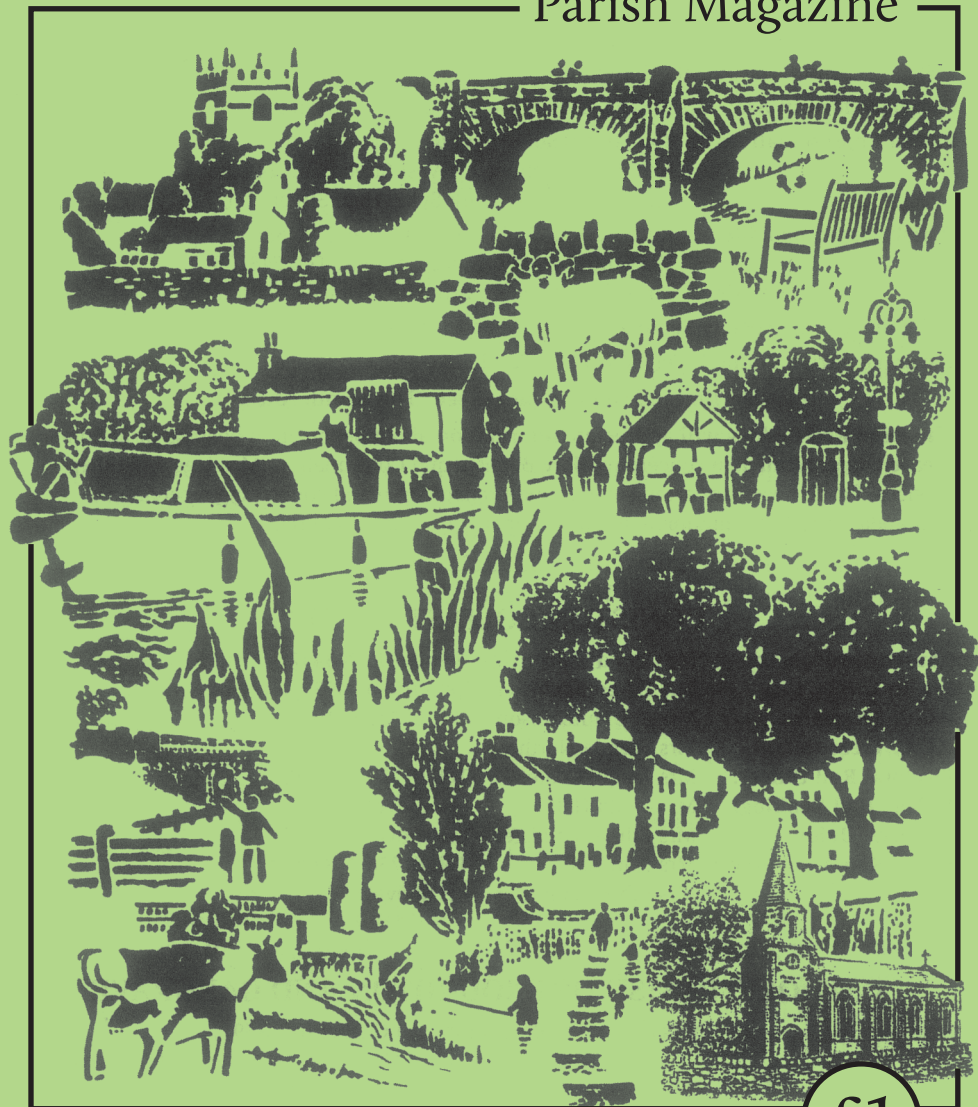


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DAVID'S DISPATCHES

Revd David Houlton

HEATHER AND I have lived in cities and towns in various parts of the UK and abroad, and we always tried to get to know the people living around us. But that is increasingly hard in the modern world! What if they always use the car and drive in and out of their driveway? What if everyone living on the street already has friends elsewhere in the city? What if crime is high so everyone goes straight home and locks the door?

What's more, many people are wealthy enough to be able to live independently. We don't need to ask each other for help and favours anymore. So you might be excused for wondering whether Jesus's teaching - "love your neighbour as you love yourself" is as relevant today as it was when people were mostly poor and needed each other much more?

But, surprisingly perhaps, our situation is not so different to the situation when Jesus gave that command. There were different people groups living in the same country, there were rich and poor, there was crime and violence, and people living near you might speak Aramaic, or Greek, or Latin! So even back then, people asked Jesus "Who is my Neighbour?" And His reply then applies today too: Everyone we come across is our Neighbour – people like us, and people who are not like us: right or wrong, good or bad!

In fact, Jesus' challenge was never to work out who our neighbour is. His challenge was and is to love Everyone we come across! Not the feeling of love, but the attitude: being patient, kind and caring. Respecting people – even when they are wrong. Wanting the best for them, whether or not they deserve it! Never giving up on people. And caring about their successes, and tragedies.

Committing to loving all our "neighbours" as we love ourselves, at an appropriate level of intimacy, is our contribution to making everyone's lives and relationships work better in 21st century Britain.

Lord Jesus, help me, help us all, to love and care more – like we see You did here on earth!

