The Bugle A chance to blow your trumpet for the villagers of Alport, Middleton and Youlgrave
No. 116 June 2009
All set for Youlgrave Welldressing

Hopefully by now you will have been along to the workshop in the Scout Hall and got your hands dirty in preparation for this year's well dressing. If not, you still have time to get involved, as there's lots to do and fun to be had at every stage. Whether it's claying the boards down by the river on puddling night (Monday 15 June), collecting flowers (or even sticking them on) for the final design during the rest of the week, or helping clean the clay and take the boards down on Friday 26 June – WE STILL NEED YOU!

Welldressing is kept alive by the commitment and enthusiasm of over 100 volunteers and there's room for more.

Youlgrave's welldressings are some of the finest quality and most intricate in Derbyshire, and after a ridiculously cold and wet May we are looking forward to some warmer weather in June to tempt people out to mark our traditional midsummer festival. Last year the funds raised went to support three local causes: the newly formed Youlgrave Scout unit, the Reading Room and Sustainable Youlgrave each received £200.

If you're around to help out at any time during the week please contact Peter Pimm on 636341 or 07977 451339.

Dates:

Boards in the river – Friday 5 June, 6pm (meet at Coldwell end shed)

Puddling – Monday 15 June (strong people meet Coldwell end shed!)

Petalling – Tuesday 16-Fri 19 June (the usual garages)

Taking down – Friday 26 June, 3pm onwards (at the wells – strong people, 5pm)

Many congratulations to **Richard Bradbury** who came 37th out of over 450 runners in the gruelling Eyam half marathon on 16 May, completing it in 1hr 31mins 52secs. Not all the sponsor money is in yet, but everyone at Playschool was impressed by his energetic achievement on such a muddy day. Anyone who has sponsored Richard please drop your money into Anne at the Old Bakery. He is pictured here in training – being chased by the playschool children (I'd be running too!). *SB*

Playschool Marathon for fit Pommie Dad



BUGLE ADVERTISING

To advertise in these pages and reach over 630 households in the Youlgrave area every month contact Andrew on 636125 or Ann on 636362.

Our rates:

- 1/4 page = £10 per issue (or £8 discount price for existing annual sponsors)
- 1/2 page = £20 per issue (or £17 with discount)
- Full page = £40 per issue (or £36 with discount)

Generous discounts are also available for repeat ads over the whole year (ten issues) on a 1/4, 1/2 or full page basis. Enquire for details.

Member of Parliament for West Derbyshire:

Patrick McLoughlin MP

Telephone: 020 7219 3511

E-mail:

patrick.mcloughlin.mp@parliament.uk

Post:

House of Commons

London SW1A 0AA

BANKSIDE EVENING CONCERT

Saturday 11 July from 7pm

An evening event in the Wildlife garden. Mellow jazz, singing, classical music, poetry, readings

Featuring local artists and supporters of BWG from London.

Wine and light refreshments

More details to follow.

Safer Neighbourhoods

The Safer Neighbourhood police team has started holding meetings for members of the local community... in this case 22 villages! Anyone can attend the meetings and raise points of concern. Through this contact the police hope to better target their resources and prioritise issues brought to their attention.

The next meeting will be at 7pm on Monday 8th June at the Burton Institute in Winster. If you would like to attend, but are unable, Anne Croasdell will be there on behalf of the Parish Council, so post a message through the Old Bakery door (Church Street) and she will pass it on.



- Supply & Fitting of all Domestic and Contract Carpets
- · Supply & Fitting of Vinyl, Laminate
- Supply & Fitting of Real Wood Flooring
- Supply & Fitting of Sisal and Natural floorings
 - Guaranteed Workmanship
 - ❖ Free Fitting Service
 - Free Home Selection Service
 - Moving & Replacement of Furniture
 - Disposal of Old Carpet
 - Customers' Own Car Park

43/47 High Street, Clay Cross, Chesterfield Tel: 01246 863148







See our WEBSITE at: www.nutt.co.uk

John Wardle (1947-2009)

John Steven Thomas Wardle was born 22nd January 1947 at Wadshelf in one of the worst winters on record. Moving with his family to Youlgrave when he was two years old, he attended Youlgrave Primary School, and was a member of the cubs and scouts. He also took part in many activities, which I am sure stood him in good stead for his life.

