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PRICELESS

**Tribute to Life and Ministry of the
Reverend Harry Batty,
Methodist Minister in Swaledale
1961 to 1985**

It was with a great sense of loss that many Swaledale folk heard of the passing of the Reverend Harry Batty who died aged 83 in Edinburgh on 11th May 2007. Harry retired from full-time Methodist Ministry and left Reeth for Edinburgh in 1985 after 24 years as Superintendent of the then Reeth Circuit - comprising eight churches with Places of Worship at Reeth, Arkengarthdale, Low Row, Gunnerside, Muker, Keld, Hurst and Marske. Throughout his long period of service in Swaledale he ministered effectively to these eight far flung church communities single-handed but always with the faithful support of a modest cadre of Church Leaders and Local Preachers including his talented wife Margaret who like Harry made a splendid contribution to the life and wellbeing of the people of Swaledale. Many of us who were privileged to know Harry as a personal friend can testify to the uplifting experience of sharing fellowship with him ~ whether during worship or in the home - or sometimes simply when we bumped into him out in the street. His devotion to folk who needed a helping hand was awesome, not least at times of illness or bereavement, and at other times when things were not going too well for us (I could cite a number of examples) Harry was the one to listen closely and bring some light to bear - often by affording practical help as well as an unflinching word of encouragement. Born and bred in Sunderland Harry was a keen footballer in his

youth and was at one time on the books of the then already famous Sunderland Football Club at Roker Park. After being called to preach he candidated for Ministry and trained at the then well established Headingley Methodist Ministerial Training College in Leeds, the home city of his future wife Margaret. Before coming to Reeth Harry and Margaret served as missionaries in Guyana and then became very well loved and respected in and around Thirsk - so much so that those of us who had heard of their popular ministry there were somewhat puzzled to know how the then Reeth Circuit, in rural Swaledale, had managed to attract their interest. Part of the answer no doubt lay in the fact that in good weather Swaledale is one of the most beautiful places in the world to live and work, but perhaps more important for these two, was the warm - hearted character and dry humour of its indigenous people, which they found to be particularly worthy of recognition, support and placing on record. Harry Batty may be no longer with us in the flesh but his memory lives on in the hearts of all those who were privileged to know him.

Keith Jackson

A CHANGE TO OUR TEAM

Our Subscription Secretary, Trixie Roe is shortly leaving us to take up a position in Malton. On behalf of the entire Gazette Management Team I would like to wish her well, and to thank her most sincerely for many years of hard and dedicated work. Trixie is the sort of person who you can ask to do something and know full well that it will be done, and every organisation needs people like her. Good luck Trixie, we shall miss you. Our new Subscription Secretary is Alex Hewlitt, who I have every confidence will take over the reigns and become a reliable member of our team.

Malcolm Gardner - Chairman.

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September	August 15th
October	September 15th

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Sunday 8th. July

- 9.30am St. Andrew's, Grinton
Eucharist
St. Michael's, Downholme
Holy Communion
- 10.30am Low Row URC
Reeth Methodist
- 11.00am St. Edmund's, Marske
Eucharist
Reeth Evangelical Congregational
- 11.15am St. Mary's, Arkengarthdale
Holy Communion BCP
- 6.00 pm St. Mary's Muker
Family Service
- 6.30pm Arkengarthdale Methodist
Gunnorside Methodist
Reeth Evangelical Congregational

Sunday 15th July

- 9.15am St. Mary's Muker
Holy Communion BCP
- 10.30am Low Row URC
Reeth Methodist
- 11.00am Holy Trinity Low Row
Eucharist
St. Edmund's Marske
Reeth Evangelical Congregational
- 2.00pm Keld URC
- 6.30pm St. Mary's Arkengarthdale
Evensong BCP
Gunnorside Methodist
Reeth Evangelical Congregational

Sunday 22nd. July

- 8.00am Holy Trinity Low Row
Holy Communion BCP
- 9.30am St. Andrew's Grinton
Eucharist
St. Michael's Downholme
Holy Communion
- 10.30am Low Row
Holy Communion
Reeth Methodist
- 11.00am St. Edmund's Marske
Eucharist
Reeth Evangelical Congregational
- 11.15am St. Mary's Arkengarthdale
Holy Communion BCP
- 6.30pm Gunnorside Methodist
Reeth Evangelical Congregational

Sunday 29th. July

- 10.30am St. Andrew's, Grinton
United Parish Eucharist
Low Row
Reeth Methodist
- 11.00am St. Edmund's Marske
Eucharist
Reeth Evangelical Congregational
- 2.00pm Keld URC
- 6.30pm Arkengarthdale Methodist
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YORKSHIRE HUMOUR

A new collection of poems entitled Yorkshire Humour has just been published and it is on sale at £3 - all proceeds in aid of Arkengarthdale Methodist Church. It is written by Rhoda Fraser, who lives at Brompton on Swale with her husband John and sons Thomas and Richard. She was born in Arkengarthdale where she was christened and married in the Methodist Church, being an active member there as were her parents and grandparents before her. Rhoda qualified as a nurse but has many hobbies and interests, including singing, acting, story telling and working with children. If you are planning an event and feel the need for a Storyteller ring Rhoda on 01748 818156. Rhoda is CVR checked, and a member of the Society for Storytelling. The book is an excellent collection guaranteed to put a smile on anyone's face, it is available from Mrs. Maureen Stones, Arkle Town, Arkengarthdale, tel. 01748 884373. It will make an inexpensive and fun present.

