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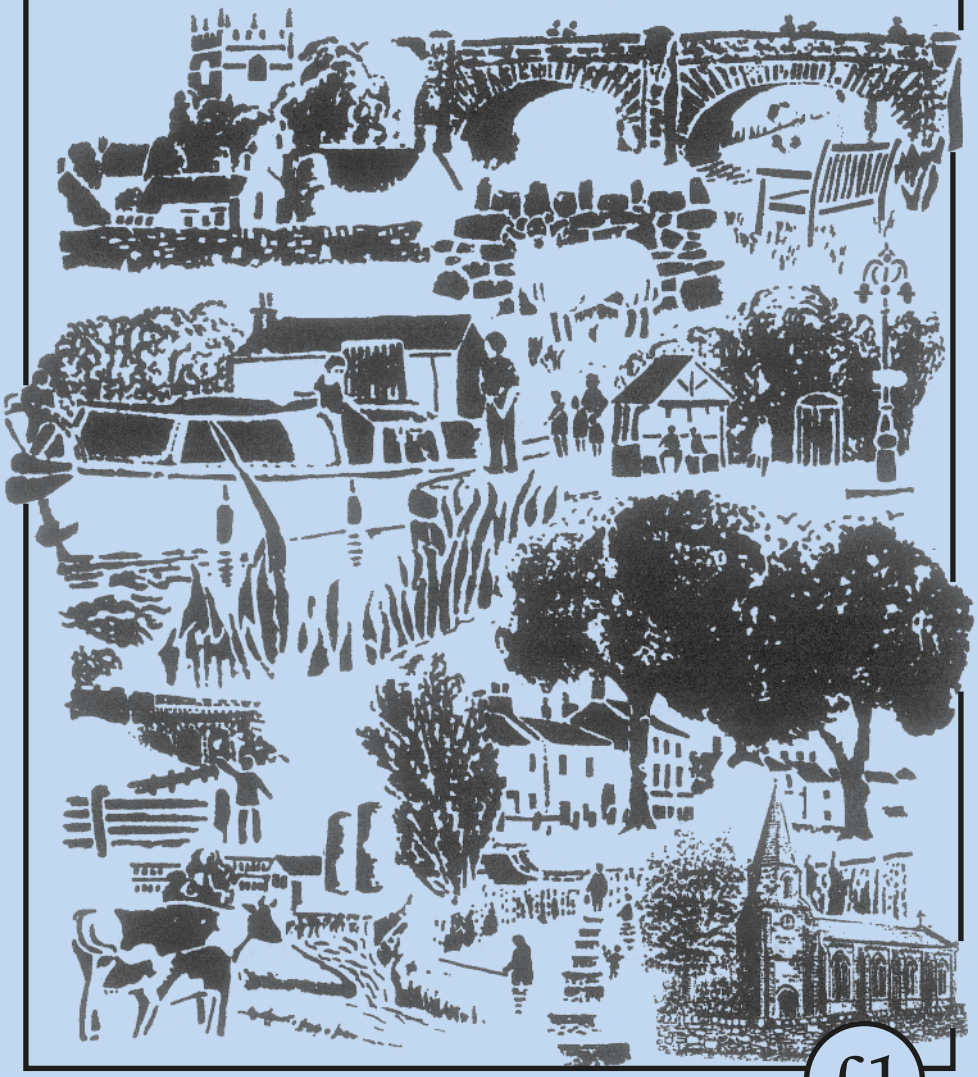

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COLLARED!

Revd Andrew Steer

Life hacks

It seems that these days, every click of a mouse or turn of a magazine page reveals someone with wonderful tips to improve your quality of life. These tips have become known as 'Life hacks' and include anything from tricks and tips to get the best out of your smartphone, how to store clothes more efficiently, diet tips, cleaning and food preparation. Sometimes they are useful such as using an old cassette case as a stand for your smart phone, or rubbing a walnut over scratches in wooden furniture to cover them up. Life-hacks are often good ideas to make life a little simpler, and often can be very clever ways of re-cycling, but rarely are they life-changing.

Fortunately, there are some even better life-hacks in the Bible, which are guaranteed to improve the way you live your life and make things better. These tips have been around for a couple of thousand years so are tried and tested. So here goes:

1. Keep life simple and just have one God – the original and best God.
2. Don't get carried away and waste your time looking for other things or people to waste your time and attention on – they don't work and you'll waste your time, and in the end you'll wish you stuck to the God in 1 above who is kind and loyal and wants to show you good things.
3. Don't use the name of God in 1 inappropriately or carelessly – he gets a bit cheesed off when people do that. And it's not nice.
4. Take a day off at least once a week – and we mean 'off'. Put your feet up, plenty of cups of tea, no emails, no work, no talk about work. Switch off and relax.
5. Look after your mum and dad. They looked after you when you were young, so it's only right you look after them. If you do, God will be chuffed and help you.
6. Try not to kill anyone. It's messy and not nice, it will ruin other people's lives and you will end up in prison for a long time and probably regret it for the rest of your life. Just talk it through with them. Guns and knives don't solve anything.
7. Don't sleep around with other people – it spreads nasty diseases and causes lots of problems. Just stick with one person. It makes life much simpler.
8. Enjoy your own stuff, and buy what you can afford to buy, but don't steal stuff that's not yours. It's just not yours so put it back!
9. You want good neighbours? Don't tell porky pies about them or make stuff up. That tends to really annoy people.

10. Make the most of your own life. Don't start comparing your wife, your car, your house with someone else's. You'll only get jealous and make trouble for yourself. The grass always looks greener on the other side, but it rarely is.

That's about it really. There are lots more great life-hacks in the Bible – all about looking after other people, not taking advantage of others, being honest and living healthily, that sort of stuff. It's quite useful, really.

They tend to be called 'Laws' which doesn't make them sound catchy or appealing, but they are great principles to live by. Give them a try. There's a special offer on at the moment – try them for one month and if you don't like them you can get a full refund by contacting the inventor!

Seriously though, living the way God intended us to live is not such a bad thing. Most of today's problems in the world would not exist if we followed the laws and principles set out in the Bible. Poverty would be eradicated, prisons would be empty, global warming would not present such a massive threat to humanity. Imagine a world without wars and conflicts, communities where people lived happily alongside one another and families living peaceably without strife.

If you want the best 'life-hacks' then choose carefully. What matters to you most – is it the way you store your clothes, or is it living life more fully and more authentically in ways which can transform society and the world around us?

You choose…

DIARY FOR FEBRUARY

Coniston Cold

Sun 5	Compline evensong, 4pm, Church
Sun 12	Holy communion, 9.30am, Church
Sun 19	Compline evensong, 4pm, Church
Sun 26	Holy communion, 9.30am, Church

Gargrave

Thur 2	*Candlemas*: the Presentation of Christ in the Temple which marks the traditional end of the 40-day Christmas season. On this day the church habitually blessed the year's supply of candles.
Sun 5	Prayer book communion, 8am, Church Breakfast 10.30am followed by 11am Family service, Church
Mon 6	Coffee Monday (every Monday), 10.30-12, Church
Wed 8	Parish Council meeting, 7.15pm, Village Hall Annexe.
Fri 10	Picnic Supper Dance with live music from Elizabeth Harrison. 7.30-11pm. Village Hall. £6 admission.