After passing his 11-plus he went to Lady Manners School in 1958. On leaving school John was a trainee at Bakewell Town Hall, but didn't stay there long before leaving to work with his father, Charles Wardle, in the family business of plumbing and heating. He attended

Chesterfield College to gain his City and Guilds in the trade.

John and I met in 1968 and were married in the September of 1972, residing in Dronfield for 10 years where Helena, our daughter, was born in 1979. With the opportunity to take over his father's business due to his retirement the family moved back to Pommie in 1982.

One of John ambitions in life was to build his own house, which he realised in 1984. He worked hard building a business up through cold and hard winters, where mending bursts was common place, unlike in today's milder winters.

John joined Youlgrave Parish Council, which he enjoyed, and following in his father's footsteps became manager of Youlgrave Waterworks, where for quite a few



years he had to deal with drought in the summer months. This took up a lot of time away from the family as he didn't like to see any part of the village without water, especially at weekends and holiday times. Along with his father, Bob Skinner and Tony Hadfield, he would quite often go out to check the meters at 2am and 3am to make sure the water levels were sufficient and if they were not, would seek out the problem, quite often sourcing a burst pipe somewhere under the village's roads.

One of John's greatest pleasures was clay pigeon shooting, and he would attend shoots every Sunday morning with Darley Dale Clay Pigeon Association where he met lots of likeminded comrades. He tried

Continued next page

Continued from previous page

desperately to keep this passion going right through his illness, up until 2008 when he could no longer manage the active side of the sport.

Cancer first became apparent in 2002, when we discovered it had affected his bowel. A huge operation and complications meant that he could no longer work, and therefore we could not manage to stay in the family home. This was a hard time for him to come to terms with, but in an attempt to stay positive he decided to convert his father's second small bungalow into a new, smaller family home.

During a 5-year respite from the illness, in which he regained some health and fitness, he enjoyed staying in the loop of the village by becoming a brother in the Buffalos. He managed to become a half-decent house husband, and also spent many hours helping Helena with her business and guiding her through starting it up. He spent more time at home than ever before and along with ironing, became quite good at computer work by gaining qualifications at Matlock Adult Learning Centre.

Mental and physical strength and determination kept John going through his illness, and with his positive attitude this is what helped him fight gallantly against his quickly developing cancer.

However, in the end it beat him, and he gracefully gave into it in his final few days at Ashgate Hospice.

He was a very popular and greatly loved member of the village and our family, and we along with his great friends and drinking buddies will miss him so very much.

CANCER RESEARCH UK Bakewell & District Branch

SUMMER FAIR

at Youlgrave Village Hall

Saturday 1st August at 2pm

Admission 50p

Cream teas, cakes, plants, books, raffle, tombola, bric-a-brac, etc

Everybody welcome

YOULGRAVE VILLAGE HALL

Booking of the hall has now been transferred to Carol Sutcliffe (with help from John): 01629 636570, Old School Hall, Main Street, Youlgrave DE45 1UW. We would be grateful if patrons would pay for the booking of the hall when they pick up the key. Tracking keys is always a problem to us, so in future we shall strictly enforce the rule that Carol will only release a key for a booking on receipt of a £5.00 deposit. The deposit will be returned when the key is returned.

Keys are on permanent loan to some clubs. Please do not use or lend these keys for any other purpose than that for which they were loaned, unless you have the express agreement of Carol (or John). In the past, people have walked into the village hall while another function is in progress. Doing so is usually discourteous and can be embarrassing!

Thank you in anticipation of your cooperation.

Village Hall Management Committee

Gold Coast



Youlgrave Guides Reunion

Special event in September in memory of Sue Lomas

We would like to have a lasting reminder of Lomas Sue by awarding a n engraved cup to a member of the Youlgrave present Guides.

To launch this special award we are holding a reunion of Youlgrave Girl Guides on **Saturday** 26 from September. 2.30 pm. Youlgrave Scout & Community Hall.

Please bring along photographs and memorabilia to share and chat over afternoon tea.

If you are in contact with anyone out of the area please let them know these details – the more the merrier!

We all have great memories of Sue and this is our own way of saying thank



In 1985 Youlgrave Guides won a prestigious regional award for turning a piece of wasteland behind Youlgrave's Wesleyan Chapel into a colourful and blooming garden. Here they are pictured receiving the winner's cheque from Lloyds Bank, who sponsored the national competition called 'Adopt and Cherish'.

vou to her.