Muker Ladies Guild.

Come and solve the Jigsaw Trail around Muker Village and enjoy Pate, Pudding and a glass of wine in the village hall on Friday July 20th at 7 p.m. in aid of the local ambulance service

and the Air Ambulance. Tickets at £5.00. are available from Reeth Post Office, Sue Thompson 886576, & on the door.

Victorian Singers In The Swaledale Museum
Singers in Victorian Dress will give a concert in Swaledale on July 7th., surrounded by tools implements and other objects from a bygone age. The concert takes place in the Swaledale Museum on Saturday July 7th at 7.30pm and the music will be provided by the Harp Singers, a mixed group of about a dozen performers under the direction of Roger Ohr.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK IN THE TWO DALES
Many thanks to all involved in the annual Christian Aid Collection. In addition special thanks to the Scout Group who distribute the Reeth envelopes, and the Traidcraft Group who tirelessly raise funds all year selling fairly traded goods, contributing to the Christian Aid total each year from their profits. If you are in Reeth on the first Friday of the month and are interested in supporting fairly traded goods, do call at the 'drop in' at the Methodist Schoolroom and see the extensive range of fairly traded goods. The village House to House collection this year was £1993.58. Full village details in the Gazette next month. **Susan Allison**

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July 9	Ron Baines	Wildlife & Conservation at Warcup, Cumbria
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HERE COMES SUMMER!

After last year it did seem like tempting fate to set up a market stall in the Orchard and attempt to do some fundraising over Spring Bank Holiday. Fearing the worst meant that we were pleasantly surprised when it did stop raining (now and then); though the hailstones were amazing - if you were under cover! A lot of people came to buy our plants and fortunately

the Orchard flower borders had some rather good examples of plants in bloom - to encourage the customers to part with their money. Serving refreshments was not an easy option for the volunteers as we had a big demand for hot drink and cake in a rather short time, i.e. when it stopped raining. The string quartet (very snug in the plant stall) entertained a good crowd and everyone seemed to enjoy the afternoon. The good news (for us) was that we took £322 for plant sales over the two days; £189 for refreshments and the sale of Judy's excellent jam. THANK YOU to everyone who helped and supported the Community Orchard.

I do hope that summer, with the appropriate weather, is on the way. Some occasions really need a warm, dry afternoon to make things perfect - like the children's storytelling event planned for the summer holidays. Thanks to a grant from the Arts Council of England, Rhoda Fraser will be visiting the Orchard every Wednesday afternoon (2 - 3 p.m.) as part of her 'Stories in the Park' project. She will tell stories based on a different theme each Wednesday - dressed in costume. You may have seen photographs of her wearing a fantastic patchwork coat in the local newspapers. Rhoda (Hutchinson), who grew up and went to school in Arkengarthdale, has been entertaining children and adults with poems and stories for many years: now in her fourth season of Ghost Walks in Richmond, Resident Storyteller at the Countryside Museum at Hawes, and outdoors at Kiplin Hall and the Friary Gardens in Richmond. The storytelling events in the Orchard will start at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, 25th July and run every week for five weeks, the last one being 22nd August. The stories are aimed at primary school children, but accompanied children of all ages are welcome. There will be no charge for the storytelling and refreshments may be available afterwards. It is very fortunate for us that Rhoda has chosen to come to the Orchard; I hope that this will be one of those memorable events that we will want to repeat.

Brenda Allen 884103

A Day With James Lamb

On the 27 March, we had a map day with James Lamb, a national park ranger. First we looked at local maps of Gunnerside, then some maps from a long time ago and compared them. Then James showed us some compasses and we did a little bit of compass work. After that we did some grid references - 6 figure! I enjoyed it very much although I didn't get all of it. After, we went outside to sketch the mountain areas around us; it was interesting. Next we talked about a wall that was on top of a big steep hill. Just after that we did a big session of compass work out side.