DIARY FOR MARCH

Coniston Cold

Sun 5 Mar	9.30am, Holy Communion, Church
Sun 12	4pm, Evensong, Church
Sun 19	9.30am, Holy Communion, Church
Sun 26	9.30am Mother's Day Service & Refreshments
Sat 1 April	1pm, Jumble Sale, Village Hall
Sun 2 April	9.30am, Holy Communion, Church

Gargrave

Wed 1 Mar	Ash Wednesday Communion, 7pm, Church
Thurs 2	Walking for Health, 9.59am bus to Settle from the Summerseat
Fri 3	Library film night: Bridge of Spies. 7 for 7.30pm, Village Hall
Sat 4	Coffee morning, 10am, Village Hall
Sun 5	8am Prayer Book Communion, 10.45am Family Service, Church 6pm OASIS quiet reflective service, Church
Mon 6	Free animation workshop, Gargrave Library, 4-6pm
Tues 7	No bowling today
Wed 8	Women's Institute 7pm for 7.30pm: "Legal and financial issues for the retired", Speaker - John Mumford.
Sat 11	Coffee morning, 10am, Village Hall
Sun 12	8am Prayer Book Communion, 10.45am Sung Eucharist, Church 3pm Passion Play Rehearsal, Church Gargrave Village Hall Management run Flea Market and Collectables Fair with outdoor plant stall., 10am to 4pm. 5pm Christians in Gargrave meeting at Village Hall Annexe
Mon 13	Parish Council Meeting, 7.15pm, Village Hall Annexe Gargrave Show meeting in Village Hall Committee Room 1, 8pm.
Wed 15	Village Hall Management meeting in V Hall Comm. Room 1, 7.30pm
Thu 16	Walking for Health, 10am at Summerseat for a walk around Gargrave.
Fri 17	Dance with Elizabeth Harrison, 8pm, Village Hall
Sat 18	Book Fair 10am to 4pm Modern Sequence Dance, 7pm Village Hall
Sun 19	8am Prayer Book Communion, 10.45 Morning Prayer 3pm Passion Play Rehearsal, Church
Wed 22	Bingo, 7.30 pm, Village Hall
Fri 24	Dance with the Bill Johnston Sound 8pm
Sat 25	Coffee morning, 10am, Village Hall
Sun 26	8am Prayer Book Communion, 10.45am Mother's Day Service, 12 noon Annual Parish Church Meeting, Church 3pm Passion Play Rehearsal, Church Flea Market, Broadway Fairs. 10am to 3.30pm, Village Hall
Sun 2 April	8am Prayer Book Communion, 10.45am Family Service, 7pm Passion Play Service

Regular weekly and biweekly Gargrave events

Mondays:

- 9 am Morning Prayer, Church (most weeks)
- 1.30pm Art Club, Village Hall Committee Room 1
- 2pm Bingo, Gargrave Community Centre on Neville Crescent
- 7.45pm Modern Sequence Dancing, Village Hall
- 7.30pm Bell ringing, Church
- 7.30pm Lent course, Vicarage

Tuesdays:

- 9 am Communion Service, Church
- 9.30am Gargrave Tuesday Club Cycling, dep The Dalesman Cafe
- 10 am Heritage Group, Church
- 10 am Pilates with Bee Faulkner, V.Hall (term time)
- 11.30am Standing/Sitting Pilates with B Faulkner, V.Hall (term time)
- 10.30am Adult Tennis Coaching and Social Tennis (weather permitting)
- 12.30pm Alternate Tuesdays – lunch at Gargrave Community Centre on Neville Crescent, followed by games. £4.50, no need to book
- 2pm Craft and Chat, Church
- 2pm Indoor Bowls, Village Hall
- pm Brownies & Rainbows (school term only)
- pm Tap dancing lessons, Village Hall Annexe
- 7.15pm Pilates with Cate Davies, Village Hall Annexe

Wednesdays:

- 9 am Morning Prayer, Church (most weeks)
- 9.30am Gentle Hatha Yoga, Village Hall Annexe
- 9.30am Twins and Multiple Birth Group, Village Hall
- 10 am Caterpillar Club, Church
- 1.30 pm Over 60's, Village Hall Annexe
- 6.30pm Water Colour painting class, Village Hall Annexe

Thursdays:

- 9am Phoenix Club, the Anchor, alternate weeks
- 9.30am Water Colour painting class, Village Hall Annexe
- 9.50am Walking for Health, 1st and 3rd Thurs of the month, meet @ Summerseat
- 10 am Gargrave Tuesday Club Cycling, dep the Dalesman Café
- 10am Coffee morning, Gargrave Community Centre on Neville Crescent
- 10.30am Social tennis
- 11am Rope dance – seated exercise Gargrave Community Centre on Neville Crescent, 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month.
- 2pm Indoor Bowls, Village Hall
- 5pm Theatre-craft lessons, Village Hall Annexe
- 7.30pm Tai Chi, Village Hall Annexe

Fridays:

- 9 am Morning Prayer, Church (most weeks)

- 9 am Pilates with Bee Faulkner, Village Hall (term time, not 3 March) V Hall
- 10.30am Pilates for Beginners with Bee Faulkner (term, not 3 March) V Hall

Saturdays:

- am Ballet lessons, Village Hall Annexe

Sundays:

- 12 noon Gargrave Community Choir singing rehearsals, Church
- 1.30pm Social Tennis

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Lent course

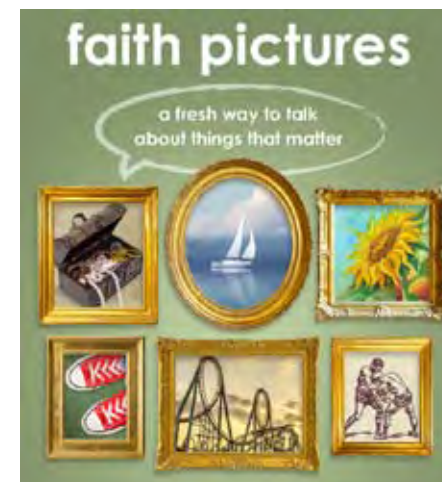
Duncan Faulkner

During Lent there will be a weekly course called Faith Pictures. Faith Pictures is a short course designed to help Christians talk naturally to friends, neighbours and colleagues about what they believe. The heart of the course is about helping people to identify a single picture or image that embodies something of their faith. This is because the kinds of communication which best stick in the mind are concrete and rooted in story

The course aims to be accessible and light-hearted, without jargon or inflexible methods. Each session contains a short video and encourages discussion in pairs and as a whole group.

