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DEGEMBER 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 recipients this month are:-Benjamin Robinson who is 10 years old on 4th December and Taylor Scarr who is 9 years old on 14th December. Please collect your vouchers from Sedbergh Office Services 13 Kings Yard, Main Street, Sedbergh which can be used in any shop in Sedbergh & Dent. Merry Christmas

Day	Name	Age
2	Rhiannon WINDER	8
2	Ryan WINDER	8
2	Elijah JAMES	9
4	Benjamin ROBINSON	10
6	Anna AINSCOUGH	7
8	Freddie FALLOWS	9
9	Jack ALDERSON	8
10	Tom FEARNHEAD	11
14	Taylor SCARR	9
16	Tom CAPSTICK	5
16	Ella PRATT	7
16	Sophie GAME	8
16	Brenda LUFFMAN	10
22	Vicky WOOF	6
25	Maddie WALSH	8
27	Haydon COUSINS	5
31	Gracie ROBINSON	8
31	Ewan CANNOM	2
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18	Barbara Youens	91
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JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

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

The recipients this month are:-Arnold Hodgson who is 8 years old on 6th January and

Harry Brownbill who is 11 years old on 11th January.

Please collect your vouchers from Sedbergh Office Services 13 Kings Yard, Main Street,

Sedbergh

which can be used in any shop in Sedbergh & Dent.

Many months ago, I lost the Master Lookaround but managed to retrieve much information. If any children's details are missing, please let me know.

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Day	Name	Age
6	Arnold HODGSON	8
7	Emily WHITE	5
11	Harry BROWNBILL	11
13	Elizabeth COWIN	6
15	Anika BURBIDGE	6
16	Charlie COLTON	4
25	Hannah MARSDEN	3
30	Stanley ALLAN	6
	Nonagenarian & Over	

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BURTON

Happy Birthday to Bob who will be **70** years old on December 9th. All the best for a great day. Love and Best Wishes from Judy & Tom, Martin & Michael & Anne-Marie & Denim.

CALKELD

I wish to thank my loving family and all my friends for the beautiful cards and presents on the occasion of my **80th Birthday**. Thank you all again for a wonderful time. Dorothy

CARTLEDGE

Happy Birthday Donald for the 4th December. Also wishing you a very Happy Christmas and best wishes for the New Year. You are never far from our thoughts. With love from the Wilson family and all your friends in Dent and Sedbergh.

LONGLANDS

Congratulations Lois, Ave-Mae on becoming a big sister to Billie Rae. Lots of love and hugs from Nan and Grumps xxxx

LONGLANDS

Congratulations Bill and Rachel on the birth of Billie

Rae on 1st November. Love and best wishes for the future from Mum and Dad xxxx



LONGLANDS

Congratulations Bill & Rachel on the birth of Billie Rae and also love and hugs to Lois on becoming a big sister. Aunty Rose and Carl and bump xxxx

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MASON

I would like to thank John, family and friends for cards and presents received on my **90th Birthday**. You all made it a very special day. Agnes.

MIDDLETON

Pippa would like to thank everyone who helped celebrate her christening and made it such a fab day. Also thank you for all her cards, money and gifts x

BURBIDGE

Happy 6th Birthday Anika on 15th January 2013 from Mummy and Daddy and the guinea pigs.

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DEVINE

Thank you to everyone who has supported me whilst mother is in hospital and for all your concerns for her. Georgina

PPA

I would like to say a big thank you to all the Private Personal Assistance Team during the very difficult changeover and thank you to all our clients who have been very understanding. Helen.

A Very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy & Prosperous New Year to all our readers.

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AIREY

John would like to wish all family & friends a very Happy Christmas and a Healthy & Prosperous New Year.

CAPSTICK

Nora, formerly of 8 Fell Close and now resident at Brant Howe, Kirkby Lonsdale, wishes all her family, friends and neighbours a Joyous Christmas and a Happy New Year.

ALLAN FAMILY

Ann, Bill, Andrew and Mark would like to wish all family and friends a Happy Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year. God Bless.

BAINES

George and Esther want to wish the people of Cowgill, Dent and Sedbergh a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year 2013.

BERRY

Carl the Window-Cleaner would like to wish all his customers a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

CAMPBELL

Maurice and Raymond would like to wish all family and friends a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

CAPSTICK

Sheila & John Capstick would like to wish all their family & friends a Very Merry Christmas and a Healthy New Year.

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COWPERTHWAITE

Doris would like to wish all her friends and family a Happy Christmas, with Best Wishes for a Happy and Healthy New Year.

DAWSON

Jenny would like to send Christmas Greetings to her family and friends, and all best wishes for the New Year.

DOUGLAS

Gladys would like to wish all her friends and neighbours a very Happy Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year.

FELL

Jean and Brian wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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GIBSON

Doreen and Terry wish a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all family and friends.

THE GREEN DOOR

Everyone at the Green Door would like to wish our customers a lovely Christmas and a Happy New Year.

HARRISON

her relatives and friends a Merry Christmas and a Healthy & Peaceful New Year.

HAYGARTH

Doris would like to wish all family and friends a very Happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

HAYGARTH

Brian and Chris would like to wish all their family and friends a very Happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

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MACDONALD

To Friends and Neighbours a Happy Christmas and prosperous New Year from Eric and Margaret.

MASON

Best wishes to all family and friends for Christmas and the New Year. Norman.

MARTIN

Margaret Martin would like to wish all her friends a very joyful Christmas and a Happy New Year.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

The Cautley Carollers, Howgills Harmony and Lakeland Voice would like to thank the many people in the Sedbergh area who have supported us throughout the year - and wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Jenette Harrison would like to wish all Laura, Nigel, Anne Marie & Ben from Grandma & Aunty Georgina.

MIDDLETON

Steven, Michelle, CJ, Sienna May, Jody and Pippa would like to say a a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all family, friends and neiahbours x

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SKILL

Zander and Elizabeth wish all friends in Garsdale and Sedbergh a verv Happy Christmas and best wishes for the New Year.

STOKER

Good Health and seasonal wishes for Christmas and the New Year 2013 to all my friends and neighbours. Love and Best Wishes from Evelyn.

PROCTOR

Eric & Jean would like to wish all friends and neighbours a Happy Christmas and all the best in the New Year.

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SCOBIE

Jim and Joyce would like to thank their many friends and acquaintances for all their support and wish them a Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy New Year.

STAVELEY

Barrie & Mandy wish all family, friends and neighbours a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

STEADMAN

Garth and Jean would like to wish all our friends and past customers all the happiness that Christmas and the New Year can bring.

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TODD

Maggie Todd would like to wish all her family, friends a very Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

TOMLINSON

George wishes all his friends a Happy and Peaceful Christmas and every blessing in the New Year and thanks them for their kindness during the past year.

WOOD

Anne wishes all her friends in Sedbergh & District a Happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year,

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FOR SALE

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New Year Quiz

LAKELAND VOICE wish all our singers and supporters A Very Merry Christmas.

EMILY'S THANK YOU FUND

Following our fundraising for The Children's Heart Unit at Newcastle's Freeman Hospital, we are delighted to say that on Tuesday 13th November we presented the staff on the Children's ward with a cheque for £10,350, a fantastic amount which could not have been raised if it was not for the generosity & support of family, friends, the community & local businesses, we would like to express our sincere thanks & gratitude to you all.

The money raised is being used to purchase a portable ventilator, humidifier & an infusion pump, which will be used on the Paediatric Intensive Care Unit where Emily was cared for following her surgery.

There has recently been a review of Children's Services in the UK which went on much longer than anyone had anticipated, however the decision has been made that Cardiac surgery for children will continue at The Freeman, which is great news. We decided to hold back our fundraising money until this decision was made.

We hope the equipment & money raised will continue to allow the wonderful team at The Freeman care for those children who require their expertise as our daughter Emily did, we would also like to take this opportunity to thank all those people who supported us in the time following Emily's operation, she continues to do well and is a happy, healthy little girl.

> Martin, Helen, Edward, Molly and Emily Smith



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CAUTLEY & GARSDALE CHURCH COFFEE MORNING Wednesday 12th December 10am to noon URC Rooms Usual Stalls & Raffle as welf as Christmas Goodies & Gifts

DENT PARISH COUNCIL

The November council meeting discussed the future management of the playing field, after this year's wet weather had made regular maintenance difficult. The meeting also discussed using the car park site for next year's Music and Beer Festival, where again this year's weather had caused problems. Full minutes of the meeting will shortly be published on the parish council pages of www.dentdale.com as well as being available as a hard copy from the Parish Clerk.

Music and Beer Festival

Bob Dobson came to the council meeting to report the progress on the retrospective planning application for the short gravel track at the bottom of the car park which the Music and Beer Festival Committee had drafted. The council agreed to take on the task of completing the application and submitting it to the National Park.

The Music and Beer Festival Committee also asked for permission to hold the 2013 festival on the car park site. Concern was expressed about whether the site would be dry enough to hold it, but the council agreed in principle to support this request subject to certain conditions being met. These included the Music and Beer Festival committee giving a presentation to the parish council at its March meeting about the management plan and strategy for the event, and a final decision being taken at the end of March on whether the condition of the ground would support the festival.

Playing Field

The council considered a report from a group of members who had been reviewing the present and future management of the playing field. Because the playing field is an amenity for the whole community and not just sports teams, it was agreed that the council should pay for the field's running costs rather than expect it to be self-financing, although it would continue to seek external funding for any major expenditure. The council greatly valued the commitment of volunteers to numerous maintenance tasks and felt that as well as reducing costs, this tradition reflected the importance of

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the field to the community.

Following the problems with grass cutting this year, it was also agreed that in future ground maintenance should be undertaken to a reasonable standard comparable to that achieved prior to the 2011/12 season.

Mobile Phone Signal

As reported last month, interruptions to the mobile phone signal have been giving rise to concern, particularly from the First Responders who rely on it for communication. At the time of the November meeting, no reply had been received to the letter of complaint the council had sent to the Chief Executive of Everything Everywhere (formerly Orange), and there had been no evidence of work to cure the fault at the mast site in Dent. It was agreed that if no response was received within a fortnight, a further complaint would be made and Tim Farron MP and Ofcom would also be informed of the issue.

Killington Wind Farm

The council considered the application to SLDC by Banks Renewables for the siting of three wind turbines on land to the north of Killington reservoir. Although Dent PC is not a statutory consultee, members agreed to write to SLDC to oppose the planning application on the grounds of the adverse visual impact of the turbines on the landscape and the detrimental effect on tourism and the local economy.

Electric Bikes

The council heard that SLDC Councillor Nick Cotton, who has obtained two electric bikes which are



being used for promoting the Yorkshire Dales, has offered to bring them to Dent for council members and business owners to trial. The council agreed to accept the offer and details will be publicised shortly.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held at 7.30pm on Monday December 3rd in the Sedgwick Room and, as usual, members of the public can raise any matter that concerns them in the public forum around 8pm.

Jock Cairns, Chair Tel: 25655 dentparishcouncil@btinternet.com Parish Clerk: Andy Stephenson Tel: 21487 dentparishclerk@live.com.

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COUNCILLORS CORNER

Cllr Evelyn

Following Councillor lan's description of how the Overview and Scrutiny process works at South Lakeland District Council I took the chair for the first time at the November meeting of the Communities O & S Committee. The agenda covered a typical spread of issues. We grilled the Housing Portfolio Holder on a number of topics including the operation of the Choice Based Lettings System for social housing, standards and specifications for social housing and the new Empty Homes Loans Fund. I asked some probing questions about the Handyperson Scheme which provides such services as fixing handrails in disabled people's properties. It has been outsourced to a private company in Barrow and I have received complaints from both Sedbergh and Dent about its tardiness.

The committee also considered a report from the Grants Task and Finish Group which recommended new criteria for awarding grants to outside organisations. It then examined a report on the trials of new car parking tariffs at some car parks in the district (though not Sedbergh as our car parks are managed by the Parish Council).

In the ward I have been investigating some of the problems that residents are experiencing now that the NHS is concentrating services not in the centre of the district, but on its periphery. Recently a Dent family waited an hour for an ambulance which had been dispatched from Barrow. No doctors are now based at the Helme Chase Maternity Unit at the Westmorland General so most mothers-to-be have to go to the Royal Lancaster Infirmary, which when stretched transfers patients all the way to Barrow.

Cllr Nick

As the most recently elected of the team of District Councillors covering the Sedbergh & Kirkby Lonsdale ward, I approached the whole process with an open mind as to how one goes about becoming an effective councillor. How does one



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learn to do a job for which there is no advance training? Clearly it helped being a Town Councillor at Kirkby Lonsdale and understanding the way that agendas are prepared, meetings are run, business is discussed and, with a fair wind, results are achieved. But as I moved up one rung of the ladder I understood more clearly the interplay between the three strands of local government: parish council, district council and county council.

As far as I can see, at parish level there is a huge repository of knowledge, what I call the nuts and bolts of local affairs. At parish level people know about individual properties and businesses, streets, lanes, footpaths, farms and fields; they know the history, they know how the place changes on a market day or a weekend, in summer and winter, they know where streams and rivers flood and where ice can be treacherous in winter, where drains are blocked or where there are potholes. But Parish Councils have a small budget and very little power and rely on District and County Councils to bring solutions to problems they have identified.

At District and County level the councillors must try to make the most of this local knowledge to pull on the right levers wherever possible to ensure that problems are resolved.



The councils are divided into members (the elected councillors) and the officers, much as at Westminster there are MPs and there is the civil service. To get something done it may be necessary for us to talk with a Portfolio holder (similar to a Cabinet member at Westminster) or with an officer (like the Civil Service) who can offer a solution or information about the issue at stake. Most of this is done quite informally with phone calls and emails and it is useful to build up good relations with people who can make things happen.

So, back to how one tries to become an effective councillor, I have realised that there is no linear pathway to achieving some Platonic ideal. You do species and there is no doubt that if a

what you can, in the way that suits your character and the time that you have available to do the job. Some people are very effective within meetings, some prefer to work one to one by phone or email. Both can be effective and if democracy works properly the problems identified at parish level are communicated upwards and a solution is achieved with this local knowledge right at its core.

Cllr Ian

A number of Yorkshire Dales meetings I have attended recently have had the issue of Ash die-back high on the agenda. The National Park contains a high volume of this

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significant number of them were to succumb to the disease it would have a major impact on the appearance of the landscape and biodiversity generally as apart from being an attractive species in their own right they in turn provide a habitat for birds, insects and a multitude of plant and benign fungus life. There appear to be two main sources of the disease: wind-blown infestation from the continent (which is probably impossible to guard against) and the importation of young saplings into the country largely from Scandinavian countries which were grown there largely from an English seed base that was sent over there by us in the

first place. Difficult to believe but apparently true! This definitely could be guarded against and it beggars belief that we do not have the resources in this country to bring on our own seeds. I can't help feeling that DEFRA has been remiss here both in not cautioning against the dangers and also for not putting preventative measures in place sooner. However we are where we are, and the policy that looks like being adopted nationwide is to destroy the saplings by burning and leaving the older trees in place in the hope that they will develop a natural immunity. There is evidence both from Sweden and Denmark to

indicate that this may well happen in some cases though Denmark in particular has already lost 90% of its Ash stock. We must be prepared for the worst. If in the meantime anyone spots signs of die-back on Ash trees please report this immediately to the National Park Authorities or let me know. You will also find the Forestry Commission website at www.forestry. gov.uk/chalara informative and a new App and website at www.ashtag.org for reporting diseased trees. There is even more bad news however in that many other species of trees are also threatened with different forms of either fungal or insect attack which includes Oak, Horse Chestnut, Larch and Juniper. We all know what

happened to the English Elm decades ago and it is vitally important that many of our other species do not go the same way.

Another Yorkshire Dales matter I have been involved with recently is the Dales Countryside Museum at Hawes. In my capacity as Member Champion for Promoting Understanding of the National Park (which remit also includes the National Park Information Centres) I have been party to a Report proposing the further modernisation and updating of the Museum to better present its exhibits to the public. I was astonished when I first went around the Museum how comprehensive a collection it



contained illustrating the many and varied facets of Dales life from the very earliest times to the present day. Admission at £4 (with concessions and free for children) is very reasonable and makes a perfect day out from Sedbergh combined perhaps with the Creamery (Wallis and Grommit overtones) and the added attraction of the Market and some excellent High Street shops not to mention walks in beautiful Wensleydale - for my money one of the most beautiful Yorkshire Dales next to Dentdale, of course! It is that time of the year again, so it only remains for me on behalf of the Lib Dem team to wish all of our readers a wonderful Christmas and

New Year and to thank you for your support throughout the past twelve months. We try to offer the best service we can as your local District Councillors but without your help and assistance that would not be possible. So many thanks again. As ever Evelyn, Nick and I may be contacted at any time on:

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COUNCILLOR CORNER POLICE AND CRIME **COMMISSIONERS:**

Last week Richard Rhodes was duly elected as the first Police and Crime Commissioner for Cumbria. I was there in July where he was first selected as Conservative candidate and what an excellent candidate he has proved to be. At a meeting of county council late last year I was one of about four councillors who supported the change against 70 who did not. I also see that on the Westmorland Gazette website support for PCCs runs at 6%. This innovation might not be popular as yet, but unlike elected mayors. I am absolutely sure it is a change in the

right direction.

Part of the background discussion over the election period has concerned the concept of being "Independent": many people wanted a PCC who was "Independent". What this means is not always clear and at least some of those residents of North Wales who voted for the successful "Independent" did not realise he was a current card carrying Lib Dem. When I was first elected as a member of South Lakeland there was regular gossip that at least one "Independent" belonged to the Labour Party and that another paid a sub to the Lib Dems: those examples never seemed right to me. I can see no problem with a change of allegiance

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either by choice or where the whip has been removed but the electorate generally assumes that the change will last longer than the election period. I do think they are entitled to be told if that is not likely to be the case.

LOOK AFTER YOUR BANKING DETAILS:

Whilst those emails which explain how you have been left \$6,000,000 are always annoying with a little bit of care they tend to be harmless. In a similar vein, a couple of years ago a councillor colleague was taken for £900 by an "Inland Revenue" scam. I also know of one local business which could have become the victim of a fraud had it not been for the eagle eyes of a bank teller. Well, in the last couple of months someone has set up a full set of accounts in my name, not here in Sedbergh and not with my own bank, leaving me completely baffled. After a LOT of hassle we think I have been the victim of some sort of identity fraud although we don't know what exactly. I have lost nothing apart from some sleep and would like to put on record my thanks to the staff at Barclays Bank in Sedbergh. I mention this because it is just as well to be aware that this sort of thing is happening, even here.