Sun 12	Prayer book communion, 8am, Church Sung Eucharist, 11am, Church
Thur 16 & Fri 17	Pantomime: Jack and the Beanstalk. 7.15pm, Village Hall. See below.
Sat 18	Pantomime: Jack and the Beanstalk. 1pm and 5pm, Village Hall
Sun 19	Prayer book communion, 8am, Church Morning worship, 11am, Church
Tue 21	Shrove Tuesday supper, 6pm or thereabouts, Church
Wed 22	Ash Wednesday service, 7pm, Church
Fri 24	Library film night: Brian and Charles. 7 for 7.30pm, Village Hall (p. 6)
Sat 25	Gargrave Village Hall jointly with Gargrave Library Coffee morning. 10am - noon, Village Hall. Bacon sandwiches and homemade cakes. Raffle and book stall. Library 100 Club draw.
Sun 26	*First Sunday of Lent* Prayer book communion, 8am, Church Family communion, 11am, Church Broadway Fairs Flea Market and Collectable Fair. 10am - 3.30pm, Village Hall. Refreshments available until 3pm. 50p admission.

EVENTS

Gargrave in peril: 16-18 February

Richard Smith

Gargrave, that lovely village set idyllically on the River Aire and the Leeds and Liverpool canal with its ancient church, shops, pubs and cafes is in grave danger of vanishing altogether. Not through flood, disease or economic downturn. Not even through excess traffic on the notorious A65. No, the village is threatened by the most evil force ever seen in Craven. A huge and malevolent giant.

Helped by his vile minions, Tik and Tok, the giant is terrorising the village, putting up everyone's rents and threatening to eat all the villagers in sandwiches from The Dalesman cafe. The only hope is that the people of the village themselves can somehow fight the giant and win the day. At least they are helped by the good fairy, Fairy Twinkle but she is in turn fighting against a horrible wizard, Evil Ernest.

Yes, it's pantomime time again in Gargrave. For nearly 60 years the Pantomime Group have entertained the village and surrounds with their annual show. This year it's Jack and the Beanstalk. Can Jack, played by Cassia Sauer, find some way to tackle the awful giant (Ted Lottey) helped, or is that hindered by his mother, Tilly Trott (Paul Smith) and win his love Jill (Claire Preston), Evil Ernest (Peter Poulter) will do his best to thwart him, but Fairy Twinkle (Laura Lipscombe)

is there to weave her magic. Jill's mother, the Queen (Gemma Tetley) is very reluctant to do the giant's bidding, but with those blundering fools Tik and Tok (Poppy Tetley and Barnes Cooper) she is torn between serving the giant and helping the villagers.

The show features all that's wanted in a pantomime. Great songs and dancers, a cast of thousands - well quite a few - some remarkable vegetable growth, bad jokes and even a unique dancing cow, Daisy, helped by Ellie Birch and Emily Claxton.

The pantomime is at Gargrave Village Hall on **16-18th February** at 7.15 (Thurs & Fri) and 1pm & 5pm Saturday. Tickets are £8 & £5 from The Dalesman and The Library or £9 & £6 on the door. Come along, a great time is guaranteed.

Shrove supper: 21 February

Duncan Faulkner

Come and join a long-standing Gargrave parish tradition on 21 February at the Shrove Tuesday Supper in St Andrew's Church. It started at 6pm last year so unless you hear otherwise I'd suggest aiming for the same time this year.

It's a Jacobs Join so come prepared to share.

Library film night (24 February) and news

Dave Smith

On the **24th February** we will be showing "Brian and Charles". The film follows Brian, a lonely eccentric Welsh inventor who, after many failures, manages to create, with the help of an old washing machine and various spare parts, an artificially intelligent speaking robot called Charles. What follows is a humorous and heart-warming story about loneliness, friendship, family and finding love.

This award winning film stars **David Earl and Chris Hayward.**

The customary Cafe style seating will be in place, so please bring you own refreshments. The Village Hall doors open at 7.00pm with the film starting at 7.30pm. Tickets are £5.00 on the Door with under 16s free. Sorry but we can only allow Guide Dogs into the Hall.

All proceeds from the film nights go towards the running costs of the Community Library and the Library Committee thank you for your support.

Time for a recap on **Opening Times:**

Monday	3.00pm—5.00 pm
Tuesday	10.00am—12.00am
Wednesday	2.00pm—4.00pm
Thursday	Closed
Friday	2.00pm—4.00pm
Saturday	10.00am—12.00 noon

As part of the North Yorkshire Library Service members at Gargrave can use their membership card at any North Yorkshire Library to borrow and return books.

Finally, a big thank you and farewell to Caleb Shaw who, on most Saturday mornings, could be found in the Library helping people with a variety of technical issues they might have with their devices. We wish him well with his 'A' Levels.

Lent course: Unanswered prayer

Revd Andrew Steer

During Lent I will be running a weekly course compiled by Pete Grieg on the difficult topic of unanswered prayer. The course starts on Wednesday 8 March at 2.30-4pm in the Vicarage. Please sign up on the sheet at the back of church if you are interested in taking part.

Date for your diary: Gargrave Open Gardens

Bee and Duncan Faulkner

This year's Open Gardens weekend is planned for 17-18 June.

Plant Sale in Aid of Church Funds

In May we are planning the annual Summer Seat plant sale

Help by

Sowing, a few seeds in a pot

Popping a divided perennial in a pot

Potting a few Summer bulbs

Anything unusual to add interest to the sale

Please add a label, name a flower colour and variety. All offers will be gratefully accepted.
Dates and further details to follow in later issues of Parish Magazine

Events at Kirkby Malham Parish Hall

Revd Sue McWhinney

DROP IN FOR A DRINK! - Every Monday from 5 to 7pm

Come along and enjoy a convivial drink. Bar open. Tea and Coffee available.

Valentine's Night - Tuesday 14th February, 6.30 for 7pm

NO VALENTINE NEEDED! Just come along and enjoy a meal in the company of friends. Coq au Vin followed by Tarte au Citron (Veggie option)

£15 includes a glass of wine. Booking essential by 11th February (Saturday)

Film Night - Saturday 11th March at 7pm

'Where the Crawdads Sing'

We have a new projector now, so the screen size is bigger, and the sound is good! £7 includes pie and pea supper (Veggie option)

Spring Fair - Monday 27th March, 5 to 8pm

Please contact Gill O'Neil to book a table. 07840 962937, The Old Barn Cafe, Malham

SAVE THE DATE! - Callum Spencer - Saturday 6th May

An evening of live music from this fabulous local singer-songwriter and guitarist More details nearer the time

Please look out for news of other events including our regular Film Nights on village noticeboards and our FB page:
www.facebook.com/MalhamdaleParishHallKirkbyMalham

Any enquiries re events or bookings, please email Sue on malhamdaleparishhall@hotmail.com or call 07484 181699

NEWS

2023 Parish Magazine Subscriptions now due

Tony Wimbush

We do hope readers have found our magazine both informative and enjoyable over the past year. An envelope is enclosed with this magazine so that you can renew your annual subscription. Due to increased printing costs it is now £11 per year for 11 copies. Delivered to your door throughout the year, it still offers excellent value for money.

For 2024 we will explore the option to pay on-line. If you are unable to pay this way or prefer the existing method of payment please answer "No" to the question on your subscription envelope.

It would be very much appreciated if you could return your subscription envelope to your deliverer before Tuesday, 14th February to ensure you receive future copies.