James told us how to use them and how they work. Right after that we had a walk with only our maps to guide us. We went in pairs - some people took turns guiding us with their maps - most people got it right, but some got it wrong. When we had gone through about 4 fields we used our grid reference to see where we were. I didn't think I could do it but I did, even though it took me a long time to do it. When we were at the river bank we made a mistake, but we soon got it right again. We talked about the fields and the meadows where you could only walk on the footpath because of lambs and the farmers want their grass to grow first; he

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also talked about places you couldn't go or you would be in deep trouble. He showed us a building that was on the map but we couldn't see it because it has been recently knocked down. There was a tyre, it was really mucky and some people touched it and got really mucky hands. We were checking our way on our maps all the way. I personally enjoyed it very much.
Harry Sunter

Marrick Parish Council

Councillor Barrie Braithwaite was elected Chair and Councillor Keith Stones Vice-Chair at the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on 10 May 2007, Councillors signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office, agreed to accept and abide by the Code of Conduct and completed the Register of Interests. Internal Audit Review The Accounts and Audit Regulations 2003 (as amended in 2006) required all bodies to carry out and report on an annual review of the effectiveness of internal audit. It was resolved to approve the Audit Plan, prepared by the Responsible Financial Officer, which would govern the internal audit procedures of the Council. A review of the audit plan and internal audit would be carried out at each Annual Parish Council Meeting. Clerk's Salary There would be no change to the Clerk's salary. Risk Assessment Following a review, it was considered suitable and sufficient measures were in place to identify and take action on any risks associated with the Parish Council's activities. Code of Conduct The revised Model Code of Conduct for members of local authorities had come into force on 2 May 2007. It was resolved to adopt the Model Code of Conduct including paragraph 12(2). This would give members with a prejudicial interest the same rights as members of the public to speak at a meeting on the issue and then leave before the main discussion and vote. Arrangements for Future Meetings Parish Council meetings would continue to be held bi-monthly at 7.30p.m. at Marrick Institute. Co-opted to Fill Vacancy on Parish Council The recent uncontested election resulted in the Council being one member short of the required number. However, as the number nominated constituted a quorum, those members could co-opt a person to fill the vacancy. The Parish Clerk had placed a notice on the parish noticeboards, which had generated interest. After discussion,

it was agreed to offer the position to Mr Guy Wilhelm. North Yorkshire Draft Rights of Way Improvement Plan The Plan, a statutory document, had been prepared by the County Council with the support of the North York Moors and Yorkshire Dales National Park Authorities. It was about how the management, maintenance, promotion and location of local rights of way could be improved to meet future needs. After studying a summary of the Draft Plan, a response form was completed, which would be forwarded to County Hall. Internal Audit The Internal Auditor had examined the accounts on 18 April 2007 and confirmed they were correct. Copies of his report were given to Councillors. The Responsible Financial Officer presented the End of year Summary of Accounts to the meeting. It was proposed by Councillor Hodgson, seconded by Councillor Richardson that the accounts be approved. Annual Audit The Annual Return for the financial year ended 31 March 2007, had been received from the External Auditors. The Annual Internal Audit Report was completed by Mr Trusson. Members of the Council completed the Statement of Accounts and Annual Governance Statement. Correspondence The Clerk had completed surveys on local housing development and on local government. Information on the County Council's proposals for a single unitary council were distributed to Councillors. North Yorkshire County Council Integrated Passenger Transport had stated a new contract would not be awarded for the Marrick/Hurst bus service, Reeth Community Transport operated a demand responsive service on weekdays if alternative transport was required. Richmondshire District Council Community Offices Review concluded Reeth Community Office was 'an excellent example of a community based facility'. Date of next meeting: 26 July 2007.

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Reeth Parish Council May 14

Council Membership Coun Bearpark was elected as chairman, Coun Gardner as vice chairman, Couns Hutchinson & Johnson as green wardens, and Coun Bearpark as market representative.

Planning Application Coun Kendall proposed that members of the council should attend a site meeting if a planning application for land behind houses in Hill Close went ahead.

Unitary Authority Attempts had been made to invite someone to a future meeting to speak about the implications of the proposed new unitary authority for North Yorkshire but at the moment all speakers were fully booked.

Mews Members noted a letter from the current owner confirming that the Kings Arms had now been sold and congratulating all concerned on the work done to improve the paving and cobbling in the Mews. When the new tenants are confirmed a letter will be sent to confirm arrangements regarding storage, collections etc in order to clarify the situation from the start.

Playground. It was confirmed that the council's insurance policy covered whoever was carrying out the regular checks on the playground and equipment. Councillors agreed that in future the chairman and the clerk could approve necessary minor repairs in order to get them carried out as quickly as possible. A closed bin was required for the playground to avoid litter being blown around or spread by birds.

Code of Conduct Councillors agreed to adopt the revised Model Code of Conduct. **Gazette** Members agreed that the chair of the parish council or a nominated substitute should be a trustee of the Reeth & District Gazette. **Tipping.** Problems were still occurring with garden rubbish being tipped on the footpath near School House. This will be reported again to the Ranger as the rubbish was becoming a danger as well as an eyesore.

Swaledale Festival Permission was granted for the Swaledale Festival to stop for a short outdoor performance on Healaugh green during their walk with musical interludes. **National Park** No council members


wished to be nominated as a parish representative on the National Park Committee.

