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Another excellent month of information, articles, events and advertisers in this issue. It always amazes us when some people say "there's nothing to do in Sedbergh". Well our pages defy that and if you want to stay at home, then yes, there is nothing to do. We must be one of the most active communities in the Country and we should all be proud to be a part of it.

Dennis & Jacky Whicker

People's Hall Redevelopment Plans

A "Drop In" at the People's Hall has been arranged from 2pm to 5pm on

Monday 10th August

to view the Plans and talk to the Committee Members and the Architect. In the evening commencing at 7.30pm, A Formal Presentation of the Plans will be made.

Please come and give us your comments and support.

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AUGUST BIRTHDAYS



Every month, there are Children's Birthday Vouchers to the value of £10 awarded to a Child whose name appears on the Birthday Page.

The recipient this month is:-
who is Rachel Hopkins

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Day	Name	Age
1	Annie RAINFORD	3
2	Jordan BURROW	11
3	Ethan LENNON	9
3	Rachel HOPKINS	11
10	Luke TROUGHTON	4
11	Lewis SEDGWICK	1
11	Megan PEARSON	9
13	Mercedes TAYLOR	6
15	Eva HOGGARTH	3
15	George CAPSTICK	7
15	Ben THOMPSON	9
16	Alex COWIN	7
17	Lewis GARNETT	6
17	Megan McDOWALL	8
18	Anna PRALL	10
20	Georgina BROWN	7
23	Finn THORNTON	7
25	Joshua THORNTON	11
28	Connor WINN	11
29	Jay FERGUSON	8
30	Abbie WILSON	1
30	John SEDGWICK	5
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EASTHAM

Congratulations Robert and Katherine on the birth of Thomas Andrew, Good Luck, Lots of Love from both families

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EASTHAM

On 27th June at Dallam Towers the marriage took place between David Gareth Eastham and Laura Devereux Mackereth .Good Health and Happiness to you both. Lots of Love from both families.

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RAW

Congratulations Fiona on your **21st Birthday** on 14th August. Hope you have a great day. Love and Best Wishes from Mum and Dad X

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Happy **21st Birthday** Big Sis on 14th August. Lots of Love from Stuart X

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Happy **21st Birthday** Fiona on the 14th August. Lots of Love Richard.

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Congratulations Fiona on your **21st Birthday** on 14th August. Love and Best Wishes Joe and Phyllis.

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RAW

Happy **21st Birthday** Fiona on 14th August. Enjoy your party. Love from Tracey, Jock and Amber.

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WOOF

David wishes to thank all family and friends for all their good wishes, cards and presents received on his 65th Birthday and for making the day extra special with a surprise celebration.

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WOOF

My sincere thanks to all for the presents & cards & good wishes received as I 'left' my job at SLCA. Special thanks to my colleagues for all the 'treats', you are the best. Sarah

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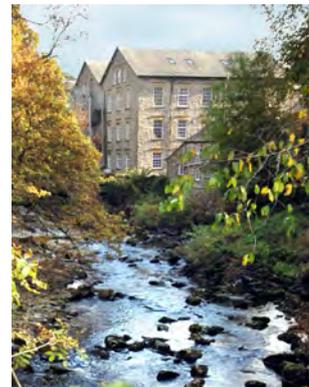
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APPLEBY FAIR

*"Successful Fair see
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More wishy-washy reporting by the Westmorland Gazette on the 12th June. This account was so derisory that I sent it to the BBC Radio 4 News Quiz, which has got to be the funniest programme on the radio. It was duly read out by Harriet Cass to gales of laughter from the audience on the final programme of the series on 19th June. (Last year, Appleby Fair made it onto the News Quiz again with the Gazette's account of the fair being so successful - only one horse drowned!)

On the other hand The Cumberland News of the 12th June did not mince its words, or miss out the more alarming details in the article headed, *"*Time to look at who pays for horse fair*" -*

"More than 100 arrests, mass brawling, confiscation of knives, swords, whips, axes and counterfeit items worth about £250,000 .. and that's the best Appleby Fair has been for years .. Appleby Fair brings out the largest annual policing operation in Cumbria. When football matches require a police presence for the protection of the general public, clubs must pay for the resource .. Ancient and traditional the largest gypsy and traveller gathering in Europe may well be .. but the facts tell a less attractive story."

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ZRECE TOWN BAND VISITS SEDBERGH

Slovenians are often very conscious of coming from a small country - but on their recent visit everything was extremely large.

Not only was their group of 70 the biggest we have ever had the pleasure to welcome to Sedbergh, and their display of talent the largest we have yet witnessed, they also came in one of the most enormous coaches any of us had ever seen before - a 90 seater double-decker coach, causing some speculation about whether they would get over or under many of our bridges. With an hourly update on their progress up

from Dover via Stansted airport (where they collected about half their party) they finally appeared down the Black Horse hill and were escorted to Ernie Hailwood's home for a party with the Sedbergh Town Band - where the first Sedbergh person they met was Denis Whicker complete in Town Crier outfit out in the road showing them where to park. We wondered if they thought that they had not only travelled a vast distance across Europe to get here - but also a few hundred years back in time.

What was particularly pleasing about this visit was how many of those who came with the Zrece Town Band already knew people in Sedbergh and there were many fond

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reunions. Also with the Zrece band were travelling some of the finest musicians, including some from other parts of Slovenia, and we had the pleasure on the first night of enjoying some of their folk songs - with a more modest response from our very own Cautley Carollers singing in Slovenian and English.

The whole group, including the Zrece Mayor Boris Podvrsnik, musicians, colleagues, friends, youths and family, filled up the Bull Hotel, one of Nigel Close's holiday flats on Bainbridge Road, and the Howgills Bunk Barn - but despite being scattered around Sedbergh all were ready on time for departure to Kendal on Tuesday morning.

With the help of Oxenholme Station manager Stephen Reynolds I had been able to get permission for the band to play as the Ambassador's train arrived at the station. Other passengers were amazed as their train pulled in, and there in full force was a 45 piece band playing triumphant music. The Ambassador was escorted to the band - where he also met Kendal Mayor Councillor John Bateson, the Sedbergh Town Twinning Committee, the Zrece Mayor, and English and Slovenian singers bursting into song as Zdravljica, the Slovenian national anthem, was played.

While the Ambassador and Zrece mayor were given a tour of Sedbergh

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Starters</u></p> <p>Prawn Cocktail & Marie Rose Sauce £4.30 Garlic Mushrooms on Toast £3.90 Pate with Garnish, Toast & Butter £3.80 Soup of the Day £3.50 Egg Mayonnaise £3.60 Grapefruit Cocktail £3.60 Garlic Bread £2.75</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Extra Special Main Courses all £11.95</u></p> <p>Loin of Pork in Cider & Apple Sauce Lamb & Apricot Casserole Chicken with Basil, Port & Dill Sauce Venison Casserole Supreme of Pheasant Chasseur Pork in Pepper Sauce Cod & Prawn Crumble</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Main Courses</u></p> <p>Roast Dinner of the Day £7.39 Mixed Grill £12.99 Sirloin Steak approx. 8oz uncooked £11.99 Half Roast Chicken £8.20 Chicken Kiev £7.39 Lasagne £7.39 Steak & Kidney Pie £7.39 Cumberland Sausage £7.39 Gammon & Pineapple £7.39 Barnsley Lamb Chops £10.99 Marinated Lamb Steak (6oz) £10.99 Pork Chop in BBQ Sauce £8.99 Cheese & Ham Pasta £7.39 Tuna Pasta Bake £7.39</p>	<h1>THE HEAD AT MIDDLETON</h1>  <p>Tel: 015396 20258 www.middleton-head.co.uk enquiries@middleton-head.co.uk</p> <h2>Menu</h2>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Fish Dishes</u></p> <p>Salmon Steak with Parsley Sauce £9.99 Grilled Rainbow Trout £9.99 Breaded Scampi £7.39 Breaded Haddock £7.39</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Vegetarian Dishes</u></p> <p>Tropical Vegetable Curry £7.39 Stilton & Vegetable Crumble £7.39 Vegetable Lasagne £7.39 Mushroom & Nut Fettuccini £7.39 Broccoli & Cream Cheese Bake £7.39 Vegetable & Pasta Bake £7.39 Vegetable Tikka Masala £7.39 Macaroni Cheese £7.39</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Rice Dishes</u></p> <p>Chilli £7.39 Chicken Tikka Masala £7.99</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Salads</u></p> <p>Ploughman's Lunch £6.20 Cold Meat Salad & Roll & Butter £6.99 Prawn & Rice Salad £6.99</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Sandwiches</u></p> <p>Prawn with Marie Rose Sauce £4.99 Ham, Beef, Cheese & Tomato; Cheese & Pickle or Salad from £2.99 Toasted Sandwiches from £3.20 Portion of Chips £1.85 Portion of Onion Rings £1.85 Mixed Side Salad £1.85 Portion of Mushrooms £1.85 Roll & Butter £0.65</p>
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by Susan Garnet and the Town Twinning Committee, the Kendal mayor kindly invited the band to visit him in his parlour where they were not only treated to wine and other refreshments but were also given a tour of the treasures of the town hall. We had also arranged a performers' licence for the day and the band played under the town centre "Birdcage" - where amazed onlookers were invited to enjoy Slovenian delicacies (lovingly prepared by many of the wives and mothers of the group back in Slovenia) and to dance with them. Several people in Kendal, including local town councillors, said how much they appreciated the warmth and good spirits of the Slovenians and looked forward to future collaborations with their own twin town projects.

The pinnacle of their visit was of course the evening concert in Sedbergh's Powell Hall with the

Sedbergh Town Band which was superb - and prompted one of Sedbergh's leading musicians to recently say how she had been moved to tears by the expertise displayed by the Zrece band, and also by the pride she felt on hearing our own band so skilfully led by Mr. Alan Lewis.

The two bands played in two halves with English and Slovenian solo singers - including a spirited performance by the Ambassador's wife Helena Jarc. Many of us in Sedbergh have come to love the singing of Zrece tenor Marjan Hren who came with his Odmev comrades to our Folk Carols festival a few years ago and again with the Zrece town choir. This time we were treated to a very moving performance of Poletna Noc by his daughter Katarina Hren. But crowning it all was the singing of the world acclaimed soloist, Matjaz Mrak. The group from our twin town

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brought many kind presents with them for us to share in the treasures of their culture - this extraordinary talent represented the crown jewels. Katarina and Marjan also joined together in singing Mini Maxi - a song which many of us have come to love here since Zrece's Samo Ivacic taught it to us several years ago.

The Mayor and the Ambassador also made speeches thanking the people of Sedbergh for their hospitality. The Ambassador praised the wisdom of the people of Sedbergh in choosing Zrece to be its twin, gave advice on future developments, and said how much he had enjoyed visiting Sedbergh: "What I found here were very kind people, and a town which is very dynamic. I found people here have ideas: they are developing a book shop industry and their tourism. I know Zrece could learn a lot from you - I know you are already developing an exchange of

culture, music and young people. I would also encourage you to develop an exchange between small and medium sized business."

The concert was followed by the Sedbergh Town Band inviting the Slovenian visitors to a party at the Dalesman pub which apparently went on until the early hours of the following morning and included music from the Zrece rock band Pet Sto Metrov and from many other bandsmen and singers. With an early rising two year old daughter to look after I was not able to stay for too long, but it did prove that not only can the Sedbergh Town Band pull off an extraordinary concert worthy of many big city international venues - they can also host a party to end all parties.

It was perhaps here that the only blemish in the visit came with some very understandable complaints from nearby residents who were disturbed

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by late night noise. I mentioned this to some of the English speaking representatives of the Zrece group and immediately they rushed to apologise to Chris at the Post Office on behalf of their high spirited youths - which, in all fairness, did include some Sedbergh youngsters.

With my own Slovenian singing exchanges we have learnt over the years to make sure that youth groups are adequately supervised and that music events either finish early or are nowhere near residents' homes - but it was perhaps understandable that the Sedbergh Town Band would chose the Dalesman for their party as the Ambassador was staying there, it was the nearest pub to the concert venue, and had many other advantages.

The following day the mayor and his family had a tour of Farfield Mill Arts Centre where he was kindly shown round the exhibits by Elizabeth Eaton and discussed exchanges between the two towns with artists and crafts people such as potter Rebecca Callis. As well as the expertise portrayed in

their music, what many of us enjoyed most about this visit was getting to know the Zrece Mayor who proved himself to be a diplomat of the finest order, a leader rich in wisdom, charm and humour who we all look forward to meeting again when we next visit Zrece.

As usual there are a handful of people who worked selflessly here to make this happen. Alan Lewis, Hilary Hodge and the Town Band created one of the most memorable concerts - and post production parties - in recent history. And thanks to Ernie Hailwood and family, hosted a wonderful display of welcome to the Slovenians. Due to work commitments none of the band could help during the day on Tuesday and Wednesday so Lucia Marquart, Liz Close, Dave Smith and myself leapt at the opportunity to take several days off work to look after their guests. Susan Garnet and her local dignitaries looked after the Zrece mayor and Ambassador's party in style. Nigel and Liz Close helped at the Bunk House with both willing

hands and kind discounts.
As a mere menial backroom boy on this project it is perhaps not my place to do the thanking - but on behalf of us all I do extend our thanks to all those in Zrece who made this happen: the Zrece Mayor Boris Podvršnik, band leader Avgust Skaza, musicians and Občina council workers too numerous to mention who helped with the organising and gathering up of musicians from all over Slovenia to treat us with; the Zrece bakers and cooks who made delicacies for us all to enjoy; the coach drivers who proved that it is not just drivers from Sedbergh who are courteous on the road (I was on their coach when it pulled over to the side

to let a backlog of faster cars overtake;) Marjan Skaza who brought an extraordinarily kind gift commemorating our two towns' friendship now standing proudly outside the Howgills Bunk Barn; and finally Peter Kos, who not only did most of the translation and pre-visit liaising, but also surprised us all with wonderfully humorous and showman-like MC'ing at the concert. I believe this visit marks a turning point from what until now has been a romantic liaison between our two towns to the commitment and work involved in a long lasting relationship. Videos of the tour available at www.youtube.com/DavidBurbidge
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You are invited on

Friday 14th August

to an informal Open Meeting to discuss funding possibilities for the redevelopment of the People's Hall.

This will be held in the Hall commencing at 7.30pm.

Please come and give us your ideas and tell us what you can do.

DENT PARISH COUNCIL

There have been three meetings since the last report in Lookaround, the Annual Parish Meeting and two Parish Council meetings. The items discussed included some of those below, and the full minutes are published as usual on the Dentdale website, www.dentdale.com.

Music and Beer Festival

The parish council has written to the organisers of the recent Music and Beer Festival to congratulate everyone who contributed to such a highly successful week-end. The council had supported the event with a grant of £1,000 and had provided the site free of charge, and was delighted that the festival had been such a resounding success.

YDNPA Boss at Annual Parish Meeting

David Butterworth, the Chief Executive of YDNPA, spoke at the Annual Parish Meeting on the topic of "Working with Communities in the National Park". He expressed the

wish to work in partnership with communities to make them viable and sustainable, but explained that difficult decisions often had to be made when balancing conservation with the need to preserve or create employment. He referred to the Dentdale Parish Plan, suggesting that an ongoing dialogue with the Park could identify opportunities for financial assistance with some of the smaller projects.

Housing Needs Survey

Cumbria Rural Housing Trust, an independent body who assess the need for affordable housing, have been asked by SLDC to conduct a survey in Dentdale, and Judith Derbyshire, the Trust's manager, came to the July council meeting to discuss it. When you receive the survey in September, please take a few minutes to complete and return it. It is an important part of the process of deciding whether new affordable housing can be built in the Dale and a good response will ensure there is accurate information on which to base decisions.

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Littletown Timber Extraction

The proposed extraction of timber from the Littletown plantation has been raised more than once at recent meetings. At the time of writing, the parish council is trying to arrange for the contractor and representatives of the National Park to come to Dent and talk to the public about the plans. This is likely to be at the start of the next council meeting, in the Sedgwick Room at 7.30pm on Monday, August 3rd.

Dogs on the Playing Field

Dog fouling is probably one issue that all Parish Councils spend time trying to tackle, and Dent is no exception. As you may have seen

from the notices, the Playing Field committee is asking that dog owners now keep their dogs on a lead on the playing field, in order to reduce the amount of dog mess there. Generally the response to this has been very positive, and there has been no need to resort to the £75 penalty tickets that the Police Community Support Officer is able to issue to dog owners who don't clear up their dogs' mess.

Post Office Outreach Service

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Parish Clerk

At its last meeting, the council received the resignation of Peter Maples, the Parish Clerk, from the end of July. Peter was thanked for the extremely conscientious job he had done for the last nine months, and the council set in motion the

recruitment process for his successor. An advert for the post appears elsewhere in *Lookaround* – if you are interested in it, please contact me for more details on the phone number or email address below.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be at 7.30pm on Monday 3rd August in the Sedgwick Room. It is open to everyone, and members of the public will be able to raise any issue that concerns them in the public forum which usually takes place about 8 o'clock.

Jock Cairns, Chair. Tel: 25655

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DENTDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

This term has been a busy one, with many exciting opportunities for the children:

- KS2 Residential to Great Tower Camp Site.
- Arts week.
- KS1 trip to Wildlife Oasis.
- Sports Tournaments – Cricket for Y5/6 and Netball for Y3/4 and Gina!
- Swimming sessions – KS2
- Visits by our new Reception Children.
- Parents to lunch.
- Sports Day.
- KS2 Walk with the Yorkshire Dales National Park Ranger, Paul

Wilkinson.

- Y6 Leavers Service at Bradford Cathedral.
- End of term, Family and Friends BBQ and Sports.
- Fun Run.
- Unicef Day for Change – ‘Bad Hair Day’.
- KS2 visit to Lancaster for geography field work.

All these activities add to our varied and balanced curriculum, helping to enhance the children’s learning.

SATs – End of Key Stage – Y2 and Y6

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based on teacher assessment of their work throughout the year and I would like to thank all the children for a great effort and the staff for their hard work and support.

We are pleased that we have met our target, set with the Local Authority of 87.5% achieving L4+ in English and Maths at Key Stage 2.

In addition, in English, Maths and Science 50% of our children achieved L5. This represents achievement that is above national expectation.

KS2 Residential

At the end of June the whole of KS2 enjoyed a three day camping trip at the Scout Centre in Tower Wood, Windermere. With support from Andy Trull, our SSCO (School Sport Coordinator) we were able to keep the costs to a minimum and offer the children a variety of challenging experiences. All the children participated in ghyll scrambling,

canoeing, climbing and orienteering as well as working in teams on the low rope assault course. The children helped to erect their tents, prepare their food and wash their dishes. A great time was had by all, including staff and helpers. Thanks go to Andy Trull, Carole Middleton, Christine Oversby, Sam Clegg (student) and Josie Hopps (outdoor education student) who gave up their free time to help the children.

Thanks also to all the staff who stayed behind at school.