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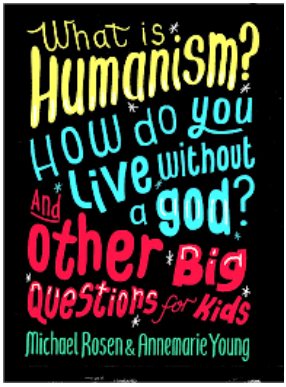
Gargrave Church of England (VC) Primary School

Sarah Peel

'Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord'

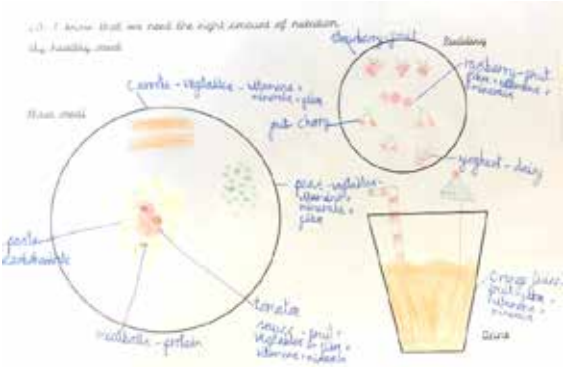
LOVE, PEACE, HOPE



As part of their learning in RE, Year 5 and 6 had a visit from Humanist speaker Brian. As a Humanist, he discussed what it means to be a Humanist, as well as how he lives his life day-to-day. Oak and Sycamore classes asked lots of questions to understand if there are any similarities or differences with religions that we have learnt about.

In art Year 1 and Year 2 used the Dutch artist, Piet Mondrian as inspiration. He was born in 1872 and died in 1944.

His father and uncle were both artists, so he was surrounded by art from a young age. His first job was as a teacher in a primary school! He began painting in a similar style to other artists what we have studied including Monet and Vincent van Gogh.



In Science, year 3 and year 4 have been looking at animals including humans. We have learnt about the function of skeletons and muscles. We have learnt that humans get their nutrients from food and the children created a healthy meal including different food groups.

Time to hand over

Duncan Faulkner

This is my last magazine issue as editor. I am very grateful to Richard, Sarah and Clare for volunteering to take over. If you don't know them already, you can meet them in the next article. I hope they find the role as fulfilling and enjoyable as I have.

A few people have commented that I can enjoy some more free time now. In fact it's more a case of being busy in a different way. I'm volunteering to help

running the British Hydrological Society. I've been a member for nearly 30 years so it seems about time to give something back.

Combining these two strands of my life, I seem to have somehow got myself committed to writing a series about water for this magazine. So if the new editors will accept my contributions, I hope to stay involved.

Meet the new editing team

Richard, Sarah and Clare

Richard Smith

Hello, My name is Richard Smith. Some seven years ago my wife, Linda, our little dog, Molly and I were heading through Gargrave on our narrowboat aiming towards Leeds having spent five great years exploring the inland waterways of England and Wales. We moored above Higherland lock and investigated the village. We loved what we saw and to cut a long story short, after 4,000 miles and 2,800 locks we sold the boat, bought a house, and have lived in Gargrave ever since.

Born and bred in Sheffield, I spent my working life as a solicitor and, after retirement, Linda and I had a few years running caravan sites for The Caravan and Motorhome Club. During my time practising in Durham I was involved with the Church of England as Diocesan Registrar and Bishop's Legal Secretary. In the village I have been delighted to be a part of the Pantomime Group with a spell as Chair as well as appearing on stage. My hobbies have included golf, walking football and racquetball as well as the stage and I have written for radio, theatre and had a number of books published - mainly legal textbooks. I've never been an editor though and am very much looking forward to working with the editorial team on the Magazine.

Sarah Barton

Hi! I'm Sarah and I still class myself as a relative newbie to Gargrave having moved back to Yorkshire and into the village at the end of 2021 after 12 years as a Londoner.

In such a short time I have got know quite a few friendly faces around the village; I volunteer at the Library and have recently joined the Library Committee, am a unit helper at Guides, and am Secretary of the Pantomime Group.

Outside work I enjoy pottering about in the garden after having made do with a tiny city balcony for such a long time, I take the odd Pilates class, I belong to a book club, and last year I joined Skipton Musical Theatre Company and set foot on stage for the very first time. Turns out I caught the acting bug

and the eagle-eyed might spot me in this year's pantomime. It's going to be a great show so be sure to get tickets!

My day job is as an editor of legal books ... though I don't think I have come across any of Richard's works! I am looking forward to working alongside Clare and Richard on the Magazine.

Clare Maslin

Hi, I'm Clare Maslin. I have lived in Gargrave for 7 years having moved here from Leeds in 2016 with my husband Paul, our younger daughter Lauren and our dog Zaffie.

I have to confess to not being a true Yorkshire woman as I was born in Lancashire - my family realised their error though and we moved to Yorkshire when I was aged 2 😀

Since arriving in Gargrave, I have volunteered at Gargrave Library; been involved with the Panto both onstage and backstage; directed the last Murder Mystery evening in St Andrew's. I sing with the wonderful Voices of Craven choir, and volunteer at town hall events. I am also a very active member of St Andrew's. All of this has resulted in meeting lots of lovely people and making some great friends.

I also work for Dementia Forward and as Parish Administrator for St A's so am kept quite busy!

I am pleased to be in a team with Richard and Sarah as, apart from writing and printing a magazine for a few editions aged 12, I have never actually done anything like this!

News from the belfry

Ali Lucas

Bell ringing has been in the news in the last few weeks, with the campaign 'Ring for the King' running to try and encourage new people to the art in time for the Coronation in May. There is a special attempt nationally to encourage youngsters to start ringing as they are of course our future. To that end Gargrave's Annie Faulkner took part in a filming session with young ringers from Lancashire and we were delighted when she featured on the ITV National news. Did anyone catch a glimpse?

It was also good to see Gargrave featured in an article in The Ringing World, the bell-ringers weekly magazine. The article was all about the architect Major Rohde Hawkins, who was appointed to design the re-building of St Andrew's in 1852. The article states 'St Andrew, Gargrave is well-known to ringers, possessing a fine ring of eight in the majestic 16-century tower'. It goes on to say how Hawkins 'spared the impressive, essentially Yorkshire tower' and added 'a convincingly East Anglian church. Logical and absolutely symmetrical'.

In talking more about the bells the article concludes 'The result is a fine ring of eight on which over 50 peals have been rung: and what a pleasure they are to ring'. Well with that we can only agree!

And indeed we are getting several requests again to use the bells by other groups of ringers, one of these being for a quarter peal in February, so listen out for that.

In the meantime locally we are practicing hard. You may have noticed on a Sunday morning now we have added a couple of pieces to our repertoire which involve several changes at each stroke, rather than an individual change every 5/6 strokes. The former is a Method (tune) and the latter is known as Call Changes, where just two bells change in the sequence. Have a listen to see if you can hear the difference.

If you are even more curious and would like to come up to take a look at how it all works, we'd be delighted to show you, so please do get in touch.

Fund raising for Manorlands

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This time last year I was delighted to report that I had raised just over £800 with my fund raising stall for Manorlands Hospice. My hopes were that perhaps in 2022 I could reach the £1,000 target though did realise this was perhaps asking a bit much! I raise the money through having stalls at our Village Hall flea markets and sell Bric a Brac and some new clothing. The latter is kindly donated by a local menswear firm and is mainly end of the line stock but fantastic quality. I could not be more delighted to now announce that during 2022 I raised the sum of £1,143. Thank you so much to each and every one of you who may have donated or purchased goods. Special thanks to my friend Jennifer Heselton's young grand daughter Ruby from Hull who sent me the 5ps she had kindly collected.

Manorlands supports families through the most difficult times in their lives. They offer a range of support to people from inpatient care in the hospice to day services and Hospice at Home, which helps people to stay at home longer and provide respite for their carers. Bereavement support is also offered. The specialist teams are there when they are most needed and provide expert care making sure each and every moment is filled with the love, care and memories that mean the most to everyone.

I do hope that I can maintain the momentum of sales through this year and make an even bigger announcement this time next year - watch this space!

