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# WARDEN'S WORDS

Mike Maiden

At a recent service in St Andrew's we looked at an account in Luke's Gospel about some rich folk who came to the equivalent of today's church collection and gave their generous gifts. But Jesus observes a poor woman who comes with two small coins, a couple of pence as we might think of it. She gives them even though it's pretty obvious that the cost to her is great. Jesus observes that she has actually given more than the wealthier people because, having given, she has so little left.

In our society the value of things is often seen in terms of an ascending scale; this car costs more than that car, this house than that one, my salary is higher than theirs etc. But cost is also comparative; this car costs more of my resources than it does of yours. The women who Jesus observed gave far more comparatively than others and Jesus honours her for her level of sacrifice rather than for the actual amount she gave. One of the effects of only looking at absolute value is that we can tend to look down on the contribution of those who have less in the first place. And those who have less may think that it's not worth bothering to offer what they have because it's a drop in the proverbial ocean.

When speaking of the early Christians in a place called Corinth the Apostle Paul says this:

"Not many of you were wise by human standards; not many were influential; not many were of noble birth. 27 But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. 28 God chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things—and the things that are not—to nullify the things that are."

And they did! They turned the world upside down.

Maybe as you read this you feel some kind of inadequacy or weakness, just as those early Christians did, I know I do. God's promise is that, given to Him, those very weaknesses can be what He uses to fulfil His purposes. The key thing is not to hold back from allowing Him to use us. Offer what we are and who we are and let's see what God can do with us. That's the excitement of being Church.



# **DIARY FOR MARCH**

# Coniston Cold

Sun 3 Mar Evensong with Revd Ian Greenhalgh, 4pm, Church

Sun 10 Holy communion with Revd Ian Greenhalgh, 9.30am, Church

Sun 17 Evensong with Revd Ian Greenhalgh, 4pm, Church

Sun 24	Holy communion with Revd Felicity Lawson, 9.30am, Church			
Sun 31	Special morning service for Mothering Sunday followed by refreshments Led by Revd Ian Greenhalgh. 9.30am, Church.			
Sat 6 April	Jumble Sale. 1pm, Richard Tottie Memorial Hall.			
Gargrave				
Thur 28 Feb	Pantomime: Sleeping Beauty. 7.15pm, Village Hall			
Fri 1 March	Pantomime: Sleeping Beauty. 7.15pm, Village Hall			
Sat 2	Pantomime: Sleeping Beauty. 1pm and 5pm, Village Hall			
Sun 3	Prayer book communion with Bishop David Hope, 8am, Church Family Service, breakfast 10.15am, service 10.45am, Church Oasis reflective worship, 6.00pm, Church			
Tue 5	Shrovetide Supper. 7pm, Church			
Wed 6	Parish Council Meeting, 7.30 pm, Village Hall Annex			
Sat 9	Book Fair. 10.am, Village Hall			
Sun 10	Prayer book Communion, Revd Ian Greenhalgh, 8am, Church			
Man 11	Sung Eucharist with Revd Ian Greenhalgh, 10.45am, Church			
Mon 11	Gargrave Show meeting. 8.pm, Village Hall Annex			
Wed 13	W.I Meeting. 7 for 7.30pm, Village Hall Annex			
Fri 15	Library Film Show: "Breathe". 7 for 7.30pm, Village Hall			
Sun 17	Communion by Extension with Janet Turner, 8.00 am, Church Service of the Word with Peter Poulter, 10.45am, Church Flea Market, Vintage and Crafts Fair, 10am-4pm, Village Hall			
Wed 20	Gargrave Village Hall Management Committee meeting, 7.30 pm			
Fri 22	Picnic supper dance with Organist Elizabeth Harrison. 7.30 - 11pm, Village Hall			
Sat 23	Gargrave Village Hall Management Committee Coffee morning, 9.30am onwards			
Sun 24	Prayer book Communion, Revd Felicity Lawson, 8am, Church Sung Eucharist with Revd Felicity Lawson, 10.45am, Church Christians in Gargrave, 4.45pm, Neville Community Room			
Wed 27	Bingo. 7.30.p.m, Village Hall Annex			
Sat 30	Village litter pick. Meet at Summer Seat, 10am			
	Gargrave Village Hall Management Committee Coffee morning,9.30am onwards			
Sun 31	Morning Prayer with Linda Wall, 8.00 am, Church			
	Mothering Sunday Service, 10.45am, Church Broadway Fairs Flea Market, 10am -3.30pm, Village Hall			

# Regular weekly and biweekly Gargrave events

Mondays:

9.30am Tai Chi Qiqong, Green opposite Bollywood Cottage, riverside of War Memorial

10.40an Tai Chi Qigong for Beginners, venue as above

1.30pm Art Club, Village Hall Annex

2pm Bingo, Gargrave Community Centre on Neville Crescent

7.30pm Modern Sequence Dancing, Village Hall

7.30pm Bell ringing, Church8pm Quiz, Old Swan Inn

Tuesdays:

10 am Heritage Group, Church

10 am Contemporary Pilates with Bee Faulkner, Village Hall (term time)
 10.30am Adult Tennis Coaching and Social Tennis (weather permitting)
 11.30am Standing/Seated Pilates with Bee Faulkner, V Hall (term time)

12.30pm Alternate Tuesdays – lunch at Gargrave Community Centre, followed by games.

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

2pm Classical Pilates with Cate Davies: 'Mixed Ability' Village Hall Annex

4pm Tap dancing lessons, Village Hall Annex (term time only)

6pm Classical Pilates with Cate Davies: 'Beginner Athletic' Village Hall (term time)
7.05pm Classical Pilates with Cate Davies: 'Intermediate Athletic' Village Hall (term time)

pm Brownies & Rainbows (school term only)

8pm Quiz Night, The Old Swan

Wednesdays:

9.15-12 Gymnastics for pre-school children, Village Hall

9.30am Gentle Hatha Yoga, Village Hall Annex

10 am Caterpillar Club, Church

10.am Social tennis

4pm Gymnastics for children over 5

Thursdays:

9am Phoenix Club, the Anchor, alternate weeks9.30am Water Colour painting class, Village Hall Annex

9.50am Walking for Health, 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs of the month, meet at Summerseat 10am Coffee morning, Gargrave Community Centre on Neville Crescent

2pm Indoor Bowls, Village Hall

7.30pm Tai Chi, Village Hall Annex (term time)

Fridays:

9.15-12 Gymnastics for pre-school children, Village Hall

9 am Contemporary Pilates with Bee Faulkner: 'Intermediate', Village Hall (term time) 10.30am Contemporary Pilates with Bee Faulkner: 'beginners', Village Hall (term time)

7pm Community choir rehearsal, Church

Sundays:

2pm Social Tennis

2pm Afternoon Tea & Games, alternate Sundays, Neville Crescent Community Room

8.30pm Quiz, Masons Arms

### FORTHCOMING EVENTS

# Gargrave Pantomime, 28 February to 2 March

Richard Smith and Duncan Faulkner

Gargrave Pantomime Group are presenting the classic tale of The Sleeping Beauty at Gargrave Village Hall on Thursday 28th February, Friday 1st March each starting at 7.15 pm and on Saturday 2nd March at 1.00 pm and 5.00 pm.