It is for people of any Christian tradition and none. It has been designed to appeal particularly to people who would normally run a mile from courses on faith sharing!

The first session is on Monday 27 February at 7.30pm, and then weekly thereafter, at the Vicarage, Church Lane. More information from Duncan: phone 749443 or email editor@gargravemag.co.uk.



Luncheon Clubs

Norma Brothers

Thursdays 2nd, 16th and 30th March and then fortnightly, in Andrew's church at 12.30pm: £4.50 for a 2 course meal. To book in, please contact Norma on 748392 or sign the list in the back of church.

And also on alternate Tuesdays at the community room on Neville Crescent (7th and 21st March), 1230pm.

Walking for Health

Jean Maxwell

Our walk on Thursday March 2nd will be in Settle. We meet at the Summerseat in time to catch the 9.59 bus.

On March 16th we will meet at 10.00 am at the Summerseat for a walk around Gargrave.

All our walks are free, last no more than 90 minutes, without stiles or steep slopes and include refreshments somewhere on the way! We are a friendly group who welcome new walkers to come and join us. If you can't cope with the full 90 minutes we do offer a 30 minute saunter starting at the same time but taking a shorter route on the first Thursday of the month. Do come along and join in.



Walkers enjoying the view from the canal bridge on Ray Bridge Lane".

Library Events

Dave Smith

On **Friday 3rd March** we will be showing the Steven Spielberg Oscar winning film, Bridge of Spies. Starring Tom Hanks and Mark Rylance, the film is set during the Cold War and tells the true story of the exchange of the U2 spy plane pilot, Gary Power, for a Soviet spy.

The now customary Café style seating will be in place so please bring your own refreshments. Village Hall Doors open 7.00pm, Film starts 7.30pm. Tickets £5.00 on the door.

On the 7th of April we are planning to show Bridget Jones's Baby, and on the 26th May Swallows and Amazons. In the middle of all this we have arranged for Mike Clarke, of canal fame, to give a talk on the 21st April.

As we approach our 5th anniversary in May plans are afoot to refresh the Library with a splash of paint, new Logos on the windows and various improvements to the general surroundings. All the work is being funded by NYCC.

The smooth running of the Library is dependent on the Volunteers who man the desk but, equally important are our loyal customers who come in and borrow the books, without Borrowers the Library would close.

So, if you've not used the Library why not pop in and see what we can offer from borrowing books, photocopying facilities, free Wifi access to e-books, e-mags or use the public access PC's to browse the web and do research on Ancestry.com. All for free.

FREE ANIMATION WORKSHOP: Studio 1, a digital arts project based in Skipton is to run a FREE Animation Workshop in Gargrave Library. They propose to run a 2 hour session at Gargrave for 15 young people, from ages 7 years and upward (under 12's will need to be supervised) on **Monday 6th March** from 4 to 6 pm.

The workshop includes: creating a story together inspired by Craven District; modelling characters out of local wool; Animating the story alive with digital Stop Motion technique; Recording the story sound; and posting it online for people to admire and share!

Studio 1 consists of local artists, Virpi Kettu (Film Animator and Digital Media Artist, whose work includes Wallace and Gromit) Patricia Stienstra (Storyteller) and Ellie Morley (Modelmaker, Sculptor, Fabricator). For entry details and forms please contact the Library at gargravelibrary@btinternet.com.

Passion Play – rehearsals start 12 March

Norma Brothers

Passion Play rehearsals will be held at 3pm on Sunday afternoons: **12 March, 19 March and 26 March**. The performance will be on **Sunday 2 April at 7pm**.

We are recruiting actors to take part in enacting scenes from the Passion. 13 men are needed, children, women and families too. Please contact Norma on 748392 if you can take part, or just come along.

Christians in Gargrave

Rosemary Pocock

Christians in Gargrave. Sunday **March 12th**, Village Hall Annex, 5pm.

This is our quarterly meeting when we catch up with news of our various activities, maybe explore and or plan some new ones, and have a short time of prayer and worship together.

We always start with a bring and share Sunday tea. (finger food only please) so if you have not been before but are interested do just come along, you will be very welcome.

Jumble Sale at Coniston Cold, 1 April

Jacqui Coates

Our annual Jumble Sale, in aid of St Peter's will be on Saturday **1st April at 1pm** in Coniston Cold Village Hall (Richard Tottie Memorial Hall). Entry 50p; refreshments available.

(Jumble may be left at the village hall on Friday 31 March between 12 noon and 2pm. If this is not convenient, or for further information, please contact Jacqui Coates on 01756 749300.

Big Car Boot Sale at Coniston Cold, 17 April

Jeanne Hine

Big Pop up Car Boot Sale at Coniston Cold Village Hall and the field opposite just off the A65, on Bell Busk Lane, BD23 4DU near the church on **17th April (Easter Monday)**.

Buyers: £1. Buyers from 7.30am. Finish 12noon

Sellers from 7am Sellers: £5 for cars and indoor tables, £8 for vans.

Refreshments on sale.

Contact Mrs Jeanne Hine 07590 073151 to pre-book an indoor table or car parking space.

NEWS

Pantomime this year and next

Duncan Faulkner

Thank you to everyone involved in this year's production of Sinbad the Sailor – which has not yet started at the time of writing. Look out for a review in next month's magazine.



We are starting to think about next year's production already. There are quite a few jobs that we will need to fill. These include director, costume co-ordinator, children's co-ordinator, committee chairperson and treasurer. If you would like to help in any way, please contact me, Duncan, phone 749443 or email editor@gargravemag.co.uk You won't have much to do for the next few months but we would like to have people in place ready for the start of rehearsals in September.