Class 1 – Trip to Wildlife Oasis

Earlier this month Reception and KS1 visited the Oasis to learn more about mini beasts and other creatures in support of their work in science. This was a very successful visit enjoyed by everyone. Thanks to all the staff and helpers.

Fun Run

Hooray, this year we had a relatively

dry day. Our champion was James Gardner with 45 laps of the 326 metre course. Thank you to all the children for their perseverance and for collecting in their sponsor money. So far our total is £ 470 for school fund. Some of this money will be used to buy new small playground equipment for break time. Thank you for sponsoring the children.

Arts Week

Work is still in progress on our wall hangings. These have been created using a variety of traditional craft techniques including – proddy and hooking rag rugging, appliqué, knitting, cross stitch. Weaving and tie-dye.

In KS1 the children have depicted

themselves in a felted piece and in KS2 our local area has been used for inspiration. The work when complete will be displayed in school and the Memorial Hall.

Beautiful tie-dyed bunting has been made using a traditional Japanese technique. This will be used to decorate our school on special occasions. The children have also tie dyed their old polo shirts, which we plan to send to charity.

A huge thank you to Sophie Chaplin for organising this work and to Freda Meakin, Anne Hawley, Debbie Charnley, Donna Campbell and all the voluntary helpers who have worked with our children on this wonderful project.,

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Joining Queen Elizabeth School:

Adam Sweeting; Gina Cragg; Alex
Ryan; Oscar Chaplin; Jordan Burrow.

We wish them every happiness and
success in their future studies.

New Children

We welcome seven new Reception
pupils:

Arnold Hodgson; Charlie Brownbill;
Ryan Winder; Rhiannon Winder;
Leala Gornall; Emily Baines; Beatrice
Deighton.

We look forward to leading them
forward through their learning
journey.

Friends of Dent

A very successful BBQ and Family
sports was held on 3rd July.
Miraculously the sun came out at
5.30 p.m., just in time for the field to
dry up. All ages from babies to
grandparents enjoyed the food,
company and family sports. We had
an excellent turn out. Thanks to

Thomas Hartley and the Friends of
Dent Committee for all their hard
work and to Dalesway Tyres for
providing the sports prizes.

Curriculum

Topics this term have included
Minibeasts and St. Lucia in Class 1
and a contrasting locality (Lancaster),
mini-beasts and plant growth in KS2.
In art the children have studied the
work of a local Caton artist Chas
Jacobs and of Andy Goldsworthy,
creating some of their own work in
response to the artist's pieces.

Next year we are going to make
some changes to the curriculum in
line with the recent 'Rose Report'.
The children will be able to have
more input into their own learning and
we will be focusing on key skills
which include ICT, thinking,
communicating, numeracy and
literacy.

Awards

We have achieved 'Better Ways to
School' status this year. And will be
using some of the money that we
receive to buy cycle racks and high
visibility jackets.

Fimsis

Our financial processes and
management have been scrutinised
as part of the Government Fimsis. I
am pleased to say that we have been
accredited with this standard. Thanks
to Gwynneth Cheetham and Janet
Skublics for their support with this.

Goodbyes and Thank You's

We say goodbye to Amy Baines
(Kendal College Student) who has
completed her placement with us in
Class 1. She has been very

successful and we enjoyed working with her.

Our sincere thanks go to Rita Corpe for all her voluntary work over the past years. She has been Chair of Governors, Leader of Crazy Club and choir leader and musician over this time. In recent years Rita has taught recorders to KS2 and now KS1 as well as taking hymn practice and singing and leading the music in our school performances.

This represents a huge commitment by one person and shows her dedication to and love for our school. Thank you Rita!

Thank you to Janet Skublics who has been a Governor of our school for many years. She was Chair of

governors and Chair of the Finance/ Resources Committee most recently.

Janet has worked tirelessly for our school to attract funding and drive forward necessary building works such as the new hall roof, toilets and playground developments.

Goodbye to Neo Haley-Knowles who is leaving our school today. He will be joining KS2 in St Mark's at Natland in September and we wish him well.

Finally thank you to the staff for another good year and for their work with the children. Thanks to all parents, carers, friends and helpers this year. Without this wonderful team school would not be the same.

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A COMMUNITY PLAY FOR SEDBERGH?

On Thursday 18 June we travelled down to Tunbridge Wells to see Jon Oram's production of *The Vanishing Elephant*, a community play based on the history of the Camden Road district of the town. We'd had an introductory meeting some weeks before to discuss the possibility of organising another community play for Sedbergh and it was at that meeting that Jon Oram and his Claque Theatre was suggested.

The Vanishing Elephant is Claque Theatre's forty-fifth production spanning thirty years and they have worked with a wide range of communities all over England, though primarily in the south, as well as in Denmark, France, the USA and Canada.

The Camden Road project took nearly two years to bring to fruition, with the final twelve performances taking place in June 2009 and held in a large marquee on the local school playing field. During these two years

the local people have been drawn into a variety of activities to research and celebrate the history and vibrancy of their community and to maximise the opportunities for involvement across the whole age range. There was initially the brainstorming of ideas, the historical research and meetings of locals to share their memories, photographs and family histories. This was followed by planning meetings, a photographic exhibition, a lantern parade, drama projects in local schools and workshops for script writing, music, costume design, sets and props.

Every character in the play represented a real historical person whose biography was researched, for example Esther King, who washed and ironed in a local 'refreshment house', Olive Walton, a suffragette sentenced to four months' imprisonment for smashing windows on Oxford St, George Taylor, a local mill worker and Walter Cotterell, a captain in the Salvation Army. Every one of the 120 actors took on the part of a real person and some played a past family member. Every person in the community who wanted to act in the play was given a part, and behind the scenes was an army of local people managing the costumes, props, refreshments, tickets, programmes etc.

The Vanishing Elephant was composed, directed and performed by local people. The time frame from 1888 to 1918 provided a rich opportunity to reprise popular songs

from the period and these were complemented by specially written music and lyrics for some very impressive solo and ensemble singing.

During the performance four stages were used as well as the centre of the marquee, where the majority of the audience and actors milled around either observing or taking part in the action. Often the distinction between the cast and audience was blurred as you found yourself in the middle of a street parade, dancing with a cast member in a local celebration or witnessing a political speech where you too were involved in the rowdy proceedings. It was as if you were actually there, taking part in a historical event, listening in to a conversation, watching the drama of everyday people's lives a century ago. At other times your attention was drawn to one or more of the four stages as the action rapidly shifted from domestic scenes to the workplace, church, courts, battlefield and even on high seas.

For two hours we were enchanted by this living window into the past of

Camden Road, by the music, the costumes, the colour, the energy and enthusiasm of every member of the huge cast aged eight to eighty plus.

One lady in her seventies talked to us at the interval of the immense value and satisfaction she'd gained from the whole process. She was in the full costume of a working woman at the turn of the century and the play had filled her life during the previous year and brought her close to a wide range of people of all ages who she'd never met before.

The whole process has clearly been a very significant and immensely beneficial one for the whole community of Camden Road. We too now have the opportunity for Jon and Claque Theatre to work with the people of Sedbergh. Jon will be coming to talk to us in the near future about how we could go about such an undertaking, so look out for the initial meeting and in the meantime give some thought to what you would like to see in a Sedbergh Community Play to celebrate the history and dynamism of our town.

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COUNCILLORS CORNER

Predictably (and justifiably) tempers were frayed and much frustration and exasperation was expressed at two recent meetings: a Drop-in Session held at the Peoples Hall on the 22nd June and the Neighbourhood Forum at Dent the following day. The former in particular was designed to allow local people the opportunity to express their views on this year's Gypsy visitation and to talk to Councillors and officers of the various agencies, involved with the Appleby Horse Fair and its aftermath. The Police especially took a great deal of stick regarding their involvement or, in the view of some, their non-involvement. Local police officers worked hard but were seemingly let down by inadequate resource funding and insufficient manpower. I, personally, was shocked to hear of the scale of how badly people suffered this year especially those living at, or on the way to, Cautley. A full list of very detailed incidents and complaints was drawn up by local residents. My views on where I feel we need to go from here can be summarised as follows:

1. That the Chief Constable of Cumbria / Assistant Chief Constable need to be kept fully informed and involved from hereon and need to be invited / requested to attend the next Neighbourhood Forum and the next meeting of the Travellers and Settled Community Respect Group along with members of the Police Authority itself.

2. That the evidence of incidents and complaints arising from this year's Fair needs to be circulated as widely as possible.
3. Priority be given to the legal teams of the Councils and agencies involved being brought together to establish a consensus regarding the legalities of the whole situation.
4. Eden District Council needs to understand that what they do in Eden has a direct effect on what happens here and more liaison and information exchange needs to take place between Eden and SLDC. Senior officers from Eden should be invited to attend our neighbourhood Forum and Respect Group.
5. There needs to be recognition of the fact that most of the troublemakers are not genuine Travellers (who find their antics as troublesome as we do) but an aggressive and criminal minority for whom zero tolerance seems to be the only option.

It seems likely that there will very shortly be a meeting between Councillor Kevin Lancaster (present

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Chair of the Respect Group) and myself together with the legal officers of the County and District Councils so as to ensure that we all share a similar view of the legalities of the situation and with the intention of ensuring that next year we can operate from a common understanding of what exactly the law is. Arrangements for dealing with the annual incursion could therefore be put in place sooner. It would also be hoped that other parties such as the NFU might also be involved in the preparations. No stone must be left unturned to ensure that next year is not a repeat of this year or the year before.

On the 15th July I had the pleasure of attending a meeting of Garsdale Parish Council. I must say that this meeting is always a delight to attend with just the right mix of formality and informality ensuring that business is dealt with efficiently but in a pleasant and friendly way. Also the meetings tend not to be too long!

Which is not always something that can be said of SLDC full Council Meetings. The one which I attended on 16th July took three and a half

hours and a great deal of it was taken up with rather dry consideration of accounts, financial forecasts and reports on matters of detailed administration. However the Council did agree after rather a tight vote to make it compulsory for all elected members' financial and other interests to be published on the Council's website. I spoke in favour of this proposal as I feel that in the present climate (MP's expenses etc.) complete openness, transparency and probity are essential in the way that local councillors conduct their affairs. Having said that I think that it would be true to say that the record of local politicians is considerably better than those of their counterparts in national politics!

One other matter of interest arose at this Council Meeting and that was confirmation of the boundaries for the proposed Local Area Partnerships. The Sedbergh and Kirkby Lonsdale LAP will contain the following Parishes: Sedbergh, Kirkby Lonsdale, Dent, Garsdale, Middleton, Barbon, Casterton, Mansergh, Firbank and Killington. I very much look forward to working with this grouping of Parishes in the future (all but the last two already being within the Sedbergh and Kirkby Lonsdale District Ward) and I wish it well for the future.

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Firstly thanks to the Parish Council for the field, Pete Hartley and Stramongate Press for the first class printing. The Craven Trust, SLDC and Cumbria County Council for the £750 grant for promoting the event.

Mike Clark for listing us on the Sedbergh website, Ed Waller and Able Memorials for the excellent sponsorship and trophies, GB Builders for their financial support, Jim Hoggarth for his substantial donation. Janice for all her work at Sedbergh Office Services, Angela Brooks, Terry and Staff for the brilliant support and donations. John Richardson for all his help and advice on the road race, Mike Packham for his support and help for months and on the day. Howgill Harriers for all their equipment, Steve Middleton at the Spar for many donations, St. Andrew's Church for the use of their railings for our banners, Ann Benville and JMP foodservices for their great



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or missed this one, we've got them once more for next year. Don't miss this one.

The road race was our first and to get 106 runners was very good, but for somebody to run that course in under one hour was outstanding. All the details on www.ukresults.net The name on the Teddy was won by Vicky Woof, Guess the Sweets in the jar by L. Mason, and Guess the Bottle by R. Moffat.

We grossed approximately £5,500 for the weekend and once everything's paid and donations given out we will have enough to run the Football Club another year and promote next years ONE BIG WEEKEND plus invest in the Club for all the young ones coming through. Next years will have a lot more kids activities on the Saturday and Sunday will have the Bungee Jumping running all day bringing a lot of people into the town. Firstly though we need 50 persons with a bit of bottle and nerve to jump from a cage 180 feet up, tied to a crane, with elastic strapped to their legs or waist. You have to be 16 years or older. We need 50 with £10 deposits and names by 15th August then you jump on the day first and for only £40 not the £50 that everyone else will pay. It doesn't hurt, and the football pitch will be flooded anyway so you'll have a soft landing! Come on folks, who's got some nerve. We will fill this town with folk as its got one of the biggest followings going. If you want to jump see Scott Lowther or Caspa as they've got the sheets.

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THE PEOPLE'S HALL

The People's Hall redevelopment project is underway. Over the last two years various plans have been drawn up and discussions held with the YDNP planners and with other interested parties in the Town.

A survey in 2007 of user needs indicated that there was overwhelming support for improvements including: a small hall suitable for receptions and functions, which were too small to fill the main larger hall; an improved entrance area including better toilet and bar facilities; more storage; and a host of other small, but important improvements.

Over the last year other organisations have approached the Committee to join in the redevelopment. Principal of these are the Pulse Community Gym and the Town Band, who asked for significant areas to be provided to serve these activities. Other stakeholders who have shown interest are the Football Club and the youth activities in the Town.

The plans involve four main aspects: the front of the Hall, the rear of the Hall, refurbishment and various ground works, drainage, etc.

The front section

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some 90 m2 area, together with new committee room of 24 m2 (with small kitchenette) as an extension in front of the present entrance. A new bar and bar store will serve into both the existing hall and the new Small Hall. An acoustic folding screen will divide the Small and Main Halls, which when pulled back would allow seating for some 300 people, or allow a band concert with 200 seated people. Above the new area will be a "loft" with a small office and some storage space, plus a technical room for the projection, lighting and audio/visual services, which will considerably reduce the work our technical team has to do when supporting various events.

The rear section

The rear section (on the same level as the Main Hall) will be completely revamped to accommodate an, acoustically screened. Music Room

for the use of the Town Band of 100 m2 (plus office, library and workshop); improved kitchen facilities; additional storage; toilets/shower; and back stage dressing area, whilst still accommodating the Toy Library.

Below at a lower level, an area of 150 m2 will be allocated to the Pulse Community Gym and an area of 50m2 allocated to youth activities. Both these areas would be provided with toilet facilities. The football changing rooms would be rearranged and refurbished to modern standards and an externally accessible toilet provided to serve the children's play area and spectators.

The Main Hall and other existing areas

The Main Hall would be upgraded to modern environmental standards (maybe green roofs?) including: better heating/ventilation; sprung

floor; extra storage; improved stage area; new roofing; windows; etc. In addition the various services, electric, water, fire alarm, security, etc. would also require attention.

The grounds

The car park would be re-laid to provide: spaces for 20 vehicles; disabled parking; and a turning area access to load/unload into the front side and rear of the Hall. The access to the car park in front of the present entrance would be removed and better access provided near the play area. A pedestrian pathway would be provided inside the "tank trap railings" to offer a safer walking route along Howgill Lane.

A terraced and landscaped area

would be provided outside the new Small Hall to allow overflows from parties and receptions. Another terrace would be provided outside the new entrance and Main Hall.

Cost

All this will cost nearly £1.5 million (or for those who like lots of noughts: £1,500,000.00) !

The costs broadly split:

Front extension	£477,000
Rear extension	£602,000
Alterations to existing	£387,000

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The Parish Council has already offered £50,000 and the Hall does have in its reserves about £20,000. These funds are well short of the final figure.

Discussions

The discussions held with Stakeholders and others culminated with a joint meeting on 6 July 2009 with representatives of the Parish Council, the Pulse Community Gym, the Town Band, the Monkey House Youth Club and the Football Club, where the plans and costs were presented. Although the figures were somewhat daunting, it was agreed to go forward with the plans, in order to provide the Town and surrounding communities with modern facilities just as our forebears did for us over 50 years ago.

In developing the plans the Committee and the Architect have strived for the best and not cut corners, adding wherever possible little touches of detail, which make a Community Centre welcoming, comfortable to enjoy and keep the love our Town has for our Hall.

Public meetings

Obviously the plans need further discussion and development. The Committee has decided to apply for full planning permission with the YDNP planners in October 2009. To finalise the plans you are invited to "drop in" at the People's Hall from 2pm to 5pm on Monday, 10 August to view the plans and talk to Committee members and the Architect. In the evening of Monday, 10 August

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commencing at 7.30pm a formal presentation of the plans will be made. Please come and give us your comments and opinions.

Funding

Fundraising is crucial to the success of this project. You are invited on Friday, 14 August to an informal Open Meeting to discuss funding possibilities. This will be held in the People's Hall commencing at 7.30pm. We expect to form a very small group to co-ordinate the approaches to major funding bodies such as the National Lottery, Sports Council, Youth Council, etc. But there will be plenty of opportunities for other self financing activities, such as Band Concerts, charity football matches, be a "Friend", "buy a brick", purchasing debenture seats, festivals, etc. etc., or anything else that raises money!

Information

Please contact me or any Committee member with your ideas and comments. A list of Committee members can be found at: www.sedberghlookaround.org.uk/ select May 2009 and look at page 36.

Dr Gina Barney, Hon Secretary
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HOWGILL W. I.

The weather for our Summer Outing was perfect. We met at Larch Cottage Nurseries near Penrith. We browsed at our leisure, the plants and flowers were looking at their best for the summer season. Some of us were tempted and were happy with our purchases. It is well worth a visit for the ones who haven't been.

We then moved on to Abbot Lodge Ice Cream Parlour, where we were treated to a tasting session of many different flavours. The latest one is Blue and the clue is Tractor?

A talk and slide show explained how the farm had diversified after going down with foot and mouth. A lovely buffet was served prepared by the staff.

Our next stop was to 'The Nook' at Helton which has the most fantastic garden and views. The highlight was the vegetable garden giving us lots to talk and think about, leaving memories of a really enjoyable day. Anita Carey was thanked for the efficient organising. Maybe a bigger map and mobile phone number next time for the two who got lost!

July 2nd was our Open Meeting. We were delighted to welcome members from Killington W.I. Helen Beare thanked speaker Ivan Day for giving us some historical facts on local Cumberland and Westmorland food traditions. A fascinating talk which was a pleasure to hear from an expert who gives talks all over the world. The competition 'A description

of your favourite shop selling locally produced food' was won by Tanya Hoare with Audrey Hoggarth second. Raffle winner was Valerie Cann. A Jacobs Join and get together brought the evening to a close.

Margaret Thomas will be giving us folk songs from the British Isles at Firbank Church Hall on August 6th. The speaker will start at 7.30 and the business meeting will follow.

New members are always welcome.

DENTDALE WI

Anticipation and excitement hung in the air as I entered the hall for the July Open Meeting. The table was laid and members were arriving with their contribution for the Jacob's Join supper. Already there was a tempting array of delights from a selection of savouries to cake, shortbread and dainty little meringues. The food

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would have to wait however, as we settled down for the business part of the evening.

Final details were given for the Summer Outing. We meet at 9am in Dent car park and this year, we are letting the coach take the strain for our journey to Kilburn and the Mouseman Workshops.