Parish Boundary. A 'No Tipping' sign was required for land near Scabba Wath bridge, however there was a query as to which parish council was responsible for this area. The clerk would find out where the boundary with Grinton parish was actually fixed.

Healaugh Green. The honesty box for Healaugh was ready to install and would be put in place as soon as possible. **Christmas Tree.** In spite of regular watering the new Christmas tree did not appear to be flourishing. If there was no improvement in the near future it would be removed.

Cobbles. A request was discussed for a marquee outside the Black Bull for a party in June. The council concluded that it would not be appropriate as it could set a precedent for future requests and because of the possible effect on other residents.

Housing Sue Stokes, the Richmondshire Rural Housing Enabler, attended the meeting to give a presentation on the provision of affordable housing in the area. She outlined the extent of the problems with housing and explained that she was working in conjunction with the district and county councils to identify suitable sites in Richmondshire and with landowners to release underused land. She confirmed that the mix of different sized homes was being carefully looked at to ensure suitability for families and the quality of the building specifications was being set very high. Some sites were being developed in partnership with housing trusts and others in conjunction with private building companies. Coun Kendall pointed out that there were also a number of cases with local families waiting for council houses which were then given to families from outside the area, aggravating the situation. If affordable housing was to be provided in the parish the system of allocating it would need to be well thought out. **Next Meeting.** The next meeting is at 7pm on Monday, June 25, in the Memorial Hall.



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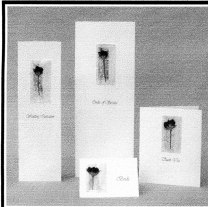
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Due to a heavy workload both in Reeth and throughout Richmondshire, Richard Beal has now joined Liz MacLaren in the Learning Centre to offer the best possible service to the Community. For those of you who are not familiar of what is available, here are just a few of our facilities on offer :-Computer Suite offering a range of assessed courses such as CLAIT, ECDL and coming soon Sage Accounting. General computer training for beginners upwards on Microsoft Word, Excel, File Management etc. Taster courses covering topics such as Power Point Presentations, Driving Theory Test, Buying & Selling on the Internet, exploring Google Earth, Creating & Showing Slideshows, Desktop Publishing, Skype Job specific training :- Food Hygiene, First Aid etc. Hot Office accommodation - internet access, phones, printers Meeting rooms bookable by the hour / day / session at very attractive rates Laptop Loan Scheme - free loan of a fully enabled Laptop for upto 3 months It is hoped that we will soon be able to offer a Web Cam service to give people living in Arkengarthdale and Muker access to all the facilities in the Learning Centre without needing to travel into Reeth, this will be a first in North Yorkshire ! Come to one of our open days for a demonstration ! We are keen to hear from as many people as possible and are happy to visit any group meetings to learn about the sort of courses that interest you, not just about computers - anything at all ! So why not give us a call or better still pop in and discuss your needs. We intend to hold open days on Monday 13th, Tuesday 14th, Monday 20th and Tuesday 21st August from 10am - 4pm

so you can see for yourself what is available Liz and Richard can be contacted on 01748 880025 or via e mail richard.hudsonhouse@yahoo.co.uk

Minutes of Melbecks Annual Parish Meeting, held on Thursday May 24th 2007 at 7.30 pm at Low Row Institute.

Apologies - Councillor David Crapper Present - Councillors Raymond Alderson, Philip Calvert, Edward Blackburn, David Alderson, the clerk Mrs Stark and one member of the public. **Election of Officers** - Councillor Calvert proposed that Councillor R Alderson continue as chairman, seconded by Councillor D. Alderson. Councillor Calvert proposed Councillor D Alderson as Vice Chairman seconded by Councillor E Blackburn. Declaration of Acceptance Forms signed. **Matters Arising** - Highways - the Council were informed that the missing Gunnerside nameplate would be replaced. Hedge cutting had to be delayed until July, due to the Protection of Wild Birds Act. Councillor Crapper had left a message that the Bonfire site had been cleaned up; he wished to convey his thanks to all who had helped. The information required on village rubbish bins had not yet been completed but would be ready for the next meeting. N.Y.C.C. - An Executive Summary of the Draft Rights of Way Improvement Plan for North Yorkshire, "People Paths and Places", was received. Consultation period ends on 30th June. Local Bus Service Contracts noted. New Council for North Yorkshire -A leaflet that addresses issues specifically for Town/Parish Councils was distributed. Councillor Calvert declared an interest in the next item. AIR - Muker Band will play in Gunnerside on Sunday July 22nd at 3pm