COUNCIL TAX FREEZE:

In last year's elections the Lib Dems ran several leaflets which contained the statement that I had not supported a council tax freeze – a lie for which I have yet to receive an apology. For the avoidance of doubt

the Conservative Group on the county – I cannot speak for the district, at the moment – will be proposing that the council tax freeze continues for a fourth year. **KILLINGTON WIND FARM PROPOSAL:**

I have attended two public meetings called by opponents to Killington Windfarm, both moderately well attended. The case against windfarms in general is not a difficult one to rehearse and as I have written here before the case against the Killington proposal is particularly strong. I suspect that many residents of Sedbergh assume that like Lambrigg, whilst it will be very visible from the road to Kendal it will not be seen from the town. Emphatically that will not be the case – there will be very little of the Rawthey valley where these turbines will not be fully seen. This is an exceptionally harmful proposal.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

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End. The Franklands seemed to be obsessed with Scandinavia and this is an area with many Viking names (Stennerskeugh, Ellergill, etc). In 1910, Percy Frankland was also able to buy Needlehouse, the next farm up the dale and also Uldale farm. The professor's "farming" was his recreation from academic work. Helga's father, Edward, also a chemistry lecturer, was advised, shortly after his marriage to Maud Metcalfe-Gibson of Coldbeck House, Ravenstonedale, to give up his academic career because of a health problem, and live in the country as a farmer. He took over Needlehouse from his father, and Helga and both her brothers were born there.

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She remembers her early life on the farm. She had no formal schooling until the age of eight. Her informal education began in the oak-panelled

drawing room at Needlehouse, where she would copy her father's fine copperplate script. At the age of eight, she went from Monday to Friday to live in Hart House at Sedbergh where she shared the governess of Helen Browne, daughter of the then housemaster. Helen's mother had been at Balliol School, Sedbergh, with Helga's mother, and they had become friends. The governess taught Helga some fundamentals of music, and she and Helen grew to love folksongs. Then at 11 both were sent to a school in Bowness - a brutal place, cold, cruel and cliquish. This did not last long. Soon they were back in Sedbergh having private tuition from their fathers and others. Eventually Helga went as a boarder to Howell's School in Denbigh where she settled happily.

At the age of 17, Helga met Adolf



Hitler – not personally, but she was in Munich in 1938 where she witnessed his triumphant return to Munich after he had marched into Austria. She had gone to Germany to improve her German, staying with a German family at the time of the rise of the Hitler Youth. She felt she was expected give a Nazi salute when the Fuhrer rode past in an open car. She managed to avoid doing this, despite the bullying behaviour of the SS. People did not seem to comment on political matters as Nazism grew and she witnessed the enforced loyalty of the German people.

Hitler's impact on her life did not stop there. Helga would have been a chemist like her forefathers, but, when war broke out, she was called back from St Andrew's University at the end of her first year to work on her father's upland farm as a Landgirl. It was at this time that she realised the absolute importance of farming with Nature, gained her strong interest in conservation and became a biologist.

After achieving her Doctorate, she

worked as a Zoology lecturer at what was to become Keele University, and then at the Glasgow Agricultural College. She was again called home, this time to look after her father who was terminally ill with cancer at Bowber Head. A post involving the management of woodland was advertised at the Merlwood Research Station at Grange which led to Helga's being appointed as the first Deputy Regional Officer for the North England Nature Conservancy Council. Three years later she became Regional Officer with responsibility for all conservation work in our region and the selection of sites of special scientific interest. This led to the creation of National Nature Reserves, subsequently joined by the Wild Life Trust Reserves. A framed certificate in her home gratefully acknowledges her 50 years of dedication to the Cumbria Wildlife Trust. All those of us who love nature owe an enormous debt to our distinguished local resident, Dr Helga Frankland.

George. D. Handley

NEWS FROM THE PEWS



It has been a busy time in the life of St Andrew's recently and there is no sign of it slowing down in the foreseeable future.

The end of the interregnum is in sight as on 9th November a new vicar for the parish was selected and will be taking up his post with us sometime in the early part of next year. As I write we cannot make an announcement as to his identity or even when he will move here until all the i's are dotted and the t's crossed.

Our usual November giant brush

and dust up in church was a job well done by lots of willing hands for which we are very grateful. Layers of dust left by the builders who had been replacing damaged stone in the Lady Chapel window was not for the feinthearted. Sean climbed up high with a brush and dustpan whilst Adam and Emma got to clean places untouched by human hand for many a long year! Remembrance Day is always a special day in the life of Sedbergh. The names of the fallen from Sedbergh and District in both World Wars were read out by Grace and Luke, young members of BoF (Barrel of Fun). It is good to see young people attending and joining in this special service.



Father Christmas made his first visit to Sedbergh on 17th November, stopping off to spend time with us at the Christmas Fair. He had some very helpful elves and fairies from Chameleons and BoF, some kind fairies even helped us to clear up when the last visitor had left. A most enjoyable, busy day which made a marvellous total of £2569. A sincere "thank you" to everyone who helped us in any capacity either before, during or after the Fair; we could not have done it without you. Fundraising days not only bring people together but also are vital to the income of the church. We cannot imagine the centre of Sedbergh without this lovely old church. Like all buildings we cherish it has a big mouth to feed. Repairs to the fabric are of primary importance to keep St Andrew's in the best condition we can. Heating it in the winter months is a costly exercise but one we feel is necessary to keep the damp at bay and thus protect the fabric. The funds from the Fair will help towards these costs and help preserve our parish church for future generations. As Christmas draws closer we look

As Christmas draws closer we look forward to the season of Advent. Advent Sunday is 2nd December, a historic day in the parishes of Sedbergh Cautley and Garsdale as we leave the Diocese of Bradford and join the Diocese of Carlisle. The choir is already practising carols for the Advent Carol Service at 6.30pm on the 2nd. Do come and join us. Likewise for our special Service of Celebration on Sunday 9th December



new venture by the Chamber of Trade

who has invited local organizations to

participate and form part of the town's Late Night Opening celebrations the following night, Wednesday 5th December. As always the church bells ring at 6pm to herald the beginning of Late Night Opening. We shall be ringing for this and all the other occasions but may need to bring ringers in from other towers. Due to health problems four of our loyal band of ringers are now unable to ring with us and we do not know when they will be back in action. This leaves us very short on numbers to ring regularly. Some of you may have noticed the odd quiet Sunday morning without the sound of bells ringing out? We have a super ring of bells and

want to keep up our tradition of ringing before services on Sunday mornings and all other occasions too, both for the church and the town. If you have previously learnt to ring please consider returning to the art. Perhaps you have thought you might like to learn to ring? We can teach you. My telephone number is 015396 20754, I should be pleased to hear from you...soon!

On Christmas Eve at 6pm the children will be giving us their version of the Nativity to which everyone is invited. Do join us for one of the Christmas services.

We look forward to welcoming you and wish you all a Happy Christmas. Susan Sharrocks Warden

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KILLINGTON WIND FARM

Open letter to Sedbergh Parish Council regarding the proposal by Banks Renewables to construct a Windfarm at Killington Lake.

I write as the Chair of the Public Meeting arranged by STAK (Stop Turbines At Killington) Organising Committee, which was held in the People's Hall, Sedbergh on Wednesday 14 November 2012. The meeting was given the facts about the Banks proposal to build three wind turbines at Killington Lake beside Junction 37 of the M6, as stated in their leaflets, brochures and website. This was followed by a factual analysis of the proposal. There was an opportunity for all to express their

views in the discussion and later to indicate their preference in a secret ballot. The result of this was that were none in support, that none were undecided and that 78 persons were against the Banks proposal,

The points made from the floor included:

- 1. The significant visual damage on the landscape.
- 2. The proposal fails to represent the visual impact along the extent of the paths and bridleways leading to the popular viewpoints in the area by seeking only to consider the viewpoints themselves.
- 3. The close proximity of the proposal to the Yorkshire Dales



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National Park, which would bring it within 800 m of the proposed new boundary.

- 4. The effect on the economic well being of the businesses in the area. (A Scottish survey was cited 8. indicating the reluctance of tourists to visit a landscape populated by wind farms.)
- 5. The disturbance to the ground geology and hydrology, which would leave an undesirable legacy for future generations.
- 6. The disruption of bird migratory routes and the resulting significant attrition rate (kills).
- 7. The contrariness of the proposal in direct confrontation with the past unanimous views of

councillors in both the Cumbria County Council and South Lakeland District Council against any further wind farms in the county.

- The number of turbines operating (about 4,035), those already consented and those in the planning system are sufficient to provide the power generating mix sought by Government (coal, gas, nuclear, wind, wave, solar). (As other proposals are likely to come forward in less sensitive positions, the Killington proposal is unnecessary.)
- 9. There were some exaggerated claims made by Banks in respect of generated kWh, homes served



and CO2 offset such that the deficits outweigh the benefits. In conclusion the power likely to be generated is tiny compared to the major sacrifice that the Community of Sedbergh would make to the common good. The ballot taken indicates that in the spirit of Localism the wishes of the local Community should take precedence in this case. STAK respectfully asks that the Sedbergh Parish Council reflect the wishes of the Community and as a statutory consultee that they will oppose the application.

Dr Gina Barney

Note: a small number of people were unavoidably unable to attend but felt strongly that they wanted their views to be included and they sent in signed voting slips, which were accepted by the Chair.

KILLINGTON WINDFARM Public Meeting

A Public Meeting in the Peoples Hall on Wednesday 14 November 2012 was very well attended, and gave people the opportunity to learn more about the Killington wind farm proposal.

While enjoying light refreshments *Chair of the Public Meeting* people were able to look at an *Member of the STAK Organising* exhibition, which reminded all of how *Committee* beautiful this area is. Photo montages



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showed what it could look like if the turbines were to be built. Also on display were the full planning documents submitted by the developers, Banks Renewables – two very bulky tomes that must have needed a trolley to get them into the Hall! The meeting was chaired by Sedbergh resident Dr Gina Barney, who first outlined the facts about the Banks scheme, as given in their leaflets, brochures and website. This was followed by a presentation titled <i>"Should we oppose the Killington wind farm?"</i> by Dr Mike Hall, the President of FELLS (Friends of Eden, Lakeland and Lunesdale Scenery). A lively discussion ensued, with many	pertinent questions from the audience. The massive turbines, among the tallest on-shore in the country, would have a huge impact on the landscape, as shown by the developers own maps. This would be particularly felt by regular users of the A684 when travelling from Sedbergh to the M6, when the turbines would increasingly dominate the view for the last mile or so. Vehicles would pass almost at the foot of turbine 3, which at over 400 ft high and also on the top of a hill would appear simply gigantic. Similar effects would be experienced from the Old Scotch Road, the road from Old Hutton which actually passes right through the middle of the				
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Alan & Chri offer you a war					
We are open daily for home cooked food, (a particular favourite is Ham 'n' Eggs) and offer an extensive menu for residents and non-residents. Our two guest rooms are both en-suite and we can boast one of the finest views of					
Cautley Spout and the Howgills. Please note our opening hours. Closed Mondays unless a Bank holiday. Summer season open - Tuesday to Sunday – 8.30-4,30 Winter season open Wednesday to Sunday 10.00 – 4.00 Thursday, Friday & Saturday nights open to non residents from 7.pm – booking essential Page 31					

site, and of course from the M6 where thousands of people travel every day.

Parts of all 3 turbines would be seen from many areas of Sedbergh and beyond. They would be visible on the skyline over the ridge of Firbank Fell, which at present forms a pleasing natural backdrop to the view from the A684 as it leaves Sedbergh.

The cumulative impact of the Killington wind farm together with Lambrigg and Armistead, would be too great. The threat to this area between the two National Parks was demonstrated by the list of fourteen other wind farm developers, besides Banks, who were, or had been, surveying the area.

Thousands of people a year visit

Sedbergh and the Western Dales because of their beauty and tranquillity. Would three enormous turbines give the desired welcome to visitors as they leave the M6? Walkers in the Howgills and along the ridge of fells towards Kirkby Lonsdale would have the turbines constantly in sight. Nothing should be done to detract from the enjoyment of those who travel from afar to enjoy our wonderful landscape.

We heard that planning decisions were always about a balance, between benefits and disadvantages. Banks claims of a saving of 14,000 tonnes of CO₂ annually were disputed since they took no account of the conventional power stations having to



be kept readily available for the 90 days a year when there was no wind at all. Moreover it was a drop in the ocean compared with the 4,800,000 tonnes of CO_2 that is produced from the coal mined annually by Banks in their open cast mining operations in the North East.

The detrimental effect of the turbines on bird activity on Killington Lake was also discussed. Lakes always attract birds, and Killington and adjacent Lilymere are the only significant areas of freshwater in south east Cumbria, and in addition are on an important migration route through the Lune Gorge. The developers own calculations estimate that 114 birds annually will be killed by collision with the turbines. It was pointed out that this could be a considerable under estimate, due to obvious deficiencies in their survey methodology. It is well recognised that the Killington route is important for migrating ospreys, and birds of prey are particularly susceptible to collision with turbines.

A passionate plea was made from the floor for us all to fight for our beautiful landscape, and urging that businesses especially, on which so many local people depend, should take action now and send objections to SLDC. A survey on the economic aspects of tourism had shown that over 40% of people would not visit places of beauty if wind turbines were built. Furthermore, we heard from the proprietor of a local guided walking company, who said that industrial turbines were not what his clients wanted to see, and they would take

their custom elsewhere.

Another member of the audience brought up the divisive issue of community funds offered by wind farm developers. Since groups had to apply for these **before** the SLDC planning meeting, it was agreed that they would inevitably result in a **'buying off'** of potential opposition to the wind farm - human nature would mean that people would not then think it right to object. This was a distortion of the planning process. Approval for development should not be bought

At the end, in a break for further refreshments, all present were invited to give their opinion about the wind farm in a secret ballot. The result was then announced of unanimous opposition to the wind farm (78 votes), with none for, and none undecided.

On behalf of STAK





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KILLINGTON WINDFARM

Update

For those still making their mind up on the Killington wind farm application, I thought you may be interested to hear what Killington and New Hutton parishes have had to say about the application. These are the two parishes where the turbines will be located.

In Killington, all parishioners were invited to vote on the application. Out of a total of 122 on the 2012 electoral role, 77 replies were returned. 42 voted for the application, 28 against and 7 were undecided.

New Hutton Parish Council considered visual, noise, cumulative

and economic impacts and concluded that none of these would be unacceptable. The Parish held a public meeting to discuss the application and only 5.6% of the electoral roll attended from which they have concluded that "there is not a strong feeling about the proposed development". They go on to say that they "can think of no better site where a wind farm could be located than at Killington because it would have a minimal impact on the environment" and that they "wished to offer no objection to the planning application"

I believe these two responses show a clear level of support amongst those people living nearest to the site



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and I hope that other local residents will support these two communities now that they have made their feelings clear.

Encouraged by this show of public support, we are progressing our plans for delivering faster broadband to homes and businesses near the wind farm. We are about to commence a month long trial where around 20 homes will be equipped with a new 3G-based broadband system. If we achieve the download speeds we are hoping for then this technology could be rolled out to hundreds of properties in the area if the wind farm is approved.

If you are a supporter of wind farms

Farm go ahead then please send in your comments to the council. You can e-mail <u>development.</u> <u>management@southlakeland.gov.uk</u> or write to Barry Jackson, Planning Officer, SLDC, South Lakeland House, Lowther St, Kendal, Cumbria LA9 4DL. Make sure to quote the application number **SL/2012/0845**. If you have any questions about the Killington Wind Farm or the planning process then please don't hesitate to contact me on 0844 209 1515 or barry.grimes@banksgroup.co.uk

and want to see the Killington Wind

Barry Grimes Development Relations Coordinator Banks Renewables



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ENERGY SOLUTIONS

Hot Water and Space Heating The cost of electricity and gas is due to increase this December. This makes it even more important to manage energy consumption and reduce costs. For a family living in a 3 bedroomed semi-detached house spending on hot water and space heating are likely to be £800/year. If you rely on electricity or oil for your heating then your costs could easily be double this figure.

Of this £800, space heating probably accounts for 75% or £600 and hot water 25% or £200.

The key to reducing space heating costs is insulation and air tightness. The German Passiv house concept

and now a bench mark for energy efficient living is a well-insulated house and one that is air tight. Relatively easy for a new build but more challenging as a retro-fit project. However significant gains can be made with the right investment. Loft insulation is an easy one and most people will have 2-300mm of insulation in their loft space. Current regulations to meet document part L for energy efficiency require a minimum 250mm of insulation. However, how many people have insulation in their intermediate floors, internal walls or external walls. These are harder to do but significant gains can be made by giving these areas some attention. An insulated


intermediate floor, 20 square metres, will reduce your heat losses by 282 watts/hour and this can save £40/ vear. An insulated external wall of 10 square metres can reduce your heat loss by 200 watts/hour a saving of £30/year. Replacing a single glazed window for double glazing is another way to reduce costs and improve comfort levels. A 1.5 square metre double glazed window will save 40 watts/hour or £6/year over an equivalent single glazed model. Multiply this figure by the number of windows and it's easy to see how larger savings can be made

Internal insulation for external stone walls is a relatively new concept but worth considering. It will reduce your





floor area by 50 – 75mm and radiators, electric sockets, switches and skirting will need to be repositioned but the benefits are reduced heat loss and more comfort. If it is a room that has high usage like the kitchen or lounge then the benefits are increased. There are some very good products and systems on the market that are designed specifically for this job so that possible problems like condensation and thermal bridging are avoided

Air tightness is another source of heat loss that is worth some attention. Air exchange or reheating cold air coming into a room as a result of air leakage uses as much energy as heat losses through the fabric of the room. Doors and windows are obvious places to look for draughts. Letter boxes, cat flaps, key holes are another. Sealing floor boards, gaps round skirting, internal doors. It only takes a small hole to leak a lot of air. Air leakage can account for 250 watts/hour or £36/year of heat that is escaping. This air leakage figure is in addition to air ventilation for normal

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healthy living.