To help with catering please would you let one of the following know if you are able to attend: Shirley 636310. Chrissie 636398, Margaret 636303.

Thank you.

Have you been a member of the Guide Movement at some time or other?

September 2009 sees the start of celebrations for Girl Guiding's centenary year, culminating in a national ceremony on 20 October 2010 (at 20:10hrs!).

Youlgrave Guides have several events and activities planned for their own celebration, starting slightly early with our forthcoming trip to Iceland at the end of July. One of the other things we are planning to do is to produce a DVD about ladies and girls in Youlgrave and how Guiding has played a part in their lives. If you were a Ranger, Guide, Brownie or Rainbow in the village, or elsewhere, we would like to talk to you and hear your memories and thoughts on your time in the movement. If people are willing, we would like to interview them on film to use on the DVD. Also, do you have any old photographs which you could lend us to scan in and use in displays (and, again, possibly on the DVD)?

If anyone can help us at all please contact Penny McCloy on 636125.

Come and help Richard and Melissa get to the Games!

On Saturday 4 July at Youlgrave Village Hall there is a live music night to help raise funds for two local Transplant Athletes - Melissa Slanev and Richard Swindell - to attend the

World Transplant Games in Australia as part of a 150strong UK Team.

Singing sonas 60's from the will be onwards

CASCADE, featuring Bridey, one of Melissa and Richard's team mates, who will also be making the trip to Australia.

Attracting more than 3,000 participants from up to 70 countries, the World Transplant Games is a wonderful

celebration of life, providing 'living proof' that organ and tissue donation works and allows recipients to return to a productive and fulfilling life.

With each UK athlete having to raise £3,000 to attend,

why not come along World Transplant Games to the Village Hall on 4 July and help send ustralia 2009 them on their way to Oz?

> Doors open at 8pm, with a Licensed Bar. Tickets cost £6.00 (Including hot snack) and are available from Melissa (07811828160) and Richard (01629 636323), or from Anne Prince (01629 636883), David Figg at Hollands Butchers and the Farmyard Inn.

Playground markings meet with pupils' approval

At All Saints' CE Primary School we have all had a very busy half term.

At the beginning of term our Foundation Stage/Year 1 outdoor learning area markings finally arrived. They look fantastic and the children have thoroughly enjoyed using them in our up and running outdoor area. The playground has also had a few extra touches including a 'rocket hopscotch' which has already being used a great deal.

In the Foundation Stage/Year 1 class we have also being working hard inside the classroom with our topic this term which is on pets. The children have enjoyed it and produced some excellent work, from collage pictures to making a home for their pets out of junk modelling materials. We have learnt all about our own pets, what pets need to keep happy and healthy and also found out a little bit about what the RSPCA do for animals.

Freyar Priestley (Foundation Stage/Year 1 teacher)



The colourful and popular new playground markings.



Countdown to Youlgrave Carnival 2009

The Full Monty comes to Pommie!

The Carnival Committee has organised a 'Ladies Night' which is to be held on 13 June at Youlgrave Village Hall. The 'fun' starts at 8pm and tickets cost £12, which include your first drink and food (there will be a bar too). Tickets are available from any member of the Carnival committee or at the Farmyard Inn. Please note the show WILL contain male nudity. For further information or to buy a ticket please contact Jo Healey at the Farmyard inn 636221 or e-mail us at:

youlgravecarnival@hotmail.com

Youlgrave Calendar 2010

Also, we are planning to make a Youlgrave Calendar to sell for 2010, to raise further funds, so if you are a budding photographer, and would like to get involved and maybe get one of your pictures published, we are looking for pictures of 'life in Youlgrave, Middleton by Youlgrave and Alport'. If you would like to submit one or many photographs, then all we need is that they are taken in the highest resolution possible, and are not taken from a mobile phone. You may also wish to add a little note about your photo.

Please e-mail your photos to youlgravecarnival@hotmail.com with your contact details. Closing date for entries will be 30 August 2009. We will then choose 12 photos to be in the calendar.

Julie Bacon

On behalf of Youlgrave Carnival Committee



YOULGRAVE CARNIVAL QUEEN 2009

We have now chosen this year's royalty! Lily Smith (pictured standing at the back) is Miss Youlgrave 2009 and she has two attendants: Georgia Redfern (front left) and Alex Thain (front right).