More thoughts of food though as we realised that the Mini Market planned for 8th August is not too far away and the necessary list in place on the information table to record contributions for this fund raising exercise! So weather permitting, we will be selling cakes etc from 10 o'clock outside the front of the school. More contributions of food are sought for Dent Gala teas on 31st August. Dentdale WI will as usual be preparing the teas as their contribution to raising funds for the Memorial Hall.

We have been invited by Frostrow

WI to join them for an evening of exercise and dance on the evening of the 5th August from eight o'clock.

Business over, we were pleased to welcome so many visitors to join us in listening to *Three of a Kind*, Margaret and Eddie Thomas, accompanied by Pam Cowey at the piano as they sang a selection of songs. They started with two pieces from the King and I, and the first appropriately, "Getting to Know You" which we were invited to join them in singing! They had both helped to put on this musical at Appleby Grammar School before retirement. Folk songs, pieces by Flanders and Swan and Edward Lear followed. These were in dispersed by stories and rhymes by Eddie including the famous "Bricklayers Lament" by Gerard Hoffnung!

Margaret included an American folk song from her repertoire called Red Rosy Bush. It had a beautiful haunting melody which showed off her fine soprano voice. They ended with the Hippopotamus song and we were invited again to join them in the chorus ... "Mud, Mud glorious Mud!"

Rita Corpe thanked the musical trio. Later it was announced that Rita's fine antique musical box had won the competition. The supper was much appreciated and it gave a chance for members and guest to mingle at the end of an excellent evening!

We will be back in the Memorial Hall on September 9th when Andrew Lowe will show slides of "Inside a Lakeland farmhouse" Visitors welcome to join us at this meeting.

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FROSTROW WI

The best laid schemes o' Mice an' Men (or in this case women) gang aft agley. Having had glorious weather for our outings in previous years, we felt quite confident in organising a garden party to celebrate our 60th birthday. All preparations were in place and the garden looked beautiful with seating areas dotted here and there. The day of the party dawned and by mid afternoon, horror of horrors, the temperature had dropped into low single figures and rain was lashing down (as only Sedbergh rain can!). All was not lost however and we met in Killington Village Hall where we had arranged to have our celebratory meal. Everyone was welcomed with Cava and strawberries then we spent time looking at the displays of memorabilia. After a delicious buffet, some of our long standing members shared their memories of their earlier days in the WI with us. Rosemary Mason told us about the time she was chosen to attend the Garden Party at Buckingham Palace – she even brought the dress, hat and shoes which she had worn over forty years ago! This was followed by a short, but very enjoyable, session of poetry reading by various members. We had a lovely time and our spirits were not dampened by the weather! Back down to earth for our normal

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July meeting! We dealt with the business part of the meeting and the President went through the WI news and noted any activities of interest. We welcomed Anthea Boulton, our speaker for the evening. She had very kindly stepped in at the last minute when our scheduled speaker had to cancel. She spoke to us about her work as a magistrate. The first magistrates were appointed in 1327 to keep the peace. There used to be magistrates courts in every town, including Sedbergh. They served local people who could see that justice had been done. Magistrates deal with 95% of all cases such as motoring offences, minor assault and other lesser offences where the defendant is not entitled to trial by jury. Slightly more serious offences can be heard either in the Magistrates Court or by jury in the Crown Court. Indictable offences such as rape or murder must be tried by jury but all cases begin in the Magistrates Court. There are strict guidelines for the magistrates to follow when dispensing punishments. These might include: Absolute Discharge, Conditional Discharge, Fines, Community Order, Electronic Tagging, Exclusion from premises and Drug Rehabilitation. There are usually three magistrates on the bench. They are not legally trained so they depend on a legal advisor being present. However they are highly trained for their work as a magistrate and they appraise and mentor each other. They have strict guidelines for

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Jean Jones thanked Anthea for a very interesting talk which we all enjoyed. Thanks again, Anthea, for stepping in at the last minute.

Pat Ramsden had set up her laptop so that we could all see the photographs from the party celebrations in June. Thank you, Pat.

Our best wishes go to Christine Sheppey who is recovering from an operation.

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 5th August when we are having a keep fit/dance session in Peoples Hall starting at 8pm. This will be suitable for EVERYONE . No special clothing required – just something comfortable! This is an open meeting and everyone is invited. PLEASE COME AND JOIN US.

SEDBERGH & DISTRICT HISTORY SOCIETY

Over forty members and friends gathered in the attractive village of Ravenstonedale for the last summer trip of 2009. We were very privileged that Caroline Morris, a resident, had agreed to show us some of the interesting features of Ravenstonedale. She had prepared meticulously by assembling a large collection of photographs, many of which enabled us to visualise what the village had looked like in previous generations. The walk began outside the King's Head, an old inn which has recently closed. Caroline explained how alterations to the nearby road and bridge in 1969 had been responsible for subsequent flooding. We had a good view across the beck to Coldbeck House, where Richard Gibson, a relative of Caroline's, had lived in the 1880s. Gibson, a Liverpool businessman had financed the building of the village school. Crossing the beck we could see that Coldbeck House was one of a group of houses which had once formed a small farming community. Looking down nearby Mill Street, where one or two old cottages survive, we could imagine the ancient mill which was in use until the 1860s and demolished in the early years of the twentieth century. As we walked through the Coldbeck area to the cluster of houses at Gars Hill, Caroline pointed out other houses which had formerly been farmhouses or farm buildings. We then went down to the beck where clusters of yellow mimulus

were flowering by the beautifully clear water. Caroline told us that the nearby flat ground which at one time had been a bowling green was going to be used as an outside classroom and play area by the school which is situated on the other side of the road.

Proceeding along the road towards the main part of the village, we passed two large houses on the right – the Vicarage and Elm Lodge. The Vicarage had replaced an earlier thatched house and Elm Lodge which Caroline described as 'ugly' had been built by her grandfather. Just before the Black Swan where the road used to be much narrower is an old house which has a rare spinning gallery. Some of Caroline's photos showed

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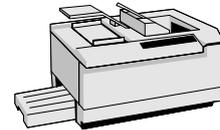
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that this area was very different at one time as there were far more houses than there are today. As we turned the corner and looked up the hill, again we saw a view which had changed over the years. Some cottages had been demolished and other buildings, for example the blacksmith's forge had been put to different uses. We also passed the Low Chapel on the left and the High Chapel, built earlier in 1726 on the right.

The final section of the walk took us through the High Chapel grounds and past the Manor House which is Caroline's home. Built in 1730 it is a grade one listed three storey building which has stayed in the family since it

was built. We continued to the parish church which has a very unusual interior with facing pews. The original church was built in the 12th century and came under the Gilbertine order until the 16th century. It is still very much like it was after extensive renovation in the 18th century.

A most informative walk was followed by tea and cakes in the Black Swan. We were very grateful to Caroline for giving up her time to conduct the walk. We felt that our introduction to Ravenstonedale had been particularly enjoyable because we had been taken around the village by someone who knew it so well and whose family had lived there for generations.

We the undersigned are appalled at the third world state of roads, particularly the A684 Sedbergh to Kendal road, and the pavements in Sedbergh Main Street where numerous people have fallen, demand that it is resurfaced forthwith.

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ROADS

Many residents of the area are very tired of the poor state of the roads in our area. It was noted recently that SLDC offered £500,000 to Barrow and Carlisle to help in repairing their roads. Something must be wrong somewhere.

Please find at the top of this page a Form to complete, detach and to be sent to Mr John Douglass c/o The *Lookaround* Office for further attention A photocopy or home-made Form will also suffice.

Also, have a look at two Web Sites at <http://petitions.number10.gov.uk/> BritainMoving/ and <http://www.fixmystreet.com>

SEDBERGH BADMINTON CLUB

As announced in our last Badminton update, I am pleased to report that I have now completed the National Three Peaks Challenge and have raised the sum of £373 to be split between Sedbergh Badminton Club and Prostate Cancer Research.

On Sunday 5th July a group of us climbed Sca Fell Pike. We set off

during a bleak morning and encountered a mix of showers, mist and sunshine all the way. Unfortunately the weather never cleared out so the views from the top of the mountain were not forthcoming.

The following day I climbed Snowdon. This was an easier walk than Sca Fell and after a very wet start the weather improved and once I had made it to the top I visited the brand new café at the mountain top.

A group of us set off to Ben Nevis in the early hours of the next morning. Arriving by 10am and looking up the mountain, it seemed a very long way up! After nearly 3 hours we reached the top, passing snow drifts on the way. After leaving the car park in

bright sunshine, we arrived at the top to find it shrouded in mist so again the views were disappointing.

I would like to sincerely thank those who made the effort to walk with me and all those who sponsored me so generously.

Look out for the start dates of the new Badminton season in September's *Lookaround*.

David Wheatley

SEDBERGH TOWN BAND A.G.M.

Chairman Sandra Waters began the proceedings of the A.G.M. on Wednesday 15th July by recounting some of the events that have marked the tenth anniversary year of the Band. Three hundred people attended the Anniversary Concert in Powell Hall when the Band was joined by musicians from Zrece. At the concert the Arts Council sponsored work 'Images' by Alan Lewis was given its first performance, whilst over succeeding weeks a series of master classes, also sponsored by the Arts Council, was given. A history of the Band was produced together with a fine, sponsored commemorative Anniversary Programme. Andrew Allan produced a D.V.D. of the concert and the Band recorded its first C.D. As usual the Band played at a number of local events and concerts though the most notable development was the holding of the first ever Remembrance Day Concert in the U.R.C. in conjunction with the British Legion. Carl Storer retired as treasurer and joins Dennis Whicker and Steve Longlands as Vice-Presidents.

Sandra specifically emphasised the delight felt by all regarding the formation of the Sedbergh Town Youth Band. She closed by extending thanks to all members of the Band for their support, fund raising efforts and coaching of the Youth Band.

Retiring treasurer Carl Storer then

presented the accounts for the year drawing particular attention to the sum of more than £8,000 raised through charity donations and paying particular tribute to the efforts of Hilary Hodge in achieving this remarkable sum. He pointed out that the money had been spent exclusively on providing new, good quality instruments for the Youth Band. Most interestingly he contrasted the turnover in 1999 (£5,000) with that of 2009 (£46,000) - this clearly reflected the Band's development over its first decade.

Carl concluded his remarks by expressing the great pleasure he has derived from his time in the Band and as its much valued treasurer.

Band Master Alan Lewis started this report by paying tribute to the progress made by the Band both in terms of technique and musically. He considered the creation and development to be the most important feature of the year's activities and welcomed the fact that contact with Settlebeck is set to expand considerably with visits by the Band to the school and the provision of assistance at their Christmas Concert.

Elections to the committee concluded the proceedings: the committee was re-elected en masse with the members co-opted earlier in the year (Chris Chambers and Richard Kooper) being confirmed as elected members. Chris Chambers takes over from Carl Storer as Treasurer.

THE 3 P'S

Push Chairs, Pavements and Perambulators

I was pleased to see that the Community Office has taken an interest in the section of road on Main Street from Dalton and Hague to the Happy Valley Chinese take away. (Lookaround July title as above)

As a resident of this part of Main Street I have watched for many years the surprising, ingenious and downright dangerous antics of some drivers.

It is easy to sit back in our house and ignore all this, but my astonishment levels are often re-awakened. I've seen some action

here.. From two drivers having ridiculous street fisticuffs to death defying one man pavement car races, to blasting of horns to increase the speed of tardy pedestrians. I'm sure many people who pass this way will have seen similar things. Although some people seem to have one frame of mind for when they are behind the wheel of their car and another for when they are a pedestrian.

More than five years or so ago my wife and I decided to be pro-active about this. We made contact with the police and highways department to see if some improvement could be made. Officials did visit. It was agreed that the road was dangerous.

I learned from this discussion that

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the very low level footpath on the Evans House side had been especially created in that way to allow people with push-chairs and wheel chairs etc to progress without having one wheel in the road and one on the footpath.

This may come as some surprise to many motorists who think that this was cleverly designed for them to drive along, so that they can skilfully skim the front doors of the cottages alongside Evans House but without damaging their alloys.

We were told that it was useless for us to try and improve this without other support, perhaps from the parish council. We should also consider the impact, that perhaps a petition would make.

We duly wrote to the Parish Council who indeed wrote a letter of support for us to use. We organised a petition and this was signed by scores of local people. We forwarded this petition (and the letter) to Cumbria County Council and a copy was sent to the Parish Council. We also, as requested, included photographs of a few of the bizarre traffic scenes. I recall one of a full size bus reversing towards The Dalesman. No collision, but a quite spectacular scattering of the vehicles that had been following it.

The signatories who recall this petition may be surprised to learn that we heard no more. Some weeks later we asked the council about the petition. We were told that it was lost and that no one of any significance had ever seen it. Then, in an

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extraordinary twist we were asked by the Parish council to return its letter of support!

I assumed that the PC must have had some other correspondence urging them to make the street more dangerous. So, we 'gave up'

Time moves on and it is now clear that a new Health Centre will be opening at the old auction mart site. There will undoubtedly be an increase in pedestrian traffic along this stretch of Main Street. Many will be vulnerable and or elderly, there will be mothers with push chairs and toddlers. The danger is certain to increase. It cannot be beyond the wit of man to sort this out. Raising and widening the footpaths and narrowing the road with priority signs would seem to be the answer. There should also be a properly enforced 20mph speed limit here and around much of Sedbergh. However I am really very confident that there are greater and better paid brains than mine working flat out at their desks keeping us all safe. Now, I'm not one for cynicism, but I would advise readers not to hold their breath.

Keith Wood

St ANDREW'S CHURCH, DENT
As at 1st July 2009, progress on restoration and repair of the fabric of the church and re-installation of the organ and the bells.

The programme of works by the main contractor, specialist stonemasons Askins & Little Ltd., will be completed by 31st July 2009. It is planned to employ industrial cleaners to clean the interior of the church from clerestory to the floor in the week commencing 20th July 2009. The church will be re-opened for worship on Sunday, 26th July, 2009.

To allow the north aisle to be re-roofed it was necessary to dismantle the organ. Harrison & Harrison of Durham were contracted to undertake this work, and take parts to their workshop for repair and renovation. When the organ is re-built Harrison & Harrison will completely overhaul it (for the first time since it was installed in 1900). The architect for the major restoration of the fabric of the church requires the new roof of the north aisle to be tested by a severe rainstorm before he will sign off the

works. Also, the lime mortar plaster inside the church has to dry out slowly.

It is likely to be mid September before the new roof of the north aisle roof is proved to be watertight, the plaster to have properly dried out, and there to be 'normal' atmospheric conditions in the interior of the church.

Harrison & Harrison will probably be asked to start rebuilding the organ at the end of September or beginning of October. The organ builders require four to six weeks to install the organ allowing atmospheric-sensitive components to settle down before they can re-tune the instrument.

The six bells were lowered by Whitechapel Bell Foundry Ltd in May and taken to the foundry for storage. When the PCC contracted with Whitechapel to lower the bells, refurbish them, and restore them to full circle change ringing, Whitechapel informed us that it would be January 2010 before they could start to refurbish the bells. The contract with Whitechapel allows for stage payments. It is likely to be May or June 2010 before the bells will be re-hung and restored to full circle change ringing.

The planned cash flow for the main contract, re-building the organ, re-hanging the bells and re-installing the mechanism of the tower clock (dependent on the bells being in place for chiming), allows for funds to be in hand or committed to meet all contractors' invoices when due.

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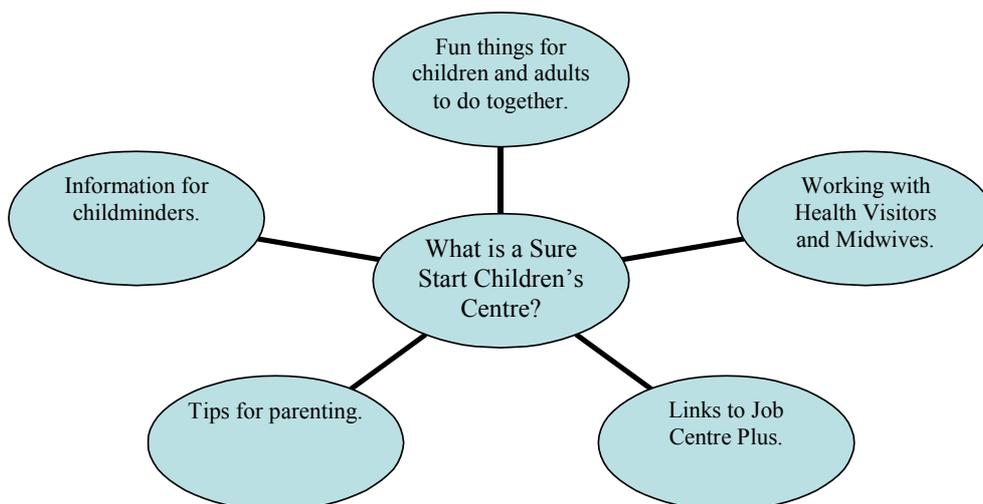
In July we moved in to Sedbergh Community Offices (above the Tourist Information Centre) which is our Children's Centre office base. We have already run different activities in the community, including baby massage, a parenting course and a PEEP course (offering information and support in helping your child learn and develop). It is hoped that there will be a new building on the playgroup site in the grounds of Settlebeck Secondary school, but in the meantime please feel free to call in to see us at the Community Offices to find out more or ring us and we can come out to see you. We'd love to hear what you would like so we can make the centre meet your needs. Parents have already told us that they would like more opportunities to meet together



and we are looking to set up a drop in group to provide this.

We are working with Paula, the Health Visitor, and local childcare providers and schools. We will also be working with Extended Services to make sure there are plenty of things for school age children to do during the holidays. We won't be providing childcare or replacing any of the groups already established in the area. We are here to help and support where needed.

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JUNE WEATHER

They say variety is the spice of life and we certainly had some variety weather wise this month! It started as May had left off being warm and dry but it did not take long for a change to occur. By the 5th of the month we had almost a 30F drop in temperature. We woke up to snow on Baugh Fell although it wasn't the coldest night. A week later we recorded a minimum of 36.1F. Cool for June! However the wind chill brought the temperature down to a very cold 21F!! The maximum temperature touched the 80's F at the start and end of the month with a high of 80.6F. It was a comparatively dry month with a total

rainfall of 2.21 inches. Furthermore a dry spell of 8 days allowed locals to get silage and even hay. Winds were generally from the North West with the exception of the 2 very cold nights when they came from a South Easterly quarter. A maximum wind speed of 18.1 mph was recorded.