In the year that the Village Hall is celebrating its 60th anniversary the Group are staging the traditional tale of good versus evil featuring the wicked fairy Carabosse and her virtuous enemies the Gold, Silver and Lilac fairies. Will the lovely Beauty survive her century of sleep and win her handsome prince or will the foul Carabosse gain her wicked ends? All will be revealed in a riot of drama and music.

Starring a large cast of principles, fairies, dancers and chorus, fun and laughter is guaranteed for all in the Group's 55th production. Tickets are available from the Dalesman Café for an advance discounted price or on the door.



Carabosse and her army of helpers



Oh no you're not!



Beauty's nanny and her royal parents

This year's performance is dedicated to the memory of Isobel Nicholson. Isobel served Gargrave Pantomime for over 30 years, starting with *Aladdin* in 1980, doing makeup with the indomitable Miss Townson. For many years she alternated between directing and performing, memorably playing the Dame in *Miss Muffet* in 1994 – a quote from the Craven Herald stated that "Isobel Nicholson proves that a woman can indeed play a Dame!". She then took on the task of writing scripts including *An Arabian Tale* in 2010, *Trouble in Pantoland* in 2011 and *The Queen of Hearts* in 2012, which was her final panto on either side of the footlights. She has left a lasting legacy on Gargrave Pantomime, and she will be dearly missed.

# Shrovetide Supper, 5 March

Duncan Faulkner

This convivial annual event is to take place as usual on Shrove Tuesday, **5 March**, in St Andrew's Church, starting at 7pm. Bring a bottle if you like. If you are able to provide a sweet or a salad please let Norma know or put your name on the sheet at the back of church. Thank you.

# Coniston Cold events: Mothering Sunday and Jumble Sale

Sophie Baker and Jacqui Coates





Jumble can be left at the hall Friday 6 April between 1pm and 3pm. If this is not convenient, please contact Jacqui Coates on 01756 749300. Volunteers for Friday

and/or Saturday are very much appreciated. All proceeds for St. Peter's Church and the Village Hall funds.

# Spring Fayre, 13 April

Tony Wimbush

# Village Spring Fayre - Saturday 13 April 10-12pm

£2 entry to include Coffee and Homemade tarts and buns (children free!)

Something for Everyone!

Cakes and Produce - Toys - Chocolate Tombola - Children's Games - Crafts & Collectables - .Raffle Entertainment by The Village Choir

In support of the Isaiah Trust (Kenyan Street Children)



Christians in Gargrave will be holding their second Spring Fayre to support the work of the Isaiah Trust. Founded in 2001 here in Gargrave it helps bring hope, education and support to the orphaned street children of Kisumu, Kenya.

Any donations very much appreciated: baking, unwanted gifts, good quality items for stalls and raffle - please give to Sarah Curtis or Joan Wimbush at the 10.45 church service ... and anything chocolatey for the tombola to Norma Brothers. Thank you!

# **NEWS**

# Parish magazine subscription envelopes

Ron Humphreys

Unfortunately some collection envelopes for the magazine subscriptions were distributed without information on where to return the envelope. The name and address of the magazine deliverer should have been included on all envelopes. If you do not have this information and do not know what to do with your envelope please return it to Kirk Syke on the High Street (next to the Co-op) during March. From April 1st onwards please return your envelope to 6 St. Robert Close (not St. Robert Court).

I apologise for any inconvenience that you may have experienced.

# From the church registers

Peter Poulter

#### **Funerals**

January 28 - George Milton Eyles - aged 81

February 5 - Ruth Ismay Abbott - aged 85

February 7 - Isobel Nicholson - aged 73

# Family service review, 3 February

Helen Wilson

Once more we met for breakfast before the service. It's always good to see people chatting and catching up with each other prior to worship! The theme of this week's service was that we are offered a gift of clothing of righteousness through Jesus, although I am sure that when the service began people wondered what on earth was happening!

There was much frivolity as four volunteers from the congregation dashed up and down the aisle collecting items of clothing from bags at the back. They then had to dress in the collected clothing and the congregation judged the best dressed volunteer. It had to be seen to be fully appreciated!!

This was followed by a "fashion show", which showed how people dress in different ways, smartly dressed, clerical garb and scruffy work clothes.

The reading was the story of the prodigal son, and it was pointed out to us that the father in the story is God, and we are all the son who came home to his father's house.

The dressing theme continued during the service, people often try to present themselves in the best way to God. Perhaps by going to church, praying, doing good works, reading the Bible. All these things are good, but not enough to "clothe us in righteousness for God." To do that we have to receive His free gift of righteousness won through Jesus' death on the cross for us.

Once more a great family service! Thanks to all who took part in the planning, and the service on the day.

### Manorlands thanks

Caroline Thompson

A huge thank you to everyone who has supported the stall (Betty's) I run at the Village Hall Flea Markets in aid of Manorlands. I was able to deliver £509.47 to the Hospice on an icy morning a few weeks ago. The gift will help to support people living with conditions like cancer, heart failure and lung disease in Craven, Airedale and Wharfedale. The Hospice offers a range of support from inpatient care to day services and Hospice at home which helps people stay at home longer and provide respite to carers. Kind and continued support of the stall is very much appreciated, every little helps towards the £2.1m which is needed each year for the services to continue.

Did you hear about the thief who stole a calendar and got twelve months?



# Tackling Period Poverty

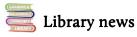
Problem: In the UK, some young women in our schools are finding it difficult to access sanitary products.

Result: Tearful panics in the loo. Wadded up toilet roll.

Anxious embarrassment. Missed lessons. Missed education.

Solution: The Red Box Project collects donations of sanitary products and pants from members of our community and puts them into red boxes to give to local schools. The Red Box Project supports disadvantaged young women throughout their entire period.





On **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March** we are showing, in conjunction with Skipton Rotary, **"Breathe"** the true story of one man and his wife's fight against Polio. A truly inspiring film starring Andrew Garfield, Claire Foy, Hugh Bonneville and Tom Hollander. All proceeds from the evening will go to Rotary's campaign to eradicate polio.