We've briefly considered insulation and airtightness but what about how the energy or heat is delivered where you need it. Traditionally central heating was a whole house heating package, that included a centralised thermostat and a timer so the whole house could be heated in the morning and evening during the week and longer periods at weekends. More recently it has been current practice to install thermostatic radiator valves so that each room can be adjusted to a different temperature. So for example a bedroom thermostat could be set lower than the lounge and a room that is unoccupied a lower temperature again. This provides a

fairly limited means of control but all rooms would still go on and off at the same centralised time. So if you went out one evening the house heating would still come on for the set period of time. Heating the house with nobody at home is obviously not a good idea but how many times does this happen in practice. More recently controls have been developed to give the home owner a much greater level of control. Zoning is now part of building regulations post October 2010 for all new houses so that the upstairs and downstairs can operate at different times and temperatures. This has the potential to make significant energy savings. And there is no reason not to retrofit this facility



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to existing heating systems.

In addition radiator valves can now be controlled with a wireless technology so adjustments can be made from a single control panel. What's more you can also control the central heating from a mobile phone. This allows you to switch the heating on or off to suit your needs. For instance half an hour before you get home you can turn the heating on using an app on your mobile phone. This avoids having the heating on at set times irrespective of whether the house is occupied. Using technology to control heating to suit your lifestyle provides the opportunity to target when and where heat is required, minimise wastage and therefore

make significant savings in energy costs.

And finally if you want to save energy by going to another energy supplier I can recommend OVO Energy. I have just saved £233 on my energy bill by changing to OVO energy. I was with Scottish Power before but they have increased their charges by 20% this month. I saw an article about OVO energy in the South Lakeland News winter addition, visited their website and was impressed with what I saw. Changing over is dead easy.

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MASSAGE

How Massage can make a difference. An article in the New York Times early this year highlighted a piece of research reported in the Science Translational Medicine journal in February 2012. The research described strong evidence that massage therapy inhibits the inflammatory response the body initiates after exercise. Massage appears to reduce the production of cytokinines, the chemicals in our bodies which seem to be involved in the experience of pain, and also stimulates the mitochondria – tiny powerhouses inside cells - which convert alucose into the energy essential for cell function and repair.

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University of Miami in Florida has been pioneering such research for years – but for those of us who earn our livings as professional clinical massage therapists, such high profile coverage by the New York Times is very welcome!

We are two such therapists who, between us, have 30 years' experience, are highly trained in advanced massage techniques and who live locally and practice in Sedbergh, Kirkby Lonsdale and Kendal.

Much of our work involves easing myofascial (myo=muscle, fascia=soft tissue component of connective tissue) restrictions and trigger points

in order to reduce pain and increase mobility for our clients. It is less the case now than it used to be, but often people have been through a range of medical tests, treatments and other interventions before they come to us. Sometimes, if it seems it would benefit the client or improve the outcome of therapy, we will, with permission, contact a client's GP or other appropriate medical practitioner - either during or before the start of any treatment.

Appointments last about one hour, although the first appointment requires a little longer – up to 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ hours, to leave time for gathering a detailed health history and making an initial assessment. The techniques we use are very varied and take into account the tolerance and sensitivities of each individual client. Sometimes they can be painful, but we distinguish clearly between 'good' pain (which is usually beneficial, and often welcomed by the client) and 'bad' pain (which can cause resistance, tension and further inflammation), and rely on working closely with each client to get feedback and information regarding the accuracy and efficacy of the particular techniques.

We have also both worked in supportive and palliative care organisations – Yvonne in St Mary's Hospice in Ulverston for 5 years, working with patients and their families, and Sally at Cancer Care for over 20 years, where she led the Complementary Therapy team, as well as assessing newly referred



offer in managing the stresses and tensions we all have to face in our lives. Body and mind are not obviously separable processes, and it is clear in our manner of speaking that we are aware of this – we have 'butterflies in our tummy' when nervous; 'don't have the guts for it', when fearful; are 'on our knees' or have 'the world on our shoulders' when overwhelmed, and are 'heavy hearted' when sad. So massage can be useful for its mental and emotional as well its physical effects.

If you feel massage could be helpful for you, don't hesitate to contact us for further information. Sally Jeffery – 07747 050136 & <u>www.sallyjeffery.</u> <u>com</u>, Yvonne Cervetti – 015396 21303, 07795 063107.

YORKSHIRE DALES NATIONAL PARK

Logo offer 'wool' have businesses flocking to register

Businesses, charities, groups and individuals in the Yorkshire Dales National Park are being given extra help to boost trade and the local economy.

The registered trademark of the National Park - the famous Swaledale ram's head logo – is now available free for them to use to show potential customers that they are linked with the fantastic landscape and communities of the Dales.

Sarah Nicholson, the Authority's Communications Officer, said: "We believe that being part of a National Park is very special. The Yorkshire Dales National Park logo provides a strong identity for this beautiful area and is a nationally-recognised brand. "The ram's head logo represents the National Park - there is a different one for the Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority – and it has been used for many years to identify this stunning part of the UK.

"We have now designed five versions of the logo that can be used by businesses, community groups, individuals or charities that carry out the substantial part of their work in the National Park or that stage an event in or about the National Park.

"We believe that, by using the logo, they will make it clear to potential



customers that they are part of the National Park experience.

"There is no charge from the National Park Authority to use the logos – in fact, to encourage take-up in the first year of promotion, the Authority will pay the £50 fee required by the Intellectual Property Office to register each licence. Once registered, the licence lasts in perpetuity, so this fee is a one-off cost."

While the logos are not a quality mark and do not represent an endorsement, funding or any other support by the Authority, they will hopefully offer another tourism boost to local people.

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SCOTTISH DANCE REELING GROUP

If the sound of Scottish reels makes your feet tap it's time to do more and join the new Scottish Dance group meeting on Sunday afternoons at the People's Hall in Sedbergh from January 13th.

You don't need any experience – complete beginners will be welcome as will those who have danced or reeled before. The class will be led by Cindy Clarke. You don't need a partner and you don't need a kilt, just some soft shoes and a bit of toe tapping enthusiasm.

The first four sessions will be on Sundays January $13^{th} 20^{th}$, 27^{th} and 3^{rd} February from 2.30-4.30pm at the People's Hall, Sedbergh and will cost £3 per person per session. Just turn up or e-mail <u>theclarkes@gmail.com</u> for more information.

LADIES NFU

The speaker for the October meeting of the Ladies NFU was Mr George Crossman, a coastguard based in Arnside. He gave a most interesting and informative talk on life as a coastguard in the Morecambe Bay Area, the training involved and some of the incidents he has been involved in.

The Coastguard Association and the RNLI were both set up in 1820. The Coastguards are paid by the Government and the Lifeboatmen are funded entirely by the RNLI charity, but they work closely together and do an often very difficult and dangerous job.

The November speaker is to be Ann Wright who will be talking about The Sedbergh Tapestry. Our December Meeting is to be a quiz night.

Caroline Sandys-Clark



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OCTOBER WEATHER

In spite of having 11 dry days, equalling the longest dry spell of the year so far, we still registered 4.62 inches of rain. On only 6 days did the maximum temperature not reach 50+F with a maximum of 60.8F. We had several ground frosts with temperatures in the low 30sF and one actual frost with a minimum temperature of 30.9F. When you add the wind-chill factor only 3 nights didn't drop into the 30sF with 2 nights very cold at 16F & 12 F during the end of the dry spell. Winds weren't very strong, with few maxima not coming from the North West. The strongest gust was recorded at 18.6mph.

The transfer of my sheep is complete. All the Rough Fells were sold and replaced by Ryelands as whites and coloureds. Having moved into the "green wellie brigade" the money raised by selling 30 Roughs has bought only 14 Ryelands. Those who have seen them will notice the difference in that they are considerably smaller, no horns and with immense fleeces. That was the attraction for the ladies as they produce a good fleece to spin. The tups are in and doing their job.

Visitors to the bird table have been fewer it seems recently. I suspect that a fairly regular visit from a young sparrowhawk may have something to do with that though I haven't actually seen him round the feeding station. One very welcome new addition to the feeding list was a solitary brambling. Longtailed tits have passed through but not yet in large

family parties. Other birds noticeable by their absence have been the redwings and fieldfares. Very few have been seen yet. Likewise no further skeins of geese have been spotted or at Leighton Moss yet but several breeds of ducks have arrived for the winter. One day we did have a blackbird congregation with 15 males clacking around the garden! The bees are still active on the better days but on inspection they seem to be very short of pollen and are taking down candy still. Lack of pollen could delay breeding next season, provided we get them through the winter safely. I heard of one beekeeper, with 70 hives, and he has only managed to take off 50lbs of honey this year. In a normal year he might have expect 1500-2000 lbs!! No wonder those of us with a few hives have nothing. From a dozen apple trees I have managed 3 edible fruits and no plumbs, damsons or pears at all.



SONGS OF FRIENDSHIP

We are now back from Slovenia and in the midst of our preparations for the Dent Folk Carols festival which looks likely to be our best ever with lots of singers coming from all over the country, and the usual wonderful mix of festive singing and dancing. By the time you read this our concert will have passed - but if like me you wait for the first appearance of the Lookaround, there's still time to catch our Carols Ceilidh in the Dent Memorial Hall on Saturday December 1 with the Garsdale Street Band leading some dancing, and singing from the Cautley Carollers, the Folk Carols festival singers, and other groups for you to join with.

We were in Slovenia for half term staying in our cabin in the woods near Zrece - Anika aged 5 joined several Halloween parties and made friends with children of a similar age to her where the language barrier never seemed to be a problem. At one point us grown ups were sitting round a table drinking local wine when the children all came in with their arms on each others shoulders making a train round our table and beyond.

As always it was a pleasure catching up with old friends there, many of whom are now our kindly neighbours. When thick snow fell on trees which hadn't yet dropped their leaves the trees started dropping their branches which blocked the lane to our house.

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Our neighbours then came out with chain saws and hacked a way through the fallen branches to get us home.

We also sang in the concert Pesmi Prijatelevanja - "The Songs of Friendship" - in Gorenje near Zrece which like our concerts here in Sedbergh (with choirs from other parts of the North of England) involved several choirs visiting from other parts of Slovenia. The concert was made even more atmospheric by being lit by candles when the power lines were brought down by the falling trees. Our own little family singing group met again with the Repensek family singers who came to Sedbergh last year - and are returning on April 21 next year with 37 singers from their community family choir - aged from 5 to 80. And with the Zrece town choir who many will remember from their stunning concert in the Dent Meditation Centre in 2006 with the former Slovenian Ambassador Iztok Mirosic.

As well as staying in Ljubljana and near Bled with singers who have visited Sedbergh, we also went to Bohinj to meet staff from the tourist department there. Towards the end of October I went to talks at the Slovenian Ambassador's residence in London and the Houses of Parliament about a wild flower festival in Bohinj near the highest mountain Triglav. There I met the tourist chiefs who are organising the festival who had heard about our involvment with singing in the Yorkshire Dales wild flower

festivals. The result is that I am bringing a group of singers from Sedbergh to Bohinj and Zrece next year at the end of May which will involve singing by the beautiful lake of Bohinj and visiting the wild flower meadows in that area and near Zrece.

Part of the project also involves making a patchwork of squares depicting wild flowers in several European countries - and our singers have already started with theirs. The project organisers were interested to learn about the Howgill WI patchwork which hangs in Howgill Village Hall.

Do please let me know if you would like to join us on this outing to Slovenia in May - as usual it will involve high standards of comfort at a price to suit most pockets. If you can't join us, you can still join the patchwork project by making a 15cm square in fabric on a wild flower theme in any textile related media.

You are also of course most welcome to join us singing at the Black Sail Youth Hostel at the beginning of January, on the island of Jura staying in the luxurious Ardlussa estate house, and at our international choirs meet in Sedbergh in June. All the details will be on the **www. lakelandvoice.co.uk** website.

So to all of you who have supported our events over the year - or who plan to join us next year - I wish you a very merry and melodious Christmas, and a highly happy and harmonious new year.

David Burbidge, Sedbergh 21166

SEDBERGH & DISTRICT HISTORY SOCIETY

Packhorse Days

A large audience of sixty people met in Dent Memorial Hall to listen to a talk by Janet Niepokozycha on Packhorse Days and Ways. As part of her research into packhorses Janet, in the past, had done trips of hundreds of miles with a packhorse to gain first -hand experience.

The earliest record of one that she had found was on a carving from Iran dating from 640BC. In the Middle Ages they were depicted in paintings from all over Europe including one from England in 1480 which showed a donkey being used as a pack animal. In more recent times they were shown on prints from the North of England carrying a variety of goods. From further afield an early nineteenth century one from Japan showed a horse carrying a load. The type of goods carried varied considerably and the animals were illustrated carrying things such as water, wine and vinegar containers. Bales of cloth, wool, lead ore and fish were other examples of loads carried.

The scale and extent of the operations varied enormously. The Batemans of Blease Hall near Kendal were large scale operators around the year fifteen hundred and carried wool as far as Southampton through all seasons. On their return journey they brought back items such as dried fruit, spices and alum. It is not clear whether the same ponies did the whole trip or whether there were

relays of ponies involved. When speed was essential a pony express system of relays was operated that could provide 24 hour a day transport. An example of this was recorded by Daniel Defoe in the first guarter of the eighteenth century. He stated that fresh salmon from the Lake District was sold in Billingsgate with the journey taking under three days. At the other end of the scale there was the man, or even woman, operating with one pony. These people would visit houses trying to sell things to the occupants and were known as badgers in England and cadgers in Scotland. Their activities gave rise to the two words having negative meanings in the English language and laws were brought in to regulate their behaviour.

The equipment used by pack horses was fairly standard and bells were associated with them all over the world. These were to give warning notice of their arrival and possibly to ward off evil spirits. The saddles used were arched and had side panels to spread the load. None survive from this country but some do from other countries and are even still in use in remote areas. Whether the horses were shod or not depended on the nature of the terrain and the length of the journey. Getting horses shod on a journey was not a problem as all villages had a blacksmith. The animals used included mules, donkeys, ponies and horses. In this area the Dales and Fell ponies were ideal for use. Working animals need

concentrated feed such as oats and this led to a system of inns being set up with stalls for the animals and beds for the drivers.

The nature and state of the tracks used varied widely and some had markers on them to help with navigation. In the hills the tracks were usually stony and weathered quite well. In the valley bottoms the tracks became very bad in wet weather and over the years got hollowed out. As a result several parallel tracks often existed close to each other. In some areas steps were taken to avoid this by laying stone slabs and sections of these tracks still exist. Bridges over streams were originally wooden but were later rebuilt in stone. These arched bridges were characterised by their low side walls to allow the animals to get over when carrying their loads.

The coming of canals and toll roads signalled the decline of the pack horse. Toll roads allowed carts and carriages to make journeys which had been impossible on the previous tracks. The final nail in the coffin was provided by the advent of railways. A photo exists of Mary Alice Hartley from Whitworth possibly the last of the pack horse traders but she has no marked grave in the local churchyard. The speaker was thanked by Graham Dalton for her most interesting talk.

Richard Cann



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EFFORTLESS YOGA

Since September, a small beginners day-time yoga class has been running on Thursday morning at the Meditation Centre in Dent. The existing classes on Monday evening and Tuesday morning draw a regular turnout of students - some have been coming for over 15 years now. They are still refining their skills and enjoying this weekly opportunity to slow down and find some inner space in their busy lives. For complete beginners, joining one of these established classes can be a little daunting. The new Thursday morning session provides a thorough introduction to the basics with plenty

of hands on guidance and opportunities to ask questions along the way.

The class is a balanced group, both men and women with an average age somewhere in the high fifties and a corresponding degree of related 'wear and tear' symptoms. These include several hip replacements, numerous arthritic joints and the perennial 'dodgy' backs - all happily accommodated with appropriate support.

The work that we do each week is slow and simple. This is the challenge- to really pay attention to how the movement is created and where it is restricted. Yoga invites the



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body to wake up again little by little, breath by breath. The result is a steady increase in strength, confidence, mobility and genuine light-heartedness.

Whilst there is often a slightly bemused response to my instructions to 'breathe in through the palms of your hands and out through the soles of your feet'- overall students are working well. Movements that seemed challenging a few weeks ago are now often achieved and refined.

If you would like to join us, whatever the state of your health or fitness- do get in touch. This is an opportunity to slow down and reverse some of the more debilitating effects of ageing. Who knows, in fifteen years time you might be looking back at the early days of your yoga practice from a position of glowing health, serenity and vitality. Some of my best teachers over the years have been Octogenarians – strong, inspiring powerful teachers who belie the damaging myth of the inevitable decrepitude that we are conditioned to expect as part of ageing. Whilst physical improvements are the most

obvious early effects of regular practice, the real gifts of yoga are found in the mental and emotional benefits. Regular experiences of positive mental states begin to replace the background of constant anxiety and nervous tension many of us live with. Sleep patterns can improve and low moods lift as we reengage with our lives from a place of strength and optimism.

For more information, have a look at my new website

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HOWGILL HARRIERS

Harrier News

As we take those last few steps towards Christmas I have been informed by more than one runner that December is a time to 'cash in': every extra mile you do is equivalent to one more mince pie, a glass of mulled wine, or another chocolate from the box you meant to give to Uncle Whatsisname...

Six Howgill members ran at the Penrith 10K back in mid-October. Jack, Sean, Phil, Neil, Jackie and Kevin represented a fair cross section of the club, and all finishing in good times for this road event.

Elsewhere, Carl was on winning form again at the 25K Ennerdale trail race, and somehow finished nearly half an hour ahead of his nearest competitor. He missed out on some qualifying races this year but still managed to finish 11th in both the English and British Fell Running Championship. Sam, Pat and Al were confirmed as 8th, 11th and 13th in the U23 category.

The big event in October was the Original Mountain Marathon (OMM), which took place right here in the Howgills. Fraser had a particularly good result as he finished first mix pair vet and 15th overall (with nonmember Beverly) in the long score days. Dick and Dan came 42nd overall in the same event, whilst Sam and Ollie finished ninth in the short score days. The advantage of local knowledge was much clearer than the conditions on the second day,



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although some at the overnight camp had to dwell on the fact that their nice, cosy homes were only a few miles away. Less than half a mile in Fraser's case.

In the Lakeland Trail series wet conditions prevailed, still Carl managed second at the Helvellyn 15K, with Georgia and Kev K achieving PBs in 70th and 129th from nearly 400 competitors. Kev also competed in the Ullswater 14K the following day, finishing exactly one hundred places higher in 29th position!

