night and wondering what it was all about. We didn't enlighten them!

After that Dave felt fine, but decided not to take any more anti-malaria tablets. There weren't many mosquitoes about and he didn't get malaria. So we enjoyed the rest of the holiday without any further incidents, (at least not like that).

Just a word to say, that this was a story that Dave used to tell people as he thought it was very funny. I know he wouldn't have minded me writing about it in the parish magazine.

FARMING ON SCALEBER HILL

John Hall

MY OPENING SALVO THIS MONTH relates to a feathered friend named Chic Chic at Lisa's request. She was purchased along with five others as points of lay pullets, the object being free range eggs. A hen hut was provided with nest boxes and provision for food and water. The hens decided free range meant freedom of the farm. There might as well have been a hundred and six. It didn't matter which door one opened, be it barn, shed, calf box, sheep shed, wood shed, there would be a hen!!!

No matter where they spent their days, someone had to check they were in the hen hut at night and drop the board to keep the **fox** out.

Apart from scratching straw, hay and silage over every barn flood the hens enjoyed their freedom until one certain individual forget to fasten them in one night. The fox killed a **third** of the flock!!!

Security was tightened and for several years whoever was detailed to lock up the hens never failed the duty. As the hens reached a good age three retired from laying.

All was well until; a new pup appeared on the farm, before it was taught any manners it escaped and worried a hen. Of course it had to be the one **laying**. Two more eventually died of old age, leaving Chic Chic alone. She still visits every shed in the course of a day, on a fine evening wanders back to the hut, if it is wet sleeps with calves. She must be 10 years old. The resident pheasants often join her at feeding time.

As we are now into March the attention is towards lambing time, the ewes are dosed with mulitvit and vaccinated against pneumonia to protect the unborn lambs, and build up resistance against scour and other ailments.

Despite all the rain and floods the sheep are in good condition and we approach lambing with optimism. By the time you read this the clocks will have gone forward. As it always coincides with our lambing time, we start an hour earlier to see the sheep in any case. The clocks forward makes it 2 hours (which does not agree with John's body clock). I don't mind about summer time or not but leave it one way or the other.

As for the cattle they are in good condition as the silage is good. Next on the agenda will be the sucklers to calve. As we have a new Limousin bull, his first

calves will soon be due. One is always apprehensive until the first calves arrive as ease of calving is very important. A White Park heifer is due first.

On the social side the show's buffet dance in the Village Hall was very successful and enjoyable. The revenue helps to balance the books for the show.

We are now approaching the best time of year. The days lengthen and everything bursts into life and hopefully some overdue fine weather.

I did talk to the pheasants to hang about until the shooting season was over. They must have taken notice as we have a most gorgeous cock pheasant and a group of hens.

Good mates for Chic Chic.

CONNECTING WITH CULTURE

Jennie Pollock, London Institute for Contemporary Christianity











On Not Turning Away

CONFESSION: I LISTEN TO THE ARCHERS.

For those not familiar with it, The Archers is a radio soap opera set in a fictional farming community somewhere in middle England. While I love many of the characters, laugh at others and get frustrated by still others, there is one character I really don't like: Rob. Rob is a bully. He is selfish and manipulative. And now he's married.

Helen, his wife, has been through her share of troubles, including an eating disorder and a broken heart, but when she first met Rob he charmed her. Now he's got her name on the marriage certificate, he's making her life a misery, slowly and methodically taking away her freedom, driving away her friends and distancing her from her family. Her anorexia has returned, and she lives in fear, afraid of upsetting him and losing him.

It's almost too painful to listen to. Almost. I would have given up, except that I know the same thing is happening to untold numbers of real women around the world. Helen is fictional; she can walk away at the end of an episode. I can turn off my radio. But what about those who can't?

This last Tuesday was International Women's Day. While I'm no fan of the kind of 'empowerment' drives that seek to 'help' women by denigrating men, I do think it's important not to turn our eyes away from the kind of suffering and struggles experienced disproportionately by women. The facts are well-known: women account for two thirds of the world's poorest citizens; 31 million girls of primary school age are not in school; an estimated 1.2m children are trafficked into slavery each year, 80% of whom are girls; 35% of women worldwide have experienced physical and/or sexual violence.

I can't help Helen, but by listening I might just learn something that helps me to help others. Her friend Kirsty, for instance, is not going to give up on trying to get Helen the help she isn't yet able to admit she needs.

I need to keep informing myself about the world beyond my borders so that when it's my turn to help I won't walk by on the other side of the road in fear for my own security, but will stop, bind up my neighbour's wounds and help her – or him – to a place of healing and wholeness.

So that's why I won't turn away.