The customary Café style seating will be in place, so please bring your own refreshments. Village Hall doors open 7pm and the film starts at 7.30pm. Tickets are £5, on sale at the door. Under 16s, free admission. Sorry we can only allow Guide Dogs into the Hall.

On Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April we are showing Old man and the Gun. This film is rumoured to be Robert Redford's final performance and is based on the true story of Forrest Tucker, a man who robs banks armed only with his charm.

#### 100 Club

The Library, although part of the NYCC Library Service, is required to cover the running costs incurred in keeping the Doors open. One source of vitally needed funds is raised through the **100 Club**.

For £2.50 per month, payable by standing order, your name will be entered into the monthly draw and, with a bit of luck, you could join the band of happy winners.

If you would like to like to join the scheme and experience the excitement of the monthly draw application forms are available in the Library or by email to <a href="mailto:gargravelibrary@btinternet.com">gargravelibrary@btinternet.com</a>

#### Volunteers: Your Library Needs You!

Every so often the Library starts to run short of Volunteers and we are approaching the time when two or three more Volunteers would ease the load and ensure that the Library can continue to operate.

Volunteers usually work a 3 hour shift with two volunteers per shift. Most Volunteers do about one shift a month. Others will not do a shift for a couple of months others two shifts a month. How many shifts and when you do a shift is entirely up to you. We operate a web-based booking system so, at any time of the day, you can see which slots are available and, if any are convenient, enter your name.

As a new Volunteer you will always be on duty with an experienced Volunteer. Being a Volunteer is a great way to meet people. If you would like to help keep the Library running and are able to spare 3 hours a month, or whatever you can manage, to help behind the counter, please have a chat with one of our current Volunteers or speak to our Volunteer Coordinator, Patsy Simpson (01756 749489), for more information.

# Craft and Chat Group

Sylvia Humphreys



The Craft and Chat Group meets in church at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesdays except during holiday periods. The Group is still very active and many items made by the members have been donated to charities including St. George's Crypt in Leeds and Hand in Hand for Aid and Development (previously Hand in Hand for Syria). The Group also ran stalls at the Spring and Christmas Fayres last year in the Village Hall.

The photograph shows Judith Robinson holding another beautiful blanket made by her. Judith has made several blankets since joining the Group.

I thank everyone who has supported the Group by donating materials and their time. In particular I thank the anonymous donor who

provided a large quantity of twiddle muffs. The Group has added the finishing touches to the muffs and the muffs are being distributed to dementia sufferers and others in need.

Everyone is welcome to attend the Craft and Chat meetings, if only to have a chat. No special skills are required although people with new talents and ideas are greatly appreciated.

#### From the archives

Duncan Faulkner

Thank you to the two readers who got in touch after last month's article with information on where the Parochial Hall was located. The building is still present in the form of apartments named St Andrew's Court, between South Street and High Street. It was originally built as a Methodist Chapel prior to the one (now demolished) on Skipton Road. The Mechanics Institute then occupied the ground floor. The upper floor was used by St. Andrew's Church as the Parochial Hall,

This information and much more besides will be found in a book about the village between 1900 and 1925, currently being compiled by Donavon Slaven and Sue Lyall of the Heritage Group.

# Village Hall news

Caroline Thompson

Well we did it! Putting on a weekend of events to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the opening of Gargrave Village hall seemed such a good idea some months ago but goodness me it was quite a task when the time arrived. Many thanks to Gargrave and Malhamdale community library who began the proceedings on Friday the 15th February with the showing of a 1959 classic comedy film. It was amazing to see how the production of films had developed over the past sixty years, no special effects in those days - and all good clean humour!

The Management committee of Gargrave Village Hall then staged the first of their events the following day with a Coffee morning when they served bacon sandwiches and a delicious selection of homemade cakes. There was a display of Gargrave Village Hall memorabilia with some familiar faces on the photographs. Special thanks to Robert and his friends from Craven Old wheels who arrived with some of their 1950`s vehicles.

The committee returned to the Hall on Saturday evening to prepare for the arrival of The Swing City Big band who came along to entertain a nigh capacity audience. The band comprised of seventeen musicians, playing trumpets, trombones, sax, bass guitar, rhythm guitar, drums and keyboard together with their female lead singer. It was an iconic sight knowing that a similar dance band had opened the very first proceedings on the opening night on the 14th February 1959. Everyone had a great time and enjoyed the bacon sandwiches and liquid provisions on the licensed bar.

It was soon Sunday morning and back to the hall the committee returned to begin preparing for their afternoon of Vintage entertainment with singer Hattie Bee, a former Gargrave girl. Homemade afternoon tea was on the menu and what a great job the hardworking kitchen staff did. Tom and Ellie put in a surprise appearance and gave a display of their swing jive dancing (ladies did you ever have a partner who danced like that??)

We do hope everyone enjoyed the celebrations, this article is rather short and sweet as it is being written on the eve of the Sunday event and it has been a long weekend but a gratifying one. Very special thanks to my fellow Gargrave Village Hall committee members for all their hard work and in particular to friends of the committee who have given up their time to either help or bake or both.

WI News Sarah Kirk

On the same night as a long-standing member of Sandringham WI popped in to land top prize in the quiz, and deliver a national headline grabbing guest speaker spot, our WI held a take-over evening at The Old Swan in Gargrave. Our thanks go to Abbie White and Jean Maxwell who were delightful hostesses for our unconventionally-timed 'Christmas' dinner, and to all the staff at the pub who prepared and served a splendid feast!

Neil Hanson, our February guest speaker, transported us 40 miles north to another hostelry, Tan Hill in Arkengarthdale, where as a young man he enjoyed two spells in the late 70's and early 80's as landlord of England's highest pub. Clearly a man of many talents, in a life far from over yet but already well-lived, he is also blessed with a poetic imagination and his words conveyed the beauty and powerful majesty of the remote location of England's highest pub. In 1978 as Neil and his wife gazed at the 'rolling ocean of moorland and vast cloudscape,' it was love at first sight. The harsh realities were a little less romantic; the wind can remove car doors or 'blow the horns off a tup' as a local saying goes. Visitors have been known to enter the premises on their hands and knees because of the icy blast and leave in a similar fashion - for another reason. 'For 250 days it rains and the other 115 it just drizzles.' In winter of course, it snows, in those days cutting

off Tan Hill for weeks on end. They found the pub itself in a squalid state; walls black with damp, sodden carpets, rat infested. Isolated too- the nearest neighbour was four miles away. Much to Neil's surprise and delight the local farmers warmed to the couple and the pub thrived.