the Council will be invoiced after the event. Y.D.N.P.A. - Minutes and Agendas read and noted. **Planning Decisions** - Listed Building Consent for demolition of existing garden room, wc, bathroom and store and erection of replacement garden room, wc/shower room and bathroom, relocation of oil storage tank at Moorview, Low Row. SD 987984 - Granted. Footpath No.8 Melbecks Diversion Order - had now been confirmed by the Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority. Full Planning Permission for reinstatement of former dwelling and extension into adjoining barn - Brownberry Blades. An appeal has been made to the Secretary of State. The Council had no further comments to make. A copy of the Yorkshire Dales Today and Tomorrow 2007 - 12 National Park Management Plan was received and noted. **Y.L.C.A.** Minutes, agendas and the White Rose Update read and noted. Ballot for Parish Member Vacancy on the National Park Authority. Four names had been put forward. The council considered the nominations and unanimously voted for Thomas William Harold Brown. **Finance** - Copies of bank reconciliation distributed to members. The clerk reported that the accounts had been inspected by the internal auditor. The chairman scrutinised the accounts book and signed to say they were correct. The Annual Return for the Auditors completed and signed. Membership of the Y.L.C.A. was agreed and payment of £92.00 agreed. Payment of £20.00 to Gunnerside Village Hall for meetings agreed. Payment of £28.00 to Low Row Institute for meetings agreed. The April Precept had been paid and the insurance premium of £126.00 had

been deducted. The clerks salary agreed, expenses postage telephone etc. £22.43 agreed **R.D.C. - Community Office Review** - The council noted the recommendations. **New Code of Conduct** - There had been communication from several bodies on this subject. The Standards Board has produced a model code for parish/town councils. It is an adaptation of the generic code. After discussion it was agreed that this item be placed on the agenda for the next meeting. **Correspondence** from Mr Ambler of Low Row was received. The works to the seat dedicated to Marion Snowden located to the west of Brown Hill Top had been completed. Mr Ambler also offered to undertake similar repair and maintenance work to the metal Coronation seat. The Council were happy to accept his offer and conveyed their thanks.

Highways Councillor R Alderson raised the following issues - 1. The cattle grid at Peatgate is almost full again. 2. One side of the bridge at Surrender had been repaired but not the other. 3. Concerns had been raised at the speed of traffic passing through Low Row; the Council requests that the possibility of installing traffic calming measures be considered. The meeting closed at 8.55 pm **Next Meeting** - Friday, June 29th at Gunnerside Village Hall 7.30 pm

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Friends of Swaledale Museum

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What's On At Reeth Memorial Hall

Monday 9th July 8pm - Cherish the Ladies (with Irish dancers) are the most successful and sought-after Irish-American group in Celtic music. Joanie Madden, leader of Cherish the Ladies was recently inducted into the traditional music Hall of Fame. She was only the second woman and the youngest person ever to be so. Between them, this six-piece all-women traditional Irish band include vocalists and play flute, guitar, banjo, mandolin, piano accordion, fiddle, whistle, tin whistle, bodhran and piano/keyboard. Each performance includes jigs, reels, polkas and slip jigs delivered with superb musicianship and singing. Tickets available from Reeth Post Office -£15 (£17 on the door), www.cherishtheladies.com

Friday 17th August - Mad Agnes on their "No Visible Means Of Support" tour of the UK. This is the first UK tour for this American three-piece band. From a cappella to breathtaking instrumentation (guitars, bass, mandolin, keyboards), Mad Agnes delights, incites and heals. The Boston Herald states, *funny showmanship, rambunctious harmonies and intense beauty.* Support by multi-instrumentalist, vocalist **John Burge** - Tickets available from Reeth Post Office - £8 (£9 on the door) - www.madagnes.com

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Dear Reader -

News regarding Reeth Friday Market

This is Colin your friendly fruit and veg. man. As you know I attend each week and deliver up to and beyond Reeth at least three times per week, and not just to the catering trade. Since the sad and sudden

death of Eddy our butcher, I have managed to get another one from Patrick Brompton, a well known farmer Stephen Knox who trades as Yorkshire Dales Meat Co. Ltd., who sells freezer packs, catering packs etc. We have also got Dave who trades as the Little Cheese Stall. He travels from Halifax which is about 60 miles and he stocks an excellent range of local and continental cheeses. I am also pleased to say that at long last we have a fish stall. Michael and Daniel come from Whitby which is about 75 miles, with a range of fresh, smoked and shell fish. We also have Stephen Keogh from Kirby Stephen with his range of homemade preserves, toffee, fudge local honey and Tracey, who is known locally from Arkengarthdale, with Dalesbread. Peter Danby comes from Brough, approximately 22 miles, with ex army surplus, menswear, boots etc., and we have Carl Johnson for landscaping and aquarium requirements. Taffy's Twigs comes from Little Crakehall selling walking sticks and demonstrates how to make them, and frequently we are visited by Krugman Binoculars from Darlington, with binoculars and scopes. We also have Just baskets from Sheffield - 100 miles away, Syneragy Spirit come from Leyburn with aromatherapy with natural creams, oils and scented candles. Hopefully there will some different stalls throughout the summer. So please support these traders, many of whom travel a long way to support the market and your community. If at any times anyone has a problem regarding the market, contact me, Colin, on the fruit and veg stall. For booking and dates for a charity stall contact the well known Mr. Martin Bearpark. **Colin**