Trying to keep a patch of mud for nesting birds required water to be poured onto a "puddle". In previous dry spells nesting has been halted as the birds could not get mud to line their nests. The birds which nest in protected places have done reasonably well so far. Two blue tit families fledged from nest boxes within a couple of days of each other during that cold spell so how they

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faired is open to doubt. A family of great tits which had nested in the roof of our enclosed porch also fledged. One of the youngsters somehow ended up in the porch and we had to release it. The blackbirds got another brood away in the shippon. The swallows only seem to have got one brood of 3 young off around us. Sadly the wood pigeons didn't make again as I saw a magpie flying across the garden with a squab in its beak. Sparrows have done well again as have jackdaws, if the numbers which visit my chicken run are anything to go by. A couple of jackdaws that didn't make it were two which fell from their nest on a ledge at the end of our house. They were doing nicely living amongst the Ladies Mantle in the garden being fed regularly by the parents but that cold snowy night finished them as they were not being brooded. All the talk about falling numbers of farmland birds seems to blame farming practices but I would hazard a guess that the vast increase in magpies and crows would figure in the equation but the BTO, to whom I send records, think not. I think if they lived up here they may change their minds! My wife has actually seen a live hedgehog this month! I can't remember when I last saw one. Another casualty of the vast increase in badgers apparently! Butterflies are still few in number. Of the coloured ones Painted ladies still top the sightings. We have what must be a "C" stream owl about as it starts calling mid afternoon! After the gold and blue of previous months the hedgerows are pink with foxgloves,

much loved by bumble bees. Mentioning bumble bees reminds me of the great numbers of these insects about this year. Not only are there many, especially on the Rosa rugosa, but many varieties. I find them very difficult to photograph as they are all in action and close up you haven't much in the way of depth of field.


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The Festival of Books and Drama is almost upon us and 'Poetry Please', proved to be a popular event in previous years. This year the Rose Community Theatre plus friends and associates will be presenting an evening of well known (and not so well known) poems at St Andrews Church on Sunday September 20 beginning at 7.30. It will be a mixed bag of poems old and new, from the comic to the profound - read and performed by members of RCT and we welcome anyone else who would be interested in taking part. As a Community group, we have no age restrictions. Tickets will be available from the TIC. Admission will be £4 adults, £2 children & concessions £3.

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We need more Volunteers and if you would be interested in learning more about what this would entail please ring our office and ask for Val the Volunteer Development Worker.

For recent months the Sedbergh Support Group has been nomadic, we met at DUO cafe twice, then were joined by Carers from Kendal, Slackhead, Levens and Kirkby Lonsdale for lunch in Dent where, for once we enjoyed lovely sunshine. Then we met at Cariad in KL and in August are back at Duo with our Sept meeting being back in the meeting room at the People's Hall, Sedbergh. We meet 2-4pm on the 1st Tuesday monthly and if you look after a friend or relative in an unpaid capacity you are very welcome to join us, getting Carers Allowance does not exclude you.

The Support Worker for this area, Sarah Woof has left her job at the SLCA but is, thankfully, remaining as a Volunteer and as such will be

overseeing the Sedbergh Group and sitting on the Patient Forum at Sedbergh Health Centre, among other things.

Contingency Planning for Carers, to cover the care of the person depending on them in the event of the carer being ill or in an accident, is being carried out following Carers having a Carers Assessment. The Assessment is the means of gathering together all the important information about the whole situation, not a judgment on the care.

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DENTDALE CRICKET CLUB v Holker - 21st June 2009

Holker batted first on a low slow wicket. They were struggling at 25 for 3 thanks to superb bowling by Rob Mitchell 2 wickets 28 runs from 8 overs and Chris McClurg 1 wicket 15 runs from 8 overs. Chris especially was on great form. Eddie Sharpe (Captain) and young Cowperthwaite put on a stand of 32 before Eddie was brilliantly run out by a direct hit from fully 30 yards by Joe Clare (a decisive turning point in the game). Luke Cragg in his first gave bowled well and picked up his first wicket for Dentdale. David Baines mopped up the tail 3 for 7 in 6 overs. Mark Dodd 1 for 17 off 6 overs and Joe Clare 1 for 9 off 2 overs also bowled. Again we fielded well. Holker all out for 86.

Kevin Puncher 27 and Chris McClurg 6 opened the innings with a steady start before Chris ran himself out (although unlucky as it was a good throw). Martin Knaption added to his excellent performance in the field by making a breezy well struck 18 including four fours.

Our two stalwarts of Pete Moorby and Kevin Puncher stuck together and although scoring slowly edged us towards the required total. When Kevin was out for a very good 27 quickly followed by David Baines 0, we looked as if we may not make it, needing 14 off 3 overs. Captain Burty to the rescue, a four and superb 6. We won by 6 wickets with 8 balls to spare. Pete Moorby not out 22. Burty not out 10. A great game of

cricket. We are on a roll, 2 successive wins, and most encouraging with a young team supported by the experience of David Baines, Pete Moorby, Kevin Puncher and Mark Dodd. Man of the Match, Joe Clare for match changing run out and 1 for 9. Keep it up lads. Well Done.

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION SEDBERGH BRANCH

The Branch held it's Annual Coffee Morning in the URC Rooms on 15th July.

It was a very wet day but many people ventured out to support the Branch with their attendance. A big thank you to all those that made a purchase of cakes and raffle tickets which made a total of over £239 for Funds. A big thank you also to all those that helped on the day, donated cakes, other items and raffle prizes. They were all appreciated.



In previous years, we have been blessed by the attendance of Coaches arriving but they were sadly missed this year.

In times of old, you had to a member of the Armed Services to join the Royal British Legion but that is not now the case. If you wish to join the Branch, which is regularly increasing in membership and activities, please leave details at The Lookaround Office. Poppy Sellers are also being sought so if you feel you can fulfil that role, again please leave details.

DENTDALE METHODIST CHAPEL

The dedication of our "new" electric organ was a lovely service and included friends from Sedbergh, Windermere and Warton, also a couple who have family connections here and knew the chapel of old. Mrs Janet Park, a trainee Methodist Minister preached, her Mum and her two grown up children came which was very brave of them all considering the organ was originally donated to Skerton Chapel and now to Dentdale in memory of Janet's late Dad. We then adjourned into the schoolroom for afternoon tea and a good chat. The organ was brought the day before, a real step of faith that all would go to plan, a couple from Skerton brought the Organ stool and stayed for coffee, in the conversation they mentioned the name Laycock and asked if it meant anything to me, indeed it did, my parents had relatives in Keighley and they had friends called Laycock, turns out the lady from Skerton is close friends with their daughter!

On the last Sunday of every month we now hold a service with a difference, no sermon, there is the opportunity for people to share something of how God is blessing them, guiding them or something they need prayer for, then we share a buffet supper together. Sometimes the hymns are "old favourites" sometimes "modern favourites" sometimes just "new", at the August service Mr Jeff Wall is coming to share his Testimony in word and song along with other friends, do come, 7pm.

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in many towns and cities across our country, Newcastle, and Preston to mention two, some of us went along to Carnforth to hear more about how the teams of people anointed for this Ministry carry it out. Chairs and a banner explaining what it is all about are set-up and anyone wanting prayer sits on one of the chairs and is prayed for, there have been some miraculous answers to prayer.

Houses of Prayer are being set up all around our nation, homes where anyone can go for prayer, for some people they find it hard to go into a Church but easier to go to someone's home. Both of these forms of support and evangelism are NOT solely Methodist.

We seek to lift up the Name of Jesus and in His Name reach out to others. Prayer requests can be left on 07816999432 by voice or text or in the Prayer Corner in the chapel which is open every day.

There's still time to book for "Engaging in the Community" in Gateshead on Oct 3rd and lift available, and to join us at "Messy Church" in Yealand on Oct 10th, just ring us on (015396) 25212

PEPPERPOT SATURDAY MORNING ORCHESTRA

Not everything is totally in place as yet, but it seemed a good idea to alert readers to the plans afoot. There will be more definite news in the August Lookaround when everything is finalised, but if you are interested in the idea, please get in touch."

This is a quote from July's Lookaround and I am going to have to eat my words because things are less in place now than they were then!! This is not to say that we are forgetting the idea of the Pepperpot Saturday Morning 'community'

Orchestra - far from it - but that we have a few more hurdles to surmount before there is anything further to report.

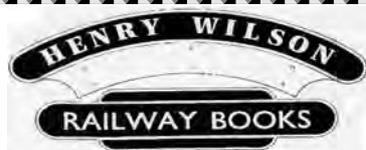
Sadly, I have just learnt that Noel Bertram is no longer in a position to run the new orchestra. He is head of the County Music Service and it is this job that has suddenly presented him with a Saturday morning problem which only he can solve. It is therefore with much regret that he has had to pull out - which of course leaves us with a problem instead! However investigations are in progress and we fully intend that everything will be in place by the time Autumn comes.

There is already a nucleus of interested people and the more we have, the better it will be! Anyone else, of whatever age or experience, is welcome. Just bring along your orchestral instrument to a convenient venue in Sedbergh on Saturday mornings in term-time and enjoy making music with others for about an hour. We are particularly keen to welcome those who played in the Pepperpot orchestra when they were at the Primary School.

There will be a nominal charge per session of £2 for adults and £1 for youngsters in full time education.

Please do get in touch soon so that we can gauge the level of interest and assess the balance of instruments in order to be able to make plans.

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YDNPA

New Ranger for the Three Peaks

Ian Middleton has a huge job on his hands – and the results of his work will be seen by hundreds of thousands of people.

He has just joined the Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority (YDNPA) as the Three Peaks Ranger, responsible for maintaining Wharfedale, Ingleborough and Pen-y-Ghent and the surrounding areas, which attract about 250,000 visitors a year.



Ian's appointment is the latest phase of the three-year Three Peaks Project, which has been started by the YDNPA to try to protect and conserve the area.

Charities, organisations and individuals are being asked to help in the maintenance and conservation of the network of paths crossing a fragile area of land that, in 1986, was judged to have the most severely eroded network in the UK.

In recent years, the management and maintenance of the Three Peaks network has been the responsibility of the two YDNPA Rangers covering the whole of the wider Ribblesdale area.

Ian has lived in Dent all his life apart from a spell working in New Zealand

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as an assistant deer farm manager.

Before joining the Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority as the Three Peaks Ranger, he ran his own landscaping business in the town for more than six years.

Many of the charities that regularly use the Three Peaks for sponsored events have volunteered to donate money towards the upkeep of the area – and the project also aims to enlist the help of people who live or work in the area. In addition, it will be developing merchandise to celebrate walking one, two or all of the peaks and building business and community interest in the Three Peaks.

Anyone wanting more information can contact Steve Hastie, the Three Peaks Project Manager, on 01729 825242 or on his mobile 07818 048767 or email him at

threepeaksproject@yorkshiredales.org.uk.

FAMILY MUSINGS

It seems that my mentioning various folk who used to live where I now live has brought back very happy memories for some of our readers, one lady commented that it "took her right back" and two others remarked that if I try to look back in another 60, (I am not sure why "60", do they think I am over 60 years old?) I will struggle to find characters to mention, let me think about that..!

August brings my hearts desire, a holiday in Cornwall, as my Slimming World consultant (to give her her full title) reads this I will say no more about Clotted Cream and home made jam on home baked scones .. But we are allowed our "sins", perhaps I will not seek out a SW Consultant on my holidays, that gives me 4 days to be very very good when I get back? This time last year it was all systems GO on the cafe front, and at last people could stop surmising who was opening what, one idea was a Lap-Dancing Club so we heard at the time, and all was revealed, and of course I am biased but, isn't it a great place? A lot of my childhood was spent playing upstairs, banned from

the Show Room with the rails of dresses and two-pieces, its cupboards of hats, except when I hid in the cupboard and peeped out to watch what was happening. Sometimes, both the Mother of the Bride & the Mother of the Groom would come to try on outfits for the forthcoming wedding and my Mum had to make sure they did not purchase the same one! On the landing was a counter and it became the perfect place to play "shop", happy memories indeed with many more being created in the buildings "new" role.

Anyone tried Pole Dancing ? Not I hasten to add do I mean the "kinky" sort, there is a limit to my intentions, in public anyway, it seems a fun way to loose weight, any one tried it? I am looking out my window at a free way to loose weight, gardening! Perhaps my plot could run for an award in the number of different types of Grass it grows? Especially in the flower beds? One of my family cannot bare to visit because "of the state of the place" but they forget that when the beds had flowers and neat edges and all was tidy it was kept that way by two enthusiastic retired people, we are not retired, and they should see the lawns and the veg plots and the greenhouse, all flourishing, and it is only an excuse anyway..!

Having left my main job and had a little rest I am applying for other work and enjoying my gardening, meeting up with friends and doing my writing, some "me" time and I can recommend it. Enjoy the school hols, we always looked forward to them with great enthusiasm. Sarah



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SEDBERGH AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY OFFICE NEWS

Since opening in October, *Clutterbooks and Clobber* the Charity Shop, has now contributed over ten thousand pounds to the Community Fund. The Trustees of the Community Fund meet three monthly to consider funding applications from local charitable organisations and project groups.

At the Trustees meeting in July, a further £2,150.00 of funding was approved, the beneficiaries on this occasion being, the First Sedbergh Scout Group, Sedbergh Playing Field Playground Committee, Garsdale Village Hall, the Pepperpot Music

Club, Hawes Junction Chapel and the Sedbergh Town Twinning Committee.

The Trustees meet again on the 4th November and requests for funding should be submitted to the Community Office by 20th October.

If you are involved with an activity or project which benefits the community and which needs a modest grant for a particular purpose, please contact David Ramsbottom at the Community Office for further information.

The 3 P's Pavement Project.

Feedback from last month's article suggesting a single lane priority system for traffic between the Happy Valley take-away and Dalton and Hague solicitors, although fairly muted, has been very positive, and



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we are hopeful that the Parish Council will now initiate a feasibility study which will explore the practicality and cost implications of this proposal.

Further to the Main Street pavement and parking issues, a number of respondents mentioned the 'shared surface' solutions, i.e. no raised pavements as such, with pedestrians and vehicles sharing the same space that can be found in an increasing number of European towns and in some city centres.

In Main Street this would mean no kerbs and raising the road level to the level of the pavement with an expectation that pedestrians and slow moving vehicles safely co exist in an

ethos of caution and mutual respect. Now, there's a thought. Observations please.

DENTDALE MEMORIAL HALL

The next meeting to arrange the GALA is on Monday 17th August

In the Haygarth Room at 7pm, we need as many people as possible to be there from the main Memorial Hall committee and to know what you and the organisation you represent are doing on Gala day.

Then, there will be a meeting on Monday 24th with the Treasurer present to further discuss the Gala, at "Rhumes".

Wednesday Sept 23rd is the

arranged date for the next full Memorial Hall committee, in the Sedgwick Room at 7.30pm.

Two extra ways anyone can help the Gala; we will be having a large Food Hamper as one of the Raffle Prizes and we need packets/tins/bottles for it, also as part of the Tombola we are incorporating a "Jam Jar Tombola" where jam jars full of "goodies" are won as prizes ie take an empty lib jar and fill it with; sweets, crayons, beads, chalks, paper-clips, safety pins, biscuits, jam(!), bath salts, pasta, etc etc.. there will be a small prize for the most imaginative contents! All these can be left at "Rhumes" or "Scar view" or brought to the Hall at 4pm on Sunday 30th when we will be setting up the stalls etc.

There are a lot of things to be done over the next few weeks and we will rise to the challenge, any offers of help or giving of items can come to; Chairman; Sarah Woof 25212 Secretary; Jean Haygarth 25269 or complete the notice displayed on the cupboard at the back entrance to the Hall.

SEDBERGH CHARTER FAIR

15th August

The Community Office and Chamber of Trade are collaborating on the Charter Fair this year. However, SLDC has made rather large increases in the costs of closing the road (Main Street) and therefore we have decided to hold the Fair in Joss Lane car park, this was the original site and it was very successful there. As there will be no public parking at Joss Lane on 15th August there will be considerable room for stalls, demonstrations and entertainment.



Therefore we are inviting clubs, groups, and individuals to book for a *Flea Market Car Boot Sale* where we will not only provide a stall but you can book one or two or three parking spaces and make as professional stall as you wish.

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DENTDALE CRICKET CLUB

Kendal International Cavaliers

Played on 5th July,
Dentdale batted first on a slow wicket. Kevin Puncher and Chris McClurg got us off to a steady but slow start. Chris was bowled for 8 runs with out total at 11 after 7 overs. Martin Knapton quickened the run rate but was out caught on the boundary trying to hit his second six. Kevin Puncher and Pete Moorby (5) got us to 44 for 4 when Kevin was out for another dogged 11. Xav Baines batted well and top scored with 16. Everyone else made a contribution (no ducks) to our total of 92. Due to a rain interruption the match was reduced to 36 overs per side.

Cavaliers were put under pressure by top class bowling again by Chris McClurg and Rob Mitchell. Chris took 3 wickets for 3 runs in his first 2 overs. Rob taking 1 wicket for 4 in his first 4 overs. Cavaliers 7 runs for 4 wickets after 7 overs. Cavaliers opener Mark Nelson dug in and Cavaliers got to 44 before losing their 5th wicket. The Dentdale bowlers continued the pressure and dismissed Cavaliers for 57.

This is the third win in succession for Dentdale (no one can remember this happening before - a magnificent team effort!!).

Man of the Match was Chris McClurg for his truly outstanding bowling from which Cavaliers never recovered.

P.S. Eddie Smith thinks a hat trick of wins may have been achieved before the war (1939-45)!!

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SEDBERGH TOWN BAND

Visit to Dent Primary School

On Thursday 18th June, by kind permission of the Head Teacher, Carole Marsden and Hilary Hodge introduced the school to the instruments of the Brass Band.

About thirty five pupils were first challenged to estimate the lengths of the various instruments on display. The sounds that can be achieved by the instruments were then demonstrated by Carole and Hilary playing duets.

The final section of the visit was the opportunity given to the pupils to try out the instruments: impressive energy and enjoyment was exhibited.

A Belgian Meeting

At the beginning of the Sedbergh School summer holiday Director of Music Alan Lewis took a party of fourth formers to view WW1 battlefields in Belgium. The trip included a visit to Tyne Cot, reputed to be the biggest military cemetery in Europe. Whilst there Alan was invited to play the Last Post at the cenotaph, performed before a German T.V. crew. On completion of the playing he was surprised to hear his name called by a couple on a tandem - they proved to be leading band cornetist Keith Wood and his wife Sandra. They had just cycled from the Hook of Holland and the meeting was pure chance.

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DAYS OF OLD DENT

From the Dent and Sedbergh Oral History Society Archive.

Haytime has come round again, so this month I'm including an excerpt from our sound archive which reminds us what the work was like before the days of tractors. The late Miley Taylor farmed in Deepdale and this is how he described haytimming..

Interviewer: "How would you cut the hay in those days?"

Miley: "It was cut by the horse and single horse mower, the Deering single horse mower, and a lot was cut by the scythe, where the horse couldn't work. If the weather was fine, you'd get up in a morning, soon as it was light, you'd take the scythe and go down the side of the field, both sides, 'cos the horse couldn't pull it all. Then you would come back probably and get the horse, catch the horse, and cut some, and then you would milk the cattle. It was slavery, you wouldn't do it now. I used to like cutting with a scythe. We used to spray it out with a hand rake and then leave it, if the weather was hot, maybe a day, and then turn it with a hand rake. We had the heap heaped up and you used to push it so far and you got what we called a cem'in. It was compressed, what you'd pushed up, and then you'd put it on the sledge and put maybe 21 cem'ins for a sledge"

Interviewer: "If it was going to rain, did you ever put it into cocks?"