Matthew Hatton / The Tan Hill Inn / CC BY-SA 2.0

During the winter of 1978-9, the couple were snowed in from December 28, to the beginning of April. Melted snow gave them water, the generator broke down and they faced 'the situation that epitomises despair'- the pub ran out of beer. That event signalled the end of their first stay but in 1983, they returned, this time as owners not tenants. The windows were beyond repair and watching an Everest double glazing advert one night, inspiration struck. Neil wrote to them suggesting that instead of advertising its ability to soundproof, they should promote its weatherproofing capacity.

The original proposal was only to put in windows featured in the commercial but as Neil pointed out, it would be terribly bad PR if this fact about a flagship campaign was ever to get out. So with agreement that the pub would be fully kitted out, the filmmakers arrived. Inevitably the first day was gloriously sunny so interiors were filmed and local talent recruited as extras. After the director explained that 'for continuity, the same level of beer in a glass had to appear in every take', significant glances were exchanged between Dick, seated at the bar, and his friends. As you may imagine, Dick and his peers enjoyed drinking 'to continuity' all afternoon, until shortly after 'the wrap' when Dick fell off his stool and his fellow part-time thespians fell to sleeping soundly around the bar room.

Fortunately, normal meteorological service was resumed the next day, but unfortunately during the night, the welcome shrieking gale had blown over the catering wagon. Two tractors righted the van and out of its shattered contents the caterers managed to provide sustenance by lunchtime. Once it was known that there was not only free beer on offer, but an 'As much as you can eat buffet'

available too, word went round and the farmers, eager to be of further assistance, descended like 'Biblical locusts.'

One morning, Neil received a demand for retrospective planning permission for the windows, as Tan Hill was a Grade 2 listed building. Neil objected as it had been ugly and abandoned and its status was given because of its historical site not architectural merit. Neil contacted the national press and to Everest's delight, it still hold the distinction for being the only advert ever shown in its entirety on the BBC. (Catch it on YouTube if you're under 40!) One councillor who disapproved of the new windows was silenced when it was pointed out that the advert had done more for local tourism in a 45 seconds than he had managed in 50 years.

Success was taking its toll on their personal lives and the couple sold the pub and split up. Neil re-married and now lives in Ilkley. Quite a contrast! His love and affection for Tan Hill, and especially those great characters, remains undiminished and he returns often. His successors at 'the Inn at The Top,' have improved and expanded the business. As Anne White reminded us, Tan Hill has recently achieved 'Dark Skies' status. Neil is impressed with their enterprise, but remarked that with 250 nights that are cloudy, he admired their optimism even more. In her vote of thanks, Jean Maxwell, spoke for many of us, when she smilingly declared that she would be very happily returning to Tan Hill with a fantastic amount of knowledge!

Our competition posed the question, 'Who would you like to be snowed in with and why?' What an intriguing gathering that would prove if the ladies of Gargrave were stranded *en masse* with their chosen companions. Morecambe and Wise came top of the bill with two nominations for their ability to 'bring sunshine.' Two husbands were chosen, (it was nearly Valentine's day) with Professor Brian Cox and Monty Don acceptable subs if spouses not available, and an interesting couple to complete the party - Sir Alan Sugar and Miss May Savidge, notable for moving her 16th century cottage out of a developer's path. As the winner, Neil picked Jean Coldwell's choice of Dominic West in his current manifestation as Jean Valjean in BBC's Les Miserables. Jean thinks that he would clearly come in handy for chopping logs for the fire - to keep her warm... and snow clearing.

A great night out, and more to come. We've already welcomed one new member this year; there's always room at our particular inn.

### Flies

A woman walked into the kitchen to find her husband stalking around with a folded newspaper. I'm hunting flies,' he muttered. 'So far I've got three males and two females.'

Intrigued, the woman asked how he could tell them apart. Her husband replied: "Easy. Three were on my tin of beer, and two were on the phone."

# Gargrave Parish Council meeting, 6 February 2019

Timing of Parish Council meetings.

Please note that your Parish Council now meets on the first Wednesday of each month in order to avoid Bank Holiday Mondays. In addition the Parish Council office will now be open on Wednesdays rather than Mondays.

2. County Councillor's report.

County Cllr. Gill Quinn explained the section on NYCC's website about the Blue Badge scheme. There is now a "pre-application" part to inform applicants of the criteria for eligibility for a disabled person's badge. Some of the criteria have changed and autism and some mental problems are now included. If potential applicants need IT help to apply they can access it at a library or ring NYCC to arrange for someone to call at their home to help with the application.

3. Craven District Councillor's report.

Cllr. Simon Myers confirmed his statement in the Autumn about funding for the upgrade to the towpath on the Leeds to Liverpool Canal between Gargrave and Skipton which is to take place this year.

4. 2019/20 Budget.

The Parish Council precept for 2019/20 is £46,000, the same as that for 2018/19 Part of the Budget process in order to set the precept involved considering village owned assets including the maintenance thereof. This included ground maintenance and it was agreed not to use weedkiller on the grass in the village playground.

5. Online shopping in safety.

The following information regarding a new initiative was sent to the Parish Council recently with a view to its dissemination for different groups of parishioners to use if they wish.

The Community Safety Hub at Craven DC is working with an employee of a national bank whose role is to promote ways to shop safely online and to avoid the various types of scam whether online or using postal, SMS or telephone shopping. The employee will deliver an awareness session, normally lasting around 1 hour to community groups. The employee will not sell any of the products of the bank but is only available during the day.

Groups interested in taking this up should contact Stacey Reffin, the Community Safety Officer at Craven DC by emailing sreffin@cravendc.gov.uk or telephoning 01756-706291.

6. Village Litter Pick

Hopefully Spring is not far away so the Parish Council is arranging a Litter Pick. If you are interested in helping, whether only a little or a lot, please come along to the Summer Seat on Saturday 30 March. Our Clerk will arrange the supply of litter pickers and bags form Craven DC for that day.

Our next meeting will be at 7-15pm on Wednesday 5th March 2019.

We look forward to seeing you there or on 30 March for the "Spring Clean" Day.

# TRIBUTE TO RUTH ABBOTT

Duncan Faulkner and – mainly – Ruth herself, edited by Peter Poulter

This month's magazine is dedicated to the memory of Ruth Abbot, who died in January. Beatrice and I took over from Ruth as editors of this magazine in 2011. Until recently she co-ordinated distribution of the magazine. Ruth has been a pivotal figure in the life of Gargrave for over 20 years, Here below is the story of her life, told in her own words. She is greatly missed.

I was born in Normanton, West Yorkshire, the only child, always a source of sorrow to me. I had a happy childhood but always felt lonely, the more so because my father was in the RAF during the war and I was the only person my mother had to cling on to.