Back to the roads, where Jack and Jane O completed their second half marathon in as many months, finishing 50th and 403rd overall in a strong field of over 550 (Jane 16th in her category).

Mid November also saw Carl reclaim the first place he won last year at the 17 mile Tour of Pendle





Race, whilst closer to home Sam came second in the inaugural Kendal Trail Race, held as part of the Mountain Film Festival.

Arnside Knott was our final club championship race, and eleven members turned out to run this new fell route overlooking the estuary. In a field of 133 John managed seventh place, with Rob, Sean and Steve M not far behind but seemingly reluctant to separate, finishing in 18, 19 and 20th! Full results and muddy pictures available online.

Perhaps that New Year's resolution, or even those traditional indulgences of the season, will tempt a few more to dig out the old running shoes in 2013. If you fancy coming along to any of our sessions check the website for details.

A word of caution though: check inside the shoes first. Hibernating rodents are one thing but you really know pain when your three-year-old has decided to hide several items of cutlery in there...

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. John Hosker

CRAFTWORKSHOP

The incredible mobile Craftworkshop! Now established at 61 Main Street (Henry Wilson's former bookshop), we have everything you may need to provide your friends and family with unusual handmade Christmas and birthday gifts – as well as the odd treat for yourself! Since we opened at the beginning of November many of you have popped in for a look, some have promised to revisit later, others have yielded to temptation already.

And what a range of goods we have! Our stock increases every day and the variety is stunning. In addition to Stuart's clocks and cards we have Cate's beautiful polymer clay necklaces, earrings and trinket boxes, Dimitris' silver and semi precious stones jewellery, and Lynda's gorgeous sheep – she spins the wool, knits and felts it, making an authentic animal, a herdwick will be made with

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herdwick wool, for instance. In addition she has angel lambs. Perhaps you need to come and visit us to see what I mean!

We have lots of scarves, largely because Helen can't stop knitting and has got others knitting for her. Wool and needles are available for purchase in the shop. Some of the scarves are for sale in aid of Thandi Friends Project – the full purchase price goes to this local charity. Some items have been donated to raise funds for Thandi. Look out for more sheep, baby clothes and blankets. We have peg dolls, ceramic pieces, felt people and animals that Dianna has made, angels and snowmen by Vicky for your tree, your ears or your phone. We have original paintings, cartoons, more cards, cushions and cushion covers, children's bags, fabric advent calendars, toys, more beads and jewellery, including shamballa bracelets. draught



excluder dogs and cats, and walking sticks. We even have Lynda and Jan's CD, recently featured on the Mike Harding Show, providing both background music and for sale.

By the time you read this we will doubtless have more. We have over twenty people contributing to the shop.

In addition to all this, we believe that we have created a sociable place to be. If you are stuck on a knitting pattern, would like to learn to make items from polymer clay (fimo) or learn to crochet, try batik, make your own bead necklace, work with wood, or just get some inspiration ... come and sit with us at the back of the shop and talk and work with us.

We are open on Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays form 10 am to 4 pm and Thursday mornings until 1.00pm. We will close in early January, but might be just the place to visit between Christmas and New



Year for those of you who are fortunate enough to have gifts of money over Christmas.

May we wish you a Happy Christmas and all you would like for the New Year!

Helen, Cate, Stuart, Dianna, Lyn, Jan, Lynda, Mick, Vicky, Dimitris, Judith, Mark, Anne Marie, Gwyneth, John, Margaret, Tom, Gillian, Phil and Trish

SAVING 72 MAIN STREET

Fundraising for buying 72, Main Street is going well with over half now raised, but there is still much to do to achieve our final target of £80,000.

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- Buy an Arts Society or Spar Sedbergh calendar. The profits from both are being donated to the building fund. Both are available in the Tourist Information Office.
- 2. Make a donation. Whether large or small every little helps to increase the fund and the more donors we have shows everyone how wide the support is, which helps immensely with grant applications.

If you need another form there are some available in the Community Office or you can donate online at 72mainstreet.blogspot.com.

Graham Hooley, Mark Westwood, Hilary Hodge, David Collier and Douglas Thomson

Many thanks to Andy Trull and the Settlebeck School Year 11s who so spectacularly cleared the yard/garden at 72 Main Street in a short afternoon. Well done. *Hilary Dixon'*

WINTER CAFÉ CONCERT

Following on the success of the Sedbergh Orchestra's inaugural Springtime Café Concert in March 2011, another 'Winter' Café Concert is in the offing. Rehearsals are well under way in preparation for the concert which will be in the People's Hall on Thursday, December 13th. We hope to attract a large gathering to share our enjoyment. The doors open at 7.45pm and the music begins at 8.00pm.

There is no formality about this concert. The hall will be laid out in 'café' style, so make sure you are there in good time to bag a table with your friends. Concert tickets are exchangeable for a glass of wine or a soft drink as soon as you arrive and there will be nibbles on the tables for you to munch whilst listening to the music. All of this, as well as further light refreshments at the end of the concert - some of them homemade! is included in the price of the ticket which is a modest £6.00. There will however be further drinks for sale during the evening. Anyone 18 and under will be able to enjoy the music, refreshments and a soft drink free of charge. The concert is planned without a lengthy interval, just top-up time. This is to give both orchestra and audience a chance to enjoy the refreshments at the end before we all go home.

We shall be playing some wellknown pieces by composers such as Bizet, Weinberger, Johann Strauss II, Ronald Binge, Ketèlbey and Vivian Ellis, not all of whose names may be

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familiar. Many of the pieces are likely to set your feet tapping. If all goes according to plan, there will be something to take you by surprise during the evening. As last time, Peter Crompton will conduct and Val Snelling will lead the orchestra.

Tickets for the concert will be on sale only from members of the orchestra, but tickets can be reserved, for collection on the night, by phoning 015396 21196. Please put the concert date in your diary now and buy or reserve your tickets as soon as you can so that we are not left wondering whether we shall have any audience at all! For the last Café Concert, we had sold only three tickets in advance. In the event we had a full house which was wonderful. Thankfully we had taken the gamble and catered for many more than that number and I think everyone went away satisfied, but we

Philip Horner Fencing Contractor Walling Man & Tractor Tel: 015396 21984	DENTDALE CLUB The Club meets on the first Friday of the month in the Sedgwick Room, Dentdale Memorial Hall from 2pm to 4pm. The Club is organised by Age UK and Linda Greensmith and the 2013
Mob: 07855 349157	Calendar has been arranged as follows:-
e-mail: prhorner@hotmail.com	January 4th
	Jean Park, Age UK– Family Tree February 1st Bob & Wendy's coast to coast highlights 1st March Jock Cairns – Parish Council matters
had rather an anxious time as the date got nearer and it seemed that hardly anyone would come! Any proceeds from the concert will be shared between the People's Hall Refurbishment Fund and The Alison Armstrong Pepperpot Fund which contributes towards the Sedbergh Orchestra and the other activities of Sedbergh Pepperpot Club. The refreshments will generously be provided by Orchestra members and members of Sedbergh Pepperpot Club. We have been very fortunate to have really good audiences since the orchestra made its first public appearance in March 2011 and it would be wonderful to welcome as many people as we can squeeze into the People's Hall on Thursday,	 5th April Mrs Bateman – Making flower button holes 3rd May Dent Brewery – tbc 7th June Kate Cairns - feed back from the Health Centre 5th July Susan Garnett – 'Fire, Water & Ice' 2nd August Jane Dunn – seasonal cooking from the past 6th September Ian Fletcher – birding - the islands of the world 4th October Mrs Robertshaw – 'my life with dogs' 1st November Local PCSO/Fire Service
seeing you then! Shirley Smith	6th December Xmas games and quiz
many people as we can squeeze into the People's Hall on Thursday, December 13th. We look forward to seeing you then!	1st November Local PCSO/Fire Service 6th December

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CUMBRIA WILDLIFE TRUST

On a cold, foggy and wet evening, Paul Sweeting took us to the equator with his talk entitled "Isle of Cinder and Green". Paul is now chaplain at Sedbergh School but a few years ago he was rector of the Falkland Islands. On one of his trips between cold, wet Britain and the cold, windy Falklands he had a holiday on the equatorial Ascension Island in the South Atlantic Ocean. This is one of the most remote, inhabited places in the world. The nearest neighbour is the equally remote island of St Helena, a mere 700 miles away. The closest mainland is the coast of West Africa, a thousand miles off. Ascension Island lies on the mid

Atlantic ridge, an area of sea floor spreading. It is a volcanic seamount rising straight from the ocean floor and geologically is of very recent origin. The last eruption was around 700 years ago and the dominant scenery is lava flows and cinder cones. The central Green Mountain is often in mist, which creates a source of fresh water for the island and was the main attraction for early sailors. It was first discovered by the Portuguese but manned in Napoleonic times by the British. By the 1820s it was used by the British fleet as a base, particularly while fighting the slave trade, and a quarantine island for sailors with yellow fever. Their many grave stones



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are still legible.

The Island is an important strategic site for the military of Britain and America and the airport has a runway sufficient for the largest military planes. During the Falklands war it was briefly the busiest airport in the world.

Being so remote and geologically so young there is very little native wildlife. Most plants and animals have been introduced. The plants are an eclectic mix of escapes from farms and accidental introductions. One view Paul showed us was of a fine stand of mature Norfolk Pines, originally planted to become ships' masts but presumably technology had moved on by the time they had grown big enough. Many of the animals are farm escapees such as sheep, hens and donkeys, all now living wild. The largest indigenous land animal is the land crab, with its hilarious "mournful" expression. Other





natives are the birds such as the Booby and Frigate birds, including one unique to the Island, and the Sooty or "wideawake" tern, so named because of its relentless, noisy call. The golden sands of the beaches are an important nesting ground for the Green Turtle and Paul had wonderful photographs of tiny turtle hatchlings, rescued and released by local conservationists and heading for the ocean. The seas around the island are home to many different species of fish.

The greatest problem for conservation on the island is the introduced Mexican Thorn bush. This is spread by the feral animals, particularly the donkeys, who eat the berries and spread the seeds. The plant forms dense, impenetrable thickets and needs constant management to keep it in check.

The change from the cold Falklands to this beautiful but strange island near the equator must have been wonderful for Paul and his family and he managed to convey a flavour of that as he transported us there with his delightful talk and pictures.

Jackie Hooley

SLOVENIAN DIARY

Recently, 22 worthy Sedbergh Town Twinners enjoyed a week in Slovenia. Here follows a brief account of our adventures.

Sunday 21st October

All transfers Sedbergh – Leeds/ Bradford Airport – Venice – Zreče went smoothly. First chance to see autumn colours and experience Slovenian motorway services, somewhat superior to most of ours! Very little traffic en route and arrived at Hotel Smogavc to warm welcome and dinner.

Monday 22nd October

Leisurely start and generous breakfast. Wide choice of goodies. Tadeja from Tourist Office arrived with



finalised itinerary. Party will be delighted to hear of 7.00am start tomorrow! Glorious sunshine, temps well into 20s. Most went off walking and exploring. Local suppliers of cake and hot choc inspected and tested. Wander round lake very pleasant. Ate windfall (honestly!) apples and examined waterbirds and wildflowers.



Tried the mushroom soup at bus station café. Huge chunks of mushroom and generous servings. No room for anything else. Not your typical bus station caff either!

Off to the spa to swim. Some more energetic than others. Jacuzzis therapeutic, swimming outside and in. Dinner in Hotel, three very large courses ... can we stand the pace?? **Tuesday 23rd October**

Off at misty crack of dawn to Ljubljana. Met by very jolly guide Urban. Phenomenal knowledge not just of home city but also English literature, biblical quotes, classical music and Monty Python! Took us to all sorts of unusual places! Basement of closed order of monks hosts very lively market. Stalls of flowers, herbs and enormous mushrooms. Lunched in teahouse, ciabatta and jasmine tea. Then off to Bled. (Town celebrated 1000 years in 2004.) What a contrast to 2010 trip! Brilliant sunshine, calm lake and gentle rowboats across to island. Climbed up to church by gradual route, main one involves over 100 steps so easier going down. Bell in church grants wish if rings three times on one pull. Bellringer in party had advantage there. Very smart café and as ever, spotless ablutions. Serene glide back to shore and drive round lakeshore to castle. Guide (Tamara) also highly knowledgeable and entertaining. Castle all decked out for Hallowe'en, giant spiders etc. Excellent museum including section on eccentric Swiss physician Rikli who offered "cure" by insisting clients lived in little huts and



bathed in large tin baths without benefit of clothing whatever the weather. (Survival rate?) Triglav (highest mountain) viewed in hazy distance from terrace. Back in bus and off home via cooperative winery of Zlati Grič at Slovenske Konjice for enormous and very tasty meal with house local wines. What we assumed were choices on menu appeared concurrently. Staggered back to bus and so to Zreče and bed.

Wednesday 24th October

Off at 8.00am this time to Ptuj. Met by Irena our excellent guide from last visit. First to weapons display then instrument collection. Huge range of historic woodwind, string, brass and keyboard examples including an actual Roman flute. (Ptuj was large Roman settlement 69AD). Castle owned in 17th century by Scottish Leslie family (distant relative in party!) State rooms with fine display of "bedroom" paintings (as described by Irena) and a courtyard museum of Kurent costumes worn in celebrations (rites of spring?) held in February. Fur, feathers, sheepskins and long red tongues. Back down into town for



Dominican and Minorite monasteries, Roman Orpheus monument once used as pillory, Roman stonework set in buildings and eventually to sit down in restaurant. Once again an enormous amount served of delicious local delicacies but how to explain that we love the food but can't actually physically consume it all? All washed down with local wines. Yet to see an obese person in Slovenia so how?? Protein rich diet?? Followed by tour of extensive wine cellars. Saw section walled off during Occupation containing several bottles of 1917 vintage etc. worth enormous sums.

Then wine tasting and film presentation. Plan to do two hour walking tour of Maribor (2012 City of Culture) modified somewhat to bus tour magnificently managed by guide Tamara and expert bus driving. Wealth of information from present political position to oldest vine in the country. Monasteries turned into student accommodation. Snooze on way back. Dinner optional! **Thursday 25th October** Spirited debate with Mayor Boris, headteacher Ivan, teachers Peter and Rosana on trying to re-establish student exchange with our schools.

Teacher exchange still a possibility.

Then off with Urska on local tour.

Rose above clouds to Rogla where sun shone and majority of party had fun on "adrenalin slide". Quick tour of premises then to Pod Rogla Hotel for lunch. Huge meal with free beer from hotel brewery. Then off to photograph the Sedbergh-Zreče roadside signs but all have mysteriously disappeared!! Tried all routes but no go. What's going on? Why not remove photo outside bus station of Kendal Main Street masquerading as that of Sedbergh instead?? What gremlins are at work!? Friendships between towns as strong as ever so not a problem.

Friday 26th October

Off to Postojna caves. All very impressed. Magnificent natural wonder. Train ride in past former armaments dump blown up by partisans then sequence of chambers and strange pink salamanders the "human fish". Lunch at Hotel (comparatively modest proportions?) then off in heavy rain to Pretjama Castle. Built into huge cavern with tunnels, caves and passages reaching far back into hillside. Notorious owner 15th century Erasmus Lueger withstood siege for year but betrayed and ignobly killed "where even the sultan must go alone". Atmospheric and intriguing. More rain but past caring! Small dinners tonight.

Saturday 27th October

Day for meeting old friends. Katarina and sister of Pevke z Brinjeve Gore in Brata and Anton and Georg of the Jurij Vodovnik singers came for coffee then Jurij and Talen of the



singing Repenšek family whisked GDH and SG away to Mozirje an hours drive from Zreče via Velenje, model coal mining town and Nazarje (Nazareth and convent of Poor Clares)

Highlights were family lunch and Jurij's choir performance in Church of St George (he got around a bit!) Mozirski Koledniki. What a setting! Much iconic restoration done by Jurij. Visited his studio despite flooding and continuing heavy rain. Rivers very high. Back in time to meet Zdenka and Tadeja before dinner, fond greetings and farewells. Convivial final dinner.

Sunday 28th October

Woken in night by huge claps of thunder. Big storm. Astonished to see thick snow everywhere in morning! Branches broken off trees. Winter wonderland very picturesque. No problem for coach driver negotiating snowy roads. Turned to rain and flood as coast approached. Sad to leave Slovenia but reckon visit well timed and good trip had by all happy Twinners. May even do it all again! *Susan Garnett*



PEOPLE'S HALL

Fundraising Appeal A public meeting held on 12 November 1945 marked the formal and official beginning of the history of the People's Hall. This public meeting began an eleven year struggle to find a site and see the Hall constructed. The existing hall was opened in 1956 by public subscription from the townspeople and aptly named The People's Hall. The cost was £10,900 and at the time of opening the Hall still had £1,500 of



People's Hall under construction in 1956



loans to pay off. The land on which the Hall stands is held from the Parish Council on a 99 year lease expiring 12 December 2055. The two organisations with the longest claim to association with, or usage of the Hall, and which still continues, are the Football Club from 1959 and the Gala Group from 1967.

For those with an interest in architecture an illustrated article appeared in the Timber Engineering magazine of August 1957 describing the Kingston form of construction using laminated timber arches of 36 ft span.



People's Hall 1957 The People's Hall still remains the only large community asset available

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to all. It is a versatile facility changing from junior football club practice session - to a public meeting - to a polling station - to a pop group - to a workshop - to a church over successive days. It serves the community well and users will only be too aware of the need to carry out some urgent redevelopment to update the facilities to make it even more versatile and attractive to use. We know that there are many calls on funding in the Town, but we must ask you to help us by generous giving AND THIS WAS ODD PEOPLE'S HALL, SEDBERGH and by offering fundraising events. FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22nd, 1965 at 8 p.m. TICKET 4/- B. 7 We urgently need to raise another £20,000 to start Phase 1. Please use the Giving Form on this Page. Fundraising in 1965 Dr Gina Barney Hon Sec. 20790 Sedbergh People's Hall (Registered Charity Number 523829) FUND RAISING APPEAL I would like to donate: [] £10 [] £20 [] £50 [] £100 [] £500 [] £1000 Other amount £ Please make cheques out to People's Hall DETAILS OF DONOR Title First Name(s) Surname Address Post Code [] Please send me an acknowledgement [] I wish my donation to be anonymous GIFT AID DECLARATION I want the People's Hall to treat the enclosed donation of £ as a Gift Aid donation. I declare I am a UK taxpayer and that I have paid an amount of income tax or capital gains tax at least equal to the tax to be reclaimed by the People's Hall. Signed Date Please return to People's Hall Redevelopment Fund, PO Box 7, Sedbergh, LA10 5GE or take to Sedbergh Office Services, Kings Yard.