GARGRAVE C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

Sarah Peel

"Every child counts, every child contributes"

The 11 year 6 pupils all visited London for the day. We went to see Buckingham Palace and 10 Downing Street. We had a guided tour of The Houses of Parliament. We went into the House of Commons where MP's debate, and the House the Lords. The House of Lords was gold and red.

We met our MP Julian Smith who told us about his job, including how long he worked each day.

We saw Big Ben. My Favourite part of the day was the travelling on the underground because I had never been on it before.

By Max Butteree



The year 5's were invited to Coniston Hotel to ride on their buggies, along a trail, which had Easter eggs placed. The class had made these from Paper Mache in class. Once all the eggs had been spotted we went on a different course called 'Death valley'! There were bigger ramps and it was fun. The last thing we did was rode the ski jump. It was fabulous. THANK YOU.







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New meanings

Dogma - a puppy's mother

Polygon - a lost parrot

Rotas for St Andrew's Church

Readings for worship											
3 Apr 2nd Sunday of Easter: Ephesians 1:1-2:10, John 20:19-31											
10 Apr	3rd Sunday of Easter: Ephesians 2:11-3:13, John 21:1-19										
17 Apr	4th Sunday of Easter: Ephesians 3:14-4:16, John 10:22-30										
24 Apr	5th Sunday of	Easter: Eph	esians 4:	17-5:20), John 13:31-3	35					
1 May	6th Sunday of	•									
8 May	Ascension Sur	nday: Ephesi	ians 6:10	-24, Lu	ke 24:44-53						
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Sidesmen	8am	10.	.45 am		Refresi	nments					
3 Apr	Linda Wall	Joyce Brotherton	Isobel L	acey	Judith Douglas	Norma Brothers					
10 Apr	Kay Craven	Janet Turner	Hugh T	urner	Abbie White	Sylvia Humphreys					
17 Apr	Janet Sturgess	Dorothy Rishworth	Mollie Blackbu	Cynthia rn Hardyman		Peter Hardyman					
24 Apr	Colin Chapman	Sarah Curtis	Pauline Gilfoyle		Pat Traves	Mollie Blackburn					
1 May	Linda Wall	Joyce Brotherton	Isobel L	acey	Joan Wimbush	Tony Wimbush					
8 May	Kay Craven	Janet Turner	•		Sarah Curtis	Judith Robinson					
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3 Apr	John Bailey	Judith 1	Douglas	Norma	Brothers	Peter Poulter					
10 Apr	Ruth Abbott					Hugh Turner					
17 Apr	Yvonne Poulter	Eileen	. Hoskin	Pat Co	ckshott	Ruth Abbott					
24 Apr	Judith Douglas					Jean Banks					
1 May	Pauline Barnes	Judith 1	Douglas	Norma	Brothers	Jean Coldwell					
8 May	Hugh Turner				·	Sarah Curtis					
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21 Mar – 1 Apr Alison Ford Jerry Ford
4 – 15 Apr Susan Lupton Sarah Curtis
18-29 April Joan Wimbush Tony Wimbush
2-13 May Sylvia Humphreys Ron Humphreys

If you can't do your duty, please arrange a swap.

And if you'd like to join a rota, please contact Janie on 748970

Thanks!

TAXIS from Gargrave (see adverts on page A13):

Gargrave Private Hire - local & distance, airport transfers: 07877 054698, 01756 748112 Airedale Executive Travel: 01535 630062 / 07811 439887

Neil Young - airport transfer specialist: 07817 296624

TRAINS, from Gargrave

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	1455	1744	1814	2028	2131		
Sunday		1121		1352	1455	1554	1907		2105		

To Giggleswick (arrives \sim 20 mins later) & Morecambe (arrives \sim 95 mins later)

Mon-Fri	054712	0901	1105	1406	1730	
Saturday	064312	0905	1105	1439	1730	
Sunday		0932	1145	1543	180	09

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

Mon-Fri	0547^{3}	0901 ²	0932	1105 ^{3or2}	1331	<u>1406</u> ²	1730 ²	1851 2007 ⁴
Saturday	0643 ³		0932	1105 ^{3or2}	1331	1439 ^{2 (or 3)}	<u>1730²</u>	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 Ribblehead 12. Change at Lancaster for Morecambe
There are no Planned Engineering Works to affect Gargrave trains in April.

*The S-C Line North of Appleby will be closed for several months. Replacement buses will run between Appleby and Carlisle. Check with Northern Rail. For live info on next 2 trains text GARGRAVE to 84950, or go to www.rail.co.uk/live-arrivals-departures/ Living in BD23 post code, you can buy a DALES RAILCARD: £13/ year. 1/3 off Anytime rail tickets between Gargrave and Leeds, Bradford, Carlisle, Morecambe, Lancaster. Discount for children accompanying you.