I remember the war years well but I was really too young to understand the dangers, for which I am truly grateful. I found it rather fun to go down to the cellar at night and crawl through a hole into next door's cellar where we all had beds but spent most of the time playing cards, drinking tea and eating biscuits - and between raids learning to play the piano. My father never went abroad, mercifully, came home on leave occasionally and was demobbed in 1946 when I was 13 - almost a stranger to me by then.

I attended a very small private school in the town run by a wonderful woman who had been one of the first women graduates from Oxford and who taught us in her own home round the dining table. She taught all ages together and she was incredible; she taught us how to study, the true value of words, numbers, history, her special subject, and life in general. What genius, Mrs Moore! I went on to the local High School and was very happy there for I enjoyed academic work. I did not enjoy art and needlework however; neither did we ever have a proper science lesson so I still think electricity is magic coming out of the wall. I realize now how inadequate our education was! I spent much of my youth playing tennis and badminton, when not having my nose in a book. Reading has always been my escape.

In 1951, I went to Leeds University to study French. Languages have always been intriguing to me and I was offered the opportunity to do a double degree in French and Spanish. I had to work very hard at university but enjoyed a great social life with my friends from the Hall of Residence and ended up with a decent degree. I spent an interesting term at Grenoble University and enjoyed very much the Coronation whilst I was there (free champagne everywhere with a British passport!!!). I then went on to Hull University to do a teaching qualification. For the teaching practice I was sent to a small Grammar School, Caistor in Lincolnshire, where I taught French and Games!! As this was the winter of 1955, we were cut off by snow most of the time and games consisted of taking the whole school up to the Wolds to ski, skate and generally get wet through snowballing. Being the student, every Wednesday games afternoon I was given a sixpenny piece by the headmaster and it was my job to run to the telephone (almost a mile away, be it said) to ring for an ambulance, to report an injury or to ring the school secretary, as necessary. What would Health and Safety say to that, I wonder?

My first teaching job was in Lincoln, a beautiful city, but very difficult to get away from! I was there for three years and then I did a secretarial course in the hope of getting an administrative job, perhaps abroad. However teaching called me back and in 1959 I got a job teaching French and Spanish at Manchester High School, a very academic school. I immediately felt totally at home and enjoyed the challenge of teaching girls who were so much cleverer than me. What a joy those girls were: responsive, loved a joke and really enthusiastic about everything. They loved literature and they represented every class and race without any trouble. It was so to my liking that although the Head used to try to push me for a Headship, I just didn't want to know!! Many of the girls are still in touch with me and I feel proud to have been part of their lives, many of them becoming very successful and powerful women. I stayed there until I retired.

Manchester too was a very vibrant place to be, with the Hallé Orchestra, the theatres, cinemas showing foreign films and the buzz of city life and I must confess to having missed all that, but, being independent, my parents having by now passed away, I decided to look for a nice little country cottage where it was peaceful and I could spend holidays.

How I came to Gargrave I shall never ever know but of one thing I am certain - I was directed here. I felt at home immediately and the last 20+ years have been the happiest of my life. Of course I missed all the big concerts, plays and my really great friends in Manchester, but the village of Gargrave has become my family; I have felt secure and happy here and I certainly didn't need to worry about how I would occupy my time. Sometimes I have felt I was working harder than I did at school and was I really retired?

Gargrave provided me with plenty to do. I really enjoyed the years when I could take up new things, like playing bowls, ringing the handbells, later planning for the new library, and being part of the team which produced the garden at the NEC Birmingham which won the gold medal and the Best in Show accolade. The Church was another source of new interests as I had up to this point been a nonconformist, and found the ways of the Church of England rather strange!!! Latterly the Stan Drew's Choir gave delight to the singers (I'm not so sure about the audience!!) and there were Open Gardens and the seemingly endless requests to bake a cake for this or that cause. The Village Hall also provides so much to enjoy coffee mornings, concerts and so on.

Of course I could not forget my Spanish, and taught for a further 12 years for the U3A in Skipton – one class in particular still meet and are great friends. The U3A provides a wealth of choice of classes to attend, so I again tried to conquer that impossible but beautiful language, Russian. And who can forget the Roman weekend, the Jubilee celebrations, the street party at the traffic crossing by the Co-op when the road was being resurfaced and the 150th anniversary of the church? Who can say life is dull in Gargrave?

So, thank you to everyone but in particular my neighbours, Sarah and Mike Curtis, for their incredible care, friendship and help in times of need and, over the last few years, my invaluable friend Norman Hartley.

May God continue to richly bless this wonderful village, and as my remains will lie in the churchyard here, I hope you'll walk by and give me a nod occasionally.

### FARMING ON SCALEBER HILL

John Hall

Living on Scaleber Hill does have its joys for several reasons. The views which I often discuss with Pennine Way walkers and comment on.

Can one imagine, it is 2am, early January, blowing a gale, heavy sleet showers and bitterly cold. Along The Pennine Way, a constant stream of flickering lights of walkers skull caps carrying their full packs. It was of course the Montane Spine Race, with a constant stream of competitors for the following 24 hours. Whoever thought of an endurance race over the length of the Pennines in January will test any athlete. You sporting men have been set a target by the lady who won in the time 83 hours, 12 minutes 23 seconds, Britain's Jasmin Paris.

Apart from the race week-end, January was a wonderful month- cool winds and remarkably dry. The years are never the same. Last year was very wet and the sheep in poor condition. A dry autumn with showers to keep the grass growing. The sheep are in good condition which resulted in the scanning of many triplets which is a good indication of the health of the flock.

We are of course feeding the sheep every day. The recent frosts have been great for spreading slurry and feeding all the stock. Spring must be round the corner as the snowdrops are in full bloom, with the daffodils showing good growth. Lisa's garden is full of birds. The trees make good shelter but the food is the attraction. The pheasants that have spent the winter with us should now be safe. The white crow continues to attract the photographers as does the squirrels.

The next group of dairy heifers are calving. So far so good. The only problem is having to TB test as we are in a one year test. This means more testing before they can move off the farm. It is all added expense and form filling. One consolation is they have calved ok and with four teats and good calves.

We are coming to the final lamb sales which have been satisfactory considering the season. So we look forward to the next year, preparing for lambing time and the sucklers calving and hope the politicians get together and sort the Brexit problems. I always say I am an optimist!!

# Hair-cut

A minister, known for his lengthy sermons, noticed a man leave during the middle of his message. The man returned as the service concluded. Afterwards the minister asked the man where he had gone. "I went to get a hair-cut," was the reply.

"But," protested the minister, "why didn't you do that before the service?"

<sup>&</sup>quot;Because," said the man, "I didn't need one then."

# THE LIFE AND TIMES OF ROBERT OF NEWMINSTER AND GARGRAVE – THE SAINT OF THE DALES

Captain Cuttle

#### Part four: An educated guess

There was a demand in the early twelfth century for educated people who could cross the cultural divide between English and Norman.