WI News

Moyra Sonley

Once again our committee meeting was held in the library, thanks to the library committee for allowing us to use the room. Because there is an art group in the annex every Wednesday evening, our members' meetings are now held in committee room 1 in the village hall. This was the first time we have met there and we found the room very comfortable, it was nice and warm on a cold night.

Our speaker this month was Gill Pinches whose power point show was 'Around the Holy Land in Eight Days'. Gill and her husband went with a group. First of all she showed us maps of Israel and Palestine over a period of some 70 years with the change of boundaries over that time. She told us about going through the wall dividing the two territories on the way to Bethlehem. When they arrived they found Manger Square extremely busy, full of tourists and all the commerce that goes with them. They spent time in Jerusalem which is divided into four quarters; Christian, Muslim, Jewish and Armenian. It is a walled city with a number of gateways in and out. They went down to Jericho which is 258 metres below sea level and visited the Sea of Galilee and Nazareth. The weather was very warm throughout the holiday, but later on there was a sandstorm which was coming from the Sahara, so they couldn't see the sun, just saw everything through a yellow haze. It was a very interesting and thought provoking talk.

Our next book club meeting is at 7.30pm on Wednesday, the 22nd of February in the library. This month we are reading 'Entry Island' by Peter May. It is set in the Outer Hebrides and Entry Island which is in the St Lawrence River in Canada. It is over 500 pages, but I enjoyed it very much.

On the 23rd of February we have our social lunch at Hazy Dayz in Hellifield. (I wonder where they get that name from)! There is a good choice of hot and cold food, puddings and cakes, tea and coffee and other non-alcoholic drinks. I have been and found it is a pleasant spot, nice and roomy and comfortable. We will meet at the Summer Seat at 11.50 and get the Settle bus to Hellifield. Don't forget your bus pass.

Our next meeting is on **Wednesday the 8th of March** 7pm for a start time at 7.30pm. John Mumford is speaking about 'Legal and Financial Issues for the Retired'. Everybody welcome.

NSPCC Gargrave Branch Soup Lunch – a thank you

*Gargrave Branch
NSPCC Committee*

The committee would like to say a big thank you to everyone who supported the Soup Lunch in the Village Hall on Saturday 11th February. Due to everyone's generosity an amount of £1,300 was raised for the NSPCC. Our thanks also go to all those who helped, without whom we could not have achieved such a successful day. It was all very much appreciated.

Cricketers wanted

Gargrave Cricket Club

2017 cricket season will soon be here and Gargrave Cricket Club are looking to recruit new players to help guide both senior teams to promotion this year. Indoor nets are on Mondays 7.30-8.30 at Upper Wharfedale School. For more information contact the club via Facebook or anyone connected with the club.

News from Gargrave Village Hall

Caroline Thompson

Mrs. Christine Town has now officially taken over as the new Bookings Secretary at the Village Hall. The hall is becoming increasingly popular as a venue for both meetings and events and some dates for 2018 have already been booked so Christine will be kept busy in her new role. The Village Hall Management Committee hope to continue with improvements at the hall so various fund raising events will be held throughout the year. The 1940's Band, The Swing Commanders will be appearing again this year on Friday 3rd November, after last year's awesome performance it is no surprise that tickets are already being reserved!

Regular fund raising events will of course include the Management Committee's monthly Flea Market, Vintage and Collectables Fair which returns on Sunday March 12th after a short Winter break. These Fairs continue to grow in popularity, some stallholders exhibit at each Fair whilst some perhaps attend a few times a year, or occasionally it may be a one off sale to get rid of surplus items that have perhaps been collected over the years. Light refreshments are served from 10.a.m until 3.30.p.m and weather permitting there will be an outdoor plant stall. For any further enquiries, to book a stall or obtain a list of the Year's Fairs please call Caroline on 01756 749235.

The Village Hall Book Fairs are now being organised as a fund raising event for Hall funds. The first of the year will be held on Saturday 18th March from 10.a.m until 4.p.m. There will be literally thousands of second-hand books to purchase from dealers and individuals from all over the North West of England and beyond. If you have books to sell and would be interested in renting a table please call Mr. Keith Birchall on 01756 748778 for further details. Alternately call in to have a look around there will be an amazing selection of books. 60p admission on the door.

For booking enquiries please call Christine on 01756 749730 or email to bookings@gargravevillagehall.org.uk

Men and women

Three men were hiking through a forest when they came upon a large raging river. Needing to get on the other side, the first man prayed, "God, please give me the strength to cross the river." Poof! God gave him big arms and strong legs and he was able to swim across in about two hours, having almost drowned twice. After witnessing that, the second man prayed, "God, please give me strength and the tools to cross the river." Poof! God gave him a rowboat and strong arms and strong legs and he was able to row across in about an hour after almost capsizing once.

Seeing what happened to the first two men, the third man prayed, "God, please give me the strength, the tools and the intelligence to cross the river." Poof! He was turned into a woman. She checked the map, went one hundred yards up stream and walked across the bridge.

News from the bell tower at St Andrews

Joe Alston



The bellringers from St Andrew's, Gargrave would love to be able to recruit more ringers. At present we have nine registered ringers, though all are not always available at the same time, and this number needs to increase if we are to maintain our commitment to ringing the bells for Sunday Services and to celebrate the increasing number of weddings that are taking place throughout the year.

The view of the tower and the sound of the bells are known to everyone in Gargrave but these also hide the workings, both human and mechanical, that take place behind the scenes. There are eight bells, all varying in weight and character. When rung in unison, the sounds are a pleasure to hear and give the ringers immense satisfaction. This is a fascinating, rewarding and sociable hobby, open to all. The only requirement is the ability to climb the rather worn five hundred year old steps up to the ringing chamber.