Coniston Cold Young Farmers Club

James Melliin

A huge bonfire greeted us for our annual bonfire night, this year held at the Phillips farm, Hellifield. We had a great display of fireworks and everyone had a great night, many thanks to all involved for their hard work, especially Andy Lambert.

The judging of breeding sheep was our next meeting held at Barson Laithe, Airton, and members judged continental sheep. Results: 1st Flynn Cartman 2nd Will Hargreaves joint 3rd Will Stapelton and John Pearson.

Public speaking is an important part of the young farmers, in November we took part in the Settle District Public Speaking which took place at Horton In Ribblesdale Old School and it is made up of Coniston Cold, Lawkland, Burton and Rathmell clubs. It is a great way of growing members confidence and competing against other clubs!

Other events included Christmas whist drive and Christmas tree judging at Town End Farm Shop. Later in the year the young farmers were involved in a Christmas tree recycling scheme to raise money for the Sue Ryder Manorlands Hospice. We ended the year with the District Disco, we all had a great night.

For more information on the young farmers club call 01729 830123.

Christingle thanks

Jennifer Rowlands

Thank you to all who came to the Christingle service and donated a total of £425 to the Children's Society who work with needy and disadvantaged children. A wonderful gift, thank you!

A big thank you too to the Co-op for the gift of the oranges.

Eco Church: Church Travel Questionnaire Results

Chris Bolas

Just before the December Family Service, over coffee and bacon butties, the morning congregation completed a questionnaire about how they travel. There were five questions which produced some interesting results and which will hopefully generate reflection and conversation. How we travel is one of the biggest contributions we make as individuals to the production of CO_2.

Of course, this was only in the context of our Church community, which is made up of families, young people and predominantly older retired people. 33 questionnaires were completed.

Question 1 asked: how did people travel to Church on that day? 79% walked and 21% travelled by car. This was not a surprising outcome as most people who come to St Andrews reside in the village.

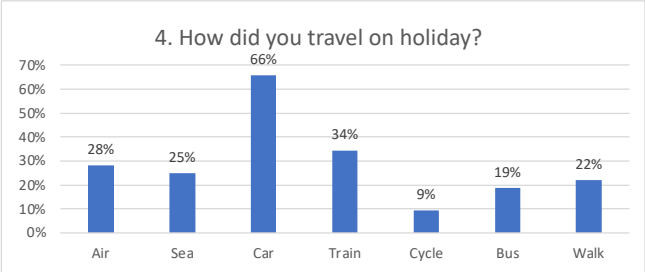
2. If you have a car, how many miles in year do you travel approximately	%	Approx. average annual mileage
Car Conventional	92%	7330
Car Hybrid	4%	9000
Car Electric	4%	1500

As can be seen from the results to question 2, the vast majority use a conventional car with only a small proportion having changed to a more environmentally-friendly car. However, what this does not show are those who have opted for a smaller car. The estimates of car mileage show that the conventional cars are traveling fewer miles than the national average (10-12,000

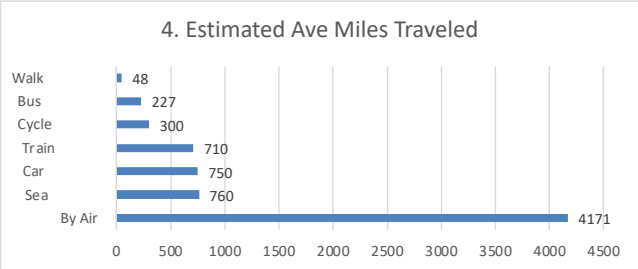
miles a year). This could be linked to the Church Community having a higher proportion of retired people.

3. If you don't drive or regularly use other modes of transport, what other forms of transport do you use?	%	Aveerage no. of journeys each year	Approx. average annual mileage
Bus	44%	114	656
Train	44%	25	1358
Walk	66%	339	946
Cycle	16%	158	544

The third question reveals a high use of other forms of transport. A significant proportion of the Church Community make other choices than using the car or choosing not to use a car at all. This is perhaps made possible by the good rail and bus services serving Gargrave. The bus seems to be used more frequently for shorter journeys whereas the train is used less frequently but on longer journeys. Walking and cycling appear to be focused on shorter but more frequent activities which are perhaps linked to village life and enjoying the fabulous countryside around us. We are also blessed with good local services with a supermarket, a clothes shop, dentist, good pubs and restaurants. On the trading estate we have a recently arrived butcher, car servicing, and cycle shop. We have lost services like the GP surgery, and Post Office. It is interesting to ponder on the impact the loss of these services in the village has had on our travel and what effect any future losses might have on it. Supporting local business has therefore never been more important, not merely for our convenience but for the effects on climate-change.



Travel on holidays is predominantly by car, other forms of transport also form significant proportion of the journeys.



The results for holiday travel comes alive when the average mileage is looked at. Air travel accounted for fewer holiday journeys but the mileage is the greatest. Some of this may be reflected by people visiting family who live on the other side of the world. Car, sea and train seem to have a similar balance of journeys to mileage. When people travel on

holiday, they also frequently have more people in the car than when making regular journeys thereby reducing the carbon footprint. The results suggest that some people are beginning to make choices to travel in more environmentally conscious ways.

Diane's Dog Walking

Gargrave & Surrounding Area

dianerblythe@outlook.com

Mobile: **07833 698 600**

https://www.facebook.com/diane.blythe.35

Question 5 asked what plans people had for changing the way they travel in the future. 52% indicated that they had made changes or planned to make changes in the way they travelled. Changes included fewer flights, increased use of bus and train, shorter journeys, purchasing a smaller or electric cars. However, 48% could not identify any planned changes.

Thanks to everyone for completing the questionnaire, it has provided an interesting insight into how we travel as a church community. It will be repeated again in a year or so to see what has changed. There is still a lot we can do to make our travel more environmentally-friendly in the future. Making changes now will help to make the planet a better place for the young people of today and the generations of tomorrow.

Gargrave Village Hall news

Caroline Thompson

I could probably write a book centred around some of the things which seem to have occurred at the Village Hall over the years and some of the characters involved. Perhaps if I did it would be necessary to change some names though!

In this instance there is no need to change a name for the lady I want to write about is Carla. If any reader is familiar with our Flea Markets, Craft Fairs and Jumble sales at the Village Hall, they will undoubtedly know her. She is the Italian lady with a personality to match her bright attire. I first met Carla at my family's local horticultural show at Horton-in-Ribblesdale around thirty years ago when she was the newbie who had run away with the prize for the best marmalade. Little did I know that we were soon to meet up again when we both began to be regular stallholders at the two Flea Markets per month which were run at Gargrave Village Hall. We forged an early friendship with our love of finding a good bargain and appreciation of antique and Vintage pieces. We had conversations and opinions on everything under the sun and despite having totally different lives and upbringings we got on famously.

Around ten years ago Carla decided that her remote home in the dales was not ideal for her advancing years, and she moved to Saltaire, the mecca for all things Vintage but more importantly more accessible for healthcare and bus and train services. Carla has enjoyed living in the interesting town of Saltaire though did miss the fresher air of the Dales. Her son is based in London and her daughter

has made her home in America. Sadly Carla`s daughter in law died when she was very young, and Carla spent a lot of time in London looking after her grandson and going on many an expedition to blitz her son's house. Carla has not enjoyed the best of health over the past few years and her son worries that he is so far away and not able to help when needed so after much thought and discussion they both decided they needed to be nearer to each other. Carla has now sold her property in Saltaire and both await their move to Suffolk. She is currently surrounded by packing cases and the thought of what goes into storage whilst the property in Suffolk is ready. What a big upheaval and change in life.