REETH AND DISTRICT GAZETTE

Dear Sir — Following the house-fire we suffered on 14 May, we would like to express our appreciation to all the members of the Reeth volunteer fire brigade. For 20 years we have lived less than 100 metres from the Fire Station and never have we been so grateful for their closeness and the rapid response they made to our 999 call. Not only did they succeed in putting out the fire and restrict the damage to our home, the care they took to minimise the harm to our furniture, carpets, bedding and curtains was a credit to them all. The Dale at large, and we in particular, are extremely lucky to have them here to protect us. We thank them all from the bottom of our hearts. Ken & Ros Camseyn.Bracken House (Perhaps to be re-named Tinderbox Cottage) Reeth.

DON'T FORGET REETH SHOW

Wednesday August 29th. 2007

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What's On in July at the Dales

Countryside Museum

Exhibitions 30th June - 15th July Mark Butler is exhibiting photographs showcasing the glorious scenery of the Yorkshire Dales national Park. 21st July - 31st August Our annual summer interactive exhibition for all the family, this year on the theme of *Geology in the Dales*. Friends of the Museum will be holding their annual Gift Day on Friday evening 20th July.. A social and fund raising evening including a talk by author Dulcie Lewis, "Not just Yorkshire Pudding" 7.30pm **Events** Tuesday 3rd - Spinning a Yarn. Museum volunteers demonstrate spinning and rugmaking between 2-4pm. Sunday 15th - Digital Photography workshop 10am - 4pm- booking essential. Saturday 21st - To coincide with National Archaeology Week we will have Karl Lee here demonstrating the ancient craft of Flint Knapping, 1 - 4pm. Wednesday 25th - Art in the Park. Children's craft afternoon 2-4pm - booking essential Thursday 26th - Lunchtime lecture. National Park Rangers will be talking about their Red Squirrel Project 12.30 - 1.30. Friday 27th - Storytelling in the museum for all the family 2-3pm. Sunday 29th - Pathfinder Basics. Learn basic map and compass reading and practise your new skills outdoors. 10.15am - 4pm. Booking essential. Tuesday 31st - Traditional dry stone walling demonstration 2-4pm **Contact details for further details or to book onto any event** The Dales Countryside Museum, Station Yard, Hawes open daily 10am - 5pm Tel: 01969 6666210

MUKER PARISH COUNCIL
ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON 22nd MAY, 2007

All Councillors were returned unopposed and after signing their Acceptance of Office Cllr. Whitehead was re-elected as chairman and Cllr. Calvert vice-chairman and treasurer.

FINANCE: The first precept payment had been received from the District Council less the Small Parish Insurance Scheme payment of £126.00. This has risen considerably since last year but is still much less than it would cost the parish council if they dealt directly with an insurance company. It was also decided to continue membership of the Yorkshire Local Councils Association.

RICHMONDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL: Notice has been received of a consultation paper for Richmondshire Local Development Framework with special emphasis on how different levels of growth at Catterick Garrison might affect delivery of the long term vision and objectives of the LDF. A copy of the Community Offices Review prepared by the Scrutiny Committee has been forwarded for information.

NORTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL: Councillors were not interested in being nominated as Parish representative for the Richmondshire Area Committee. Information was requested from the Children and Young People's Service regarding housing developments and how they may affect school provision. A response form for comments was included with the Executive Summary of the Draft Rights

of Way Improvement Plan. Alterations to Local Bus Service Contracts show the Richmond - Swaledale evening journey will be discontinued due to cost but a letter of appreciation has been sent for the services which are continuing. An update for Parish Councils regarding the application from NYCC for a single Unitary Council.

YORKSHIRE DALES NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY: Planning permission was granted for the installation of solar panels at Butt House, Keld; no objections were raised for full planning permission for creation of new surface on existing track at Ravenseat Moor, Keld; and no objections were raised for consent to erect gates on a public right of way Bridleway 19, Muker Parish.

YORKSHIRE LOCAL COUNCILS ASSOCIATION: An advice note on the new Code of Conduct had been received together with a copy of The Model Code of Conduct for Parish and Town Councils. This document was discussed and it was resolved that the Parish Council adopts the Standard Board's Model Code of Conduct for Parish and Town Councils 2007. Councillors decided to support the nomination of Mr Harold Brown as National Park Parish member. No members were suggested as Parish Representatives to the Richmondshire District Council Standards Committee.

OTHER CORRESPONDENCE: Information regarding the new Code of Conduct was received from the Standards Board for England and the Communities and Local Government office. No Councillors were interested in

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submitting themselves as a Parish Member, Secretary of State Appointment, to the Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority 2007. Invitations to seminars regarding play and leisure amenities and Community Land Trusts were not attended. The Clerk has replied to a letter from the Post Office regarding the temporary closure at Muker emphasizing the importance of reopening the facility as soon as possible.