YOULGRAVE WELLDRESSING 2009

Blessing of the Wells, Saturday 20 June

Could residents on Alport Lane, Church Street, Main Street and Coldwell End please keep their vehicles off the main thoroughfare for the Blessing of the Wells on the afternoon of Saturday 20 June. Your cooperation is much appreciated.

Thank you.

Youlgrave Parish Council and Youlgrave Welldressers

SUMMER COMEDY TICKETS £8

DIRECT FROM THE EDINBURGH FRINGE



YOULGRAVE VILLAGE HALL

BRING YOUR OWN WINE SNACKS, GLASSES & TABLES PROVIDED FRI 17TH JULY 8:00 FOR 8:30

TICKETS ON SALE FROM FIGG'S (HOLLANDS BUTCHERS) from 29 June, limited number so book early

OR EMAIL A REQUEST TO POMMYCOMEDY@ME.COM
OR TEL PHIL ON 077 909 40 909

YOULGRAVE VILLAGE HALL IS A REGISTERD CHARITY NO 520538

The WI have been busy bees!

In May we welcomed the WI from Stanton to discuss and vote together on the

resolution that with be put in front of all WIs up and down the country:

'SOS for Honey Bees - Honey Bees play a vital role in the pollination of food crops and in our environment. In view of concerns about the accelerating decline in the UK honey bee population, this meeting urges HM Government to increase funding for research into Bee Health.'

You might be interested to know that when the last bee has died out, mankind will only live for four years. This is a very serious topic and so both WIs voted overwhelming in favour of the motion, so the National WI will be taking this motion forward to DEFRA.

After the resolution, we had fun, games and a quiz and lots of lovely food prepared for the Stanton girls by the Youlgrave girls. It is always nice to meet with other groups and catch up with the local gossip!

Our next meeting is on Tuesday 9 June in the Village Hall at 7.30pm and we are being treated to a craft evening by making pearl bracelets to keep – or you could give it away as a present to family or friends! So why not join us and make a useful present at the same time; we look forward to seeing you then.

Other events throughout the year include:

- a trip to the National Arboretum on 30 June in the day
- a fashion show at Masson Mills on 30 June in the evening

- 90th anniversary party in the Village Hall on 29th September in the evening with a number of other WIs, at which Sir Richard FitzHerbert Bt is our guest speaker. There will be a raffle prize of two tickets to Tissington Hall for one lucky winner. WI members, former WI members and any other interested female are very welcome to attend – and there will be cake!
- an evening of wine, tastings, a tour and demonstrations at Chatsworth farm shop on 5 October in the evening.

We hope to see you at a WI meeting soon. If you are interested in WI but want to know more about WI before going to a meeting to see if it really is for you, you can always ring me on 630315 or email me at stirlinglucyb@hotmail.com to ask me questions and find out more. I would really welcome your call/email and I would welcome the chance to tell you how fantastic the WI is.

Lucy Stirling

(30-something WI Member trying to recruit more 30-somethings... and 40, 50, 60, 70, 80 and 90 somethings too!)



Read The Bugle in colour Includes all back issues and special editions www.thebugle.org.uk

READING ROOM: PROPOSED NEW LAVATORY BLOCK

Anyone who has used the Reading Room will know this is long overdue but it will also be very costly. So, we girded our loins and went through the tortuous process of applying for a grant from the Lottery Fund. We were very proud that we actually managed to get the forms in by 31 March, with lots of relevant information and letters of support, only to be told four weeks later that we'd missed a couple of bits out (mere technicalities, you understand!). More than that, though, they'd decided to change the system, AND the forms you have to fill in, from 31 March, so if we still wanted to be considered we couldn't just fill in the

couple of missed bits – we have to go back to Square One with the new forms and the new system. Can you imagine the cursing that went on? I suppose some of the stuff to fill in will be similar, but it is VERY frustrating.

Anyway, we're carrying on with our fundraising to pay our share of the new lavatory building, and would like lots of you to buy one or more blocks to help with the building when it does happen. They cost 50p and Eddie Oldfield and Gordon Coupe will be very happy to collect your donations — however small. Look out for the notices about this.

GM

Youth Club's underground adventures

Cave men (not the Stone Age kind) came to visit Youlgrave Youth Club recently and took seven members and two staff into the bowels of the earth.

Actually, they came from the Derbyshire Adventurous Activities Team, run by Derbyshire County Council. They took us on a bus first, having already kitted us out with special cave men suits, helmets and lamps.