Carla moved from Italy to England in her youth. Her sister Anna still lives in Italy and has visited many times over the years and Carla returned the favour many times too. They remain very close though visits are not as frequent with their advancing years. Carla married an Englishman, and she taught Italian both in schools and privately and many of her pupils and family come and visit the Hall Fairs even now. Carla spent much of her married life around the Blackburn, Ribchester and Clitheroe areas and moved to Horton-in-Ribblesdale when her marriage ended. Carla is a great conversationalist and a very intelligent woman; she has a better understanding of the English language than an Englishman!

She has a smashing sense of humour and we have had some great fun over the years and much laughter. Often at the Fair nearest Christmas she has donned her fairy wings and wand and can be seen tapping customers on their shoulder and asking them to make a wish. Interesting to see a reserved Englishman of a certain age and his reaction to that request.! Everyone involved with all the Fairs will miss her very much as she turns to the next chapter in her story. However, her beloved grandson who is now a young man will be thrilled to have his 'Nonna' home. I am privileged to have made such a good friend and all down to our connection with the Village Hall. I know we will remain in touch.

And finally…

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Duncan for all the work he has undertaken as editor of the church magazine. He has done a sterling job over the years. I thank him for his patience and understanding when I may not quite have reached the publication deadline. I hope he can now enjoy a bit more free time. Wishing you all the best Duncan from Caroline and all at Gargrave Village Hall.

What do you call someone who used to like tractors?

An ex-tractor fan.

At the end of the vicar's pre-Lent sermon he suggested, as an example to the rest of the community, that the congregation should worship in an unheated church for the whole of Lent. As they made their way into the chill Sunday air the vicar addressed one member of the congregation, asking what she had decided to give up for Lent. "Church," she replied firmly.

Voices of Craven Choir is recruiting

Joan Horsfield and Ellie Everhart

We know that many of you came to the most recent Voices Of Craven (VOC) Christmas Concert in Gargrave and enjoyed a fun-filled evening of festive music. Familiar faces were also seen at other concerts last season, including summer concerts at the Coniston Hotel, St Alkelda's Church, Skipton Town Hall, and at our collaborative Christmas event with Giggleswick and Settle Brass Band.

I am sure you will have noticed that, at every performance, the choir members always have as much fun as the audience and, as this has clearly whetted appetites to learn more about VOC, we thought that we would give you a little more detail about what we do and how you can get involved.

VOC is a well-established community choir which performs several large concerts throughout the year, and is often augmented by professional musicians. Last year, for example, the world-renowned local soprano, Sarah Fox, joined us, along with the fabulous Vine String Quartet. The participation of these wonderful artistes, together with the expertise of our Musical Director, Darren Everhart, and our accompanist, Ellie Everhart, not only provides the audience with a fantastic experience, but also helps to develop musicianship and confidence amongst our members.

Our forthcoming summer concerts are on Saturday 3rd June and another date in June, to be confirmed. Our Christmas concerts are on Wednesday 6th December for Carols at Coniston and another later in December, the date and location for which is yet to be confirmed. We are currently finalising programmes and we are very excited about the music we will perform.

The choir meets fortnightly, on Wednesday evenings. Our regular rehearsal venue is the Coniston Hotel, but we occasionally rehearse in local churches and village halls. Rehearsals

begin at 7:30 pm and finish at 9.30 pm. We can guarantee that you will leave rehearsal feeling invigorated physically and mentally, refreshed, de-stressed and, as some have reported, possibly taller!

We are a non-audition choir and the ability to read music, or have previous choral experience, is not essential. We just want to get people involved in singing and, in turn, to bring music of a very high quality to our audiences. In addition to the proven health benefits of singing, membership of the choir gives access to a friendly and welcoming social group, where members forge new friendships whilst developing their personal singing skills.

If you would like to give VOC a try, please contact our Choir Manager, Joan Horsfield on voicesofcraven@gmail.com so that we can look out for you and have some music ready for you, then simply come along to a couple of rehearsals to see if the choir is for you. Our next rehearsal is on Wednesday 15 February, 7:30pm at the Coniston Hotel. We very much look forward to seeing you.

Gargrave cricket club: players welcome

Robert Storr

We are back!

Cancel your Thursday evening plans from 2nd March.

Head up to Upper Wharfedale sports hall at 18:30 and we'll see you there.

New players always welcome! Drop us a message if interested

Founded in 1852, we are one of Yorkshire's oldest cricket clubs. The club has two senior teams. Both play in the Craven and District Cricket League. The 1st XI play in Division Two and the 2nd XI play in Division Four.

We also welcome anybody who is interested in cricket to help maintain our wonderful club.

https://gargrave.play-cricket.com

Gargrave Parish Council Monthly Meeting, 4 January

Kath Ashby

A casual vacancy in the Office of Councillor for the Parish Council following the resignation of Cllr Hughes in December. The Parish Council would like to thank Cllr Hughes for her contribution during her time as a Councillor. If anyone is interested in joining the Parish Council, please contact the clerk Kath Ashby.

1. **Craven District Councillors Report:**

Cllr Myers told the meeting that the budget is looking bad for NYCC as there is a deficit of circa £30 million this year. When it comes to the Council Tax, there will certainly be pressure to put it up by the maximum. Social Care is a massive drain on resources as are utility costs.

North Yorkshire does have reserves of £90million, we are not like some other County Councils who claim they are going bankrupt, as we do have the money and will not be declaring we cannot afford to provide services. CDC is not handing over a deficit. There will be savings from the local government re-organisation which will be quite considerable. Also, there will be savings made by having less offices too.

2. Police Report:

There was no attendee from Yorkshire Police who attended the meeting as such these figures for numbers of crimes were taken from the Police portal. and are for November 2022 only.

• Violence & Sexual Behaviour	3
• Burglary	2
• Criminal Damage & Arson	1
• All Other Crime	1
	Total of 7

3. Public Participation:

A local resident came along this evening explaining how she would like to open A Youth Club for the children in the village and was working with a Youth Development Worker from NYCC who also attended the meeting this evening. Play Away at Eshton have already offered their facilities an also the use of their Mini Bus to transport the youths to and from the venue for a small charge. The Vicar did offer the use of the Church initially but it was felt that there is so many facilities already in place at Play Away which will be great for the young people to enjoy.

4. Flood Plan Presentation:

A group attended this evening, one representative from NYCC and two members from Craven District Council, along with three residents, two of which are the Flood Wardens for our village appointed by the Environment Agency. A discussion took place, relating to the proposed Flood Plan being linked in some way to the Community Emergency Plan.

The Chairman explained that the Community Emergency Plan was a NYCC template document which the Parish Council had completed. This provides a cascade of telephone numbers in case of any emergency. This also includes a list of personal details of local volunteers who kindly put their details forward to help in an emergency, providing things such as transport, refreshments, door knocking and support. Therefore, this plan is not to be placed in the public domain. The Parish Council would instead provide a front sheet which would be placed on the website and in our Noticeboard giving initial contact details.

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday the 8th February at 7:15pm; all are welcome.

Settle Orchestral Society

Jill Gates, Treasurer

Did you know that there is a full-sized symphony orchestra based in Settle? Settle Orchestral Society began life in 1967, when a small group of local musicians who provided the music for Settle Amateur Operatic Society productions decided that they would like to keep playing together. The numbers were further increased thanks to a collaboration with Settle High School.

The orchestra has developed enormously since those early days, to a large extent thanks to Howard Rogerson's 15-year tenure as conductor. Howard was particularly keen to provide opportunities for youngsters to experience orchestral playing.

In 2017 we developed a partnership with the Royal Northern College of Music (RNCM), who recommend each year a conducting student. This season's conductor is Xinjie Yang from China who has already made her mark with an ambitious programme of Schubert and Tchaikovsky. The partnership gives us access to some very talented instrumental and vocal soloists, another way of encouraging young musicians.