If you are interested please get in touch and join us for a session and perhaps even have a go yourself. If you have never rung the bells, we are able to offer training to complete beginners. Practice night is most Mondays, except Bank Holidays, at 7.30pm. You would be made very welcome. If you could phone Joe on 01729 851663 beforehand, we would look out for you.



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Hunt news

Elizabeth Adams

We are having a good season as the weather has been kind to us. Our hunt ball at the Coniston hotel was a great success. Three hundred people attended and had a wonderful party with good food and plenty of dancing. Our thanks to the hotel staff for all their hard work.

Our hunt season ends at the end of February, but we continue with our horse events throughout the summer.

Our next event will be **Sunday 25th March**. It is our cross country schooling day around the course at Coniston. The course is set around the lakeside - so lovely to watch if you fancy a walk around. The event is held from 9.30 until 12 on that Sunday.

Coniston Cold Young Farmers

Peter Walton

On 25 January Young Farmers met for a crafts evening. Members created items ranging from a decorated welly, Lego model, decorated drinks can and decorated biscuits. The judge for the evening was Mrs Carol Blackwell from Gargrave. The results were Junior Girls 1st Gemma Darwin 2nd Mary Throup Joint 3rd Alice and Megan Walton. Junior boys 1st Jack Walker 2nd Callum Walton 3rd William Barker. Intermediate 1st Hannah Saxby.

The following Tuesday Coniston members met at Hesper Farm Bell Busk by kind permission of The Moorhouse family. Sam Moorhouse gave the members a

talk and tour of his farm diversification scheme which involves turning the farm's milk in Icelandic yogurt known as Skyr. Sam started the business three years ago and showed the Young Farmers how he is growing his business with this exciting new product.

On 4 February Coniston joined fellow clubs Lawkland, Burton and Rathmell for Settle District YFC Annual Hedging and Walling competition. This year's event was hosted by Rathmell with the hedging held at Cappleside farm Rathmell, the Walling was at Wigglesworth Hall. Coniston came second in the outdoor events, first in the indoor section and second overall on the day.

On 7 of February Coniston held its Annual Advisory and Show meeting. The first thing on the agenda was the forthcoming annual show which will be held on the 12th of August at Coniston Cold hall and adjoining field. Joint show secretaries Robin Schofield and Joe Hudson listened to all suggestions from the meeting and will go away and arrange everything, Future meeting include a coffee morning at Hellifield Village Institute on the 4th of March at 10am.

Craven Lawn Tennis Club



The photograph shows the Winner of the Young Achiever Of The Year Award at Craven Lawn Tennis Club, Gargrave, Tom Downs receiving his trophy from Club President, Trevor Dixon recently.

Tom was awarded this for the part he played in the five Monthly Club Tournaments & the club's Friendly Team in 2016, where he had such success.

Beth Whitley

Pilates News

New five week blocks of daytime classes led by Bee Faulkner will commence on Tuesday 7 March and Friday 10 March (no daytime classes during the preceding week). Classes run for an hour and are on Tuesdays at 10am (mat based) and 1130am (sitting and standing), and on Fridays at 9am and 10.30am (mat based). For further information, please contact Bee on 749443 or 0777 898 0994.

For Tuesday evening athletic mat Pilates classes in the Village Hall Annexe, contact Cate Davies on 079 5533 8775.

All mats and equipment are provided for the classes, which are run at Gargrave Village Hall, either in the main hall or in the annexe.

Bee Faulkner

FARMING ON SCALEBER HILL

John Hall

AT THE RISK OF BEING a "grumpy old farmer" I would like to draw attention to the footpaths over Scaleber Hill. A farmer YES! Old YES! Grumpy? I leave that to your

imagination. As of late I have received many complaints from local walkers about the state of the paths.

As most will know, it is part of the Pennine Way over which I have no control whatever. It is a grass footpath open 365 days a year. Many events take place over the year including the recent spine race over the whole 268 mile route. A fantastic endurance race in the middle of winter, on possibly the wettest time of the winter. As an endurance race this is no doubt exceptional for the competitors. As a keen sportsman and fell walker, I am all for the sport and competitors, and for Tom Hollins to complete 268 miles in 99 hours 25 minutes is amazing.

May I add a note of caution with regards to the path. It is of course a soil path and for two years the path has suffered severe pounding by events in mid-winter. Both years the event coincided with possibly the wettest day of the year. With all those feet and the rain, the path was rather like Flanders. Unlike some race courses, it is in use 365 days a year and does not have time to heal.

I have contacted the organisers to point out the damage if conditions are severe. Could such events be run at other times of the year? Or could diversions be made should the weather be severe? The next event is in July, which should cause few problems. The organisers are happy to discuss any problems. It would be interesting to hear readers' comment.

From the farming aspect, the rain relented after the race and a couple of fine weeks has improved the situation. As lambing time looms, attention to the sheep is essential. Liver fluke is causing problems. A mild open winter is ideal for liver fluke so the sheep have all been treated. The ewes are in good condition - as yet no snow storms to weaken them.

I received a "Can you just...?" visit to "Coveys" for a supply of ewe cobs.

Some nice dairy heifers have calved, with an improved sale price.

The snowdrops are out; daffodils are growing. Roll on Spring.

FROM THE DENNIS FRENCH COLLECTION

Graham Beck

Memories of Old Gargrave – 1950

(extract from "Gargrave News" - unknown author)

A LONG TIME AGO, Gargrave used to have a very famous Parish Tea shortly after Christmas. It as a really splendid affair and everyone went.

The whole morning was spent in the hall preparing juicy ham and tongue sandwiches. My father used to take the morning off and carve up two beautiful hams. All the food was donated and the tea was 2s 6d. with wonderful cakes. Every lady who had a table brought down her prettiest tea set, shining silver teapots and flower vases. People vied with each other to set out their table splendidly. As children, we thought it was a grand day and were sent on errands and hung around ready for tasting any broken cakes.