At the Annual Meeting of Muker Parish Council members resolved to adopt the Standard Board's Model Code of Conduct for Parish and Town Councils 2007

The next Parish Council meeting will be held at 7.30 pm on Tuesday 20th June, 2007, in Muker Institute.

REETH and GRINTON FIRST RESPONDERS Strawberries and Cream Fund-raising day, Sunday 27 May

Typical Spring Bank Holiday weather threatened to put the damper on our fund-raising activities, but in the end, a steady stream of supporters ensured that the Team raised £190. The money will be used to help pay for training of Responders and essential equipment.

The event would not have been possible without the generosity of everybody who gave their time, and all the people who provided the refreshments free or at cost. Our thanks are due to the scone-bakers including Jennifer Attwood, Claire Brown and Les Ritchie; to Gail Hall for her fairy cakes; Colin Garner for providing the strawberries; Sam's of Leyburn for Westmorland blend coffee; Shirley Raw for the milk and Maythorne Dairies for the cream. Thanks also to Quaker Close flats for the loan of crockery, to Nicola

Longden for providing spoons and organising the supply of strawberries and cream, Fiona Wilkinson for sorting out the bowls and tablecloths, Heather Ritchie for her coffee machine, and the Black Bull for serviettes. We are indebted to the small army of helpers who joined us throughout the day, serving teas and coffees, scones and strawberries and cream, talking to visitors about the job of the First Responders, and to the washers-up, including Margaret Peacock. Special appreciation goes out to the people behind the scenes - Responders, friends, relatives and spouses, who made the day go so enjoyably, and to Hudson House and the Community Orchard Group for providing the venue. Finally, credit must go to the many people of Swaledale and Arkengarthdale, residents and visitors alike, who turned out on a not-very-pleasant day to show their support. **Tony Attwood**, Team Co-ordinator.

Gunnerside WI

One of our Sheep is Missing :Last September, Gunnerside WI celebrated its 60th Anniversary with a memorable day of outdoor activities and challenges, culminating with rescuing a "sheep" from Gunnerside Beck. The sun shone for us, and the BBC cameras were there to record the fun. Although the series has already started, two further programmes about the WI movement are scheduled to be shown on BBC4 on Monday 2nd July and Monday 9th July at 9pm. One of these will feature Gunnerside WI. If you feel like watching, the local scenery should be good even if nothing else is!

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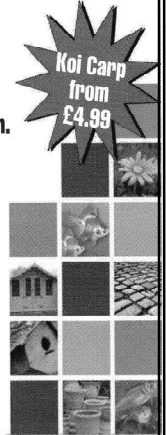
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hundreds of individual local people. The National Archive is keen to see the Reeth Poor Law Union included; this covered the whole of Swaledale & Arkengarthdale - the parishes of Arkengarthdale, Ellerton Abbey, Grinton, Marrick, Melbecks, Muker and the township of Reeth.

The National Archive carried out a pilot study for this project. For further details see <http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/news/stories/160.htm?homepage=news>

If you are interested in learning more then please contact me either by email alanfmills@lineone.net or 'phone 01748 884938. **Alan Mills**

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Winning formula for Arkengarthdale Sports Day

An outstanding fancy dress parade and traditional races coupled with a wonderful mix of brass band music, livestock and glorious weather guaranteed a winning formula for Arkengarthdale Sports Day on 2nd June. The children's and adult tent competitions were extremely well supported and the standard across artwork and cookery classes were exceptionally high making it a difficult task for judges Ros & Andrew Brown and Audrey & Robert Thornborrow. The Joan Stubbs memorial trophy for best fancy dress was awarded to Jack Stones & Emily Cody as the retiring Blairs, dressed in suit and judges' gown with holiday attire underneath! The fell race attracted many runners and the winners were Jack Stones (junior) and Steven Bainbridge (senior). Sheep classes are a key element of the Sports Day and the silver cup for best male or female sheep was awarded to G R & A D Barningham. The final of the quoits knockout was closely fought with Lawrence Allison just pipping Robert Stubbs to the winning post. Four games of football were played in the tournament, winning teams were under 8's - Arkengarthdale & Gunnerside, under 12's - draw, girls - Reeth and under 15's - Arkengarthdale & Gunnerside. The reputation of Arkengarthdale Sports delicious tea drew in record numbers and once again everyone complimented the group of ladies who prepared and served

the fabulous homemade cakes and savouries. Of course the icing on the cake was the beautiful sound of Muker Band resounding through the Dale.

Comments Douglas Barningham, Chairman of Arkengarthdale Sports, ' We had a fantastic day thanks to the unfaltering commitment of the many volunteers who devoted so much time and effort to ensure everything ran smoothly. The Sports is for the children as they are the very heart of Arkengarthdale, however ultimately it's a day that is enjoyed by everyone who attends. It's simply a great example of how our community really pulls together, and that is what makes this event so special. On behalf of the Sports Association I'd like to thank the Allison Brothers for the use of their fields and extend our gratitude to everyone involved who willingly gave their time to help with the preparation, running and break-down of the Sports.