We are fortunate in having two very experienced co-principals – Anne Heaton (violin), who has for many years taught in music centres in the region; and Bob Buller (cello), who will be playing Tchaikovsky's Rococo Variations at our next concert.

We are always glad to hear from anyone who might like to join Settle Orchestra or write music for us. We particularly welcome young instrumentalists and composers, and currently have vacancies for string and brass players. Rehearsals take place on Friday evenings in Settle. We sometimes need additional players for specific concerts and would be happy to hear from any local professionals interested in playing.

Our Spring concerts will take place in Skipton and Settle as follows:

- Saturday 11 March at 7.30 pm, Christ Church, Skipton
- Saturday 18 March at 7.30 pm, Settle Parish Church
  And we will be playing:
- Mendelssohn: Hebrides Overture (Fingal's Cave)
- Tchaikovsky: Variations on a Rococo Theme, soloist Robert Buller
- Mendelssohn: Fair Melusine
- Beethoven: Symphony No. 2

Why not come along to one of them, to enjoy an exhilarating evening, support local musicians and help keep music live? Full details of future concerts and contacts are on our website www.settleorchestra.org.uk. We look forward to seeing you soon!

FARMING ON SCALEBER HILL

John Hall

ON THESE SHORT WINTER DAYS I make it my task, once daylight appears, to collect my dogs and walk around the fields to check the sheep and exercise both self and dogs. Work on the farm at Christmas continues as normal. One consolation is that if you eat too much Christmas dinner by the time you have completed the evening chores one is ready for tea! When we were milking and rearing turkeys Christmas was always the hardest time of year.

Now is the time to collect all the tups together and pen them up indoors for a couple of days to get them reacquainted with each other and avoid any unnecessary fighting and subsequent injuries.

As for the ewes, they are still outside at the moment and as such they are moved round from field to field on a regular basis to keep fresh grass in front of them. The first batch have now been pregnancy scanned to ascertain the number of lambs we can expect. It would appear that this year numbers are slightly down, probably due to the long hot spell in the summer and poorer quality grazing. We hope to scan the remaining sheep shortly so that they can then be sorted and fed accordingly.

Despite vaccinating for pneumonia a new strain has cropped up amongst the young calves. Even though we have well ventilated modern sheds and every care is taken there is no easy solution. The sudden change in temperature from -9 to +11 in 24 hours doesn't help. Fortunately, following veterinary intervention, we have identified the specific strain and are able to vaccinate accordingly. I am pleased to report that the calves have all now recovered, bar a little coughing, and are back playing and charging round their pens like the wacky races!

The last batch of black & white heifers, which are due to calve in February, will be brought out into straw pens shortly. Having reared such heifers for the last 21 years, following the sale of our dairy herd, we have taken the decision to move towards rearing beef cattle. One of the main reasons for these changes, as well as being very time consuming and delivering tight financial margins, is the ever present TB threat and the restrictions it brings.

On the subject of financial margins and the current cost of living crisis a good friend of mine who is a long retired farmer tells the following tale:-

During the 1950's a pint of milk, a pint of beer and a loaf of bread were the same price. In recent times the last pint of beer bought was £5.50 and a loaf of bread £1.10. However, the farmer is only being paid approximately 23p per pint. This brings about the point of public perception being that food is becoming expensive – but is it?

Gargrave Show has recently lost a long serving committee member – Mr George Emmott. George had bred and shown shire horses all his life and had attracted many breeders to show at Gargrave over the years. His dedication to these rare and impressive work horses will be greatly missed.

A MEDITATION FOR FEBRUARY

Richard Rohr

St Valentine's Day will soon be upon us. The shops are full of cards and gifts encouraging us in our annual celebration of romantic love. In this meditation the popular spiritual teacher Richard Rohr focuses on one of Jesus' parables to help us reflect on another form of love – compassion!

Learning How to Love

Jesus told them another parable: "The Kingdom of heaven is like a man who sowed seed in his field. Bur while everyone was sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and went away. When the wheat sprouted and formed ears, then the weeds also appeared.

The owner's servants came to him and said. 'Sir, didn't you sow good seed in your field? Where did the weeds come from?

'An enemy did this,' he replied. The servants asked him, 'Do you want us to go and pull them up?' 'No' he answered, 'because while you are pulling up the weeds, you may root up the wheat with them. Let both grow together until the harvest. At the time I will tell the harvesters: First collect the weeds and tie them in bundles to be burned; then gather the wheat and bring it into my barn' .

Matthew 13:24-30

THIS GOSPEL IS NOT ONLY EXTREMELY INSIGHTFUL, it's also very realistic and compassionate. With crises and injustices in every part of the world, many of us may be asking ultimate questions about good and evil. "Where do the weeds come from? Where does evil originate? Why do people do such harmful things?" I ask this about a dozen times every day. This world doesn't make sense. How can people be so malicious, so unkind, so uncaring? It's like we don't know how to care anymore, as though we don't know how to access our own hearts, our own souls, and our own spirits.

For those of us who grew up as Christians, we may have heard this parable when we were younger. We may have been told to pull out the imperfect weeds and get rid of our faults. But since we really couldn't get rid of them, we covered them up and pretended we didn't have them. And that just doesn't work.

Yet Jesus shows us an absolute realism. He says something that was never said to me when I was a young person: "Let the weeds and the wheat both grow together." Wow! That's risky. I can't pretend to logically understand it, although I know it allows me to be compassionate with myself. After all, I'm also a field of weeds and wheat, just like you are, and just like everything is. Everything is a mixed bag, a combination of good and bad. We are not all weeds, but we are not all wheat, either. We have to learn, even now, to accept and forgive this mixed

bag of reality in ourselves and in everybody else. If we don't, we can easily become cynical or angry people. Our world is filled with too many angry people because they cannot accept their own weeds.

To accept this teaching doesn't mean we can say, "It's okay to be selfish, violent, and evil." It simply means that we have some realism about ourselves and each other. We have to name the weed as a weed. We can't just pretend it's all wheat, all good, because it isn't. We're not perfect. Our countries are not perfect. Our Church is not perfect. The project of learning how to love - which is our only life project - is quite simply learning to accept this. If you really love anybody, and I hope you all do, then you have learned to accept a person despite, and sometimes even because of, their faults.

What love means is to say, "I know your faults, I see your weeds, and I care for you anyway." Only God's heart, only the mind of Christ in us, really and fully knows how to do that.

Acknowledgement: Taken from 'Richard Rohr Meditations'. These are available free; you can sign up to receive them daily or weekly at cac.org.

Don't sleep on it

When I asked a friend the secret to his 52 years of marriage, he replied, "We never go to sleep angry. The longest we've been awake so far is five days."

Flowers for Valentine's

Some husbands are thoughtful and buy their wives flowers on Valentine's Day. And then there is my husband. One day I couldn't stand it any longer. "Why don't you ever bring me flowers?"

"What's the point?" asked my husband. "They die after about a week."

"So could you," I shot back, "but I still like having you around."

POEMS

Ann Heselton

This month, a selection of poems about life in Bell Busk

Cold

Very cold, feels like snow.
Chubby little robin putting on a show.
Icicles hanging from the window pane,
Overhead a low flying plane.
Cows and calves, all inside in the warm.
Only me in the cold, my duty to perform.
Scurrying around, cleaning and feeding.
It's the job I chose,
With a bloomin' big drip, on the end of my nose.

Bull box

I was weeding in my secret garden
With the sound of the beck bubbling by
When a little black bird fluttered from the sky.
It pecked away at the worms I'd unearthed.,
Every now and then would burst into song.
It stayed with me for the rest of the day.
Then suddenly, it flew away.
Perhaps it will come another day.