There would have been little chance of Robert's family providing him with the kind of schooling needed to fill the role envisaged by Robert de Romille. A country priest wouldn't have had the money, especially after what had recently happened to the economy. The lad needed a patron, which could account for his change of name to that of the lord of Craven. The English of the time did not give their children Norman names. The Rogers and Walters and Matildas and Petronellas were not English names until later. When, in 1239, Henry the Third decided to call his eldest son Edward, scandal and incredulity followed among the aristocracy. For a king of England to have an English name was viewed as a disgrace, even nearly two hundred years after the Conquest. It was to be 1362 before the Statute of Pleading made English the official language for the law and the 1430s for the Chancery Standard of written English to take over for official documents that since 1066 had normally been written in French

But what better way to flatter a patron than to take his name? Robert de Romille seems the obvious candidate, but it also has to be borne in mind that William the Conqueror's father was also Robert - Robert the Devil, a name that was not to become famous in England again until a horse of that title won the St Leger in 1880. It was also to be the name of a 1923 Doncaster-built steam locomotive out of the same stable as Flying Scotsman.

Where Robert received his elementary education is anyone's guess. It could have been at Ripon, or the abbey of St Mary at York, or even Durham. It may have been there that he first got the idea of being a monk himself. And Durham was to be the inspiration for the university at Oxford. All we know for certain is that at some stage he arrived in Paris to further his studies, which means that he must have been fluent in Latin, which was definitely on the curriculum at Durham.

Immediately it is thought that there must have been a university in Paris when he went there, but that did not come into being until later. The first historical reference to a university comes in the works of the chronicler Matthew Paris in 1170 and it did not receive its official stamp of authority from the church until 1200.

Similarly, there is no clear date of foundation for Oxford University, but teaching existed there in some form in 1096, and the pattern in Paris would have been paralleled. Walter of Oxford was archdeacon of the town from 1111–12. Walter seems to have invited visiting lecturers to the school attached to his collegiate church of St George. The institution developed rapidly from 1167, when Henry the Second banned English students from attending the teaching of Paris. William of Durham endowed University College at Oxford in 1249 and it is thought to be the oldest constituent part of the university. The priory at Durham and

Oxford maintained close links, with young men pursuing their studies both by the Wear and the Thames.

Durham College, later to become Trinity, followed; Balliol was funded by a family with strong Durham links.

Next month: Seats of learning

# WHAT IS AMATEUR RADIO?

Kevin lackson

A follow-up to last month's article on amateur radio from a monastery.

What is amateur radio? Is it CB radio? If not what is the difference?

Firstly let's deal with CB radio as you may have heard about this. CB radio is designated as 'hobby' radio with no Licence or technical exams required. Amateur Radio on the other hand requires a Licence to be held and you do need to pass technical exams in order to transmit.

The 'Amateur Radio Service' is a worldwide service legislated through the International Telecommunications Union (ITU). The ITU, founded in 1865, is the intergovernmental agency responsible for the co-ordination, standardisation and planning of world telecommunications.

ITU regulations constitute international telecommunication law. They define the 'Amateur Service' as: 'A radiocommunication service for the purpose of self training, intercommunication and technical investigations carried out by amateurs, that is, by duly authorised persons interested in radio technique solely with a personal aim and without pecuniary interest'.

These regulations are then overseen by National Telecommunications Administrations which in the UK is the Office of Communications (OFCOM).

In order to become a Radio Amateur you have to take a Radio Communications Examination (RCE). There are three levels of Amateur Radio Licence in the UK. These consist of the Foundation, Intermediate and Advanced examinations. On passing the Foundation level you can then apply to (OFCOM) for a Radio Amateur transmitting licence which allows you on the air using Shortwave and VHF/UHF frequencies.

The Amateur Radio station must be available at all times for use by the British Red Cross, St. John Ambulance, St. Andrew's Ambulance Association, WRVS, Salvation Army, any Government Department, any 'Category 1' responder and any 'Category 2' responder as defined in the 'Civil Contingencies Act 2004'. The station must also be available to assist with communications in times of disaster or national or international emergency.

This is why you need to take technical exams.

What do we do?

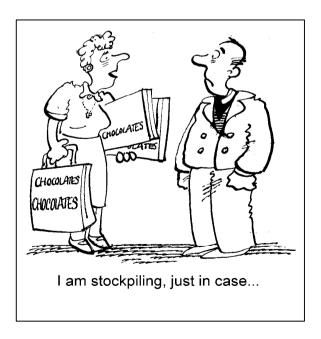
As a radio amateur you are able to transmit radio signals on a number of frequency bands allocated specifically to the radio amateurs. Radio amateurs make use of their frequencies in a number of ways:

- Contacting people all over the world by radio which often leads to developing international friendships
- Competing in international competitions to test how effective your equipment is, and how good you are as an operator
- Technical experimentation many of the leaps forward in radio technology have been initiated by radio amateurs
- Communication through amateur space satellites or with the International Space Station (which carries an amateur radio station)
- Providing communications at times of emergencies and undertaking exercises to ensure you keep the capability to do so.

Amateur Radio still has relevance in the modern Internet world as we can set-up communications using a battery powered radio, connect an antenna and we are on air. We do not have to use Third-party services such as the Internet etc which are very fragile services. When the mobile phone systems fail etc, there's always Amateur Radio.

Here is just one example: ttps://www.wbrc.com/2018/09/h13/ham-radio-operators-play-vital-role-hurricane-response/

More information is available from the Radio Society of Great Britain <a href="https://rsgb.org/">https://rsgb.org/</a>.



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GAS National Grid Emergency Line 0800 111 999; Report a gas leak: https://customerservices.npower.com/app/answers/detail/a\_id/374/~/how-do-i-report-a-gas-leak%3F

WATER & SEWERAGE https://www.yorkshirewater.com/contactus

FLOOD http://apps.environment-agency.gov.uk/wiyby/37835.aspx R. Aire at Gargravehttps://flood-warning-information.service.gov.uk/station/8083

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH <a href="https://www.cravendc.gov.uk/environmental-health/">https://www.cravendc.gov.uk/environmental-health/</a> e.g. flooding, pollution & public health, private water supplies <a href="https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/flooding">https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/flooding</a>

101 - THE POLICE NON-EMERGENCY NUMBER for advice or to report crime, damage or drug use when it's less urgent than a 999 call.

NHS 111: The NHS number to call when you have an urgent medical concern – but it's not an emergency. For emergencies call 999.