The festivities continued into the evening with a Bar-B-Q and disco. Last year's tug of war was repeated with teams of children and ladies plus squads from the CB Inn and Red Lion. A new attraction for 2007 was a round straw bale rolling competition, which created great amusement. The members of St Mary's Church made salads for the function and the Sports Association are delighted to donate £200 to church funds.

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The Wensleydale Creamery League Tournaments started with the Under 1 Fs on May 13. The organisers changed this from 6 to 7-a-side on the day which is unacceptable and we played the first match with no substitute. Jack Wrathmall put us in the lead in the first half against Carperby while after half time Dan Longden scored followed by Jack from a good pass by Dan and finally Dan again giving a good 4-0 start. Our next 2 matches were against strong teams from Askrigg and Spennithorne A which both resulted in 0-0 draws. The young players from Spenni B team put up a brave performance but were no match for Dales with Jack getting his hat trick with 2 more from Dan and finally a well deserved goal from Thomas Wallis. Thomas does so much but fails to get that crucial goal. 6-0 win. We still needed to beat a strong Bellerby team to reach the final and this was very hard fought but Jack scored in the first half. Bellerby turned up the pressure but a good run up the field by Jack clinched a 2-0 win. The final was against Askrigg with the match marred by a heavy downpour (deja vu). The teams were evenly balanced but Askrigg got a rather fluky goal in the 1st half and with the heavy rain this sapped our morale and another was conceded giving a 2-0 loss but we were deservedly in the medals. I must mention the others who all played well - Sean Lord (partly in goal), Harry Hughes, Nick Baker-Haste, Madeleine Hill and Callum Sunter. Well done lads (and lass)!! The next weekend was the turn of the Under 14 and 16's. Under 14's played Askrigg first and kept a clean sheet until the final minute. The next 2

matches were against Richmond (Town) Mavericks who beat us 4-0 and 6-0 respectively. The domination of these events by town clubs together with other factors has all but destroyed these tournaments with the entry down to 4 teams including 2 from Richmond Town. We played a second round to have some more football and this time we were less successful against Askrigg losing 2-0 but only conceded 1 to Richmond A while Sam Fuller scored against Richmond B giving a 1-1 draw. Dales played some very good football but the all Richmond final was inevitable. I have to say I find it regrettable that Reeth AFC's Captain and League representative enters teams against his own club. The Under 16's fared better. We were pleased to welcome Richard Williams standing in for our goalkeeper at short notice. Our first match was inevitably against Richmond A and their 6ft+ striker zoomed forward from the opening whistle expecting an easy goal to be stopped by Steven Bainbridge. Although Richmond kept the upper hand our defence was able to keep a clean sheet for a 0-0 draw. Richmond did not like this with a pathetic exhibition of petulant behaviour at the end. In the second match against Richmond B, it is probably fair to say we had the edge but again a 0-0 draw ensued while we were unlucky to have the same result against Askrigg. The final match was against Bedale masquerading as Redmire and we conceded only 1 goal. Again we played a second round and this time Richmond managed a goal against us but we beat Richmond B thanks to a goal from Adam Calvert (at last after numerous tries). *Continued on next page (31)*

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An unlucky 0-1 loss with Askrigg put us out of contention and this time Redmire put 4 past us but this was a very good performance against mainly town clubs.

Our Under 12's played an evening match against Spennithorne on 18th May. Spenni scored in the 1st minute but Dan Logden pulled one straight back thanks to a nice cross from Jack but Spenni scored again before half time. Our defence went awry in the second half to concede 4 more for a 6-1 loss. We were back at Spennithorne on Saturday to play several matches previously postponed. The Under 12 played Catterick in a well balanced match. Thomas Wallis should take most of the credit for their own goal and Jack scored from a penalty while Catterick pulled 1 back. A 2-1

win was a good result in a good match. Under 10 played Bishopdale for a 1-1 draw with a super goal from Maddie Hill and we were unlucky to concede their goal. Under 12 played Bishopdale and I am not sure whether our goal was an own goal or was by Dan Longden who certainly should take much credit but we conceded 2 while the Under 10 went down 4-0 to Catterick. **Stop Press.** On 24th June we took 2 girls teams to Northallerton for a tournament. Whereas we were playing all league teams from a wide area with perhaps inevitable results, I am delighted to report that Bethany Stubbs was awarded Girl of the Tournament by the referees for the Under 14's.



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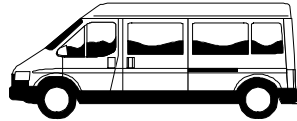
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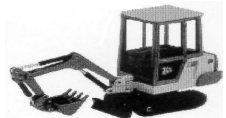
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