Uncle Frank

Dear Derek and Ann,
With reference to your lavatory pan.
This, of course, is no good at all.
The seat is too low and much too small.
Which leads me to the obvious retort.
My ass is too big
and my legs are too short.
Uncle F.

A small boy swallowed some coins and was taken to a hospital. When his grandmother telephoned to ask how he was, a nurse said, 'No change yet.'

Duncan Faulkner

4. A walk by Chew Lane Beck

I'M JUST BACK FROM A WALK ALONG CHEW LANE and its merrily flowing beck. A few years ago I was working on a flood risk study and found out some surprising history to Chew Lane Beck.

These days the beck flows into the canal near Eshton Road, via a culvert under the Fred Green site. Maps from the 19th and early 20th centuries show a watercourse continuing to the south of the canal from this location, flowing where the Asquith Industrial Estate and Airedale Avenue are now located. It passed under the A65 and then through the current Scapa site, joining the Eshton Beck near its confluence with the Aire. This channel, which must have been the former course of Chew Lane Beck, conveyed water from an overflow structure on the south bank of the canal, opposite the inlet from Chew Lane Beck.

The overflow is now redundant but there is still a large diameter pipe that connects road drainage in the Airedale Avenue area to the cricket ground and continues under the A65. A survey by the county council found that the pipe to the south of the A65 was much smaller and obstructed by tree roots. This effective blockage was causing drainage problems in the western part of Gargrave and so in 2016 NYCC connected the system to the A65 subsurface road drainage via an overflow. I guess it is just possible that some remnant of Chew Lane Beck's water continues to leak out of the canal into this phantom drainage system and contribute to the waterlogging formerly reported in the vicinity of the playground.

Chew Lane Beck drains the area to the north of Gargrave House. You can see a tributary of the beck as you walk up Mark House Lane past the wall of Gargrave House, coming from the direction of Old Hall Farm. At one time it flowed through a pair of ponds near Kennel Plantation. It seems the ponds, each with a sluice gate for control of the outflow, were built for the Coulthurst family of Gargrave House sometime in the late 19th or early 20th century. They helped maintain a supply of water to the water features in the grounds of Gargrave House. The larger of the two ponds is still there. Caroline Thompson tells that the pond was Mr Coulthurst's pride and joy: he used to walk up to it each morning and often took their fellow gentry visitors there while enjoying the woodland walks in the grounds. Harry Thompson restored the pond a couple of years ago, digging out all the mud and debris and finding the old sluice gate, along with exquisite craftmanship of drainage channels lined with cobbles. The smaller pond was filled in during the 1980s.

John McRobert was the head gardener at Gargrave House after WWII, having previously worked at Broughton Hall. John's son Derrick (who designed the cover art of this magazine many years ago) suggests that the ponds may have been intended as a source of ice, to be stored in the ice house that once stood in the wood near where Gargrave House Gardens is now located.

With thanks to John and Caroline Thompson, Derrick McRobert and NYCC for information.

Gargrave Lands Charity

*Are you currently experiencing financial difficulties and **need** 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's Lands Charity may be able to help!

Financial assistance readily available in approved cases.

Contact one of the trustees listed below to discuss your situation. Absolute discretion and confidentiality assured.

Phil Ellis
07907 308313

Christine Charlton
748817

Joyce Garner
748447

Mike Maiden
07876 886313

Ian Reed-Peck
07527 269915

FRIENDS OF THE DALES FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Victoria Benn

Digital Talk: Plastic Free Woodlands – Wed 1 February, 4.30pm
Without radical changes to the way we plant trees, 1.5 billion plastic tubes may end up littering the environment and damaging ecosystems by 2050. Mike Appleton and Mark Corner will talk about the YDMT project to find sustainable alternatives in woodland creation.

Digital Talk: Raptor Persecution - Wed 22 February, 4.30pm
Investigations Officer for the RSPB, Howard Jones will bring to life the cases and day to day work of fighting wildlife crime, with a focus on North Yorkshire – the worst place in the UK for bird of prey persecution.
Both these talks are free and by Zoom, to book your place email victoria.benn@friendsofthedales.org.uk

Social Stroll - Wed 22 March 2023, 9.30am – 1pm
After meeting at Skipton Bus Station, walkers will take the bus to Gargrave, returning to Skipton by the canal tow path.
This walk is free, but booking is essential as numbers are limited. To secure your place email: victoria.benn@friendsofthedales.org.uk

ROTAS FOR ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

	8am SIDESMEN	10.45am SIDESMEN/WELCOMERS			BIBLE READER	INTER-CESSOR	REFRESH-MENTS
5.2.23	Colin Chapman	Family service					
12.2.23	Kay Craven	Jo Ackroyd	Robert Ackroyd	Jennifer Rowlands	Jane Dallas	Jo Ackroyd	Lucy & Jennifer
19.2.23	Colin Chapman	Peter Gardner	Zena Gardner	Jane Dallas	Jennifer Rowlands	Pam Bolas	Claire & Mark
26.2.23	Kay Craven	Sarah Curtis	Judith Robinson	Paul Maslin	Pam Bolas	Zena Gardner	Linda & Andy
5.3.23	Colin Chapman	Family service					
12.3.23	Kay Craven	Yvonne Poulter	Peter Poulter	Jean Banks	Yvonne Poulter	Peter Poulter	Carol & Trish
19.3.23	Colin Chapman	Mark Preston	Claire Preston	Helen Wilson	Zena Gardner	Pam Bolas	Sarah & Joan

Public Transport leaving Gargrave *Compiled by Peter Hardyman 19 Jan 2023*

Face coverings requested on all public transport - the wearer's nose & mouth should be covered.

TRAINS from Gargrave NEW TIMETABLE FROM 11 DECEMBER 2022

To Skipton (arrives approx. 9 mins later) & **Leeds** (arrives approx 55 mins later)
Mon-Sat 0744 0754 0950SO 1019SX 1048 1150 1351 1522 1551
(continued) 1645 1813 1848SO 1850SX 2019 2134 2216 *2237*[1]
Sunday 1121 1210 1420 1448 1656 1856 2107 2123

To Giggleswick (arr. ~ 20 mins later) & **Lancaster** (arr. ~ 65 mins later)

Mon-Sat 0525SO 0528SX 0731 0902 1103 1304 1504 1815 2006

Sunday 0922 1115 1412 1615 1815

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

Mon-Sat 0604SX 0711SO 0832SX 0833SO 1004 1133 1604 1732 1902 *2033*[2]

Sunday 0950 1315 1509

NOTES: ***Location of Pick Up in Gargrave for Rail Replacement Buses is uncertain: may be beside The Summerseat on High Street OR at Station Entrance: CHECK WITH NORTHERN.*** Generally, **only DIRECT journeys are shown. 1.** Mon-Fri change at Skipton for Leeds. **2.** Ribblehead only. **As of 19 Jan: No Engineering works affecting Gargrave in February have been identified.** *That may change. Check with Northern Railway.* For live info on next 2 trains text GARGRAVE to 84950, or go to www.realtimetrains.co.uk/

BUSES from Gargrave *Except Bank Holidays

To Skipton (arr.~15min later) (Services 75, 210/211, 580) (M = from Malham)

M-Fri* 0820 0910 0955 1055 1057M[7] 1155 1255 1355 1357M[7] 1455 1555 1810

Saturday 0820 0910 0955 1055M 1155 1255 1355 1455M 1555 1655M 1755

Sundays + B. Hols ***No Winter Service***

To Settle DIRECT (arrives ~ 25 mins later) (Service 580/75) and (++) onward

to **Kirkby Lonsdale** (Service 581) and thence to **Lancaster** (Service 81/82)