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SEDBERGH WI

After last months brief sojourn to the Methodist Hall it was back to the Peoples Hall committee room for our AGM.

Committee members Sue Bateman and Anne Pitt are joined this year by Dorothy Gerard and Sue Kernahren. While Moira Folks and Christine Sheppey are stepping down as is Eileen Stavely who had been the treasurer for 5 years. Pat Ramsden remains as secretary and Linda Hopkins as President. The members lead by Linda thanked Eileen for her work as treasurer and Christine and Moria for there valuable input.

The WI year has been jam packed with activities, interesting talks, walks

and craft sessions. Even though the weather on several occasions prevented the planned walks the members did not lose heart and managed finally to enjoy two very pleasant walks all in the November air. On one particular stop for refreshments where having been served cold beans Linda was given a complementary giant scone which she happily shared with her fellow walkers. That day ended with a visit to the theatre.

Jean Jones and Margery Fishwick reported back from the WI annual council meeting which this year was held at The Castle Green Hotel. They said it had been a very worthwhile meeting. A number of long serving



members were congratulated at the meeting and Jean and Margery were amazed to meet a lady of 94 who had been a WI member for 70 years joining in 1942.

Among the activities and outings to look forward to there is to be a walk on Thursday December 6th weather permitting and of course Xmas dinner later in the month at the Barbon Inn. Also members were asked if they would like to get involved in arranging flowers in St Andrews Church as part of the Late Night Shopping event planned for the evening of Dec 5. The business of the evening settled it was time for the food and games. A delicious buffet was enjoyed with a little liquid refreshment after which a

game of Scategories organised by Sue Bateman, was played with plenty of indiscreet cheating on all sides, great fun. Sandra Gold-Wood

DENTDALE WI

There was plenty of time for reflection as we listened to the annual reports of activities from President and Secretary during the AGM. It is always amazing just how well filled the years are and 2012 was no exception. The voting process was overseen by Liz Nutall our teller for the evening. Catherine Sugden was elected President once more and she was thanked for agreeing to take on the post again. There is no change in the Committee and Dale Smith



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remains as Secretary.

Our financial statement showed a healthy balance and finances are in the competent hands of Treasurer Kate Cairns. Earlier in the year, we had been asked to fill empty smartie tubes with money, and members warmed to the task, especially as this fund raising activity was to be in aid of First Responders and a grand total of £360 was raised. Catherine was able to present a cheque for this amount to the Chair of First Responders fellow WI member, Jenny Pilgrim. Three other WI members who are also Responders stood with Jenny, Sue Owen, Dale Smith and Lynn Comrie. They were thanked for the vital work that they

do. We were told that the money would be put towards some new equipment.

It was time to look ahead at the new programme for 2013 and especially to the 70th birthday party for Dentdale WI in March. Next year it is the turn of Dentdale WI to send a delegate to the National AGM to be held in Cardiff and members were urged to think about putting their names forward for the two night stay for the Conference

We had a real treat at the end of the business meeting when Sue Mulvany brought along the copies of the Ceremonial and Royal Regalia that had been on show at the Jubilee Flower Festival. They had been made



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with meticulous attention to detail by a group of WI members including Dale Smith from our own Institute. Sue then gave a brief run through the history of Crowns and Regalia from the earliest brow bands of Ancient Greece to the pieces that are used on state occasions. It was fascinating!

Next month we meet together for the Christmas dinner at Meadowside and are back in the hall on January 9th when our speaker will be Jackie Foott talking about Red Squirrel Conservation. New members and visitor always welcome.

Pat Allen

KILLINGTON WI The Afternoon WI for the entire District

Now, I **am** allowed to mention it! Our next meeting will be our **Christmas Lunch** when members and friends will gather for festive food and fun. We will be at the Barbon Inn at noon on Tuesday 4th December, all attired in our best bibs and tuckers – not forgetting our paper hats.

While on the subject of Christmas, we would like to wish you all a wonderful time over the holiday season and a New Year filled with all good things.

One of the most important items at our recent meeting was our farewell recollections of, and tributes to Mary Tallon who died recently. In addition to being our oldest member, Mary



was also our most longstanding member. She always made a great effort to come and enjoy our meetings and last attended the day after her 101st birthday in June. We shall miss her. We thank all those who helped her retain her independence and once again recognise what a wonderful community we have here in Sedbergh.

Sadly, our AGM is over for another year (tongue in cheek, or what?). Everything ran on oiled wheels but then what else would you expect. We had our annual sing of "Jerusalem". Sally, who had represented us this year at the National WI AGM at the Royal Albert Hall, agreed that our rendering of the iconic hymn was greatly superior to theirs, but then our dulcet tones did not have such a big space in to fill with sound. Margaret Denton summarised our finances for the year. We were all most happy to be reminded that our fund-raising had continued to be successful allowing us to enjoy ourselves and make substantial charitable donations. Our thanks to all those whose efforts have helped with this. Susan Sharrocks reminded us in her report of all the splendid and happy meetings we have had this year and is already putting together a great forthcoming programme. Wendy (me!) thanked all the members, especially the committee, for their unstinting support which had kept her feet on the straight and narrow. Then election time, with a much better turnout then that for the Police Commissioner. Edith Gerrard is taking a break from the committee



and was thanked for her sterling work. Pauline Ramsbottom was welcomed aboard. Apart from that the committee and officers were voted back en bloc. And that was that!

Then it was time for our annual show, Desert Island Discs, or if you prefer it, "The Two Wendies", as it was Wendy Mclean casting me onto the mythical golden shore. (I had tried hard to wriggle out of this shipwreck as folk have heard rather a lot of me lately, but alas, my tormentors would have none of it. Notwithstanding, I will not eat witchitty grubs nor any such thing). Sadly, after hearing how I had nearly been born in the Mersey Tunnel, things rather turned to farce when my first chosen record -Paul Robeson singing Lulla, Lulla Byebye – was played at too slow a speed and his already bass voice deepened to a ferocious groan. The general conclusion was that it would have frightened any baby to death, not lulled it to sleep. Still, it was all fun. I feel sure that the fun will continue

over Christmas Time. Once again, Best Wishes from the members of Killington WI, to you all. *Wendy Fraser-Urguhart*

OMM COMPETITORS ...

"They say it's all over"

The 2012 OMM is now over and has been voted a great success by everyone involved.

The Howgill Hills gave of their best with cold clear conditions on the Saturday and wet dismal conditions on the Sunday presenting a truly challenging mountain marathon.

The Elite Class winners were Bjorn Rydvall and Aaron Prince (members of Team Silva and runners up in the 2012 World Adventure Racing Championships) in a time of 11hrs: 21 mins; 01 secs. In second place were Duncan Archer and Shane Ohly (2011 Elite Class winners) with a time of 11:29: 51. In third place, Nick







Barrable and Darrell High with a time of 12:35:39.

Event Organiser Jen Longbottom said "The results this year were in line with what the course planners had predicted and I am really pleased with the number of positive comments coming back from competitors on the high quality of the courses."

The headquarters location this year was a Sedbergh School and the headmaster, Andrew Fleck, presented some of the prizes and commented on how the event was the best organised external event that the school had hosted. Thanks should go to Mr Fleck and his staff at the school for their generous hospitality.

A change in tradition this year also saw publication of the locations for OMM events next year:-

OMM Lite/OMM Bike:

18 th – 19 th May	N. Central England
OMM Iceland:	
25 th – 26 th May	Iceland
OMM Denmark:	
25 th – 26 th May	Denmark
OMM France:	
17 th – 18 th August	Jura, France
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26 th – 27 th Octobe	er Wales

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KOREA

More On Paju Book City Korea.

This is the third piece on my trip to Korea and just in case you haven't read the others.

I went to Paju Book City in Korea to represent Sedbergh and it's membership of the International Organisation of Booktowns back in Sept. I have written about the other book town reps I met and what a thrill it was to see such dedication to the written word. What I haven't mentioned is how I got on flying half way around the World.

It's lovely living here in Sedbergh where most people know each other, the shops are friendly, the coffee

mornings are enshrined and even the Churches are together.

So when Keith dropped me off at Manchester Airport I felt somewhat apprehensive. But having undertaken the responsibility of representation I was not going to wave a white flag.

For a while I wandered around the perfume and paraphernalia until it was time to head for the plane. Along with the travelling public I shuffled my way through security, putting my belongings up for scrutiny and then joining the queue to board the plane I did so envy those with first class tickets. Once on the plane I was surprised to find the seats roomy, staff splendidly helpful and wonderful



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little TV screens in the back of the seats. With nine hours of flying before a stop over at Dubai a person needs something to do. Some people are able to sleep on planes judging by the snoring. Doing my best to ignore this night time chorus I watched Gone with the Wind, Dark Knight and played Millionaire until touch done in Dubai.

What a place. You may have heard of the ancient trading route the Silk Road well, Dubai airport seemed to me to the modern version of this. There were people there from all over the world going all over the world. It

reminded me of the bar scene in the first Star Wars film.

Afraid that I would fall asleep and miss my connection I walked up and down until with mounting excitement I boarded the plane for the next leg of my journey.

After another 9 hours I finally arrived in Seoul,, Wow!. Funnily enough it looked the same as any other airport. I got my luggage and got to the front of the passport check only to be sent off to fill in a form, there's always another form. By the time I got through the customs the lovely young lady sent to meet me was about to give up.

The evening sun was shining as we were shepherded into a waiting limo. The Croatian rep and I were looking forward to getting to our hotel rooms for a wash and brush up. No chance. After a 2 hour drive we arrived at a village which specialise in restaurants, there we had dinner and met the other reps. This was my first taste of Korean food which was interesting and very different. I had also forgotten that it would be chop



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sticks all round.. Yes, I did manage to get to grips with local cutlery it was that or stave. I can certainly recommend chop sticks as an aid to dieting. I was grateful to see my bed that night I can tell you.

In the morning the Book City festival began and I manned the stall the organisers had set up for me. I was also assigned some lovely young ladies to help with the language. It wasn't a problem as most Koreans I met including some children spoke English. The visitors to my stall especially liked glossy coloured pictures of Sedbergh and England generally. The organisers had arranged a variety of trips for us one of which was visit to the border between North and South Korea. It was moving to see the wall of messages to those trapped on the other side and to the 30,000 people who had perished in the fighting which had taken place on that spot. The photo is of the memorial erected there.

Korea, what I saw of it is green and pleasant and the people delightful and friendly. Would I go again? Oh yes. I have over come any fear I had of long distance flying and I'm hoping that at some point I will visit Japan and China. Sandra Gold-Wood

FAMILY MUSINGS

Life is never dull for this family and the last few weeks have been quite busy, I have started a Writing Course by post but had to wait until we bought a new printer as the old one refused to recognise it had been fitted with new ink cartridges and refused to perform. Hubby and I were both struck down with awful colds and coughs or at least I stayed home while he kept working. Feeling better we headed of to Hull to family for the weekend and visited both Lincolnshire and part of the Yorkshire Wolds, we do see life.

Then a day trip to Malvern, yes rather a distance for a day but for one of the best reasons, sons Graduation, the ceremony was also a time of worship and thanks to God, the Degree a 2;1 in Applied Theology and

son looked back on 6 years of study and T looked back on all the other things that had meant to them and Ezra gurgled and slept and had his photo taken with his Daddy who looked very splendid in his Cap & Gown. Four of the students had been asked to give a short testimony and son was one of them, all the students were thanked, congratulated and prayer over before being let out into the world, some like our son are already working in ministry. Some of my family joined us there and after enjoying a lovely meal at The Unicorn we headed home, they a journey of under two hours us rather longer. Then on Sunday I got to cuddle our



grandson again before we headed of to meet up with a friend from London who was up here and wanted to catch up with us. As I said, life is hectic! Here we are almost at the end of another year and the opening of a New Year, for some it will be very hard to leave 2012 especially if loved ones have died during the year, for all of us the New Year we are preparing to enter is an unknown. Think positive, be bold, take firm steps and treat it as a great adventure full of promises, enjoy your celebrations, your family gatherings and find some time just for you and whatever you do remember the Christ of Christmas. Thank you for reading "Musings".

Sarah

FRIENDS OF FARFIELD MILL

As all of you who are current Friends of Farfield Mill will already be aware, the Trustees have recently sent out an appeal for funds to help prevent the Mill from falling down. With a leaking roof, rotting windows, a retaining wall that is bulging into the river, and damp penetrating the walls of our exhibition room, we are desperately in need of funds to improve the fabric of the building so we can continue to promote crafts from around theregion as well as bring top quality art exhibitions to Sedbergh. The cost of these repairs adds up to an astronomical £50,000. With no reserves to hand, the Trust is aiming to raise at least £25,000 through gifts large and small. As the letter states: If we can raise £25,000 this would not only enable us to carry out the most urgent work immediately, it could help to attract matching funding from other sources. We need 1000 people to give £25 each or 25 people to give £1,000 each – or anything in between. The Friends Committee encourage you to support this appeal, in whatever way youcan, including volunteering or becoming a Friend of Farfield Mill if you aren't already. When I am at craft fairs elsewhere I am constantly meeting people who have visited the Mill who think it's a wonderful place, full of inspiration and opportunities for all ages and abilities. Let's all try to keep it that way and make the Mill something Sedbergh can be truly proud of. Last chance to win! If you haven't

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bought a raffle ticket yet this is your last chance. The draw is on December 9th. Tickets are available from the Mill and will also be on sale at the Late Night Opening on December 5th. All of the artists and small businesses currently resident at the Mill have donated an item to the raffle this year. Plus there are vouchers for £100 and £50 to be spent at the Mill, a Lakeland voucher for £60 and a Waterstones voucher for £40. For just £1 per ticket you could win an original hand-crafted prize, so come on, have a bit of a gamble in support of the artists and the Mill. All of the money raised by the raffle is collected by the Friends of Farfield Mill Committee, to be disbursed at a later date in support of various Mill-related initiatives. Our fundraising efforts this year have so far helped to replace two of the Mill's windows, get our Make It @ Farfield

workshops off the ground, and upgraded some of the café's ageing cooking equipment.

Speaking of food, don't forget to book your Christmas Dinner at the Mill. Bring along your favourite tipple and enjoy a homemade 2 or 3 course menu. SUNDAYS are FREE for local LA10 postcode holders and thecafé offers a fantastic Sunday lunch as well as an all day breakfast every day of the week. Call 21159 to reserve your table.

Winter opening hours are now in place. The Mill is now open from 11am to 4pm each day, with the café opening at 10:30am. Annual closure will be January 2nd to 19th to allow for refreshing displays, painting and other essential repairs. If you can lend a hand during this time it would be much appreciated. Call 21958 if you are able to offer any help.

We have had a great start to our Make It @ Farfield workshops and will soon be planning a new series for next year. Over 50 adults and almost 50 children have taken part to date, helping us raise over £350 which we will be ploughing into the next lot of workshops, helping us to keep prices down and opportunities open to anyone who would like to participate. Let us know what you would like to learn next!

And last, but not least, support us on Facebook! If you're a Facebook fanatic search for Friends of Farfield Mill and LIKE us!

Many thanks for your support, Laura Rosenzweig, Chair

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SIGHT ADVICE SOUTH LAKELAND

Sedbergh Support Group SASL - SEDBERGH SUPPORT GROUP. NOVEMBER 2012 MEETING.

First of all, my grateful thanks to Elspeth for so ably wielding the pen and producing a 'quality report' of October's Meeting - I'm afraid this month we're back to 'quantity' rather than 'quality'! I can only assume That 'George the major singer' refers to George T. as the other one is always off-key, out of time, doesn't know the meaning of the word 'piano' -and wasn't much good at playing one either, and can effortlessly transform a good tune into a series of grating discords and still have the audacity to call it 'singing!' Now I must crack on or Santa wll be down the chimney before I've even got a pie minced or a chippolartered.

If you would like to know more about the SASL Sedbergh Support Group or offer your services as a volunteer, please ring either Jennifer on 015396 25162, George on 01539 721109 or SASL @ Stricklandgate House, Kendal on 01539 742633.

Had you been either a member of or volunteer for The Group, you would have been most welcome to have joined us at The Barbon Inn on 20th. November for our Christmas Lunch. Never backwards in coming forwards it has almost become yet another 'Christmas Tradition' for SASL Sedbergh Support Group to be one of, if not THE FIRST in the district to kick-off the Christmas Party Season. Before our meal we remembered with great affection Mary Tallon. It was somehow fitting that the last Meeting Mary attended was in September when 'Lucy The Blacksmith' came to talk to us. Our kindest and warmest thoughts are not only with Mary's family, but also especially with those who will be without their loved ones for the first time this Christmas.

Betty 'Buttons' Harper then turned into a pumpkin, roundly berated Dennis and me - spectacularly typecast as the ugly sisters, stuck Jack up his beanstalk, booted puss back to Whittington, exorcised the ghost of Jacob Marley, locked a lad in a cave, and with a piercing screech of 'Bah! Humbug!' wrung the turkey's neck, boxed Susan's ears with a cracker, put on a ridiculously silly hat and ordered 'Let battle commence!'. Oh no she didn't! Oh yes she did! Oh no she didn't! Oh ves she did! Oh do please come on - at least try and enter into the spirit of things even though you weren't at the pantomime party.