About 4 o'clock the tea started. Grace was said by the vicar and then the tables filled up. Everyone wore their party frocks and a really splendid tea was served.

Later in the evening a very amusing concert was held in the same hall. There was a tall dark man with a pleasant baritone voice who only remembered the one verse of his song, but it was just as loudly applauded as if he had accomplished it all. I remember my mother and father taking part in a quartet. My father and also another man who was staying with us, played banjos.

Mother was at the piano and the Curate-in-charge played the flute. Now the flute is a difficult instrument to play and tune, and it was found that he could not get as high as the piano; a truly awful performance took place. My mother, quite conscious of the discordant jangle, went through the piece with clenched teeth and a moist brow. She said to my father "Never again!", but the three men had loved it being quite unmusical.

JESUS AND THE 5000 – A MODERN VERSION

Tony Wimbush

MOST CHURCH-GOERS WILL KNOW the story of the feeding of the 5000. Some regard it as historical fact, a miracle performed by Jesus to show he was God; others see it as a story with a true meaning: to show the generosity of God to those who hunger after him. Here the author of 'The Orthodox Heretic', Peter Rollins, gives us an updated version with another purpose in mind!

A Shocking Tale

Jesus withdrew privately by boat to a solitary place, but the crowds continued to follow him. Evening was approaching and the people, many who had travelled miles to hear him, were growing hungry.

Seeing this, Jesus sent his disciples out to gather food, but all they could find were five loaves and two fishes. Then Jesus asked his disciples to go out again to gather together the provisions the crowds had brought with them to sustain them on their travels. Soon a vast mountain of fish and bread stood before Jesus. He then directed the crowds to sit down on the grass.

Jesus then gave thanks to God and broke the bread, then passed the food among his disciples. Jesus and his friends were able to feast well into the night in full view of the starving people. What was amazing and truly miraculous was that once they had finished their massive banquet there were not even enough crumbs left to fill just one starving person's hand!

Peter Rollin's Commentary

What shocks us about this story is the way it inscribes such selfish and inhumane actions to Christ himself. While it would be perfectly acceptable to attack governments, corporations and individuals for such greedy, selfish behaviour it seems inappropriate to read such inhumane behaviour on to Christ himself.

Yet in the Bible we read that those who follow Christ are nothing less than the manifestation of his body in the world today (Col. 1:24, Cor.12:27 and Eph. 5:30). The presence of Christ in the world is said to be directly encountered in those who gather in his name. If so do we need to stop, draw breath and ask ourselves whether the above tale reflects how Christ is presented to the world today, at least in those who witness the lifestyle of Christians in the West!

FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT (February 27th - March 12th)

This is the time of the year when we can show some dedicated support for farmers and workers across the developing world. Fairtrade products ensure producers are paid prices which enable workers to afford education and health care for their families. During the fortnight we can join other churches in showing a conscious commitment to Fairtrade by trying at least one Fairtrade product when we go to our local Co-op or other supermarkets. You would be surprised at the selection - from bananas to wine, from chocolate to flowers and coffee!

Visit www.fairtrade.org.uk/en/what-is-fairtrade for more information and help change the world!!

GARGRAVE PRE-SCHOOL

Judith Metcalfe

In Pre-School, we are doing about people who help us. We had the health visitor Becky in to see us and she talked about healthy eating. The children did an activity where they had to choose healthy food to stick on a plate. The children made fruit kebabs, putting on grapes, blueberries, banana and strawberries; they ate them at snacktime.

We also had a visit from firefighter Jeff who came with his uniform. The children tried on his gloves and hat. He talked to them about a firefighter's job; he also checked our smoke alarm and he sent home a "fire safety in the home" check.

We have celebrated Chinese new year: we have tasted Chinese food, tried eating with chopsticks and dressing up in Chinese clothes. We learnt how to count to three: "ich, ne, san".

At Pre-School, we are looking forward to a new addition: a rabbit! I'm sure next issue we can fill you in on the name the children have chosen.

In the holidays we are running a holiday club - if you would like more details please contact us at Pre-School.

GARGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

Kath Ashby

We have been notified by a parishioner of a recent entry in the Craven Herald.

"The Parish Council has been advised that only one gully emptying machine is held by NYCC and routine clearing of street gulleys, once a regular event, is no longer undertaken. Attention is now only directed when problems are reported. It is therefore imperative, if we are to materially reduce the risk of localised flooding, that any signs of blocked gulleys are reported for early attention."

If there is a gully near to your home where surface debris has accumulated on the grid it would be appreciated if, as part of the parish volunteer spirit, it is cleared and the debris left near the gully [downstream if appropriate] for collection. Therefore please notify NYCC (area5.skipton@northyorks.gov.uk) or if you are really feeling public spirited, place in the appropriate bin.

Rotas for St Andrew's Church – please arrange a deputy, or a swap, if you can't make your duty

Readings				8am Sidesmen				Church Cleaning			
5 Mar	Lent 1	Romans 5:12-19, Matthew 4:1-11		Linda Wall		20-Feb		03-Mar			
12 Mar	Lent 2	Genesis 12:1-4a, John 3:1-17		Kay Craven		Joan Wimbush		Tony Wimbush			
19 Mar	Lent 3	Romans 5:1-11, John 4:5-42				06-Mar		17-Mar			
26 Mar	Mothering Sunday	Colossians 3:12-17, Luke 2:33-35		Colin Chapman		Sylvia Humphreys		Ronald Humphreys			
2 Apr	Passion Sunday	Romans 8:6-11, John 11:1-45		Linda Wall		20-Mar		31-Mar			
9 Apr	Palm Sunday	Psalm 118:19-24, Matt 21:1-11		Kay Craven		Jean Banks		Abbie White			
						03-Apr		14-Apr			
						Alison Ford		Jerry Ford			
10.45am		Sidesmen	Readers	Offertory Collection		Intercessors		Refreshments			
5 Mar		Family Team	Family Team	Family Team		Family Team		Family Team			
12 Mar		Sarah Curtis	Pauline Gilfoyle	Joyce Brotherton		Isobel Lacey		Peter Poulter		Joan Wimbush	
19 Mar		Janet Turner	Hugh Turner	Claire Maslin				Janet Turner		Abbie White	
26 Mar		Family Team	Family Team	Family Team		Family Team		Family Team		Sylvia Humphreys	
2 Apr		Family Team	Family Team	Family Team		Family Team		Family Team		Family Team	
9 Apr		Dorothy Rishworth	Mollie Blackburn	John Bailey		Judith Douglas		Norma Brothers		Claire Maslin	
										Sarah Curtis	
										Judith Robinson	