Mon-Fri* 0905++ 1000 1100++ 1200 1300++ 1400 1500++ 1600++ 1700++ 1900++
Saturday 0905++ 1100++ 1300++ 1500++ 1700++ 1800++ 1900++
Sundays + B. Hols: ***No Service***

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

Mon-Fri* [210/211] 1000[7] 1310[7]
Saturday [75] ***from 5 Nov '22:*** 1000 1400 1600

Sundays + Bank Hols ***No Winter Service***

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

Public Transport back to Gargrave

TRAINS to Gargrave **FROM 11 DECEMBER 2022** ***Last DIRECT***

From Skipton (arr. Gargrave ~ 6 mins later) ***from LEEDS to GARGRAVE***

Mon-Sat 0519SO 0522SX 0559SX 0706SO 0725 0826SX 0827SO 0856 ***1949***
0959 1057 1127 1258 1458 1559 1727 1808SO 1810SX 1856 2000 2027

Sunday 0917 0945 1110 1309 1406 1503 1609 1809 ***1732***

From Lancaster via Giggles'k (Trains arr. Gargrave ~ 65 mins later)

Mon-Sat 0648 0941 1046 1248 1447 1745 2030 2131
Sunday 1103 1344 1552 1752 2017

From Carlisle (direct: arr. Gargrave ~ 2 hrs later)

Mon-Sat 0549SX *0713SO*[13] 0753SO 0824SX *0927SO*[15] *1058*[15] 1340
1450 1618 1824 *2013*[14]*SX* *2015*[14]*SO* *2145*[13]

Sunday 0925 1223 *1520*[15] *1607*[15] *1725*[15] 1911

NOTES: 13. From Ribblehead only. **14**. For Gargrave, change at Settle. **15**. Stops at Hellifield & Skipton, *but NOT GARGRAVE*. *Living in BD23 post code, you can buy a DALES RAILCARD: £10.00/ year. 1/3 off Anytime and Off-peak rail tickets between Gargrave, Leeds, Bradford, Carlisle, Morecambe, Lancaster. Large discount for children with you, and WINTER OFFER on Off-peak services 30 Oct 2022 – 1 Apr 2023.*

BUSES to Gargrave ***Except Bank Hols.**

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From Skipton Bus Stn.(arr. Gargrave ~15 min) (Services 75, 210/ 211, 580)

Mon-Fri* 0850 0945 0950M[8] 1045 1145 1245 1300M[8] 1345 1445 1545 1645 1845
Saturday 0850 0945M 1045 1145 1245 1345M 1445 1545M 1645 1745 1845
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From Settle DIRECT (arr. Gargrave ~25 mins later (Service 580)
+ from Kirkby Lonsdale (581) and ++ from Lancaster (81/82)

Mon-Fri* 0755++ 0845++ 0930++ 1030 1130++ 1230 1330++ 1430 1530++ 1745++
Saturday 0755+ 0845++ 0930++ 1130++ 1230 1330++ 1530++ 1730++
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From Malham (arr. Gargrave ~25mins later) (Services 75, 210/211)

Mon-Fri* [210/211] 1035[8] 1335[8] from opp. Buck Inn
Saturday [75] ***from 5 Nov '22:*** 1030 1430 1630 from opp. Buck Inn
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NOTES 8. Tues & Thurs service stops at Coniston Cold 18 mins after Malham

Service Operators: northern railway www.northernrailway.co.uk 0800 200 6060 [Travel Assistance 0800 138 5560]; 210/211, NYCC www.northyorkstravel.info/operators/n/nycc/ 01609 780780; 75/580/81/82, Kirkby Lonsdale Coach Hire klch.co.uk 01524 733831; **Buses (general)** www.dalesbus.org **Traveline** 0871 200 22 33 www.traveline.info ; **National Rail Enquiries** 03457 48 49 50 www.nationalrail.co.uk ; **Rail Ombudsman** www.railombudsman.org 0330 094 0362

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Caterpillar Club (0+) – St Andrew's Church, Wed 10am, Charlotte McDonnell, cea92@hotmail.co.uk , 07885 474998
Gymnastics (5+) – Mon and Wed, 4-6.30pm, info@ambitionsgymnastics.com
Rainbows (5+) – Tue 5-6pm, Gargrave Primary School
Brownies (7+) – Tue 6.15-7.30pm, Primary School, malhamdalebrownies@gmail.com
Guides (10+) – Tue 7.30-9pm, Primary School, gargraveguides@gmail.com
Young Farmers Club – Coniston Cold, Tues 7.30pm, Sarah Hargreaves, 01729 830123

Lunch Club, Neville Crescent Community Centre, 2nd Wed each month, 12.30, Carol 748990

Bowls – outdoor, Mar to Oct, Gargrave Bowling Club, Martyn Cox, 07745 018 459
Bowls – indoor, Oct to Mar, Tues & Thurs 2-4pm, Joan Griffin, 749277
Cricket – **Gargrave Cricket Club**, Mark Jones, 07498 288654
Cycling – **Gargrave Tuesday Club,** Dalesman, Tues and Thurs Trevor Pickles 01282 844788
Golf – **Mason's Arms Golf Society**, 749304
Hunt – Pendle Forest & Craven Hunt, Tony Holmes, 748200
Pilates – Classical, Zoom Mon 9 & 10.15 am, Village Hall Tues 6 & 7pm Wed 7 pm Thurs 9, 10 & 11.15 am**,** Cate Davies 079 5533 8775
Tennis and Croquet– **Craven Lawn Tennis Club**, Beth Whitley 749664, www.craventennis.org.uk
Table Tennis. Gargrave Village Hall Annexe, most weekends, Allison Wiffen, 07880 520071
Tai Chi & Qigong – Village Hall, Wed 1pm. Ian Cresswell. See https://gargravevillagehall.org.uk
Tai Chi Qigong – Green by War Memorial, Wed and Thurs 9.30am, Zoom Mon 9am, Zoom Fri 9am (with **Pilates**), Bee Faulkner, 07778 90994, www.beeactivebeerelaxed.com
Gentle Hatha yoga – See https://gargravevillagehall.org.uk

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Bell Ringing – St Andrew's, Mon 7.30pm, Sun 10.00am, Ali Lucas, 07921 970961
Handbell Ringers - St Andrew's, Wed 2 - 4pm (not all Weds; phone to check). Cynthia Hardyman 748839
Bingo – Neville Crescent Community Centre, Mondays 1.30-4pm, Carol 748990
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Gargrave Heritage Group – Tues 10am, St Andrew's Church, Martin Thompson, 01756 541317
Gargrave Community Library - email admin@gargravelibrary.co.uk, Patsy Simpson 749489
Craft and Chat – St Andrew's, Tues 2pm, Sylvia Humphreys 748779
Parish Council Meeting – Village Hall side room, 1st Wednesday of the month
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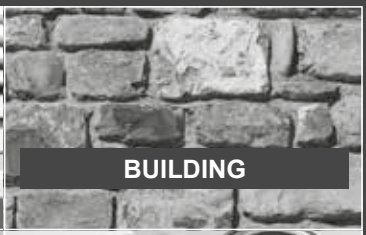

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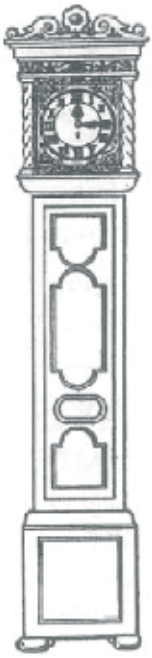

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