**STROKE?** get ambulance direct **to Bradford Royal Infirmary** (Airedale is no longer an acute hospital and does not provide the clot-busting drugs that need administering within 4 hours of the stroke)

# Nearest Filling Stations (miles from central Gargrave),

SE; SKIPTON; 5 miles; Tesco [24 hr], Keighley Rd, BD23 2AG; 0345 6779615

SE; SKIPTON; 5 miles; Morrisons, Broughton Rd, BD23 1RT; 01756 796070

South; KELBROOK; 8 miles; Texaco, Colne Rd, BB18 6TG; 01282 338332

SW; BARNOLDSWICK; 8 miles; Gulf, Skipton Rd, BB18 5NB; 01282 853357

NE; THRESHFIELD; 8 miles; SPAR, Kettlewell Rd, BD23 5PL; 01756 753 578

SW: GISBURN; 10 miles; Texaco, Gisburn Rd, BB7 4ES; 01200 415953

NW; SETTLE; 11 miles; CO OP, Church St, BD24 9JD; 01729 824719

# Preach better

A young curate who had just been ordained stepped in to take the sermon at very short notice, because the vicar was ill. At the end of the sermon he explained apologetically: 'At such short notice I'm afraid I just had to rely on the Holy Spirit. Next week I hope to do better!'

#### Rotas for St Andrew's Church

Please arrange a deputy if you can't make your duty; to join call Janie on 748970.

Date	Sacris-	Worship	Sidesmen	Reader	Inter-	Refresh-
	tan	Leader			cessions	ments
3 Mar		Family	Family	Family	Family	Family
		Team	Team	Team	Team	Team
10 Mar	Joyce	Rev Ian	Hugh	Hugh	Hugh	Pat Traves
		Greenhalgh	Turner	Turner	Turner	Mollie
			Janet			Blackburn
			Turner			
17 Mar		Worship	Dorothy	Paul	Paul	Joan
		Team	Rishworth	Maslin	Maslin	Wimbush
			Mollie			Tony
			Blackburn			Wimbush
24 Mar	Norma	Rev Felicity				
		Lawson				
31 Mar		Jo Ackroyd				
7 Apr		Family	Family	Family	Family	Family
		Team	Team	Team	Team	Team

# **Gargrave Lands Charity**

Are you currently experiencing financial difficulties and needing help?

Do you need financial assistance to pursue higher or further education or vocational training?

If you live in Gargrave, Flasby, Eshton, Winterburn, Coniston Cold or Bank Newton then Gargrave Lands Charity may be able to help!

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Contact one of the trustees listed below to discuss your situation.

Absolute discretion and confidentiality assured.

Phil Ellis 748685

**Christine Charlton 748817** 

Mike Maiden 07876 886313

Joyce Garner 748447

# Public Transport leaving Gargrave Compiled by Peter Hardyman 16 February 2019

#### TAXIS from Gargrave (see advertising directory, page A2):

Gargrave Private Hire - local & distance, airport transfers: 07877 054698, 01756 748112

\*\*Northern just added a Gargrave stop on some S-C trains: NOT in printed timetables.\*\*

#### TRAINS from Gargrave FROM 9 DEC 2018.

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

Mon-Sat 0745 0755 0902<sup>3</sup>[SO] 1150 1349 1551 1621 1645 1732<sup>3</sup> **1816**\*\* 1850

Mon-Sat [continued] 2019 2134 2216 [SX] 2218 [SO] 2238

1121 1146 1346 1446 Sunday 1645 1701 1846 2056 2106

To Giggleswick (arrives ~ 20 mins later) & Lancaster<sup>5</sup> (arrives ~ 66 mins later)

0902 1103 1304 1504 Mon-Fri 0528 1814 2006 Saturday 0525 0902 1103 1304 1504 1814 2006

Sunday 0921 1107 1407 1607 1807

To Settle (arr. ~18 min later if direct) & Carlisle (arr. ~2hrs later if direct)

Mon-Fri 0528<sup>2073</sup> 0831\*\* 0902<sup>2</sup> 1004 1103<sup>2</sup> 1133 1304<sup>2</sup> 1504<sup>2</sup> 1732 1814<sup>2</sup> 1901 2006<sup>2</sup> (2033<sup>4</sup>)

Saturday 0525<sup>2</sup> **0831**\*\* 0902<sup>2</sup> 1004 1103<sup>2</sup> 1133 1304<sup>2</sup> 1504<sup>2</sup> 1732 1814<sup>2</sup> 1901  $(2033^4)$ 

0921<sup>2</sup> 0950 1107<sup>2</sup> 1311 14072 1507 16072 18072 Sunday

NOTES: [SX] Saturdays eXcepted, [SO] Saturdays Only. (1. Change at Skipton) 2. Not Settle; change at Lancaster for Carlisle 3. Change at Hellifield 4. Terminates Ribblehead 5. Change at (or via) Lancaster for Morecambe.

As of 12 Feb: there are no planned engineering works to affect Gargrave trains during March. That may 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/ NB: The Bus Replacement Stop at Gargrave is on Church St, on the village side of the railway bridge.

#### BUSES from Gargrave from 3 September 2018 \*Except Bank Holidays

**To Skipton** (arr. ~15 mins later) (Services 75, 210/211, 580) (M is from Malham) 0820 0910 0955 1055 1057M<sup>7</sup> 1155 1255 1355 1357M<sup>7</sup> 1455 1555

Saturday 0820 0910 0955 1056M 1155 1255 1355 1455 1555 1656M 1810

1725 1810

Sun + B.Hol No Winter service; may start from Easter: see <u>www.dalesbus.org</u>

To Settle (arrives ~ 25 mins later) (Service 580) and

M-Fri\*

(+)onward to Kirkby Lonsdale (Service 581) and (++)thence to Lancaster (Service 582)

Mon-Fri\* 0905++ 1000 1100++ 1200 1300++ 1400 1500++ 1600 1700++ 1800++ 1900++

Saturday 0905++ 1100++ 1200 1300++ 1400 1500++ 1700++ 1800++ 1900++

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

Mon-Fri\* [210/211]  $1000^{7}$  $1310^{7}$ 

Saturday [75] 1001 1559

Sun + B.Hol No Winter service; may start from Easter: see 'To Skipton' above.

NOTES. 7. Tues & Thurs (as service 211) stops at Coniston Cold 4 mins after Gargrave.

# Public Transport back to Gargrave

TRAINS to Gargrave FROM 9 DEC 2018.