BUSES from Gargrave

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

Mon-Fri* 0821 0911¹¹ 0956 1056 1057 1156 1256 1356 1357 1456 1556 1726

Saturday 0821 0911 0956 1056 1156 1256 1356 1456 1556 1656

 $\textbf{To Settle} \ (\text{arrives} \sim 25 \ \text{mins later}) \ \text{and onward to} \ \textbf{Kirkby Lonsdale} \ (\text{Service} \ 580/581)$

Mon-Fri* 0904 0959¹¹ 1059 1159 1259 1359 1459 1559 1644 1759 Saturday 0904 1059 1159 1259 1359 1459 1644 1759

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

Mon-Fri* 10008 13108

Saturday 1001⁶ 1559⁶

NOTES 6. Service X75 from Harrogate to Skipton [Saturdays] will be WITHDRAWN AFTER 26 MARCH. **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

11. During School term only * Except Bank Holidays
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North Yorkshire School Holiday: 25 Mar – 10 Apr 2016 inclusive.

Public Transport back to Gargrave

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Mon-Fri	0541 0	855 0926	1100	1326	1401	172	25 1846	2000		1919	
Saturday	0638 0	900 0926	1100	1326	1433	172	24 1835	2000		1919	
Sunday		0926	0948 1140)	1435	1538	1803			1720	
From Mor	ecambe	(arriving G	argrave ~ 9	95 min	s later	·)					
Mon-Fri	061012	1034	1333	16:	19	1908					
Saturday	073612	1034	1331	1616		1909					
Sunday		1222	1446	17	41		1946				
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Mon-Fri* 0850 0945¹¹ 0950⁸ 1045 1145 1245 1300⁸ 1345 1445 1545 1630 1745 Saturday 0850 0945 1045 1145 1245 1345 1445 1545 1630 1745

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

Mon-Fri* 0755 0845¹¹ 0930 1030 1130 1230 1330 1430 1530 1700

Saturday 0755 0845 0930 1130 1230 1330 1430 1530

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

Mon-Fri* 1035⁷ 1335⁷

Saturday 1030⁵ 1630⁵

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(884 – York Pullman Bus Co Ltd – 01904 622992, www.yorkpullmanbus.co.uk)

210/211 - NYCC - 08458 725282:

580/581 and 75 (winter Saturdays) - 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 03457 48 49 50 www.nationalrail.co.uk

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West St, BD23 3RD visit into John Strain or renew books online (first obtain your PIN no. from library)

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Collections	Gargrave – Mon & Tue	Coniston Cold - Mon
04-Apr / 05-Apr	Green bin & brown bin	Green bin
11-Apr / 12-Apr	Blue bin & blue bag	Blue bag and brown bin
18-Apr / 19-Apr	Green bin & brown bin	Green bin
25-Apr / 26-Apr	Blue bag	Blue bin & bag & brown bin
02-May / 03-May	Green bin & brown bin	Green bin

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Gargrave Post Office: Mon-Fri 5.15pm, Sat 11.45am Church Street (beside Masons Arms): Mon-Fri 9am; Sat 7am West Street (corner of Higherlands Cl): Mon-Fri 9am, Sat 7am

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

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	School closes	School opens	
Easter	Thu 24 Mar	Tue 12 April	
Half Term	Fri 27 May	Mon 6 June	
Summer	Fri 22 July	Tues 6 Sept	
Half term (Autumn)	Fri 21 Oct	Tues 1 Nov	

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Caterpillar Club (0+) - St Andrew's Church, Wed 10am, Heather Taylor 749499

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

Rainbows (5+) – Debbie Gomersall 01729 830589

Brownies (7+) - Rose Turner 01729 825886

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

Over Sixties' (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.masonsarmsgolfsociety.com, 749304

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

Pilates - Village Hall/Annex Tuesdays 10-11am, Fridays 9-10am, Bea 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

Art - Gargrave Art Group - Village Hall, Mons 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

Fuchsia & Geranium Club – V.Hall, 1st Wed of month 7.30pm, Paula Jackson 752175

Gargrave Heritage Group - Tues 10am, St Andrew's Church, Martin Thomson 748309

Craft and Chat - St Andrew's, Tues 2pm, Sylvia Humphreys 748779

Parish Council Meeting – Village Hall side room, 1st Mon of mth, or 2nd on bank hols Snooker Club - Village Hall Snooker Annex, every day, Stewart Smith 749340

Stan Drew's Community Choir - Ruth Abbott, 748483

WI - Village Hall Annex, 2nd Wed of month 7pm, Trish Richardson on 748847

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

The Old Swan Inn – Quiz Thursdays 9pm 749232