Miley: "Yeah, we used to make throt cocks, push 'em up and pull 'em over,

and then there was jockeys, they were bigger. Twenty acres. With a good run you'd do it in a fortnight."

Interviewer: "So when did you get a tractor?"

Miley: "It'd be about the early 50s. Although I was working a horse in the 60s. Yes, I was t'last chap in this dale to have a farm horse".

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DENT PRE-SCHOOL BALE ROLL

On what must have been one of the hottest days of the year so far, fifteen yummy mummies, dressed as cows, turned out to push a big bale for a little over 2 miles.

I would like to thank all the girls for their help pushing, Jolene and Sue for their help making accessories, the local businesses who sponsored the event so generously, everyone who sponsored individuals and everyone who joined us on the day to show their support.

With your help we raised a massive £1558.75 for Dent Pre-School.

Many thanks again, see you at the next one!

Liz Hoggarth

YDNPA

New-look websites for bike riders.

Cyclists planning trips into the Yorkshire Dales now have some extra help from the Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority.

Two popular websites managed by the Authority have been revamped and are up and running again from June 15th.

The www.cyclethedales.org.uk site is for road cycling and touring and includes information on opportunities for families, as well as more experienced riders to enjoy the stunning scenery of the National Park.

It provides everything you need to plan your trip, from details of holiday providers, and cycle hire, through to routes which you can use to explore the area. You can find out about the Yorkshire Dales Cycleway, which is a long-distance touring route around the area, or find short routes to explore a particular valley.

The www.mtbthedales.org.uk website is aimed at those wanting to mountain bike in the area, whether they are first-time visitors or those who have been many times before. You can find information on where to hire a bike, or go on a skills course, see pictures of the great riding on offer, and pick out a route for when you are here.

The route downloads are available as a PDF with OS mapping and a route description, or in other formats

for GPS and users of digital mapping. There are also regular news updates so you can find out about pieces of repair work, or new sections of trails being opened.

FRIENDS OF DENT PRIMARY SCHOOL

To round off the summer term the BBQ was held on 3rd July.

This year the committee were fairly confident of good weather due to the on-going heat wave. Memories of last years indoor BBQ due to torrential rain were blocked from their minds. Unfortunately the rain set in mid-morning giving the committee members a worrying few hours as for the first time a number of team games were planned to be held on the school field.

Luckily the rain stopped at 5.10pm and both the BBQ and the games could go ahead as planned.

A wide range of youngsters and parents thoroughly enjoyed the games including welly throwing, water challenge and egg throwing and everyone enjoyed the BBQ and strawberries and cream.

The committee will meet again after the summer holidays to start planning the ever popular Promise Auction which will be held in November. Any donations of items or services are gratefully appreciated. Please contact Helen Winn on 015396-25298. All money raised benefits the children of Dent Primary School.

SEDBERGH & DISTRICT HISTORY SOCIETY

On a warm afternoon in June over 20 members of the society met at Blindbeck Bridge in Barbondale. Our purpose was to investigate the Dent Fault and the trip was led by a member, Denis Sanderson. Normally the society is involved with events a few hundred years old but this time we were dealing with those that took place a few hundred million years ago. The Dent Fault is the dividing line between the Silurian rocks of the Lake District and the Carboniferous Limestone rocks of the Yorkshire Dales. The rocks show the tremendous forces exerted by the interaction of the two systems.

We ascended beside Aygill noticing the Silurian rock layers lying at various angles to the horizontal until we reached the meeting place with the limestone rocks. At the junction were two limekilns presumably built when neighbouring fields were enclosed. We passed Bullpot Farm and reached Bull Pot of the Witches. This is a cave used for diving and on an adjacent rock was a plaque to the memory of a diver who lost his life there. Around us in this area were shake holes, a feature of limestone country. We walked on to Hellot Scales Barn from where we could see Leck Beck Head. Here the water that had been flowing underground in the limestone is forced to the surface by the impervious Silurian rocks.

After a break for rest and refreshments we retraced our steps

back to Barbondale. Our guide was thanked for a most interesting and enjoyable afternoon walk.

SEDBERGH YOUTH BAND CONCERT

On Saturday 11th July the Sedbergh Youth Band celebrated their first anniversary with a concert given in the United Reform Church. Prior to the concert visitors were able to enjoy coffee and biscuits whilst perusing and purchasing from the fine selection of cakes, books and bric-a-brac on display. Together with the income from the raffle the proceeds are all destined to help in the purchase of further instruments for the expanding Youth Band.

Although the Band have appeared in public before (at the 2008 Christmas Concert, the Spring Concert and on Gala Day) this was the first occasion on which they were the sole performers.

Chief protagonist of the Band Carole Marsden conducted the Band and between items provided a commentary on the origins and development of the Band paying tribute to all who had enabled the players to develop from scratch so rapidly as to provide such high quality entertainment. In the playing of their items the young players were supported by a few members of the Sedbergh Town Band who provide the coaching on the Saturday morning sessions in the U.C.R. rooms where the young instrumentalists are developing their skills.

Dear Editor,

I want to say a public thank you to a very kind gentleman. After some swerving on the back of my car I came to a stop at the entrance to Bramhaw Farm. As I stopped and got out to inspect the car a passing motorist stopped and reversed. A gentleman got out of the car and although in a great hurry, insisted on changing the punctured rear tyre.

I was on my way to a place of work in Sedbergh where another lady was waiting for me to arrive before she could go home. Had I had to wait for the rescue service my takeover would have been delayed by considerable amount of time.

So many thanks to Edwin, who has an auntie in Sedbergh and came from either Millthrop or Milnthorpe, I didn't quite catch what he said as he was on his way as quickly as he had stopped.

Audrie Bestfore
Leigh, Gtr. Manchester

SEDBERGH SCHOOL CHORAL SOCIETY

The new season begins on Monday 14th September. We meet at 6:25pm in Powell Hall, Sedbergh School.

We are giving two performances as usual on Saturday 21st November in Carlisle Cathedral & Sunday 22nd November in Sedbergh School Powell Hall when Vaughan Williams Fantasia on Christmas Carols and Benjamin Britten's Saint Nicholas will be sung.

New singers are always invited and everyone is very welcome to join, the more, the better. If you enjoy singing, please do come along.

Please note as before, *the first rehearsal begins at 6:10pm.*

If you need any further information please contact Mrs Lesley Alban at The Old Vicarage, behind Sedbergh Primary School, or telephone her on Sedbergh 20233.

BLOOD DONOR SESSION

The next Donor Session in Sedbergh will be on Wednesday 12th August in the People's Hall.

The times will be between 2pm and 4pm and from 5:30pm to 7:30pm.

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DRIVING ATTITUDES

One of the most dangerous things most of us do each day is driving a motor vehicle. It is something we all take for granted. Many drivers involved in a crash or so-called "accident" do not accept that they have contributed to it. If you think that you have nothing to learn from an accident or even a near miss that you were involved in, your style of driving will not change. The IAM recommends this check-list to help you approach driving with the right "attitude".

- If another motorist "carves you up" in a line of traffic, do not retaliate or try to punish the other driver. This may escalate the situation or lead to an accident.
 - To maintain the right attitude for good driving, try to improve your powers of observation. This demands considerable thought and practice but will usually keep you out of potentially dangerous situations. Observation skills give you an "early warning" of any situations developing which might require action from you.
 - Try to accept that all road users are vulnerable. Be tolerant and considerate to all other road users, even if they have appeared to be aggressive towards you. A little courtesy can be catchy!
 - The majority of road accidents are caused by human error. If we all treat the motor car as a convenient and enjoyable means of transport instead of an extension of our egos, we can reduce accidents on our roads. No journey is so urgent as to justify an accident.
- Develop a sensible driving plan and endeavour to avoid a very tight driving schedule, with business and domestic commitments. Try to avoid driving under pressure or stress. Do not take a chance at the red lights, exceed speed limits, or cut corners. Allow an extra five minutes for each journey.
 - Tiredness plays a very important part in causing an aggressive attitude towards other road users and frustrations encountered by traffic hold-ups and road works. Take regular breaks to combat driver fatigue.
 - Always expect slow reactions and poor observation from other road users. Often accidents can be avoided if one driver allows for another's mistakes.
 - A common "trigger" for aggression and frustration is driving too close to another vehicle. Keep your distance and use the two-second rule whenever possible.
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**DENTDALE FELL RACE
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The race will take place on August 29th as part of the Dentdale Show. The Ladies race will commence at 12.30pm and the Men's at 2pm.

This race is the 5th out of the 6 races in the English Championships this year. It will be a magnificent spectacle as the runners are in view for most of the course up and down.

By the time you read this it will be too late to enter but it is not too late to help in this major sporting event. If you think you can help marshal at the start or up the hill please phone John Hyde on 015396-25503. Don't forget the Show is a great family weekend with free parking and entry.

COAST TO COAST TREK

On the weekend of Saturday 22nd August 2009 Johnny Moore (Moose) will attempt to follow in the footsteps of the world famous Alfred Wainwright on the Coast to Coast Walk from St. Bees Head across to Robin Hoods Bay, a distance of some 190 miles. The walk takes in the Lake District, Eastern Lakes, Upper Eden, Yorkshire Dales and the Cleveland hills.

This will be Moose's first ever charity encounter and he is hoping to raise loads of money in support of young local lad Zak Hall who has Cerebral Palsy and Derian House Children's Hospice.

Moose is giving up his annual summer holidays to attempt this feat. If you would like to support him by

guessing how long the journey will take, you can do so by paying £1 a guess and recording your time on any of the sheets dotted around town in shops and businesses or from the promotion team of Mags, Caspa and supporters. The person who guesses the nearest time to the actual time taken will win £25, which has been donated by Sedbergh Wanderers Football Club.

**SEDBERGH SCHOOL
CALEDONIAN SOCIETY**

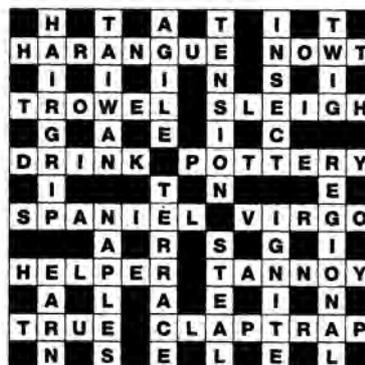
Rawthey Ball

The SS Caledonian Society will be holding the Annual Rawthey Ball in Powell Hall on Saturday 28th November where everyone is invited to attend.

Practices for the evening will commence at 7:30pm in Queen's Hall every Friday from 18th September and everyone is welcome to attend any or all of these.

CROSSWORD SOLUTION

We have had a request to publish the answers to the Crosswords that appear every month and they will from this month. *Ed*



SARAHM

On the 16th August *SarahM* is 5 years old and is celebrating with yet another Gold Award from The Great Taste Awards.

Indeed there have been the highs, winning Gold Awards and the Courgette Chutney featuring in The Guardian as one of the top 10 Chutneys, there have also been the lows but *SarahM* has become stronger despite this.

The business has grown to the extent that *SarahM* is seeking to expand to supply the demand for her products. Jams and chutneys are made predominately with home grown or locally grown fruit and vegetables making the product really local.

The Great Taste Awards are regarded as the 'Oscars' of the food industry and are hosted by The Guild of Finefoods. The 2009 awards have seen *SarahM* gain 1 star Gold for Chocolate Fudge Cake.

SarahM can now be found in many Farm Shops around the south lakes area and at shows and Farmers Markets as well as in the local shops of Sedbergh.

St ANDREW'S CHURCH, SEDBERGH

By the time that you read this, the Annual Barbecue would have taken place at the Vicarage. A big thank you to everyone that attended and to those that made contributions to the food.

The next events being organised are the Prose & Poetry Flower Festival being held in the Church from Saturday 29th to Monday 31st August. The Church Wardens invite everyone to support, attend and enjoy the beauty and artistry of Floral arrangement on a literary theme. Also to linger afterwards and enjoy the light refreshments before browsing the many Bookshops in town.

On Sunday 29th, there will be held Morning Prayer at 1030 and a Musical Concert at 7.30pm. Again, everyone is welcome.

*Lavinia Mahon & Tony Reed-Screen
Church Wardens*

LADIES N. F. U.

On the 16th June twenty two members and friends met at Gayle Mill, Hawes on a lovely summers evening.

The excellent guide started with the history of the Mill and then the renovation programme that many of us had seen on TV.

Then on to the Mill as it is now, to see the lovely items of woodwork being made there which are on sale.

The evening concluded with a lovely meal at the Beckendales Café in Hawes.

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WEDDING SCRAMBLE

Yes, like Dennis, I am doubtful if the above still happens.

But lets be fair, it would not be worth any childs efforts, these days, to scramble on the ground for pennies. What could they buy? Nothing. Not even a sherbet dab.

The photo in the May issue of your wonderful *Lookaround* chuffed me to bits. Because this happened at my daughters wedding over forty years ago in a tiny hamlet, Helme in Yorkshire.

As she, the groom and retinue proceeded they were amazed to find the church gates locked, with many children (on the other side) giggling

and refusing to produce the key until the groom threw pennies. This caused much fun and gave a very happy atmosphere.

You will all have guessed that I am no spring chicken, 90 in fact. In May I came, for the first time, to Sedbergh. I loved it, and am compelled to tell you.

Apart from the fantastic views, countryside and ancient history, there is so much to do, for every age group. Dennis and Jacky make sure you know about!

If ever I get fed up living at the foot of the Pennines, Sedbergh will be my next abode! You have so much to offer. Thank you for giving me such joy.

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PHOTO CALL

I am constantly amazed at the kindness and generosity of the readers of *Lookaround*. I was recently sent a booklet about the history of St Peter's Church which was featured in an earlier issue. This came from Mr Tom Mason a former resident of Garsdale who now lives near Lancaster, he was also the gentleman who phoned me at the time but whose name I didn't know.

His *Lookaround* is posted to him each month by Marjorie Harper. Later I had an e-mail from Keith Lamb who also lives near Lancaster and gets his copy via his aunt Ruth Hodgson in Dent, his e-mail contained links to websites featuring the church.

Last month I asked for help in identifying an old farmhouse and a phone call from Helen Vause nee Goad told me it was Burton Hill in Dentdale which was where she was calling from. I also had calls from Ronnie Wilson who lives next door at Leakses and yet another from John Goad who lives in Sedbergh.

I had thought the photo could be dated to between 1900 - 1910 and a look at the 1901 census told me that the then occupants were 31 year old



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Edward Mackereth, his wife Annie aged 30 and a daughter Mary A aged 7 months, as the girl in the photo appeared to be aged about 7 or eight this fitted in well with my theory as Mary A would have been aged about 7 in 1908'ish. So I am reasonably confident that I have also named the family in the photo as well as now being able to put a title to it for the records so thanks to all who helped.

This month I have another photo of a house from the collection of Freda Trott, but this time a rather charming little cottage which may or may not be local.

Until next month I remain ever hopeful

Shirley Tebay

It is so nice to hear about the Community (albeit a little distant) still pulling together with local information. However, on page 68 of the June issue, there was a request for information about a little Statuette. I never received one piece of information which has surprised me. Maybe this will jog someone's memory.

Ed

DENTDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Work by the children:

Great Tower Residential
Wednesday: When I arrived at Great Tower I felt curious about what we where going to do. We went on a walk which had a lovely view. Next we had dinner. When we had done dinner we played blocky, then, in a while we had to go to Ghyll scrambling, When we arrived we put our gear on and walked to the start. We climbed and then I jumped on a rock, then bounced back and canonballed into the deep beck. Then I scrambled back to my feet and started to climb again. We climbed and climbed until Mr Trull said to stop. Finally he said to climb up the waterfall or by the side. Then we jumped in again before going back all wet to the mini-bus! We travelled back to

Ambleside where we went on the lake on a ferry. Mr Trull picked us up at Bowness and took us back for tea. We had meatballs, potatoes and beans.

Joe Gardner Y3

Wednesday 24th June;

Today we arrived at Great Tower Wood that is a scout camp. We set up all the tents. After dinner we started our activities; my group went Ghyll scrambling at Stickle Ghyll in Langdale. We also went on a ferry to Ambleside.

Thursday 25th June;

Today was a good day because we went canoeing. It was funny because Joel capsized but we still had to carry the canoes up a hill and water poured out as we carried it. Before we went canoeing we did orienteering, it was fun, but Adam and I got lost. I didn't cry because it was fun. We also did crazy golf and had an

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ice-cream. Later that night we had a BBQ and a talent show, there were 7 acts. Me, Morgan and Will got 10 out of 10 for break-dancing, Ellie, Holly, Kate, Melissa and Gina got 10 out of 10 singing.

Liam Middleton Y4

24th June

Today we had breakfast and then we did orienteering, it was exiting finding all the letters on the trees. Then we went canoeing on Lake Windermere with Sam and Josie and Mr Trull. Me and Adam kept crashing into each other. At the end we jumped off the edge of the pier.

Then we played crazy golf and most of us got holes in one. Alex kept getting moody because he never got a hole in one. After crazy golf we did a quiz walk round Windermere. That night we made our own BBQ and sang some songs.

Joel Martin Y5

Friday 26th June

Climbing was fun and great. I felt really nervous coming down but I enjoyed it.

Low ropes was a good activity. It was amazing and fun, but it was pretty scary too.

Melissa Hartley Y3

Year 6 Bradford Trip

On the 9th of July the year 6 children went to Bradford Cathedral we enjoyed the day a lot. When we got to the Cathedral we sat on the wooden floor, at the start of the service we sang some songs to do with God and Jesus. Next we a lady came and told use a story about her niece that didn't want to go to bed. After that we saw a circus man called Darryl he was very entertaining, he stood on top off a huge ball and juggled.

After the service we went to an Indian restaurant for dinner it was lovely food we had curries. We didn't have knives or



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forks we had to use naan bread to scoop it up. For a starter we had Onion Bhajis. After that we had different types of curries.

When we came out of the Indian we went down to the film and media museum. In there we saw all the modern and old fashioned televisions. Also there was this news camera desk, where you sat in front of the camera and a screen came on and you could watch yourself on the screen doing the news. There was also a blue screen where you stood in front of it and you would put different screens on and you would be in front of it. Also we went into the TV spot where you could choose a old program that you wanted to watch and watch it. Me and Gina watch Pingu and Adam, Sam and Oscar watched Dad's Army. Morgan, Ben and Alex watched Emmerdale. After all

this we got on the bus and set of for home. *Jordan Burrow Age 10 Y6*

Memories from KS1

I love maths best of all because it makes me better at all sorts of number. My favourite topic has been minibeasts and I have found out lots of information about them. It was really fun at the Wildlife Oasis and I held a tortoise. We saw bats and some people were brave enough to hold a tarantula, like Mrs P. and Sean and Zak and Ellie.