The ever attentive and kindly staff of The Barbon Inn served us a Turkey Dinner - replete with trimmings, stuffing AND apple sauce - none of this pureed chestnut muck-ment, drizzled with a soupcon of balsamic balderdash which causes the foodies in our midst to dribble and drool all over the place and which serves no purpose other than to add a tenner to the bill. The meat and two veg were followed by a choice of either

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And finally, maybe. Just maybe, some-where amongst the partridge in a pear tree, the late night shopping. Ye Olde-Worlde Christmas Fayres and Markets, the turtle doves, the lights, the baubles, the festoons of decorations, the French hens, the jingling bells, the tinsel, the paper chains, the calling birds, the ubiquitous Mother and Father Christmasses in their grottoes with their little helpers and miscellaneous fairies and elves, the gold rings, the reindeer, the sleighs, the Santa boats and trains and planes specials, the





laving geese, the sprouted turkeys, the puddings, the pies, the swimming swans, the parties, the crackers, the hats, the milking maids, the sherry, the champagne, the Beck's, the drumming drummers, the cards, the sacks of presents, the discarded wrapping paper, the piping pipers, Morecambe and Wise, Bing Crosby, Coronation Street, Eastenders, the dancing ladies, the hullabaloo, the spin and hype, the razz-a-ma-tazz, the smarmy schmaltz and the leaping lords, maybe, just maybe amongst all this we will find the finest present we will ever get - God's gift to us all of his Son, the baby Jesus, the greatest gift of true joy, love and peace. Not Just at Christmas, but always, God blesses us every-one.

George Watson

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THREAD OF GOLD

This new book is a history of the Sedbergh School Football Club from its foundation in 1879 down to the close of the 2010 season. It presents a comprehensive survey of the Club's fortunes on the field of play and explores why Sedbergh has been a crucible of excellence in the game of rugby football for so many years. The core of the book is a series of narrative chapters which describe and evaluate each decade in a yearby-year fashion. These are interspersed with shorter, more specific or thematic chapters which consider details of the Club's history. These include the sequence of Masters in Charge; the undertaking of Tours abroad; the playing of Rugby Sevens and the Centenary Season of 1979. There will also be a wideranging chapter which draws upon the correspondence of past and present players and attempts to reach an understanding of the unique ethos of the Club, its place in the life of the School and the formative influence which it has had on so many who, in their time, pulled on the Brown jersey. The book concludes with an assessment of the Club's condition Here and Now.

The author is Michael Raw who has been Head of History at Sedbergh since 1984. Michael was Master in Charge of Rugby from 1987 until 1991 and has coached Colts B on the Cricket Field for the last twenty years. He has used a variety of sources; notably press reports, past copies of The Sedberghian, a number of Captains' Books and, most valuable

of all, the personal recollections of Old Sedberghians, sent in by post or email.

PAYMENT

Cost £25, P and P and extra £5. If you wish to order a copy please either write a note out to Nigel Horsfall Esq., Hon. Secretary, The Old Sedberghian Club, The Bursary, Sedbergh School, Sedbergh, LA10 5HG along with a cheque made payable to Sedbergh School for the appropriate sum. Alternatively, you may pay by (Internet) Bank Transfer to 20-45-28 account no: 50300640 account name:

The book is also available at our online store: <u>http://www.</u> <u>sedberghschool.org/about-the-school/</u> thread-of-gold.html



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Sedbergh Community Development Centre Courses from January

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Italian Continuing, Tue/Wed Morning	George Handley	10	T/W	8/9 Jan	AM	Sedbergh
Italian Improvers, Sedbergh	Catherine Bond	11	Thu	10 Jan	AM	Sedbergh
Evening Yoga in Sedbergh	Fran Fryer	11	Thu	10 Jan	Eve	Sedbergh
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Gouache and Oil Pastel	Frances Winder	1	Sat	16 Mar	Day	Sedbergh
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TIM FARRON MP

Thank you everyone who voted in the Police and Crime Commissioner Election. Whatever you think about this new post, created by the Government, the Commissioner will have a lot of power over how policing runs in Cumbria over the next 4 years or so. As a result it was important that everyone with an opinion about how crime is dealt with around here took the opportunity to vote for the candidate they felt came closest to representing their views. That was why I spent so much time travelling around, knocking on doors and speaking to people on the phone to encourage them to go out and vote.

Although we only achieved a turnout of just under 24% here in South Lakeland this was still the highest level of any area in the country. Further confirming my belief that we take democracy so much more seriously here than we do in other places. Something I am particularly proud of.

I took the opportunity of questions in the House of Commons the other day to ask the Deputy Prime Minister if, as the Government is so committed to democracy, he would consider extending this to the national park authorities like the YDNPA which have so much power over the areas they cover and yet no one is elected to serve on them. I was delighted when he said that having a large area of national park within his own constituency he shared my concerns and felt that the Government should be working towards bringing more local say over the decisions made by the authorities. I will keep pressing on this issue.

I have been fortunate to have had several opportunities to speak in the House of Commons recently, I managed to say my piece in support of the wonderfully named "Grocery Codes Adjudicator Bill".

The aim of this is bill is to rebalance the power between supermarkets and farmers, hopefully leading to a time when farmers can make a proper income from their work and we stop seeing the dramatic decline in the numbers of people working in agriculture we have witnessed over recent years. With luck this new adjudicator will be in place by this time next year, fighting to ensure that farmers get paid what they need not just what the supermarkets are prepared to pay.

I had a meeting with Danny Alexander the Chief Secretary to the Treasury to push him yet again to make Cumbria one of the next areas where the Government trials reducing the duty on petrol and diesel. Something they are already doing in the Scilly Isles and parts of Scotland. In the meantime I am putting as much pressure as I can on the Chancellor of the Exchequer to stop him implementing the plan to actually



increase fuel duty from January. I wrote my message to him on a postcard making the point that cars are essential to life in places like Sedbergh and increasing fuel duty is essentially a tax on living in a rural community. It would be great if you too could send him a postcard showing Sedbergh or the Yorkshire Dales with the same message before December 5th.

Finally, I hope you have a wonderful Christmas and New Year.

Thanks to Dennis for all his work on Lookaround and thanks for all your support through 2012, here's to a successful 2013.

Tim Farron MP

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SEDBERGH TOWN BAND

The Band and Remembrance Bikers - On Sunday 28th October approximately thirty five bikers arrived just after mid-day in the car park. Sedbergh was one of their stops on a trip around Cumbria to herald the commencement of the annual British legion Poppy Appeal. They were greeted by Town Band tuba player Tony Playfoot playing his alternative instrument the bagpipes.

After refreshments (bacon buttis and a hot drink) superbly prepared and served up the John and Rose Pease and their assistants, they departed for their next stop, Windermere, again to the accompaniment of Tony's pipes.

Remembrance Day Parade

A week later on Remembrance Sunday 11th November, Sedbergh School C.C.F. Band, on completion of their participation in the ceremony at the school's cloisters to commemorate former members of the school who have given their lives on behalf of their country, joined up with

members of the Town Band at the St. Andrew's Memorial. Following a brief ceremony the two

bands led the parade around the town that included the Youth Band (marching but not playing) the scouts and others.

Remembrance Day Concert

The Band's major contribution to Remembrance Day occurred on Sunday evening at 7.30 pm in the United Reformed Church. A concert was given in which all income was divided between the host church, U. R.C., and the British Legion.

The first half of the programme featured familiar themes from films -'A Bridge Too Far', 'Cavatina' (The Deer Hunter), '633 Squadron', 'The Great Escape', 'Conquest of Paradise' and 'The Dambusters'. Slotted into this section was the 'Benedictus' from Carl Jenkin's work 'The Armed Man', the performance of which featured the very fine solo euphonium playing of Chris Perrot. After an interval in which refreshments were served in the Church Hall the concert resumed in stirring fashion with 'Colonel Bogey' (always identified with the film 'Bridge Over the River Kwai'). A more reflective and nostalgic mood was

then achieved with '1914' (a collection of contemporary W.W.I tunes) which was followed by 'The White Cliffs of Dover' and 'We'll Meet Again': the words of these songs were reproduced on the programmes and the audience, encouraged by the excellent compere Stuart Manger, gave enthusiastic renditions.

The final section of the programme concluded on a traditional and dignified note. The British Legion's own march was played during which the legion presented the standard. Carole Marsden read the verse 'They shall not grow old', the Last Post was played: a two minute silence was observed before the playing of Reveille. Tony Playfoot was joined by the Band in playing 'Highland Cathedral' on the bagpipes before the evening end with the National Anthem.

The Band at Christmas

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A full year for the Band concludes 2012 with a particularly busy December. The Annual Christmas Concert takes place in St. Andrew's Church at 7.45 pm on Tuesday 4th. The following day they will be in the

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United Reformed Church from 6.30 pm as part of Late Night Opening on Wednesday 5th December.

The first of their carol playing engagements is Saturday 1st December (12 noon to 2.00 pm) in Kendal's Birdcage. On Sunday 9th between 1.00 pm and 3.00 pm they will be at Asda, and 4.00 pm to 6.00 pm on Saturday 15th at Morrison's. The final playing will be on Christmas Eve, Monday 24th at the 'bus shelter' on Main Street.

Coffee Morning

The Band will be holding a Coffee Morning on Wednesday 19th December in the United Reformed Church.





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SPRING SHOW 2013 We hope that you will all have a very Happy Christmas, and then, during the dark days of January and February, your thoughts may turn to crafts and hopefully you will be enthused to enter next year's Spring Show which will be held on Saturday 23rd March. This year's show was a great success with record entries, unfortunately, over half of the entries were submitted during the last week before the closing date, which gave the Recorder huge problems collating all the information; please take pity on the poor man and entry earlier next time! The list of classes for the Show is printed in this issue of Lookaround, so please look carefully and decide what classes you might enter. We have simplified the Photographic Section for 2013, and introduced the idea of all entries being brought to the hall on the Friday evening where the Stewards will put together the display. Also, in the Flowers and Plants section we have introduced floral art classes which, we hope, will encourage all levels of expertise, please just have a go. We ask parents to please encourage your children to work on some entries at home in addition to those that we hope the schools will submit, just remember that children can only enter the classes that relate to their age group. Also for you adults, you do not have to have produced your items in the last twelve months, as long as it is something you have made and	has not previously been entered in the Sedbergh Show. We look forward to seeing you and your entries, on Saturday 23rd March 2013. Full Schedules and Entry Forms will be widely available in town from the beginning of February. SECTION 1 HANDICRAFTS 1. A patchwork or quilted item. 2. A scale model, own design or kit. 3. A new item from something old (any material). 4. A wooden item. 5. A bag of any medium (not from a kit). 6. A cross stitch article (indicate if own design). 7. An item made from hand made felt. 8. Canvas work. 9. Any article costing not more than £3 (Cost of items to be listed). 10. A pincushion. 11. Beadwork. 12. A piece of handmade jewellery. 13. A metal item. 14. A hand made rug. 15. A hand made card. 16. A decorated Easter bonnet (any style or material). 17. Any craft item not included above. SECTION 2 HAND MADE TOYS 18. A soft toy, knitted, sewn, or crocheted. 19. A glove puppet .20. A toy made from scrap material. 21. A dressed doll. 22. Any handmade toy not included above SECTION 3 FLOWERS & PLANTS 23. A house plant. 24. 'Fascinating Foliage', an exhibit featuring foliage. 25. "Treasure Chest' a petite exhibit. 26. 'In the Garden' an exhibit using garden material. 27. 'Once upon a Time' an exhibit depicting a nursery rhyme or fairy tale. 28. 'A Button Hole' for a lady or gentleman. 29. 'An Easter Basket of flowers' this is a novice class. Classes for children, up to 14 years.

30a. 'A foliage design'. 30b. 'Arrangement in a Cup and Saucer.' SECTION 4 GARMENTS 31. A hand knitted garment in double knitting or thicker yarn. 32. A hand knitted garment in 4 ply or finer yarn. 33. A hand knitted scarf. 34. A crocheted article or garment. 35. A sewn garment. 36. A knitted baby garment.

SECTION 5 HOME PRODUCE 37. Sugar craft. 38. Fruit pie. 39. Savoury flan. 40. Six biscuits of any variety. 41. Six butterfly buns. 42. A novelty cake (judged for decoration only). 43. Fruit cake. 44. Four fruit scones. 45. Gingerbread –not larger than 10" square. 46. Round shortbread. 47. Six flapjack pieces. 48. Unfilled and fatless sponge cake. 49. Victoria sandwich (filled with raspberry jam). 50. Swiss roll. 51. Pot of jam. 52. Pot of marmalade. 53. Pot of fruit jelly. 54. Pot of lemon curd. 55. Pot of chutney. 56. Bottle of wine, cordial or other drink. 57. A white loaf - hand made. 58. A brown or wholemeal loaf - hand made, 59, A white loaf - machine made. 60. A brown or wholemeal loaf - machine made. 61. Speciality bread - sweet or savourv. SECTION 6 ART

62. Artwork: still life (any medium, any form). 63. Artwork: portrait (including animals). 64. Artwork: landscape. 65. Mixed Media. 66. Any piece of artwork by a secondary school pupil. SECTION 7 PHOTOGRAPHY Maximum size, including mount, for all classes, 10" by 12". (255mm by 305mm) All classes can be in colour or black and white.

67. Wildlife. 68. Pets. 69. Landscape or Local View. 70. People and portraiture. 71. Sport. 72. Artistic. 73. One of the above subjects for children under 14 years. SECTION 8 CHILDREN'S SECTION

Pre-school. 76. A drawing of a farm animal. 77. A collage in 3 colours. (up to A4) 78. A drawing of a person. 79. A musical instrument made from junk. Reception Year. 80. A drawing/ painting of a wild animal. 81. A decorated boiled egg. 82. An animal made from any food material. 83. A small vehicle made from junk. Years 1 & 2, 84, Illustrated capital letter max size A5. 85. 4 Decorated digestive biscuits. 86. An insect made from plasticine or playdough. 87. A drawing depicting a spring day. Years 3 & 4. 88. A favourite poem. 89. A mosaic animal. 90. A multicultural item. 91. An animal made from vegetables, fruit or foliage. Years 5 & 6. 92. A collage of a bird using sequins and/or buttons. 93. A drawing of a vehicle. 94. A sculpture using natural materials. 95. An abstract art picture using different shapes. (Hand drawn or computer). Year 7 and above. 96. A hand crafted article – any material, including wood or metal. 97. A computer generated poster to promote visitors to Sedbergh. 98. A design for a sports kit. (any sport). 99. A 'new baby' card. Margaret Milburn - Chairman 20610 Linda Hopkins - Secretary 21455

PEOPLE'S HALL

Redevelopment - The Plans Readers might recall that the People's Hall embarked on a voyage to improve the facilities at the Hall some five years ago. After a number of false starts, we now have a manageable project of adding a toilet extension and changing room annexe onto the end of the kitchen extension built in 1985. To realise these ambitions we issued an Invitation to Tender to building firms in the locality. Four quotations were received and analysed and the PH Committee approved negotiations to be held with a Sedbergh based builder to refine the quotation and clarify certain issues.

The Committee divided the total project into several phases to make funding easier. These are for Phase 1 to build the structure (floors, walls, roof, etc.) without any fit out and the new back lobby fully fitted out. This will be followed with two further phases, which could occur at the same time, to fit out the male and female toilets and to fit out the sports changing rooms.

With various enabling costs (eg: preliminaries, Building Regulations, etc.) the build cost for Phase 1 is estimated to be £99,000 including VAT at 20%. The fit out of the toilets (Phase 2) is estimated at £32,000 and the fit out of the changing rooms (Phase 3) is estimated at £34,000.

Turning to funding, the PH has funds of about £80,000 comprising: its own reserves, the Parish Council



allocation of £25,000 and £15,000 of larger donations and pledges (interest free loans) that have already been made.

Readers may remember we announced earlier in the year that we had acquired significant funding. Unfortunately this funding was not confirmed. The Committee has identified a number of funding sources, which are now being approached. There are also a number of local funding sources, which will also be approached. However, these funds will not be enough and we have to come to the Town for help.

Dr Gina Barney Hon Sec. 20790

YORKSHIRE DALES NATIONAL PARK

Have your say

Consultation began in November) on two important documents that will shape the future of the Yorkshire Dales National Park.

The first is a draft version of the National Park Management Plan (NPMP). It has been produced by a partnership of organisations, including district and county councils, the Environment Agency, the Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority (YDNPA) Natural England and representatives of local businesses like the Dales Farmer Network.

It lays out a strategy for looking after this fragile landscape for the next five years and follows the 'Your Yorkshire Dales National Park' questionnaire earlier this year that asked what people wanted the National Park to be like in the future.

The draft plan contains an ambitious vision for the National Park. Three areas identified as central to the future of the National Park and its

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communities are: improving the quality of the tourism offer, getting good access to broadband, and enhancing the wildlife of the National Park.

The second document being put out for consultation is the first stage of writing the National Park Authority's own Local Plan. The final version will contain the detailed policies that will be used to decide planning applications and the future development of land and buildings from 2015 to 2030.

Organisations and individuals are being asked for their thoughts on an 'Issues Report', which highlights the key planning areas for the future of the National Park – including visitor facilities, local businesses, infractructure and design

infrastructure and design.

Peter Stockton, the YDNPA's Head of Sustainable Development, said: "The Local Plan is the foundation upon which all the Authority's planning decisions are made, so it is vital that we hear people's views on the big issues it needs to tackle." Both documents and feedback details are available on the National

details are available on the National Park's website at <u>www.</u> yorkshiredales.org.uk/lookingafter/

your.

BOOKWORM

What I have been reading this month 'A History of the World by Andrew Marr' (history)

This book is a huge undertaking for both author and reader - every page is worthy of a separate book ! The early part of the book focuses on anthropology, archaeology and is dense in information. Chapters are chunks of time eg 300BC to AD 600 with themes eg Classical Empires. Marr recasts some historical interpretation of events and selects some key influential historical figures for greater biographical study. He makes linkages and connections across time and geography and suggests that war can be a powerful driver for political and technological change.

The book makes an important contribution to an overview of world history - and can successfully fill some gaps in readers' knowledge. 'Time Bites by Doris Lessing' (non fiction)

A collection of 64 short essays on diverse topics such as Jane Austen, Philip Glass, Zimbabwe and Sufism. The author gives clear sighted commentaries on books and writers. Some you like-some you don't ! most however, offer a thought provoking perspective on the subject. 'The Pinecone by Jenny

Uglow' (biography)

The jewel of Wreay Church is located 5 miles south of Carlisle in a village bordered by the Lakeland fells and the Pennines. The architect, Sarah Losh (1786 - 1853) came from a wealthy, radical Cumbrian family and was unusually gifted and spirited. This superbly captivating biography charts in detail the influences on Sarah's life, her family, the building of the church and major historical developments in Northern Cumbria at this time.