Public Transport leaving Gargrave *Compiled by Peter Hardyman 13 February 2017*

TAXIS from Gargrave (see adverts on page A13):

Gargrave Private Hire - local & distance, airport transfers: 07877 054698, 01756 748112
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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	0742	0811	1201	1347	1453	1602	1728	1814	2028	2131
Saturday	0745	0927	1201	1345	1455	1615	1744	1814	2028	2131
Sunday		1121		1352	1453	1554		1849		2106

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	1731
Sunday		0932	1145	1543	1809

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

Mon-Fri	0547 ^{3or2}	<u>0901</u> ²	0932	1105 ^{3or2}	1331	<u>1406</u> ²	1453 ¹	<u>1730</u> ²	1851	2006 ⁴
Saturday	0643 ^{3or2}	<u>0905</u> ²	0932	1105 ^{3or2}	1331	1439 ^{2 (or 3)}	1455 ¹	<u>1731</u> ²	1840	2006 ⁴
Sunday			<u>0932</u> ²	0954	<u>1145</u> ²	1440		<u>1543</u> ²	1809 ^{3or2}	

NOTES: **1** Change at Skipton **2** Not Settle: change at Lancaster for Carlisle **3** Change at Hellfield **4** Terminates Ribbleshead **12** Change at Lancaster for Morecambe **The S-C Line North of Armathwaite is closed to late March 2017. Replacement buses run between Appleby/ Armathwaite & Carlisle. At 12 Feb, there are no other Planned Engineering Works to affect Gargrave trains in March but that can change. Check with northern railway.* For live info on next 2 trains text GARGRAVE to 84950, or go to www.rail.co.uk/live-arrivals-departures/

BUSES from Gargrave

*** Except Bank Holidays**

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

Mon-Fri*	0821	0911 ¹¹	0956	1056	1057M ⁷	1156	1256	1356	1357M ⁷	1456	1556	1726
Saturday	0821	0911	0956	1056M		1156	1256	1356		1456	1556	1656M
Sun + B.Hol (No Service in Winter)												

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	1644+	1759+
Saturday	0904+		1059+	1159	1259+	1359	1459+		1644+	1759+

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

Mon-Fri*	1000 ⁷	1310 ⁷	
Saturday	1001	1559	Sun + B.Hol (No Service in Winter)

NOTES. 7. Tues & Thurs (as service 211) stops at Coniston Cold 4 mins after Gargrave
11. During School term only *North Yorkshire School Holiday: NONE IN MARCH.*

Public Transport back to Gargrave

TRAINS, to Gargrave		<i>Last train from LEEDS</i>	
From Skipton (arriving Gargrave ~ 5 mins later)		<i>to Gargrave</i>	
Mon-Fri	0541 0855 0926	1100 1326 1401	1725 1846 2000 <i>1919</i>
Saturday	0638 0900 0926	1100 1326 1433	1725 1835 2000 <i>1919</i>
Sunday	0926 0948	1140 1435 1538	1803 <i>1720</i>
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 1723	1946
From Carlisle (journey time is dependent on route – check timetables) <i>(2100¹³)</i>			
Mon-Fri	0518* 0544 ² 0825 ^{1or3*}	0949 ² 1126* 1249 ² 1337* 1433 ^{1*} 1449 ² 1551* 1746 ^{3*}	1808 ²
Saturday	0702 ² 0724 ^{1*} 0856 ^{3*}	0949 ² 1123* 1249 ² 1354* 1540 ² 1551* 1739 ^{3*}	1807 ² <i>(2100¹³)</i>
Sunday	0857*	1133 ² 1229* 1307 ² 1447 ^{1*} 1636 ²	1852 ²
NOTES: 1 Change at Skipton 2 <u>Not Settle</u> ; change at Lancaster 3 Change at Hellfield 12 Change at Lancaster 13 <i>Not Carlisle: Departure time is from Ribbleshead</i> *See Notes on previous page regarding buses North of Appleby/ Armathwaite. <i>Living in BD23 post code, you can buy a DALES RAILCARD: NOW ONLY £6.50/ year. 1/3 off Anytime rail tickets between Gargrave, Leeds, Bradford, Carlisle, Morecambe, Lancaster. Discount for children with you; also Winter Offer. SPECIAL OFFER: Settle-Carlisle Day Ranger £15 (£10 with railcard).</i>			

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From Skipton (arrives Gargrave ~ 15 mins later) (Services 75, 210/ 211, 580)					
Mon-Fri*	0850	0945 ¹¹	0950M ⁸	1045 1145 1245 1300M ⁸	1345 1445 1545 1630 1745
Saturday	0850	0945M		1045 1145 1245	1345 1445 1545M 1630 1745
Sun + B.Hol (No Service in Winter)					
From Settle (arr. Gargrave ~ 25 mins later) (Service 580) + from Kirkby Lonsdale					
Mon-Fri*	0755+	0845+ ¹¹	0930+	1030[+ ¹³]	1130+ 1230 1330+ 1430 1530+ 1700
Saturday	0755+	0845+	0930+		1130+ 1230 1330+ 1430 1530+
From Malham (arrives Gargrave ~ 25mins later) (Services 75, 210/ 211)					
Mon-Fri*	1035 ⁸		1335 ⁸	from opp. the Buck Inn, Malham	
Saturday	1030			1630	from opp. the Buck Inn, Malham
Sun + B.Hol (No Service in Winter)					
NOTES 8. Tues & Thurs service stops at Coniston Cold 4 mins before Gargrave					
11. During School Term only		13. From Kirby Lonsdale on School Holidays Only.			