Last train from LEEDS

From Skipton (arr. Gargrave ~ 5 mins later)

to GARGRAVE

Mon-Sat 0519 [SO] 0522 [SX] 0705<sup>3</sup> [SO] **0826**\*\* 0856 0959 1057 1127 1258 1458

Mon-Sat [continued] 1600<sup>3</sup> 1727 1808 1856 2000 2027 **1949** 

Sunday 0915 0945 1102 1305 1402 1502 1602 1802 **1724** 

From Lancaster via Giggleswick (arriving Gargrave ~ 66 mins later) Mon-Fri 0648 1045 1245 1515 1745 2030 2134

Saturday 0648 1045 1245 1446<sup>10</sup> 1503<sup>6</sup> 1745 2030 2134

Sunday 1041 1215<sup>10</sup> 1515<sup>10</sup> 1715<sup>10</sup> 1951

From Carlisle (journey time depends on route – check timetables) BOLD=*STOP PRESS* Mon-Fri 0544<sup>2</sup> 0551 0934<sup>2</sup> 1134<sup>2</sup> 1404 1408<sup>2</sup> 1450 **1619**\*\* 1631<sup>2</sup> 1824 1857<sup>2</sup> 2007<sup>2</sup> 2018<sup>11</sup> (2145<sup>9</sup>)

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Sunday 0925 <u>1051</u><sup>2</sup> 1250 <u>1407</u><sup>2</sup> 1502 <u>1607</u><sup>2or3</sup> <u>1836</u><sup>2</sup> 1912

NOTES: [SX] Saturdays eXcepted, [SO] Saturdays Only. 1. Change at Skipton 2. Not Settle; change at Lancaster 3. Change at Hellifield 6. Change at Carnforth 9. Not Carlisle: Departure time is from Ribblehead 10. Via Morecambe 11. Change at Settle

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

Mon-Fri\* 0850 0945 0950M8 1045 1145 1245 1300M8 1345 1445 1545 1645 1745 1845

Saturday 0850 0945M 1045 1145 1245 1345 1445 1545M 1645 1745 1845

Sun + B.Hol No Winter service; may start from Easter: Information not yet available. See <a href="https://www.dalesbus.org">www.dalesbus.org</a>

From Settle (arr. Gargrave ~25 mins later (Service 580)

+ from Kirkby Lonsdale (581), ++ from Lancaster (582)

Mon-Fri\* 0755+ 0845++ 0930++ 1030 1130++ 1230 1330++ 1430 1530++ 1700 1745++

Saturday 0755+ 0845++ 0930++ 1130++ 1230 1330++ 1430 1530++ 1745++

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

Mon-Fri\* [210/211] 10358 13358 from opp. the Buck Inn, Malham

Saturday [75] 1030 1630 from opp. the Buck Inn, Malham

Sun + B.Hol No Winter service; may start from Easter: see 'From Skipton' above.

NOTES 8. Tues & Thurs service stops at Coniston Cold 4 mins before Gargrave

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West St, BD23 3RD 07960 704509

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12-Mar	15-Mar	Blue bin
19-Mar	22-Mar	Green bin
26-Mar	29-Mar	Blue bin

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	School closes	School opens
Half term (Spring)	Fri 22 Feb 2019	Mon 4 Mar 2019
Easter	Thurs 12 Apr 2019	Tues 30 April 2019
Half term (Summer)	Fri 24 May 2019	Mon 3 June 2019
Summer	Fri 19 July 2019	Tue 3 Sept 2019
Half term (Autumn)	Thurs 24 Oct 2019	Mon 4 Nov 2019

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

Caterpillar Club (0+) - St Andrew's Church, Wed 10am, Kirsty Smith 07525 619950

Gymnastics (5- & 5+) - Mon & Wed 9.15am, Wed 4pm info@ambitionsgymnastics.com

Rainbows (5+) - Debbie Gomersall 01729 830589

**Brownies** (7+) - Rose Turner 01729 825886

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

Luncheon Club, Neville Crescent Community Centre, alt Tues, 12.30pm, Carol/Carys 748990 Afternoon tea, Neville Crescent Community Centre, alt Sun, 12.30pm, Mary Dawson 749755 Phoenix Group (over 65s) - Anchor Inn, alternate Thurs 9am-1pm, Sarah 07596 452385

Bowling - outdoor Gargrave Bowling Club, Michael Cox, 748285

Bowls - indoor, Village Hall, Winter Tues & Thurs 2-4pm, Gerry Griffin, 749277

Cricket - Gargrave Cricket Club (over 13s), Mark Jones, 07498 288654

Croquet - Craven Lawn Tennis Club, Gargrave, Tues 2-6pm, Roy Berry 748065

Cycling - Gargrave Tuesday Club, Dalesman, Tues and Thurs Trevor Pickles 01282 844788

Golf - Mason's Arms Golf Society, www.masonsarmsgolfsociety.com, 749304

Hunt - Pendle Forest & Craven Hunt, Elizabeth Adams 749772

Pilates - Contemporary, V Hall, Tues 10 & 11.30am, Fri 9am & 10.30am Bee 0777 898 0994

Pilates - Classical, Village Hall, Tues 2pm, 6pm, 7.05pm, Cate Davies 079 5533 8775

Tennis - Craven Lawn Tennis Club, Beth Whitley 749664, www.craventennis.org.uk

Tai Chi & Qigong - Village Hall, Thursdays 7.30pm, Ian Cresswell 748540

Tai Chi Qigong – Green by War Memorial, Mon 9.30am & 10.30am, 0777 8980994

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

Yoga – Village Hall Annex, Wednesdays 9.30-11.30am, Sally Thomas 01756 461616

Modern sequence dance – Village Hall, Mon 7.45-10pm, John Rainey 749867 or 07840 806698.

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, Mon 1.00-3.00pm, Bev Parker 749910

Bell Ringing - St Andrew's, Mon 7.30pm, Sun 10.00am, Joe Alston 01729 851663

**Bingo** – Village Hall Annex, 4<sup>th</sup> Wed of month 7.30pm, Joan Philip 749468

Bingo - Gargrave Community Centre, Neville Crescent - Mondays 2pm

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

Gargrave Community Choir - rehearsals Fri 7pm, St Andrew's Church, 749802

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 Wednesday of the month

**Snooker Club –** Village Hall Snooker Annex, every day, Stewart Smith 749340

**WI** – Village Hall Annex, 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed of month 7pm, Glenys Riley 07715 878709

French club – Old Swan, 3rd Thurs of month, 8pm, Allison Wiffen 749913

Masons Arms - Quiz Sundays 8.30pm; Acoustic live music 1st Friday of the month The Old Swan - Quiz Mon 8pm; Pie night Wed; Steak night Thurs; Sunday Roast Sun

# Inside this month

Sleeping Beauty Remembering Ruth Celebrating 60 Blowing the horns off a tup



Snowy Gargrave in February 2018, photo by Rob Ingham

# Dates for your diary

Spring Fayre
Gargrave Open Gardens

Sat 13 April Sat 15 June

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