A 'must see' church and a 'must read' book! *RM Bookworm*



GALA GROUP

Bonfire and Fireworks 2012. Sedbergh's Bonfire and Fireworks evening was once again a great success. Despite sleet during the morning and a couple of huge cloudbursts during the afternoon, an army of helpers arrived to set up the firepit for the bonfire, the market stalls and tables. As ever, Steve Longlands was there to provide an electric presence!

By late afternoon the weather cleared to provide a beautiful if chilly evening and the event attracted a large crowd of locals and visitors from far afield. Some holiday makers had seen the new Gala website <u>www.</u> <u>sedberghgala.org</u> and decided to come along and join in. It was a



chance for everybody to catch up with friends, warm themselves by the Bonfire and even eat out at the same time, with a tasty range of food on offer. As well as traditional burgers and hot dogs there was Thai food, homemade soup, freshly baked cakes, mulled wine and of course the obligatory toffee apples, with cinder toffee and treacle toffee generously donated by the famous 'Green Door Sweet Shop'! There were also games to be enjoyed and fibre optic gadgets and gizmos to light up the night.

The competition for pumpkin lanterns attracted entrants of all ages and the difficult task of judging them fell to the Sedbergh Gala Queen, Rhianne Woodfine. The glowing lanterns were much admired by the onlookers, the standard being so high that everyone who entered won a prize. Thomas Hinson's entry featuring 007 complete with his gun and the classic James Bond silhouette was a particular favourite



with the crowd. There were no turnip lanterns entered this year and it was generally agreed that this was because it is such hard work hollowing them out, pumpkins being softer!

The evening ended with a dazzling firework display and John Davis, the Chairman of the Sedbergh Gala Group, said "If our criterion for success is to provide enjoyment to the community, then judging by the faces, we did a good job." The Gala Group would like to say a big "Thank You" to everyone who helped or just came along and made this community event such good fun.

Neil Kernahan



ZUMBA

Keeping fit is not just for younger generations!

Every Thursday at The Peoples Hall, Sedbergh, Zumba Gold takes place. It is a Latin based dance fitness class. It is the lower impact version of Zumba and is great for those who are new to exercise and the more mature exerciser. Don't panic, you don't have to know how to dance. Just move your body and follow my lead, the moves are easy and fun. You will need to wear loose clothing, trainers, bring a bottle of water and your widest smile!

Janet Hurst

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DECEMBER GARDENING

There are three British native plants in the group known as Conifers, but, of these, only one actually bears cones. The Scots Pine (Pinus sylvestris) has hard, knobbly cones about 2 ins long, whose scales open up in dry weather when they are mature to release winged seeds. Pine trees almost always have needles arranged in groups of two, three or five, and bound at the base with a papery sheath (the one exception is the "One-leaved Nut Pine", Pinus *monophylla* from Mexico, which bears single needles – and as the name suggests, edible nuts). Native Scots Pine has blue/green needles in pairs, and beautiful orange/brown bark on mature branches in the crown of the tree.

Our other two "Conifers" bear berries rather than cones. The Yew (Taxus baccata) is well known for its red berries, much loved by birds. (There is a yellow berried form occasionally seen in gardens). The sticky, red fleshy part of the berries is sweet and delicious, but the seed hidden inside is very poisonous so you should only eat then if you are prepared to do some quick spitting as you go along. Yew foliage is again needle shaped, but the leaves are arranged singly and they are green on top and base, and have a smooth plastic like quality. Stems, leaves, bark and roots of the Yew are all poisonous, but as with many toxic plants. Yew is source of one of our most effective anti-cancer drugs (Taxol).

Juniper (Juniperus communis) is our third British "Conifer" and it has berries which ripen from green to black. They are rather woody in nature but have a lovely resinous flavour, and are sometimes used in cookery and, of course, to give the characteristic flavour to Gin. Juniper needles are short and sharp and are arranged around the stems in groups of three. Juniperus communis has many garden forms which range in stature from the beautiful, closely growing, upright Irish Juniper to small, neat, ground hugging dwarf forms. Elaine Horne For some unknown reason, the Gardening last month was Listed as being on Page 15 but wasn't. Apol's to Elaine and everyone that was looking for it.. Ed.



The Cobweb Orchestra has had a very exciting year, no big Awards this year, but they were invited to play for H.M. The Queen at the Opening of the International White Water Course at Stockton on Tees in July. A highly enjoyable few days were

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spent in Bavaria this summer, two concerts were given in the town of Dachau - which, in spite of the town's history is a lovely town, and full of lively musicians.

The string players had a wonderful afternoon playing with the violinist Min Jin Kim at Brigsteer. She is more likely to be guesting with the Royal Philharmonic or Berlin Philharmonic than a group of Cumbrian amateurs, so it was a thrill to play with such a fine player.

We have had many brilliant study days which have included

Symphonies by Sibelius, Bruckner, Tchaikovsky and at present are being led through Stravinsky's 'Rite of Spring' for the 100th Anniversary of its first performance in Paris and the riot it caused.

The Orchestra welcomes players of all instruments; we have a regional network of local orchestras, Tebay being the Cumbria venue, meeting every Tuesday night at the Methodist Church Hall at 7.30 pm during school terms.

Our next local concert is at St. Oswald's Church, Ravenstonedale on Saturday January 26th at 7.30 pm. The entry is free.

If anyone is interested in the Orchestra, visit www.

cobweborchestra.org.uk or contact Sheila Blackwell on Sedbergh 20056.

BIRDWATCH

Do you like watching the birds in your garden? Then take part in the world's biggest wildlife survey – the RSPB's Big Garden Birdwatch on 26th & 27th January 2013.

This is the conservation charity's most important event of the year. It is when people across the country look out of their window and spend an hour of their weekend recording how many birds they see.

Last year, over half a million people counted more than nine million garden birds. The information from this survey helps the RSPB form a comprehensive picture of how well – or not so well - each species is doing.

Over the past three decades, participants have helped the RSPB discover that populations of house sparrows starlings have declined while the numbers of blue tits and goldfinches in gardens have increased.

Doing the Big Garden Birdwatch not only helps the RSPB track the ups and downs of garden birds, but gives you the perfect excuse to sit down with a cup of tea and enjoy the wildlife in your garden.

Taking part is very simple. Over the weekend of the 26-27 January, spend one hour counting the largest number of each bird species you see at a time in your garden. Then give your results through our website <u>www.rspb.org.uk/</u><u>birdwatch</u> or by post.

You can get loads more information about the Big Garden Birdwatch and a free pack by going on our website or calling the hotline 0300 456 8330. Deborah Brown

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SEDBERGH & DISTRICT COMMUNITY OFFICE

Hello, and Happy Christmas to you from all of us.

Firstly, I'd like to remind you that we are still taking in used batteries, ink cartridges (not Epson please) and CD/DVDs (discs only please) for recycling/proper disposal. We are now also doing energy-saving lightbulbs – if one of yours fails, bring it to us and we'll see it's taken care of.

We are making a bit more of the first Wednesday of the month at the Joss Lane market; as well as the regular weekly stalls which we rely on for greengrocery, fish, meat, bread etc., there are some other good stalls which can't make such a regular commitment and I hope they will come on the first Wednesday of the month at least. The first Wednesday in December is also the late-night opening, so you will be able to shop literally from dawn til dusk and beyond.

Lastly, some consultation documents from the Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority (the draft National Park Management Plan and the Local Plan) have come in and you can look at them here until 11 January 2013. Andi Chapple



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SEDBERGH INFORMATION AND RESOURCE CENTRE

Latest News

The Tourist Information and Book Centre and the Community Centre, which was upstairs at 72, Main St., are now located together in the new Sedbergh Information and Resource Centre. Information and support for local people and for visitors will be provided from there. If you haven't done so already please do come in and see the new layout, talk to one of the volunteers, find out what we are doing and maybe even buy a gift or Christmas card.

We are trying to recruit enough volunteers to keep open seven days a week from 10am - 4pm in the winter months and longer in the summer. But to do this we need as many people as possible to volunteer. You will not be thrown in at the deep end but will be with a trained volunteer and a training programme is in place to help you along. You don't have to commit to doing it every week but as often or as infrequently as it suits you. It can be fun – so please do give it a try.

If you want to find out more then give Hilary Hodge a ring on 07840119051

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We'd like to wish John (Metcalfe) a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from all his regularly satisfied customers.

A big thank you from all of us for our weekends away and our Saturday trips out. What a great year we've had! We've more or less travelled the length and breadth of our home country and certainly learned a lot.

This year our long weekends have been to Criccieth, Porthcawl and Llandudno (twice) all in Wales. Pitlochry, Dornock, Tarbet, Rothesay, Dunoon, Melrose and Aberfoyle (3 times) all in Scotland, plus one in England at Skegness. Not bad in one year!

Our day trips are legendary with a fountain of information from John, as well as a jolly good day out. Why not join us in 2013. We do like to see new faces.

We'll see you at Christmas John, as usual, at the Rob Roy, Aberfoyle. They never let us down.

From Your Grateful Passengers

AGE UK SOUTHLAKELAND

Age UK Southlakeland now have a few well established groups in the Sedbergh and Dent area, why not try our Lunch Club at 1200 on the 2nd Thursday of the month in the Red Lion, £8.00 for 2 courses is really good value. Or come along to our cream tea group in Sedbergh Café on the 1st Thursday of the month £5.00 for sandwiches, cake, scones, tea and coffee - highly recommended!!!. For those who prefer a bit of exercise

we have the walking group that is aiming to do one walk every month during 2013 - weather permitting. We got off to a good start in the summer months but the weather has not been on our side lately!!!.

We have the Dentdale Club on the first Friday of the month where you can come and listen to guest speakers, try some gentle exercise, play scrabble and of course have a tea or coffee. An exciting programme is planned for 2013 and it would be lovely to see some new faces!!!

And specifically for the men, how about coming along to the new 'Auld Fellers' group? On Thursday 31st January we'll be meeting for the first time and talking dialect (possibly in dialect – and having a laugh, drinking tea, eating cake ... the usual). The group will meet in Sedbergh Community Office from 10 to 11.30 am and you will be warmly welcomed. For more information on any of the groups please call Linda Greensmith on 01539 728180.

SEPTIC TANK

Up the Creek - with or without a Paddle?

Have you got a septic tank? If you have - did you register it before 1st January 2012 with the environmental agency?

Probably doesn't matter until you come to sell your property – but you will be in breach of the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2010 (EPR)!

Go to: <u>environment-agency.gov.uk</u> Dr Gina Barney

NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM

Supporting Local Communities – Community Grant Opportunities Are you looking to raise funds for a local project? Does your project benefit the wider community? Are you based within the Sedbergh & Kirkby Lonsdale area? If so, you may be eligible to apply for a grant from the Neighbourhood Forum.

Grants are available for voluntary, non-profit making community groups and organisations who can demonstrate that their project will benefit the local area. Applications will need to be received by Friday 15 February in order to be considered for funding in this financial year. If you would like any further information on how to apply, please contact Sarah Williams on 01539 713405 or <u>sarah.</u> williams@cumbria.gov.uk

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SEDBERGH BOWLING CLUB

On Friday 19th October we held our end of season social at the White Hart Sports and Social Club. We enjoyed a delicious supper, held a raffle and played dominoes. Despite the very wet weather we played most

fixtures on time. The winners for our competitions were:-The Townson Trophy - Neil Haworth and William Lowther Spring R/R - Janet Baines **Open Pairs -** Tony Hoare & Stan Robinson Ned Winn Pairs - Keith Sanders & Neil Haworth Norman Hoggarth Memorial -Carole Townson Iveson Doubles - Bob Brown & Donald Westgate Wilf Conchie Memorial - Tom Wilson Shepper Mens - Bob Brown Leighton Ladies - Ruth France **Poyntz Wright -** Peter Craven Presidents Prize - Carole Townson Sedbergh Pairs - Carole Townson & Bob Brown Teal Trebles - Bob Brown & Sandra Smith & Bryan Lewis Autumn R/R - Donald Westgate The AGM will be on 21st February. Please check details in *Lookaround*. Everyone is welcome. We will hold a number of taster sessions next season if you would like to try Crown Green Bowling. We open in late March, weather permitting. For more information ring Linda on 20279.

DENT FOOTBALL CLUB

The Members of the Dent Football Club Juniors and Karen Troughton would like to say a MASSIVE THANK YOU to Craig and Jess Moffat of the Haddock Paddock chippy for sponsoring their October 2012 training costs at the People's Hall. Thanks Again from all involved with

the juniors.

DENTDALE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

These informal fellowships continue on 4th Sunday eve of every month and anyone who would like to join us is very welcome. In Dec we meet with Cafe Church in Sedbergh on 1st Sunday eve otherwise would be a bit on top of Christmas. In the New Year we hope to meet together in the same way plus a Sunday lunch now and then a bit of pampering and whatever God has in store for us. One thing is sure, none of this is about religion but relationship with Jesus. Will you join us on our journey?

Can we support you in your journey through the ups and downs of life? Do get in touch.

> John & Sarah "Rhumes" Laning, Dent. (25212)

WESTERN DALES COMMUNITY BUS

Everything is on track for the introduction next April of a new bus service designed to meet the particular needs of our area. **The Western Dales Community Bus**, run by volunteers, will provide a scheduled and private bus service for Sedbergh, Kirkby Lonsdale and neighbouring parishes, linking us with Kendal and other centres as it develops. It will not replace existing bus provision but maintain services that will otherwise be withdrawn.

To be successful, the Community Bus depends on the support and involvement of local people so volunteers are eagerly sought! Bus drivers are obviously crucial to the whole operation and you need nothing apart from a driver's licence and a few hours of time a month to join the crew (we can't guarantee a snazzy uniform!). You will be given a short training leading to the MIDAS qualification - Minibus Drivers' Awareness Scheme.

If you are interested in helping and would like to find out more please contact Liz Nuttall, 015396 25571 or <u>liznuttall@talktalk.net</u>.

SEDBERGH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Thank you to everybody who supported our first Sedbergh Primary PTFA school disco held on Friday 9th November 2012.

The children seemed to have a great time and even parents were spotted on the dance floor!

Thank you also to all those who were able to help on the evening and who baked delicious cakes/biscuits to sell. It was very much appreciated and all our efforts paid off as we made a grand total of £222.53 which is an excellent start to our fund raising efforts!

For our next fund raiser we are going to record the dress rehearsals of the children's x-mas concerts and have DVD's for sale at the concerts for parents/ grandparents to purchase. We are asking children to design the cover for the DVD.

Don't forgot to use www.

easyfundraising.com when doing your Christmas shopping online.

Sedbergh PTFA

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Sedbergh & District Branch The 2012 Poppy Appeal got off to a good start with the visit of the Legion Riders Branch to Sedbergh on Sunday 28th October. 41 Riders, coming together from all over the North, were led into Joss Lane car park by our Town Crier, Dennis Whicker, and Legion Standard Bearer & Escorts, John Douglass, Norris Chamley & Ray Whittle. They were greeted by the playing of Pipes by Tony Playfoot, and treated to a hot drink and bacon butties prepared by Davidson Walton & helpers. We are very grateful for the generosity of Davidson who, again, gave freely of his time & energy, and to Steadman's Butchers and Howgill Bakery for the provision of bacon & baps. Special mention must be made here for the help given by the Longlands and the Blackwells, without whom we would have been unable to set up an effective stall. Its success was apparent in the appreciation shown by the Riders for the warmth of the Sedbergh welcome in every respect.



Sandra Gold-Wood, seeing the

opportunity of a 'spare' coffee morning date at the URC Rooms. organized a Poppy Coffee morning for 'Remembrance Week'. Her hard work paid off and, with the support of the ever-generous Sedbergh folk, raised in the region of £250 for the Poppy Appeal. This event also gave us the opportunity to raffle a very fine walking stick, crafted and donated by John Jones specially for the Poppy Appeal: John had incorporated a Poppy Brooch into the top of the horn handle. The stick attracted a lot of admirers and, in addition to the Coffee Morning, it raised £150 towards the Appeal. John Jones kindly agreed to draw the winning ticket, which was won by John Douglass.

Our Branch AGM took place in the White Hart Club on Thursday 8th November, where all Officers were reelected by unanimous assent and President, John Pease, gave his annual report.

All members are welcome to attend the monthly meetings held on the second Wednesday of each month (except August) in the White Heart Club.

Dennis and Jacky Whicker were honoured to receive tickets to The Royal British Legion Festival of Remembrance at The Royal Albert Hall on 10th November and enjoyed a memorable evening, attended by Her Majesty the Queen and many Royal and other dignitaries. It should be noted that each year our Branch receives 2 complimentary tickets for this occasion and any Branch member may apply for one for themselves, plus partner. **Please contact us if you are interested for 2013**.

The Annual Remembrance Service at St. Andrew's Church fell on 11th November and this year's address was given by Valerie Finch of The Quaker Society of Friends. The event was very well attended both for the Service and for the Commemoration afterwards at the War Memorial. Standard Bearer John Douglass and escorts Norris Chamley and John Challoner then stood with Sedbergh School Headmaster and our Branch President to take the salute for the March Past of the Town & Sedbergh School Band, Sedbergh School CCF, Scouts, Brownies and other wreath layers.

Being 11th November, the now Annual Remembrance Concert took place the same evening at the URC, to the usual lively reception. Half of the takings from the concert are donated each year to The Royal British Legion through the generosity of Alan Lewis and his Town Band, and for this we are extremely grateful. That evening our Standard Bearer was escorted by Zander Skill & Ray Whittle.

That rousing evening was a fitting conclusion to this year's Poppy Appeal for the Sedbergh & District Branch which, so far, has raised over £8,000. This includes money from our many door-to-door collectors and also those who manned our Poppy Appeal stand at Killington Services on the M6. This year's effort was given a

fantastic boost through Keith Wood, Poppy Appeal Assistant to Dr. Philip Hoskin, who worked non-stop recruiting collectors, collating rounds and servicing the many boxes and tins in our area, (in addition to 'busking' with colleagues on Main Street during the Coffee morning!)

On behalf of the Sedbergh & District Branch, may we take this opportunity to thank all our Poppy Collectors for the time given towards this cause, and also to those who very generously donated to this year's Poppy Appeal through all the above events.