Benjamin Robinson

I liked our trip to the Wildlife Oasis because I liked the tarantula. It felt hairy and I was a bit scared but I kept holding it! I had a snake around my neck and I felt my neck hanging downwards because it was so heavy! I was proud of myself because most people didn't want to hold it. I stroked an iguana and it felt

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warm and dry and I thought it would be wet and cold!

Zak Baines

I liked doing the Fun Run because you could run around the field as many times as you wanted. The best bit was going under the bridge before we got counted! I felt happy and I had to drinks loads because if not I would run out of sweat! We got an ice pop and flapjack when we had done. I was ready to eat something!

Ellie McDowell

I will miss Class One because we do easy maths! I like doing maths on the computers. I enjoy doing Big Writing on a Friday because I like writing stories now. I used to get it all wrong way round but Mrs. P. and Nanu Nanu have helped me to write better stories. I liked the Wildlife Oasis trip because we saw lots of animals we hadn't seen before like the tortoise, the poisonous frogs, the snake, the big fruit bats.

Lauren Charnley

I like maths because I am good at it! I have enjoyed making stuff but it can be hard. It was good finding out about castles because I didn't know much about them but I do now! We made a knight with armour on him and we made shields and a castle out of the big bricks and had some adventures. I loved our work about Beegu the alien and all the space work. I made a space mobile phone, flying saucers with paper plates and found out

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about planets. *Harry Brownbill*

Our class went to the Wildlife Oasis to look at the animals. The playground was fun because I pretended to be a meercat! I went down the slide fast because Milly and Joe were chasing me! I held a stick insect and it was like a mosquito biting! The bats were big and one was hanging upside down and walking across the net on the roof. I was scared when the big snake came out and I didn't want to hold it!

Tom Clayton

Netball Tournament

I am very upset because we lost one, but we were against Y6! That is a bit unfair though don't you think? Gina was the only Y6 girl in our team. We drew one match against Sedbergh Primary. I was in the goal once, but I didn't do very well. However, when I changed position I did better. We lost the last game, but I think they had practiced quite a lot and they were all very tall. Anyway I think everyone was happy when we drew one match.

Holly Sedgwick Y4

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**SEDBERGH & KIRKBY LONSDALE
NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM**

Summary of meeting held at
*Dent Memorial Hall on
Tuesday 30th June.*
Kevin Lancaster

introduced himself as the new County Councillor for the area and welcomed everyone to the Forum. He also declared an interest in Sedbergh & District History Society.

DENT PARISH PLAN UPDATE

Heather Fraser explained work which has been ongoing for the last couple of years and updates provided for the Neighbourhood Forum during that time.

The Parish Plan group meet on a regular basis and feedback on the 5

year plan has been generally positive. South Lakeland District Council, Cumbria County Council, the Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority and Action for Communities in Cumbria are represented on the group whose numbers have increased substantially, though Heather suggested the group still needs more people to become involved.

Heather provided a brief overview of the projects up and running, including:-

- promoting the economy of the Dale – businesses, farming and tourism.
- Looking at ways to support the Dentdale Show

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- Looking at possible premises for businesses and what funding is available to support businesses.
- Looking at what the group can learn from the Dent Beer Festival.
- Looking at affordable housing (Cumbria Rural Housing Trust is meeting with the Parish Council to look at the community's needs.)
- Looking at ways to integrate second home owners/holiday home owners into the community.
- The network of volunteer litter pickers working across the whole of the Dale.
- Plans to improve the childrens' playground, including consulting with children and residents living by the playground.
- What leisure and recreation facilities are needed in Dent.
- The new allotments in Dent. Land has been found and a committee formed. It is hoped to provide 14 – 19 different sized allotments by November '09. Plots still available for anyone else interested.
- Dent Parish Council's plans to

publish a regular newsletter (first edition went out in May with funding from the Local Strategic Partnership); improve relations with the YDNPA and work with other councils to achieve common objectives.

YORKSHIRE DALES NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY UPDATE

Paul Wilkinson explained how the Ranger service fits within the Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority. Seven of the eight Ranger areas are in Yorkshire and one Cumbria. Paul is the Ranger for the Cumbria section and works with an Access Ranger and approximately 45 trained Dales volunteers. Paul mentioned new legislation to help manage rights of way and restrictions on green lanes to unauthorised vehicles, adding that conversely restrictions on use actually seems to increase use!! He asked that anyone aware of unauthorised use of green lanes should try to get the registration of the vehicle and let him know.

Paul mentioned the barrier reduction scheme along the River Dee which will involve taking out about 20 stiles and replacing these with gateways, and continued improvements to the Occupation road.

As part of the Dent Parish Plan, Paul is planning more involvement with the primary school, starting with a guided walk next week. He provided information from the Woodlands Officer on an initiative to improve existing woodland or create new woodlands and the grant scheme in

operation for this, and from the Sustainable Development officer on a small scale hydro scheme.

Concerns were expressed over the late cutting of roadside verges. Paul pointed out that roadside verges are the responsibility of Cumbria County Council. Concerns were also expressed that an initiative for parish councils to become involved in the cutting of roadside verges does not apply in Cumbria – a scheme in which Dent would be interested. Paul confirmed many YDNPA initiatives do not apply to the Cumbria section. He mentioned that the verges are currently full of wild flowers, documented by the County Ecologist, and which document should be referred to if work is done on the verges. Finally, concern was expressed over the proliferation of ragwort and the need to eradicate this. Councillor Lancaster will raise

this with the relevant person at the County Council and report back at the next Forum.

APPLEBY FAIR UPDATE

Councillor Lancaster suggested that whilst the agencies have all been working together during the three years of his involvement, he felt that the collective response has been inadequate in dealing with issues in the area.

He suggested some residents have suffered indignities and substantial financial loss and whilst police officers have done the best they could with the resources they have available, the situation endured over the last three years cannot be allowed to continue. One concern is travellers grazing their horses in fields without permission and the consequences of this for landowners. Councillor Lancaster stressed the need to establish the legal situation regarding this to try to stop it

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happening in future years, and thanked Gina Barney and John Challoner for compiling a log on the Fair.

Gina Barney confirmed problems had escalated over the past three years, though suggested this was not the worst year.

Problems had arisen from a small element who arrived early (6th May). The police had supported Gina and acted on evidence gained, but she stressed the need for a protocol, so that problems are not merely displaced from Appleby to surrounding areas.

John Challoner thanked the officers who arranged the valuable drop-in session yesterday. He reiterated the need to know exactly what laws the police can enforce. He asked for more animal welfare enforcement, with all animals chipped or tagged, and stressed the need for forceful, effective action.

Problems reported by other residents included the length of time travellers camped in the area, the number of vehicles and the number of horses, lost income when travellers

camped across the gateway to a camp site, the way the police dealt with an incident reported to them by a local resident. Some residents reported feeling threatened and intimidated, including incidents involving a gun and cross bow.

Sergeant Paul Mellard acknowledged not everything worked as the police would have liked and that there are resourcing issues. He agreed the police need to be more aware of legislation available to enforce and stressed they have to prove 'beyond reasonable doubt' the perpetrators in cases of criminal damage. Sergeant Mellard explained the possible consequences of turning 'trespassing' horses out of fields and agreed problems arose because too many travellers arrived too early (from 28th April) with too many horses. The police work with colleagues from the County Council and South Lakeland District Council and Sergeant Mellard confirmed there is an encampment protocol to follow with three 'risk' classifications. He agreed Eden appears to have 'got a grip' on the Fair, but this does result in problems being displaced.

District Councillor, Ian McPherson said the most pressing issues are criminal events; enforceable sanctions and civil trespass and reiterated the need for clear legal systems in place by March.

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THE AMBASSADOR COMETH

Didn't we have a lovely time.....the day His Excellency Iztok Jarc, the Slovenian Ambassador came to Sedbergh. We had already met his charming predecessor Iztok Mirošič who had visited Sedbergh for two previous Twinning events and now, slightly anxiously, we awaited the coming of the second. I had exchanged rather jolly emails with his secretary Matej at the Embassy and already had the impression that this new ambassador was...well... .. hmmm.....different.

Oxenholme station found itself playing host to a 60 plus Zreče band which played the Slovenian National Anthem as his train drew in. What a splendid start to the visit it proved to be. Kendal Mayor John Bateson was present as was Boris Podvrsnik the Zreče mayor, who had almost come to Sedbergh on previous occasions and was now actually with us, having travelled with the band.

Accompanying the Ambassador were his wife Helena, son Ben, Mateja Strumelj Piškur cultural attaché and



secretary Matej Zakonjšek. After exchanges of pleasantries and more music and interviews with Radio Cumbria, we headed back to Sedbergh and the band drove on in their magnificent red doubledecker bus to Kendal and the Lakes. By the time we arrived we were already all firm friends: a delightfully informal ambassadorial family.

After inspecting (and approving) their Dalesman Inn accommodation and a quick coffee break, Garth Steadman (Twinning Group chairman) and I took them on a wander down Main Street. The bilingual welcome banner was much admired as was the Booktown concept and purchases were made!

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By the time we reached Westwoods the heavens opened and it was time to climb back into cars and drive on to the Cross Keys Inn at Cautley for a Welcome Lunch. This was an opportunity for the party to meet our own community leaders including members of the Parish Council, chairman Vic Hopkins, and heads of our schools. This was also an opportunity to discuss past and future links especially the very successful student exchange. Alan and Chris had done us proud with an excellent menu and, with the help of Dave Collier (Town Twinning Group Treasurer), had dressed the dining room overall with flags and banners representing Zreče, Slovenia and the

UK. Garth and Vic welcomed our guests and His Excellent Excellency and Mayor Boris replied. The occasion concluded with the presentation of "goody bags" containing local produce with information about Sedbergh including DVDs of the Town Band and Sedbergh itself. All this was crowned with a large bendy anthropomorphized sheep, that provided quite a stimulating topic of conversation. After posing for photographs, with and without the sheep, we managed to squeeze ourselves back into our cars and move on, replete with good nourishment, to our next engagement.

Ambassador Jarc had been a minister of agriculture and written several papers on various EU farming topics so the suggestion of a farm visit was welcomed. Thomas and Barbara Gorst at Mutton Hall were our hosts. Fortunately they had a good supply of wellies and boots for our beautifully suited guests. We walked and talked up the field to a high point accompanied by cows, calves and an extremely large bull: the party was unperturbed. Eventually we could see storms and rain approaching across Morecambe Bay so we all descended again to the farm to see the rest of the livestock. Thomas and Barbara then entertained us to a generous farmhouse tea, which, after all that fresh air and fun, we demolished with ease.

Back to Sedbergh we went to join

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the bandsmen at the Howgills bunk barn. Lucia, David Burbidge's partner had wrought miracles once again in providing goulash for over 70 with help on site from Liz Close and David Smith. Furnaces refueled, the band donned their bright green uniforms and we all set off to Powell Hall for the Grand Concert.

The Town Band took to the stage first and gave their usual very professional performance. Bandmaster Alan Lewis welcomed Iztok to the stage where he spoke very kindly of his welcome here and expressed his gratitude to everyone who had helped to make the twinning a success from its original inception to the many educational, cultural and tourist exchanges we now enjoy. He hoped there might be a future for small and medium sized businesses to become involved too. After promising to dance with the Town Twinning Group secretary later (I'm still waiting, sir, and I have witnesses!) he introduced the musicians from Zreče who proved to be versatile, very talented and extremely entertaining. Their solo instrumentalists and singers were of international renown and a real delight. They can be heard again on www.youtube.com Search for "David Burbidge" and "Lakeland Voice" and some of David's excellent videos are there for you to enjoy it all again. Mayor Boris then spoke to thank the winners of Sedbergh and Vic replied emphasizing the message of peace and understanding that twinning tries to convey. How can there be conflict

amongst nations when we meet in such friendly and convivial circumstances?

The evening concluded with a folk evening at the Dalesman Inn hosted by the Sedbergh Town Band.

Our Town Band had been trying to arrange a return band visit from Zreče for some time and the Town Twinning Group had also been anxious to welcome our new mayor and ambassador. We have to thank David Burbidge our cultural coordinator for making it happen. He was on site in Zreče to co-ordinate efforts at that end then arranged bed and board for all those musicians in Sedbergh. His boundless energy and ability to convey the twinning message through music and song is much appreciated by us all.

If you have not done so already then please join our Twinning Club. Your subscription helps to support these events and in return you receive a newsletter, information about travelling to Zreče and Slovenia and, confirmed by Mayor Boris, 10% off Zreče accommodation. The thermal spa is well worth a visit alone and the nearby ski resort of Rogla is first class. Application forms are at Cobble Country Properties premises or direct from me. If you would like to join a party visiting Zreče and/or touring Slovenia and staying at their wonderful tourist farms then please let me know. At the time of writing there should be a supply of brochures winging their way to Sedbergh Tourist Office. I can't wait to return.

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ZRECE TOWN BAND VISIT

Monday 6th July

For some months there had been the possibility that the Zrece Town Band would be making a visit to Sedbergh.

This finally became a reality when on Monday 6th July a coach containing sixty eight Slovenians arrived in Sedbergh.

They were greeted by Dennis Whicker, resplendent in his town crier uniform, at Ernie Hailwood's Frostrow property where a barbecue awaited them. Until just before their arrival (at 9.15pm) the weather had been decidedly unfriendly but as the visitors debussed to mingle with their hosts the rain stopped and all were

able to enjoy fully the splendid location.

Garth Steadman cooked the sausages and hamburgers, whilst the Band members, David Burbidge's choir and the twinning committee provided a wonderful array of salads and puddings. The Band's own marquee again came into its own as the covered display area for the food which having been collected was then taken to the adjoining barn, most tastefully housing tables and chairs where the two communities were able to eat and chat together. All the while a video of photographs of the Band's 2005 trip to Zrece, compiled by Tony Crofts, backed by recordings of the Band's playing in the course of that



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visit, was shown.

With everyone replete the Sedbergh singers exhibited their talents with a highly acclaimed programme of songs which was subsequently matched by a Slovenian group.

As midnight approached the visitors, weary after many hours on the road, dispersed to their lodgings, the Bunk Barn and the Bull Hotel to rest up for a busy and varied day on the morrow.

Tuesday 7th July

10.15am on Tuesday saw the Zrece visitors at Oxenholme their band playing lustily to greet their ambassador who was arriving from London to spend the day in Sedbergh and attend the evening's concert.

After this impressive welcome (by kind permission of Virgin Rail) the Slovenian coach departed Oxenholme for a day in the Lakes. An enjoyable time was had by all though the size of the Slovenian coach was such that the road to the designated destination of Ullswater was deemed too narrow and alternative venues were visited.

In the course of the afternoon members of the Sedbergh Town Band along with sound recordists and electrician Steve Longlands set up the Powell Hall stage for the concert. All concerned extend their thanks to the Headmaster and Governors of Sedbergh School for their much appreciated generosity in making the magnificent Powell Hall available for the concert - the size of the bands and the numbers comprising the audience would have put severe strains on our normal venue, the People's Hall. Our thanks go to

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The first part of the programme was given to the Sedbergh Town Band. Although recent Wednesday rehearsals have been mainly devoted to practising and recording a Christmas music CD, they played a fine programme of numbers which exhibited in their variety the Bands ability to master music of contrasting tempo, dynamics and mood. The concluding number of their programme, The Pirates of the Caribbean, drew a particularly warm and enthusiastic response from the audience.

At this juncture the Slovenian ambassador, Iztok Jarc, addressed the audience, expressing his delight in the manner in which the twinning process had progressed. Too often twinning is greeted with an initial

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enthusiasm that gradually diminishes but thanks to the enthusiasm and dedication to the ideal by so many individuals and institutions the Sedbergh/Zreca partnership has gone from strength to strength as patently demonstrated by the multitude of exchanges and visits that have taken place, not least this present occasion.

The Zreca Town Band then took the stage - their large number of brass and wind players creating an eye-catching display in their distinctive and vivid green uniforms. They proceeded to give an excellent concert composed of stirring Slovenian, traditional band music interspersed with first rate singing by various soloists. It was a memorable performance and will feature highly in the record of events shared by the two towns.

With the conclusion of the music presentations were made - first the Mayor of Zreca echoed the words of his ambassador and then made presentations to various members of the Sedbergh community who have been instrumental in forging the warm relationship existing between

Sedbergh and Zreca. Garth Steadman, Susan Garnett, David Burbidge, Vic Hopkins and Alan Lewis were recipients of the renowned generosity of the visitors. Short speeches were made in reply particularly moving and apposite by Vic Hopkins who related that a recent visit to war graves in Belgium made him intensely aware of the waste and futility of war which so often arises through misunderstanding and ignorance: he expressed the view that the links being demonstrated through this visit are illustrative of the type of contacts that can only help to engender the lasting friendships that will ensure hostility between nations becomes an impossibility. Alan Lewis then rose to announce that a presentation of a Town Band CD and a commemorative folder was to be made to all the visitors from Zreca.

At this point recognition should be made of the debt all owe to David Burbidge whose quiet diplomacy and unstinting efforts behind the scenes was largely instrumental in bringing about the visit and ensuring that it was such a success.

After the concert the bands met up in the Dalesman where a number of the Zreceans demonstrated the range of their musical talents to the great pleasure and admiration of all present.

The Zreca Band departed Sedbergh in the afternoon of Wednesday for London where sight seeing was to be followed on Thursday with a concert in Greenwich Park followed by the long journey home.

COUNCILLORS CORNER

In the elections there were four issues which came up time and again, Appleby Horse Fair, Parking in Kirkby Lonsdale, the Planning Application for Sedbergh Auction Mart (for and against) and the roads. The planning application has come to a determination and whilst I have had some complaints they are certainly outnumbered by those who are to a greater or lesser extent content with the result. Parking problems in Kirkby are in many ways a product of the success of the town as a tourist destination and will need a considered response. That leaves Appleby Fair and the roads.

APPLEBY HORSE FAIR – Since I last wrote there have been Drop-In events for people to express their personal experiences both in Sedbergh and Kirkby Lonsdale. The Sedbergh one clashed with a major induction event on Cumbria which I had to attend in order to be able to act as your County Councillor. For what it is worth in the quiz which was part of it Helen Fearon and I tied on the top score for new councillors and only one sitting councillor got more than us.

As a means of recording experiences I think the two Drop Ins were a success and I am sorry I wasn't able to be there. I am grateful to Gina Barney and John Challoner for their hard work in chronicling events and persuading people to fill in questionnaires about their own experiences. I am also grateful to those people who went to <http://www.applebyfair.org/feedback.html> and left their views. A lot of this must seem like repetition but repetition is an essential part of "raising awareness".

The matter was the main subject at my inaugural Neighbourhood Forum meeting in Dent at the end of June. Again, thank you to everyone who attended and thank you for conducting yourselves in such a measured way. As I said that night it might be hard to believe there is anyone in Cumbria who does not know what residents of Cautley had to go through but in fact there are even residents of Sedbergh who think we are all exaggerating.