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13-Mar / 14-Mar	Blue bin & blue bag	Blue bag and brown bin
20-Mar / 21-Mar	Green bin & brown bin	Green bin
27-Mar / 28-Mar	Blue bag	Blue bin & bag & brown bin

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	School closes	School opens
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Apologies for the absence of this page in February's magazine. It was present in the version we sent to the printers! We hope Gargrave survived the ensuing bin colour anarchy.

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

<p>Caterpillar Club (0+) – St Andrew's Church, Wed 10am, Heather Taylor 749499</p> <p>Stay and Play (0+) Village Hall Annexe, Mondays 9.30-11.30am, Sally Thomas 748098</p> <p>Twins and Multiple Birth Group, V Hall, Wednesdays 9.30am, NYCC 01609 533990</p> <p>Rainbows (5+) – Debbie Gomersall 01729 830589</p> <p>Brownies (7+) – Rose Turner 01729 825886</p> <p>Young Farmers Club – Coniston Cold, Tues 7.30pm, Janet Bolland 01729 830505</p>
<p>Luncheon Club (over 55s), Gargrave Community Centre, Neville Crescent, alternate Thursdays, 12.30pm</p> <p>Over Sixties' (over 60s) – Village Hall Annexe, Wed 1.30-3.30pm,</p> <p>Phoenix Group (over 65s) – Anchor Inn, alternate Thurs 9am-1pm, Sarah 07596 452385</p> <p>Meals on Wheels – Mon & Wed, Brenda Longbottom 749883</p>
<p>Bowling – outdoor Gargrave Bowling Club, Michael Cox, 748285</p> <p>Bowls – indoor, Village Hall, Tues & Thurs 2-4pm, Mary Rushton 748908</p> <p>Cricket – Gargrave Cricket Club (over 13s), contact via Facebook</p> <p>Croquet – Craven Lawn Tennis Club, Gargrave, Tues 2-6pm, Roy Berry 748065</p> <p>Cycling – Gargrave Tuesday Club, Dalesman Café, Tues 9.30 for 10am start, Thurs 10 for 10.30am start, Trevor Pickles 01282 844788</p> <p>Football – Gargrave AFC (over 16s), Tues eve training, Sat games www.gargraveafc.co.uk, Caroline Thompson 749235</p> <p>Golf – Mason's Arms Golf Society, www.masonsarmsgolfclub.co.uk, 749304</p> <p>Hunt – Pendle Forest & Craven Hunt, Elizabeth Adams 01756 749772</p> <p>Pilates – V.Hall, Tues 10 & 11.30am, Fri 9am and 10.30am Bee Faulkner 749443 V, Hall Annexe, Tues 7.30pm, Cate Davies 079 5533 8775</p> <p>Tennis – Craven Lawn Tennis Club, Beth Whitley 749664, www.craventennis.org.uk</p> <p>Tai Chi – Village Hall Annexe, Thur 7.30-8.30pm, Ian Cresswell 748540</p> <p>Walking for Health – 1st Thursday of the month, 10am, Jean Maxwell 748851</p> <p>Yoga – Village Hall Annexe, Wednesdays 9.30-11.30am, Sally Thomas 748098</p>
<p>Modern sequence dance – Village Hall, Mon 7.45-10pm & a monthly Saturday 7:30-10pm (see diary, p.2), John Rainey 01756 749867 or 07840 806698.</p> <p>Chance 2 dance – Village Hall Annexe, Tap (3-18, adult) Tues 4.15-7.30pm Ballet (3-18) Sat 9am-2.30pm, Theatre-craft Thur 5-6pm Jaki 0758 2086345</p>
<p>Art - Gargrave Art Group – Village Hall, Mons 1.30-3.30pm, Lesley Woodhouse 749421</p> <p>Bell Ringing – St Andrew's, Mon 7.30pm, Sun 10.00am, Joe Alston 01729 851663</p> <p>Bingo – Village Hall Annexe, 4th Wed of month 7.30pm, Joan Philip 749468</p> <p>Bingo - Gargrave Community Centre, Neville Crescent – Mondays 2pm</p> <p>Fuchsia & Geranium Club – V.Hall, 1st Wed of month 7.30pm, Paula Jackson 752175</p> <p>Gargrave Community Choir – rehearsals Sundays noon, St Andrew's Church, 749802</p> <p>Gargrave Heritage Group – Tues 10am, St Andrew's Church, Martin Thomson 748309</p> <p>Craft and Chat – St Andrew's, Tues 2pm, Sylvia Humphreys 748779</p> <p>Parish Council Meeting – Village Hall side room, 2nd Monday of the month</p> <p>Snooker Club – Village Hall Snooker Annexe, every day, Stewart Smith 749340</p> <p>WI – Village Hall Annexe, 2nd Wed of month 7pm, Trish Richardson on 748847</p>
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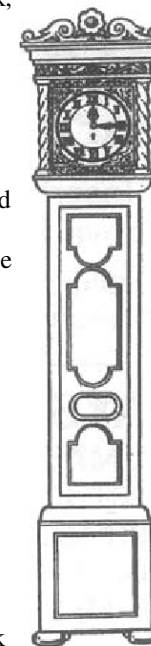
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