We have been given our own Web Site which is currently being developed, and we hope you will take the time to view it at www. britishlegion.org.uk/branches/ sedbergh/. If you browse the main Legion website you will also get an idea of the work the Legion is able to do for our Armed Forces and their families, thanks to The Poppy Appeal. Many years ago, Colin Weir had a target of 100 members in Sedbergh & District Branch but the target was never achieved, membership is now nearing 100, who can you encourage to join so that we can hit his target? Sedbergh School Combined Cadet Force year 10 cadets application to become affiliates of Sedbergh & District Branch is being processed

District Branch is being processed and it is hoped that they will become junior members of the branch soon and that the process is repeated each year so that eventually all on board.

Thank you again.

Rose Pease

CHRISTMAS ON A PLATE!!

If you're lucky enough to have been born before 1953 - and you live in Sedbergh – Farfield Mill will provide FREE return transport if you book for Christmas lunch. No problems if it's icy – you can bring your own wine without corkage – so even the driver can enjoy a drink (or two)! Why? Because we go the extra mile for our customers, so you don't need to... Simply phone 21159 to book a table

(as soon as possible) and give your name and phone number with your request for free transport. Gentleman Jim, driver of the *Flying Shuttle*, will then ring you to arrange collection and the time you would like to return. Why not make it a foursome and he'll pick your friends up on the way?

Sarah Champion

YORKSHIRE DALES NATIONAL PARK

Walkers urged to help stop spread of tree disease

Visitors to the Yorkshire Dales National Park have been urged to help stem the spread of a disease that is killing thousands of trees throughout Europe.

Hikers are being asked to take extra care when walking in woods as experts from the Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority (YDNPA) work to assess the impact of ash dieback disease on the fragile landscape.

The disease was discovered in the UK earlier this year. It causes leaf loss and kills off the tree's crown, often resulting in the death of the ash tree. It is caused by the fungus Chalara Fraxinea (correct), which is thought to be transmitted by the wind, insects and rain splash.

National Park Authority conservation experts are working closely with the Forestry Commission – which is leading the effort to contain the disease – and are currently surveying woodlands containing ash trees to see if there are any symptoms.

Anyone wanting information of ash dieback is asked to contact the Forestry Commission's Forest Research Tree Health Diagnostic and Advisory Service on 01420 23000 or visit the Forestry Commission website at <u>www.forestry.gov.uk/forestry/infd-</u> <u>8w9euv</u>.

YDNP

New online National Park events listing

Organisers of events in and around the Yorkshire Dales National Park will soon be able to promote them using a brand new, online service.

The Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority has set up a special 'what's on' section on its website to enable local organisations, clubs and individuals to advertise happenings and activities to a wider audience – and it is completely free.

The search facility for visitors to browse events online will go live in the New Year, but providers are being urged to register their event now at <u>www.yorkshiredales.org.uk/add-an-</u> <u>event</u> in time for possible inclusion in the Authority's annual newspaper, The Visitor.

LORD MAYORS SHOW

On Saturday 10th November, Jacky and I were honoured to receive two tickets to attend the Royal Albert Hall in London for the Annual Festival of Remembrance.

We went into 'Town' in the afternoon with the intention of seeing a few sights and knowing that the Lord Mayors Show was on, deliberately avoided the area of Mansion House and alighted the Tube at the Temple Station, right into the middle of the Parade taking a Lunch Break. We were at the very beginning as it commenced at 1:10 pm back towards Mansion House. that Roger Gifford was the new Lord Mayor and that the School Band were to be appearing so we watched and waited. After a short while, we saw an Eddie Stobart Lorry appearing with the Sedbergh School Band led by Mr Alan Lewis on board. We were suitably greeted by Alan before they went off into the distance.



We later attended the Festival of Remembrance and had a memorable evening. *D J Whicker*

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COWGILL CHURCH

Many thanks to everyone who attended, helped at or contributed to the Charity Coffee Morning on Saturday 20th October. We have been able to send a donation of £217 to the North West Air Ambulance, thanks to your generosity.

Heather Fraser

DENT FLICKS IN THE FELLS

The half term film "Hugo" proved a good choice and was very much enjoyed and after expenses there was some profit for the Memorial Hall funds.

We are open to suggestions for future films to show and are happy to provide events to enhance the social life of the community which is part of our constitution. Chair of DMH Trustees

S E Woof (25212)

KILLINGTON

Hot Supper and Promise Auction This was held on Friday 16th November in Killington Parish Hall to help raise money towards Killington Children's Christmas Party, which is to be held on Saturday 22nd December this year when we will be taking the children to see 'Jack & the Beanstalk' at Kendal Leisure Centre.

The evening was a huge success due to the generosity of so many people. We had over 60 promises from local businesses, friends and family to whom we are very grateful.

The evening kicked off with a lovely

hotpot supper and numerous puddings all prepared by the parents of the children in the parish. There were over 60 people attended and the money raised was in excess of £1,000. This will enable us to fund the party this year, next year and allow us to give some money to a charity.

We are very grateful to all those who supported this event in giving, attending and/or bidding.

Ann Newbold & Rachel Barber

COMMUNITY OFFICER REPORT

We have just completed the first cycling proficiency group of children from Sedbergh primary school who have all been successful.

To suggest community priorities please feel free to attend our monthly drop ins or please feel free to contact us on 101 or email us on karen. dakin@cumbria.police.uk Or Amanda.coleman@cumbria.police.uk or alternatively you can speak to us during our regular drop in surgery at Sedbergh Library on the 3rd Saturday of each month between 10:30 and 12:00 and Dent stores on the first Tuesday of each month from 12:00-13:00.

We would be pleased to meet you all to discuss any issues or simply for a chat.

You can also follow us on facebook and twitter www.facebook.com/ cumbriapolice and www.twitter.com/ cumbriapolice

> CSO 5206 Karen Dakin CSO 5244 Mandy Coleman.

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Organisation	Update	Contact	Tel:	015396
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Allotments Association (Sedbergh)	02/09	Mr Atkins	Sed:	20031
Angling Association	01/09	Mr Wright	Dent:	25533
Art Society (S & D)	09/08	Mrs Leigh	Sed:	20794
Badminton (Sedbergh)	10/08	Mr Wheatley	07816	437500
Beekeepers Association (S & D)	01/09	Mrs Whitton	015242	72004
Birdwatching	02/09	Mrs Foott	Dent:	25453
Book Group	01/09	Mrs Dodds	Sed:	20308
Bowling Club (Queen's Gardens)	01/09	Mr Killops	Sed:	20279
Bridge Club	01/09	Mr Estensen	Sed:	21060
British Legion	12/08	Mrs Pease	Sed:	21575
Canoe Club (S&D)	01/09	Mr Hinson	Sed:	20118
Caving Club (Kendal)	01/09	Mr Teal	Sed:	20721
Chamber of Trade *	12/12	Mrs Sayner	Sed:	20935
Chameleons Drama Club	01/09	Mrs Bush	Sed:	20058
Christian Aid	01/09	Mrs Hannam	Sed:	20897
Conservative Association (Sedbergh)	01/09	Mr Beck	Sed:	20336
Cricket Club (Dent)	01/09	Mr Hyde	Dent:	25503
Cricket Club (Sedbergh)	01/09	Mr Hoggarth	01539	731140
Cumbria Wildlife Trust	01/09	Mrs Garnett	Sed:	21138
Dentdale Choir	09/10	Mrs Sugden	Dent:	25303
Dent Memorial Hall	01/09	Mrs McClurg	Dent	25446
Dentdale Players	01/09	Mr Duxbury	Dent	25535
Dent School (Friends of)	01/09	Mr Hartley	Dent:	25317
Dog Training (Sedbergh)	01/09	Mrs Robertshaw	Sed:	20316
Farfield Mill Arts & Heritage Centre	12/10	Ms Last	Sed:	21958
Firbank Church Hall	09/11	Mr Woof	Sed:	21343
Fire Service (Tuesday Evenings)	01/09	Mr Packham	Sed:	20302
First Responders (Dent)	01/09	Mrs Pilgrim	Dent:	25589
Football Club (Dent)	01/09	Mrs Mitchell	Dent:	25432
Football Club (Sedbergh)	06/09	Mr Kirby	Sed:	21214
Gala Group	04/10	Mrs Usher	07837	978626
Garsdale Village Hall	01/09	Mrs Scarr	Sed:	20502
Golf Club	12/08	Mr Gardner	Sed:	21551
Good Companions (Dent)	01/09	Mrs Woof	Dent:	25275
Help Tibet Northern Branch	01/09	Mrs Howarth	Sed:	20090
History Society	01/09	Mr Cann	Sed:	20771
Howgill's Harmony	01/09	Mr Burbidge	Sed:	21166
Howgill Harriers	03/11	Mrs Shuttleworth	Sed:	20907
Howgill Schoolroom	01/09	Mrs Stainton	Sed:	20665
Howgill Toddlers	01/09	Mrs Alderson	Sed:	22050

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Kent Lune Trefoil Guild	01/09	Mrs Mitchell	Sed:	21144
Killington Sailing Association	12/08	Dr Ripley	Sed:	21101
Ladies National Farmers Union	12/11	Mrs Sandys-Clarke		21246
Liberal Democrats	12/08	Mrs Minnitt	015242	72520
Lunch Club	11/10	Miss Gladstone	Sed:	20438
Methodist Church Hall	01/09	Mrs Jackson	Sed:	20530
Over 60's (Dent)	02/09	Mrs Burrow	Dent:	25203
Parent Support Group	01/09	Mrs Goad	Sed:	20402
Parish Council (Dent)	07/12	Mr Stephenson	Sed:	21487
Parish Council (Garsdale)	01/09	Mrs Donaldson	07967	972160
Parish Council (Sedbergh)	10/08	Mr Robertshaw	01539	730597
People's Hall	01/09	SOS	Sed:	20788
Pepperpot Club (Sedbergh)	01/09	Mrs Smith	Sed	21196
Pistol and Rifle Club	01/09	Mr Middlemiss	Sed:	20662
Playground (Sedbergh)	10/09	Mrs Rice	Sed:	22100
Playgroup (Sedbergh)	01/09	Mrs Gunning	Sed:	20226
Playing Field (Sedbergh)	10/09	Mr Longlands	Sed:	20885
Pulse Gym	03/10	Mrs Gold-Wood	Sed:	21808
Red Squirrel Group (Sedbergh)	02/09	Mrs Foott	Dent:	25453
Residents Association (S & D)	01/09	Mrs Capstick	Sed:	20816
Scouts	01/09	Mr Mawdsley	Sed:	20723
Settlebeck High School P.T.F.A.	01/09	Mrs Storey	Sed:	21593
Sight Advice South Lakeland	12/10	Mrs Levitt	Dent:	25162
South Lakeland Carers Association	01/09	Mrs Woof	Dent:	25212
Squash Club	09/10	Mr Thomson	Sed:	21747
Slimming Club	01/09	Mrs Uttley	01539	722568
Swimming Club	01/09	Mrs Thexton	Sed:	20574
Tennis Club	01/09	Mr Robinson	Sed:	21014
Town Band	01/09	Mrs Waters	Sed:	20457
Toy Library	11/09	Mrs Osborne	015242	61029
White Hart Sports and Social Club	01/09	The Committee	Sed:	20773
United Reformed Church Rooms	01/09	Mrs Haworth	Sed:	20428
Westmorland Gazette Correspondent	01/09	Mrs Gold-Wood	Sed:	21808
Women's Institute (Dentdale)	02/11	Mrs Smith	Dent:	25688
Women's Institute (Howgill)	01/09	Mrs Hoggarth	01539	824683
Women's Institute (Killington)	01/09	Mrs Sharrocks	Sed:	20754
Women's Institute (Sedbergh)	12/10	Mrs Ramsden	Sed:	20828
Young Cumbria	01/09	Mrs Hartley	01524	781177
Young Farmers Club	12/09	Mrs Wilson	Sed:	20238
Young Kidz	01/09	Mrs Baines	Sed:	21287
Zebra's Baby & Toddler Group	08/12	Ms Gardner	Sed:	20570
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If there are any Groups missing and/or contact details are incorrect, please supply details to the Lookaround Office



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### Religious Services in Sedbergh

#### CHURCH OF ENGLAND

St. Andrew's Parish Church Sunday 08.00, 10.30 & 18.30 Wednesday 11.15 **Rev. V Hopkins Tel: 21455** *Church Wardens:* Tony Reed Screen 21081

& Susan Sharrocks 20754 ROMAN CATHOLIC St. Andrew's Parish Church Sunday 12.00 Holy Days 19.30 Rev. Dr. P. Campbell Tel: 20918

METHODIST CHURCH New Street Sunday 10.30 Rev. J. Millard

UNITED REFORMED CHURCH Main Street Sunday 10.30 Rev. C. Marsden Tel: 22030

SOCIETY OF FRIENDS QUAKERS Brigflatts Sunday 10.30 Tess & Philip Satchell Tel: 20005

DENTDALE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP Rhumes, Dent LA10 5QJ Every 4th Sunday 1900 Sarah Woof Tel: 25212 Enquiries for the following services, please ring the relevant telephone number

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> Dent & Cowgill Rev. P. Boyles Tel: 25226

METHODIST CHURCH Dent; Dent Foot; Cautley; Fell End; Garsdale Street; Garsdale Low Smithy; Hawes Junction & Frostrow Rev. J. Millard 20329

SEDBERGH CHRISTIAN CENTRE 5.30 pm People's Hall every Sunday Tel: 20588 or 20503 www.sedberghchristiancentre.co.uk

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10:30 am Sunday Beth & Sandy Roy Tel: 20785

CAFÉ CHURCH 7:00pm every first Sunday Duo Café & Bistro, Main Street, Sedbergh Tina Woof 01524 730259

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1	1000	Conversations with Water (46) till 2/1	3 FM			JANUARY	
1	1000	Scouts Coffee Morning (36)	URCR	2	1000	Conversations with Water (46) ends	FM
1	1000	Christmas Fun Day	DCMH	2	1930	Dentdale Indoor Bowling (*)	DMH
1	1000	Carols Workshop (10)	DMC	4	1400	Age UK - Family Tree	DMH
1	1030	Dent Christmas Market (*)	StAD	5	1930	Flicks in the Fells	PH
1	1900	Carols Ceilidh & Festive Meal (10)	DMH	6	2030	Barbon Inn Quiz Night (10)	BI
1	1930	Flicks in the Fells	PH			Domino Drive	FCH
2	1000	Carols Workshop (10)	DMC	9	1930	Sedbergh WI - Music @ Kidzone	PH
2	1600	DPS Christmas Fair (*)	DMH			Gala Group Children's Party	PH
2	1900	Café Church & C. Fellowship (15)	Duo	15	1230	Health Centre Closed for Training (64)	
		Advent Service with Dentdale Choir	StJCC	16	1930	HS Kosovo Journeys in Time (11)	SSAT
2	2030	Barbon Inn Quiz Night (10)	BI			Quiltfest till 17th April (46)	FM
4		WIK Christmas Lunch	TBA	23	1930	CWT From Paradise to Pirates	SSAT
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4	1945	Town Band Christmas Concert (10)	StAS	27	1900	Dentdale Christian Fellowship (*)	Rhumes
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6	1930	WIH Party	TBA	1	1930	Killington Sports Domino Drive	KVH
8	1930	Flicks in the Fells Salmon	PH	2	1930	Flicks in the Fells	PH
8	1930	SS Choral Society (11) Kend	lal Church	6	1930	HS Schools, Children & Work	SSAT
11	1930	Domino Drive & Mince Pies	FCH	12	1930	Domino Drive	FCH
12	1000	Coffee Morning - Garsdale Church (1	2) URCR			Sedbergh WI - Film Evening	PH
12		WID Christmas Party	TBA	20	1230	Health Centre Closed for Training (64)	
12		WIS Christmas Dinner	TBA	20	1930	HS Killington through the ages	SSAT
12		Town Band Xmas Concert Ravensto	nedale Ch			FCH AGM	FCH
13	1200	Lunch Club	Red Lion	27	1930	CWT Go Reds! (Squirrels)	SSAT
		Pepperpot Concert (13)	PH			MARCH	
		Christmas Domino Drive (14)	KVH			Quiltfest till 17th April (46)	FM
		Messy Church	SMC			Age UK - Parish Council Matters	DMH
		Coffee Morning - Town Band	URCR	1	1930	Domino Drive & Tattie Pot	HVH
		Dentdale Indoor Bowling (*)	DMH			HS Diary of Thomas Fenwick Esq	SSAT
		Young Farmers Club Domino Drive	PH	7	1930	Spar Wars 'Azda Empire Strikes Back'	PH
		Carols by Candlelight	StJCC	8	1930	Spar Wars 'Azda Empire Strikes Back'	PH
	1930	Christmas Domino Drive	HVH			Dentdale Run	Dent
21		Scouts Post Ends	Sedbergh			Spar Wars 'Azda Empire Strikes Back'	PH
		Carol Singing in Cowgill	Riverside			Spar Wars 'Azda Empire Strikes Back'	PH
	1400	Toddler Nativity (24)	URC			Domino Drive	FCH
25		Christmas Day				CWT The Juniper Report	SSAT
	0900	Communion with Carols	StJCC			Sedbergh WI - Career in Ruins	PH
26		Boxing Day		14	1230	Health Centre Closed for Training (64)	

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1730 Eve	ery Wednesday	Sedbergh Juniors	PH	Н	VH		= Howgill Village Hall	
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1930 Eve	ery Wednesday	Sedbergh Seniors	PH		VH		= Killington Village Hall	
1930 1st	& 3rd Wednesday	History Society	SHS	L			= Library, Main Street	
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# **PUBLIC INFORMATION**

#### Sedbergh Medical Practice

01539 718191

01539 718191 (Option 1) 24hr Prescription line

Surgery and Dispensary Opening Hours

Monday – Friday 8am – 6.30pm (Doors open at 8.15am)

#### **Doctors Clinics**

Monday - Friday

Open Surgery – 8.30am – 10.30am (No appointment necessary) Late Morning – 10.30am -12.30pm (By appointment only) Afternoon – 2.30pm – 6pm (By appointment only)

Dent surgery by appointment only - Monday

Evening surgery by appointment only – Monday/Tuesday & Thursday evening

#### **Practice Nurses Clinics**

Monday – Friday – 8.30am -6pm (By appointment only)

Baby Immunisations/Travel Clinic – Wednesday afternoons (By appointment only) Dressings Clinic – Friday afternoons (By appointment only)

#### Blood clinic

Monday – Thursday – 8.20am – 12pm (By appointment only)

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When we are closed please contact CHOC 03000 247 247 or 999 if appropriate.

**Collinge Optometrist** 

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