So, what now ? As a first step I am arranging an internal meeting

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between myself, Ian McPherson and county and district legal officers. From that I intend to follow up with a somewhat larger meeting with farmers' legal advisors so that we can bottom all the issues which have so bedevilled any attempts at action this last three years. We need to do this first because we can do nothing without a sound legal basis and understanding. After this, the rest will slot in place, one way or another.

COUNTY HIGHWAYS – I have now had the Cooke's Tour of Highways from the county perspective – the Induction Course. I cannot say it is widely different from what I believed it to be but obviously there is a great deal more detail than I have

encountered so far. I just about understand the relationship between the County – service commissioners; Capita – service providers; and Amey – who do the work. I can't say I am convinced that this division was a good idea and it isn't easy to find members at County Hall who think so either.

It doesn't take a genius to work out that there isn't anything like enough money in the county budget to maintain our roads to the standard which we all desire. In part that is down to the perverse funding system brought in by John Prescott which apparently pays on population rather than length of roads. That will probably change in a couple of years but as the whole pot is likely to shrink substantially I would be surprised if we actually see more money for roads from central government.

Most of you will be aware of the Highways Hotline 0845 609 6609. This is the number which you are meant to ring when you find a hole in the road. This is the way that your concern finds its way on to the list of things to do. Unfortunately that way of working is totally random and it is my intention to work up a more structured approach so we can bring some order into the cataloguing process if nothing else.

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The proposed Sedbergh Community Play (2011) wants to draw on the history of this area to write a play that really tells the story of the people and who they have been and are now.

One of the things that is very clear about the people of the Sedbergh area is – **'that they are a law unto themselves'**. Just read the following paragraphs about some of the major happenings in the 1500, 1600 and 1700s. Talk about sticking up for themselves!

The purpose of this article is to ask everyone to think about what you might know about things that have happened in the past. Was Great Grandpa involved in something, did your house have a priest hole or a Quaker tenant, did someone in your family benefit from an education at the school and go on to do great things?

On 26th September there will be a big celebration evening to get the Community Play project going and at that evening we would like to exhibit ideas, personal stories, photos, scandals, crimes, all sorts of snippets of information about people and places that when incorporated into our play will make it come alive. This play will have over 100 characters and they should be real people as far as possible.

If you can come up with a story please write it down with your name, address and phone number and bring

it in to the Tourist Office at 72 Main Street, mark your envelope Community Play, or send it by email to: tic@sedbergh.org.uk. By the way, if you have a good idea, offer of help of any sort, burning need to be an actor just write it down and send it in, this project is yours please get involved.

(Please don't forget to get permission from anyone directly involved in your story to submit it, we don't want to upset anyone.)

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1500's

- Dr Roger Lupton founded his Chantry and Free Grammar School
- The area's important role in the Pilgrimage of Grace shown by Henry VIII addressing a letter to "the commons of Yorkshire, Westmorland, Cumberland, the Bishopric of Durham, Richmondshire, Craven, **Dent, Sedbare** and all other places ..."
- Giles Wigginton was the most famous of all the Vicars of Sedbergh and merited an entry in the Dictionary of National Biography. A Calvinist of national standing he was probably made vicar to effectively banish him. However, this did not stop him and as a result he got into trouble with the church authorities and was imprisoned in London. Deprived of his living he returned to Sedbergh and set up his own congregation in opposition to the Elizabethan Church of England in St Andrews.
- John Bland, the Protestant martyr was born in Sedbergh.

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1600's

- The Civil War largely left this area alone. John Otway of Ingmire Hall was related through marriage to two colonels in the army one of whom served with General Monk. John was able to act as a go-between for King Charles and Monk. After the Restoration he was knighted.
- The Catholic martyr John Duckett was born in Sedbergh.
- Visit of George Fox and the effective founding of the Quaker movement by the sermon at Fox's Pulpit.
- Corn Mill cases, who could build, own and use them, water power.

1700's

- Despite legends Sedbergh was probably not involved in the 1745 rebellion. Certainly Bonnie Prince Charlie never came here.
- The dispute over Bluecaster involving Sir Thomas Strickland versus the commoners supported by Braithwaite Otway.
- Various important people born;
- John Dawson of Garsdale who funded his studies by knitting.
- Adam Sedgwick the Professor of Geology at Cambridge Univ,
- James Inman, Professor of Maths at the Royal Naval College, Portsmouth and the author of the Inman Tables ,
- John Haygarth a doctor who produced valuable reforms for preventing the spread of infectious diseases,
- John Dawson an eminent teacher of Maths.

TIM FARRON MP

The last few weeks before Parliament breaks up for its holidays have been rather full of ups and downs.

The ups first I think.

I have received a rather encouraging letter from the Chief Constable of Cumbria which, along with a meeting I had with Chief Superintendent Kennedy, leads me to be fairly confident that they have taken our complaints about the unacceptable behaviour we witnessed in Sedbergh just prior to this year's Appleby Fair seriously. They even seem to accept that the police did not respond in the way we would expect in situations like this. I

am hopeful that we will see a significant improvement next year and that the policing of the event will be much more consistent between South Lakeland and Eden districts. I plan to meet with the Chief Constable in the autumn and this will be very high on the list of things I need to discuss with him.

South Lakeland District Council has agreed to introduce a grant to cover part of the costs for farmers applying to convert disused barns into affordable housing under my Homes on the Farm plan. I am increasingly confident that we will start to see the appearance of more homes on farms that young people will be able to buy and so avoid them being forced out of

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My campaign for a cancer unit at Westmorland General Hospital is continuing to build momentum. I have spoken to the Chief Executive of the NHS in the North West who said that public support would be a key consideration in deciding whether to approve the plans or not, so if you have not signed my petition (over 7000 people have) or know of anyone who has not signed the petition then please do so!

Now the downs.

Much to my annoyance the Government has announced that it will not be introducing plans to make the National Parks more democratically accountable to the people who live within their boundaries. To make things worse they made this announcement in a written announcement so we have no chance of questioning it or debating it in Parliament. I shall not allow this decision to be the end of the matter and will continue to press for local people to be able to hold these bodies accountable.

Finally, I was amazed at Gordon Brown's audacity in his plans to introduce a bill that will force farmers to pay some of the costs of outbreaks of diseases like foot and mouth. As if farmers were not hard enough pressed financially, the idea that they can afford to spend even more money is beyond belief! Added to which, given that the most recent foot and mouth outbreak started at a government research station and still



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they refused to compensate those who found their incomes reduced as a result it all feels as if the current Government is actually trying to destroy the farming industry in this country. You may have guessed that I will be working hard to oppose this plan.

Finally, the 19th of August will see me driving around Sedbergh, Dent and Garsdale on my annual summer mobile surgery. Please do look out for us and at least give us a wave but better still come and say hello and tell me about the things that are worrying you. The day will start on Sedbergh Market at 10am, Dent Stores will be visited at 11.30am and Garsdale Village Hall at 12.30am. In case you miss me, I will also be at Grayrigg School at 1.30pm.

In the meantime if there is anything I can help with please do write to me, Tim Farron MP, at Acland House, Smokehouse Yard, Stricklandgate, Kendal LA9 4ND or tim@timfarron.co.uk.

Thanks for your support

Tim Farron MP

AGE CONCERN WARNING

A *cautionary warning from
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Age Concern South Lakeland has become aware that older people in South Lakeland are being targeted more aggressively than ever by unscrupulous companies and individuals selling all manner of "aids" specifically targeted at the older person.

The most recent example of this

was a lady in her eighties who was cold called by a very persistent telesales person who made an appointment for a "Health Therapist". The telesales person made no mention of the fact that the person who would be calling would in fact be selling something. They promised the "Therapist" could advise on ways of reducing pain and discomfort in the ladies daily life.

Luckily in this instance the lady in question was very annoyed that she had been bullied into having this visitor to her home and confused as to actually who they were. She called Age Concern to enquire if we knew of the organisation and what they do. We had never heard of them and further of research yielded no more information.

Age Concern Community Officer Terry Williams went along to the appointment at the ladies request, not surprisingly the visitor was a salesman for a company selling beds, chairs and other aids for people with various difficulties or disabilities. When asked where the "Health Therapist" was he claimed it was him, but could not cite any qualifications to support such an auspicious title.

To cut a long story short Terry Williams sent this salesman packing, sadly however this is just the tip of the iceberg. At Age Concern we have numerous cases where older people have been lied to and bullied into buying inappropriate products, there seems to be no level that some of these organisations will not stoop in order to make a sale and very often all we are left with is a mobile number which is



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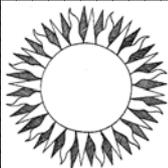
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- Do not agree to a home visit, if they persist, just put the phone down.
- If you have any interest at all in what they are saying, ask them to send you some literature in the post. If they won't, just put the phone down.
- Remember very often they present themselves as anything other than salespeople, if you have never heard of them, mistrust them.
- Bona Fide healthcare or other statutory organisations seldom if ever call without prior contact or

agreement. Ask for a call back number, if they don't provide one, just put the phone down.

- If you are bullied or conned into a home visit and remember it can happen to the best of us, call a family member or Age Concern who will provide advice and sit in on the visit if required.

Remember these people are very good at what they do and in many instances what they do is despicable, please don't be another statistic, if you are in any doubt, **Just put the phone down.** For further information or advice phone Age Concern South Lakeland Helpline on 01539 728180 or Trading standards on 01539 713577.



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Following our talk from Simon Harlow in April on the project, several members of the Sedbergh and other local support groups paid a field visit to Watermillock and Greystoke church grounds, fine examples of wildlife conservation. Frequently these sacred places hold the remnants of our once widespread hay meadow species and these two were certainly evidence of this.

At Watermillock Church near Ullswater, on a glorious sunny morning, we were met by Simon and

local conservationist Elizabeth Walton. The grounds here are literally covered with orchids, mostly common spotted but also twayblade and dark leaved helleborine. Pignut was here in abundance, a good indicator of a rich and original natural biodiversity and also the preferred food of the chimney-sweeper moth caterpillar. Yellow rattle, another indicator was also present. The churchyard here has been managed by the same gentleman for around 40 years. It is fortunate that he foresaw the importance of maintaining a regime supporting wildlife. Several areas are kept regularly mown, some are mown after the wildflowers have seeded,

some are not mown at all and he also mows varying paths through the growing areas to reassure visitors that the churchyard is being managed not neglected! Other more rare species found were leopards bane and meadow vetchling. A wide range of other plants included various hawkweeds, rough hawkbit, horsetails, knapweeds, selfheal, plantain, burnet, sorrel and boletus. This church yard is a delight and well worth a visit.

The party then went north to Greystoke Church, a splendid edifice serving a large parish. Here Elizabeth and her team have managed to retain an area of the extensive graveyard for natural growth. Naturally, those with family connections to a burial ground often prefer the ground to be kept neat and tidy. A good compromise is to leave certain areas unmown. Tall trees near the church used to be home to several owl species but once the longer grass habitat of their prey below was removed the owls went too. Now, over the last five years this section has been conserved and although the

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owls have not returned yet, a variety of interesting flora has. It is early days here but already we were able to see orange hawkweed, melancholy thistle, yarrow, speedwell, albino bushvetch, cat's ear hawkbit, sorrel, lesser stitchwort. No orchids here yet but many of the species at Watermillock are also found here. Over all flew the ringlet and painted lady butterflies.

The work of Elizabeth and her team in maintaining and promoting wildlife in sacred places is most impressive. Our thanks go to them all for a splendid day out. We hope that through the WISP project may more of our sacred places can be refuges for some of rare and increasingly endangered wildlife species. For more information please contact them at Cumbria Wildlife Trust 01539 816300.


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CHURCHES TOGETHER

This Summer has already seen a number of successful joint events for the Churches Together in Sedbergh, Dent and surrounding areas, with more still to come.

July 5th saw all the churches gathered together for a shared Sunday service in St Andrews, Sedbergh. The service was a retelling of the story of Mary Jones and her bible. A joint choir, a gathered music group and an eager group of young actors all spent the weekend rehearsing and then shared it as the Sunday service.

Mary Jones and her family loved retelling the stories of the bible they heard at church. Mary worked hard to save money to buy her own then walked over 25 miles, alone, to buy one. When she eventually returned she had 3 bibles to share with all her family and friends.

It was wonderful to be together in worship, to experience something different together and to agree that we are so privileged to have the freedom to read our bibles and share

the stories of God's love. Plans are afoot for more musical adventures.... more info later.

The Music Festival in Dent enjoyed the hottest weekend of the year so far to welcome hundreds of festival goers to a brilliant venue below the National Park Car Park. A fantastic natural amphitheatre allowed festival goers to enjoy the music in a relaxed and very pleasant environment. On the Sunday, Roger Bush and Garsdale St Band led the churches and festival goers in a 'Festival of Folk Hymns' in the nearby Memorial Hall. It was wonderful to hear the joyful singing of hymns of praise ringing out from the hall. Thank you to Roger and the Band for enabling this most appropriate service for Dent's Music Festival.

It is wonderful that the profits from the weekend are being ploughed back into the community with both Dent School and St Andrew's Church Bells Appeal receiving very helpful grants. Many thanks and congratulations to the festival organisers.

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have the annual Holiday Club to look forward to which is taking place in the People's Hall for children aged 4-11 from 27th July – 1st August. The theme this year is 'Showstoppers' which explores God's great plan for salvation through stories, games and the creative arts. On Saturday 1st August at 10am there will be a chance for parents, families and friends to come and get a flavour of what has been going on at the club during the week.

Finally, Churches Together will be having a stall at the annual Market Charter Fayre in Joss Lane Car Park on Saturday 15th August. Please come along to find out more about your local churches and their work together in our community.

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DENT MEMORIAL HALL

This is it folks! This is the month of the Gala, DENT GALA that is, the one event we work towards all year is almost upon us, do come along on the 31st we open at 1 lam on the Playing field and in the yard behind the Primary School, and look forward

to seeing you there.

Dogs, please bring your owners and encourage them to enter you into the Dog Show where around 8 classes await lots of entrants, you can sign in as soon as we open and the starting time will be advertised, (we are trying to be more organised!)

We will have one or two new things amongst the stalls & sideshows along with the usual ones, and will certainly have the very popular Pot Smash! This year we are so pleased to welcome back the WI serving Home Made Teas in the Sedgwick & Haygarth Rooms AND to welcome back the Dalton Family with the BBQ, we hope to have some chairs and tables set out, outside "cafe" style.. and are hoping for a lovely weather day this year.

As ever we need lots of helpers, each organisation using the Hall is encouraged to "arrange" a stall/ sideshow and organise the people needed to run it.. inevitably other people get drafted in, and then there are the extra jobs which need to be done, wherever would we be without the "Piggery Team" for example who load up tractor & trailer and bring all the stalls and tables and equipment to the site, help set everything up and then take it all back afterwards, no small task. We have to start getting things set-up on the Sunday or we would not be ready in time, do get in touch with Jean or myself about when you are able to help.

Our Gala is much loved, not only by local people, but by visitors, many of

whom return year after year, it is one of a sadly dying breed of village fetes and Galas, and still retains its charm, but only because people are prepared to put in the work required. My sincere thanks to all the members of the GALA committee and the DMH Committee, we have a great event, and hopefully we will have great weather.

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AUGUST GARDENING

August is the month when there is a distinct slowing down of growth in trees and shrubs in the garden and it is for this reason that hedge trimming and summer pruning of fruit trees and shrubs takes place now – the theory being that hedges and bushes will stay looking trim and neat and need no further attention for the rest of the year. I always choose this month for pruning *Wisteria* as I find that one hard prune now will last the year and will encourage the formation of flower

buds for the next season.

Wisteria and cordon and fan trained fruit trees and bushes are all pruned in the same way - that is they are cut back to a main framework of mature branches and short flowering spurs. As wisterias can put on growths of 7 or 8 ft in a year, pruning does seem ruthless. All but the lowest 1 or 2 buds on each of the bright yellow/green new stems should be removed so that the sunlight can get in and ripen up the wood on the buds and older stems. The same system applies to fruit bushes, although there is generally only a foot or so of growth to be removed there.

Another extremely satisfying, but often painful pruning job undertaken this month is rose pruning. Ramblers such as 'Albertine', 'American Pillar', 'Francis E. Lester', 'Rambling Rector' and 'Veilchenblau' which are not repeat flowering should all be pruned directly after flowering by cutting back the flowered shoots, either to ground level if the plant is growing on a low wall or to a strong bud at the base of each flowering stem. Train in any new, non-flowering stems – they will provide next years blooms – and watch out for any new growths which should appear from the pruned stems over the coming months so that you can tie these in too. I usually go for full battle dress when doing this job. Thick gloves, donkey jacket, broad brimmed hat and very old (not) waterproof trousers which seem to turn the thorns quite well. Quite a spectacle, but it seems to do the trick.

Elaine Horne

SEDBERGH SCHOOL

Charitable Status and Public Benefit Tests

The Governors of Sedbergh School (in Cumbria) have launched a new means-tested bursary scheme for parents with talented children but who may not have the income to be able to pay the full fees.

Depending on individual financial circumstances parents can apply for bursaries of *up to 50%* of the total fees.



Headmaster Christopher Hirst (pictured) said, 'Sedbergh School meets all the requirements likely to be required of an independent school by the Charity Commission as it already makes a major contribution to the local community and has done for hundreds of years. This new bursary scheme is just one of the ways in which the Governors are enhancing this public benefit and any parents interested in applying for the scheme should contact the Registrar for further information.'

Sedbergh School is a co-educational day and boarding school for 540 pupils from the ages of 4-18. It was founded in 1525 and took girls for the first time in 2001. It has recently established the very

successful Sedbergh Junior School at Sedbergh having transferred it from its previous site at Low Bentham. Daily buses are provided for all local regions. The new bursary schemes apply to both the Senior and Junior Schools and there are still places available for this September.

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SEDBERGH PARISH COUNCIL

The latest council meeting was held on Wednesday 24th at the People's Hall.

The financial report highlighted the possible overspend on the costs of running the public toilets at Loftus Hill due to vandalism, and the costs of maintaining the football field. The working groups will be looking at these issues in more detail.

The Council agreed grants to the Playground of £1000 and the Community Office of £550.

A member of the public raised the poor state of the passageways around Kings yard and it was agreed to bring this to the attention of the National Park and the District Council.

The car parks committee reported on further problems with blocked drains at Loftus Hill toilets and the ongoing problem of untaxed cars on Joss Lane Car Park. Further action was agreed to resolve these issues.

The playing field group are still looking at possible solutions to the drainage problem and agreed to look again at the possibility of fencing off the playground area.

A lengthy discussion was held regarding highways and footpath issues, particularly problems for HGV's with car parking in Bainbridge Road and footpath access to the proposed new Health Centre and Spar development. Further action was agreed on both these issues.

Members of the public are warmly invited to attend council meetings



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which are held at the Peoples Hall at 7.30 pm. The next meeting is on 26th August.

The following planning issues were discussed:

Wardses, Cautley, Sedbergh - full planning permission for erection of replacement dwelling house

No objection in principle but concern about the configuration of the front doors

LB Garths, Marthwaite, Sedbergh.-

Listed Building consent for replacement of flagstones on roof by Westmorland Green Slate

No objections but would point out that property is visible from the road contrary to what is stated in the application.

Full planning permission for conversion of redundant buildings to form five dwelling units, 37-39 Main Street Sedbergh Approved - Conditional

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Akay playing field - application to create hard standing and associated low level barrier Approved - Conditional

2 Guldrey Houses, Sedbergh - full planning permission to replace roof of garage and extend part of garage to form summerhouse with studio above. Approved - Conditional

Sedbergh Auction Mart, Station Road Sedbergh - full planning permission for erection of health centre and convenience store with car parking and associated engineering works Minded to approve, subject to Section 106 Agreement and conditions Lupton Playground, Sedbergh School, Off Back Lane, Sedbergh - full planning permission for replacement of security fence above boundary wall (retrospective) Approved

Further details of planning applications can be found on the Yorkshire Dales National Park website.

For any further information please contact the clerk Colin Robertshaw. (Tel 01539 730597 email colinrobertshaw@talktalk.net or at the Community Office around midday each Wednesday)



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We saw the return of Pete Moorby behind the timbers (David Burton on holiday). Despite the almost audible creaking of the knees he gave a fine performance showing off his natural talent, only conceding one bye.

We got off to a very slow start against accurate bowling and losing Kevin Puncher and David Baines cheaply we were 11 for 2 at 10 overs. Chris McClurg (17) Pete Moorby (11) and Xav Baines (28) steadied the ship to get us to 64 for 5 in the 26th over (40 runs needed in 10 overs but running out of wickets). Joe Clare got us back into the game with a quick 13 (2 well struck fours) and the Archbishop was beginning to panic a bit. With 9 balls left of our 35 overs we were 88 for 9 needing 17 to win. Unluckily David got a grubber and was bowled ending our winning streak. Another very enjoyable and exciting game and another good team

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Man of the Match was Xav Baines for a very good knock of 28, just shading it over old creaky knees!.

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Dear Editor,

This evening we went to the Peoples Hall, to see the latest production, by the Spellbound Theatre, Village Voices by Helen Leslie Bromley, a local writer.

It was an excellent show, with brilliant actors. We try to see most of the local plays and concerts. Without support to cover costs of Hall rental and printing of tickets and programmes these may not go on.

This show was advertised in *Lookaround* and also on posters in shops in town. The audience was appreciative, but small, maybe partly due to heavy rain or the school holidays.

We hope to go to the second performance tomorrow, and future productions and enjoy a very entertaining experience of live theatre.

*Kath Milburn
& Linda Killops*

COMMUNITY SUPPORT OFFICER

The past month has seen a large number of visitors to the Sedbergh area, with the Dent Festival and 'The One Big Weekend' Sedbergh Wanderers charity event. However the Police have received a low number of calls for reports of anti social behaviour.

There have been 2 thefts from motor vehicles and 1 incident of criminal damage to a vehicle, please ensure valuables are not left on display in your vehicle and report any suspicious behaviour to the police.

Over the past month there have been 2 incidents of theft from commercial premises and an attempted break in to a commercial premises enquiries are ongoing with these incidents.

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The drop ins for this months will be, Sedbergh Library – Monday 24th Aug 17:30-19:00 (Due to the bank holiday) and Dent Stores Tuesday 4th August 10:00-12:00.

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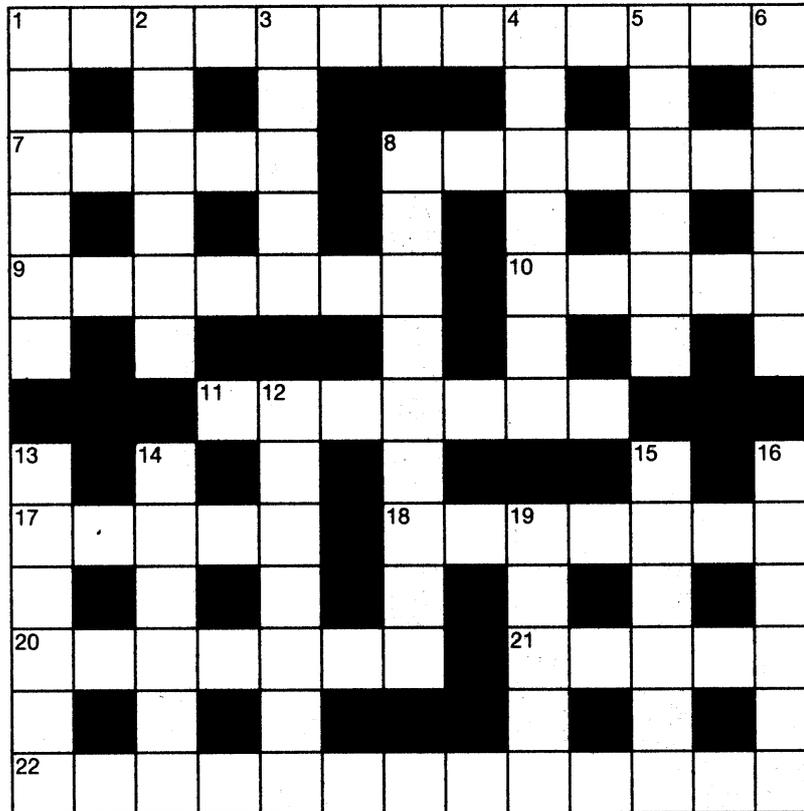
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DIARY OF EVENTS

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Entries marked (*) see Advert in previous Lookaround.			20 1230 Upland Birds	DCMH
AUGUST			22 1000 Barbon Agricultural Soc Show (22)	BMP
1 1000	Two Exhibitions (till 31st) (6)	FM	23 1000 James Bond 007 Theme Day (23)	Wigton
1 1000	Day Walk	GVH	23 1030 Christian Worship	PH
1 1000	Summer Exhibition (till 3/9)	DCMH	23 1400 Dentdale Cricket Club v Kendal Cavs	Dent
1 1400	Extension opening	HJC	25 1400 Drystone Wall Demonstration	DCMH
1 1900	Harry Allen's videos	HJC	26 1000 Coffee Morning Beekeepers	URCR
2 1400	Hawes Band + Tea	HJC	26 1400 Discover & Do	DCMH
2 1400	Open Garden (*)	WHKL	26 1930 Sedbergh Parish Council	PH
3 1930	Dent Parish Council	DMH	27 1230 Birds of the Dales	DCMH
4 1400	Rugmaking	DCMH	28 2100 Dentdale Show (28)	Dent
4 1930	WIB Bath House Products	BVH	28 1900 Duophonic (29)	Duo
5 1000	Coffee Morning Howgill Church	URCR	29 1000 Flower Festival (29)	StAS
5 1400	Discover & Do	DCMH	29 1900 Dentdale Show (28)	Dent
5 1930	WIF Dance Exercise	PH	29 1330 Lunds Walk + Tea	HJC
6 1230	Birds of the Dales	DCMH	29 1930 Evening Musical Concert (29)	StAS
6 1930	WIH Folk Songs	FCH	30 1300 Flower Festival (29)	StAS
8 1400	Nigel Morgan Concert (6)	FM	30 1900 Dentdale Show (28)	Dent
9 1030	Digital Cameras	DCMH	31 1000 Flower Festival (29)	StAS
10 1400	PH New Building Presentation (1)	PH	30 1100 Weaving Demonstration	DCMH
10 1930	New Building Formal Presentation (1)	PH	31 August Bank Holiday	
11 1000	Handheld GPS Units	DCMH	31 1100 Dent Gala (1)	Dent
11 1930	Domino Drive	FCH	SEPTEMBER	
12 1000	Coffee Morning Sed Methodists	URCR	1 1000 Summer Exhibition (till 3rd)	DCMH
12 tba	WID Summer Outing	tba	2 1000 Coffee Morning GVH	URCR
12 1300	Zebras Fun Afternoon (12)	SMCR	2 1930 WIF Making Gift Boxes & Tags	PH
12 1400	Blood Donor Session	PH	3 1930 WIH Marzipan Fruits	HVH
12 1400	Discover & Do	DCMH	8 1930 WIB Joyce Grenfell	BVH
12 1730	Blood Donor Session	PH	8 1400 WIK Mountain Rescue Dogs	PH
13 1230	Woodland Birds	DCMH	8 1930 Domino Drive	FCH
14 1930	PH Fund Raising Meeting (14)	PH	8 1930 Neighbourhood Forum	BVH
15 1000	Mencap Coffee Morning (15)	WFF	9 SS Term Starts	
15 1000	Charter Market (15)	Sedbergh	9 1000 Coffee Morning Dent Foot Chapel	URCR
15 1400	Nigel Morgan Concert (6)	FM	9 1915 WID Lakeland Farmhouse	DMH
15	Flower Show	BVH	10 1800 Enrolment Evening	CDC
16 1030	Pathfinder	DCMH	12 1000 Sedbergh Town Band 'Blow In'	URC
16 1400	Dentdale Cricket Club v Hawes	Dent	15 1000 Benefits Advice	CO
18 1000	Funsports (*)	PH	16 1000 Coffee Morning StAS Mission	URCR
19 1000	Coffee Morning NW Cancer	URCR	19 1930 A Night with Fred Dibnah (89)	StAD
19 1000	Funsports (*)	PH	19 1930 Race Night	GVH
19 1000	Tim Farron MP Mobile Surgery	JLCP	20 1030 Christian Worship	PH
19 1130	Tim Farron MP Mobile Surgery	Dent	20 1930 Poetry Please	StAS
19 1230	Tim Farron MP Mobile Surgery	GVH	21 1930 Firbank Harvest Sale	FCH
19 1400	Discover & Do	DCMH	22 1930 LNFU AGM	PH
20 1000	Funsports (*)	PH	23 1000 Coffee Morning Sunday Club	URCR

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24	1930	Sedbergh Parish Council	PH			
26	1930	Gunnerside Choir	HJC			
26	1930	Community Play Evening	SHS			
26	2000	Old Tyme Dances	PH			
30	1000	Coffee Morning A&LP Lookaround	URCR			
OCTOBER						
1	1930	WIH AGM	FCH			
6	1930	WIB Church Mouse Cheese	BVH			
7	1000	Coffee Morning Barnardo's	URCR			
7	1930	HS Researching Family History	SHS			
7	1930	WIF Abbeys & Priors in the NW	PH			
10	1900	Bolton Male Voice Choir	PH			
13	1000	Benefits Advice	CO			
13	1400	WIK Sewers	PH			
13	1930	Bingo & Potato Pie Supper	FCH			
14	1000	Coffee Morning Sed Town Band	URCR			
14	1915	WID Jewellery Making	DMH			
18	1030	Christian Worship	PH			
19	1930	Beetle Drive	GVH			
21	1000	Coffee Morning Badminton	URCR			
21	1930	HS Lost Village of Culgarth +	DMH			
23		SS Half Term Starts				
28	1000	Coffee Morning Garsdale Church	URCR			
28	2000	Ha Ha Hitler Play	PH			
29	1930	Sedbergh Parish Council Date Change	PH			
30	1930	Domino Drive	HVH			
NOVEMBER						
3		SS Half Term Ends				
3	1930	WIB Annual Meeting	BVH			
4	1000	Coffee Morning Firbank Church	URCR			
4	1930	HS North Eastern Railway	SHS			
4	1930	WIF AGM & Jacobs Join Social	PH			
5	1930	WIH District Councillor	HVH			
6	1800	Garsdale Bonfire & Fireworks	GVH			
6	1830	Firbank Bonfire Night & Skittles Party	FCH			
8	1030	Remembrance Sunday	StAS			
10	1000	Benefits Advice	CO			
10	1400	WIK AGM + Jackie Huck	PH			
10	1930	Firbank Church Domino Drive	FCH			
11	1000	Coffee Morning Bowling Club	URCR			
11	1915	WID AGM	DMH			
13	1930	WIH Domino Drive	HVH			
14	1100	StAS Christmas Fayre	PH			
15	1030	Christian Worship	PH			
18	1000	Coffee Morning Killington Church	URCR			
18	1930	Domino Drive	GVH			
18	1930	HS Lady Anne Clifford	SHS			
21	1000	Sed. Playgroup Christmas Market Fayre	PH			
21		Fantasia on Christmas Carols	Carlisle			
22		Fantasia on Christmas Carols	SSPH			
26	1930	Sedbergh Parish Council	PH			
28		SSCS Rawthey Ball	SSPH			
30		St Andrew's Day				
DECEMBER						
1	1930	WIB Christmas Meel & Party	BVH			
2	1000	Coffee Morning LNFU	URCR			
2	tha	WIF Christmas Party	tba			
2	1930	HS Traditional Local Food	SHS			
				DIARY KEY		
				BF	= Brigflatts	
				BMP	= Barbon Manor Park	
				BVH	= Barbon Village Hall	
				CDC	= Community Development Centre	
				CO	= Community Office, Main Street	
				CTiS	= Churches Together in Sedbergh	
				CWT	= Cumbria Wildlife Trust	
				DCMH	= Dales Countryside Museum, Hawes	
				DCP	= Dent Car Park	
				DMH	= Dent Memorial Hall	
				DMC/S	= Dent Methodist Chapel/Schoolroom	
				FCH	= Firbank Church Hall	
				FM	= Farfield Mill	
				GVH	= Garsdale Village Hall	
				HJC	= Hawes Junction Chapel	
				HS	= History Society	
				HVH	= Howgill Village Hall	
				JLCP	= Joss Lane Car Park	
				KL	= Kirkby Lonsdale	
				KVH	= Killington Village Hall	
				LHCP	= Loftus Hill Car Park	
				PH	= People's Hall	
				SHS	= Settlebeck High School	
				SLSB	= South Lakeland Society for the Blind	
				SMCR	= Sed. Methodist Church Room	
				StAS/D	= St Andrew's Church, Sedbergh/Dent	
				SS	= Sedbergh School	
				STO	= Sedbergh Tourist Office, Main Street	
				URCR	= United Reformed Church Rooms	
				WFF	= Waterside Farm, Firbank	
				WHKL	= Whittington Hall, Kirkby Lonsdale	
				WIB	= Women's Institute, Barbon	
				WID	= Women's Institute, Dentdale	
				WIF	= Women's Institute, Frostrow	
				WIH	= Women's Institute, Howgill	
				WIK	= Women's Institute, Killington	
Regular Meetings						
				Howgill Toddlers	1315 Every Monday	HVH
				Dent Parish Council	1930 1st Monday	DMH
				T'ai Chi	1930 Every Tuesday	URCR
				SL Carers Association	1400 1st Tuesday	PH
				Killington WI	1400 2nd Tuesday	PH
				SLS Blind Group	1400 3rd Tuesday	PH
				Ladies NFU	1930 3rd Tuesday	PH
				Coffee Morning	1000 Every Wednesday	URCR
				Zebras	1315 Every Wednesday	SMCR
				Sedbergh Juniors	1730 Every Wednesday	PH
				Sedbergh Seniors	1930 Every Wednesday	PH
				Frostrow WI	1930 1st Wednesday	PH
				History Society	1930 1st & 3rd Wednesday	SHS
				Dentdale WI	1915 2nd Wednesday	DMH
				Howgill WI	1930 1st Thursday	FCH
				Child Health/Baby Cl	1400 1st & 3rd Thurs	PH
				Toy Library	1430 1st & 3rd Thursday	PH
				Sed. Parish Council	1930 Last Thursday	PH
				Monkey House Café	1930 Every Friday	Library

PUBLIC INFORMATION

SEDBERGH HEALTH CENTRE

Loftus Hill ☎ 015396 20218

Repeat Prescription ☎ 015396 20239

Out of Hours ☎ 01539 781999

Bay Call ☎ 0845 0524 999

Monday	0830 - 1030 O	1500 - 1800 B
	0830 - 1015 L*	1500 - 1800 *
		1830 - 2030 W*
	1130 - 1215 Dent Surgery	
Tuesday	0830 - 1030 O	1430 - 1730 H*
	1045 - 1230 H*	1830 - 2030 W*
Wednesday	0830 - 1030 O	1430 - 1730 P*
	1045 - 1230 P*	1500 - 1800 L*
Thursday	0830 - 1030 O	1400 - 1700 H*
	1045 - 1230 L*	1430 - 1730 P*
Friday	0830 - 1030 O	1430 - 1730 L*
	1045 - 1230 L*	1430 - 1730 P*

L = Dr Lumb

H = Dr Hunt

P = Nurse Pilling

O = Open Surgery

* = Appointment Only

B = Book on Day

W = Workers Surgery

*The Health Centre reserve the right to offer any
Doctor/Nurse Practitioner at any time
in the Open Surgeries.*

*Early Bird Surgery available,
please ask at Reception*

Practice Nurses

Monday	0845 - 1300 C	1400 - 1730 C
	0840 - 1200 LB	1400 - 1630 E
Tuesday	0845 - 1300 C	1400 - 1730 C
Wednesday	0830 - 1300 B	1400 - 1730 B
	0840 - 1200 L	
Thursday	0830 - 1300 B	1400 - 1730 B
		1400 - 1730 C
Friday	0845 - 1300 C	1400 - 1730 C

B = Joanne Batty

C = Anne Crome

L = Kay Lumb LB = Bloods

E = ECG Clinic

District Nurse

☎ 015396 21690

Health Visitor

☎ 015396 20979

A Collinge Optometrist

Friday only 0900 - 1300 1400 - 1730 *

* = By Appointment Only

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Finkle Street ☎ 20626

Mr I R Dawson, Ms G Turner & Mr B Houghton

Monday to Thursday 0900 - 1700

Friday 0830 - 1500

LIBRARY Main Street ☎ 20186

Monday 1700 - 1900

Wednesday 1000 - 1230 1400 - 1700

Friday 1400 - 1700

Saturday 1000 - 1230

SEDBERGH TOURIST OFFICE

Main Street ☎ 20125

Open every day

0900 - 1700

www.sedbergh.org.uk/booktown/dlbc.html

COMMUNITY OFFICE ☎ 20504

Monday to Friday 1000 to 1600

Thursday 1000 to 1300

e-mail office@sedbergh.org.uk

www.sedbergh.org.uk

RURAL CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU

Kendal Office

☎ 0870 1264061

www.cabkendal.ndo.co.uk

PENSION SERVICE SURGERY

Stricklandgate House every Tuesday 1400 - 1600

☎ 01539 795000 or 0845 6060265

SLCVS @ Community Office

1st Wednesday every month

10 am to 12 noon

☎ 01539 742627

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CENTRE

Settlebeck Cottage Tel: 21031

www.sedberghcdc.org.uk

POLICE

☎ 0845 33 00 247

PUBLIC TOILETS

Main Street & Loftus Hill Car Park, Sedbergh

Main Street, Dent

VETERINARY SURGERY

22 Long Lane ☎ 20335

Mr N. Preston & Mr J. Bramley

Monday to Friday 1400 - 1430 *

Mon, Wed & Fri 1900 - 1930 *

Saturday 1330 - 1400 *

Sunday *

* = By Appointment Only

MARKET DAY WEDNESDAY

HALF-DAY CLOSING THURSDAY