They led us down into a maze of tunnels at Mouldridge Mine, sometimes very cramped, and then turned the lights off and told us a true story about a boy who nearly drowned in the very cave we were sitting in. Scary! We saw a



sleeping bat and a bottomless shaft.

Thanks to the Youth Club staff for organising this outing and taking us - everybody had a great time.

Joe Wilkin

The Allotment Slot



This week Sandra Harrop interviews well-known Pommie gardener **Dougie Oldfield**.

What was on your 'Sunday dinner' table this week that you had grown?

Cauliflower, runner beans (from the freezer) new potatoes with mint and rhubarb crumble.

How long have you had your allotment?

I have had an allotment for 46 years. I've gradually moved from the bottom allotment to the one I've got now.

What do you grow every year?

All the usual vegetables, lots of flowers -

What are the hardest thing and the

Carrots are pretty hard to grow. Runner

beans and cabbage are easy because I've

been growing them for years and know how

I've had cows in my allotment! The farmer

gave us a bag of potatoes to say sorry. It

once hailed so hard I had holes in my lettuce

What's the best tip someone has given

To loosen the soil around the onion about

two weeks before you're ready to lift it. It

helps to dry them whilst they're still growing.

leaves; they looked like they'd been shot.

sweet williams. gladioli, chrysanthemums, asters - and fruit such as strawberries. blackberries and rhubarb.

Anvthing vou wouldn't grow and why?

Not that I can think of, I'll grow anything. My soil is good so there isn't anything ľve come across that won't grow.

to do it.

vou?

easiest thing you've grown?

Have you had any disasters?

Walter Oldfield told me that.



Dougie - Horticultural Show auctioneer.

What's the best tip you would give anvone?

Cut the leaves that grow close to the cauliflower and boil them separately, it tastes just like spring cabbage. Beautiful. Winter muck your plot once a year and dig your ground 3 or 4 times a year. To stop cabbage root fly, dip the root of each cabbage in a light solution of Jayes fluid. Too strong a solution can burn the root. Do your hoeing after tea in the summer as the sun kills the weeds.

What changes have vou seen over the vears?

There are a lot less allotments and more gardens than there ever has been. Once the whole of the area where my plot is was all allotments, now there are only 3 or 4.

What are the upsides and the downsides having allotment?

The upsides are that you have got fresh food on your door step and you know exactly how old it is and where it's from. As far as I'm concerned there aren't any downsides, my garden is my obsession.

How many hours do you spend here?

I'm lucky because my allotment is so close and I can pop in and out all day from first thing in the morning until last thing at night. In the winter I spend more time in the potting shed and less time in the garden.

Any funny stories?

I found a silver ring the other day whilst I was digging. I don't know where it had come from. You'd think the amount of time I spend here and all the digging I do, I would have found it sooner.

Continued next page

Youlgrave Duke of Edinburgh Award unit

Seven airls from Youlgrave's Duke of Edinburgh Award unit have recently been awarded their Bronze Award: several were presented with these at a County presentation ceremony in Matlock.

These young people had to undertake three activities under each of the following headings: skill, physical pursuits and service. They chose a variety of activities for all sections. The physical included climbing, dancing, netball and football. The skills ranged from photography, cookery and playing several different types of instruments. For their service, which is now known as volunteering, the girls helped with rainbows, fundraised with the

Lady Manners PTA at the car boot fairs, coaching netball and four spent many hours sorting out, cleaning and tidying the Guide camp equipment.

The Bronze group have learnt navigation skills and camp craft, which led to two expeditions taking place. They had to walk 15 miles over two days, carrying all their own equipment and were totally self-sufficient. At the end of their assessed expedition each group presented a project.

Yet again this group have shown us that a lot of teenagers have talent and

Bronze Award: (L-R, back) Jasmine Leng, Mollie Milton, Emma Cox, Hannah Essam; (front) Amelia Lake, Giselle Sansom and Danielle James.

commitment; we should be proud to have them living amongst us.

We hope to start a new Bronze Group before too long. It is open to young people, boys and girls, aged 14 (or will be by August 2010) to 25. It is possible to join the award at any level so if you're a bit older you could go in directly for the silver or gold award. It is an opportunity to try new activities, challenge yourselves and have fun. If you are interested watch this space and the local noticeboards for more information, or call Penny McCloy on 01629 636125.

Allotment Slot continued

What do you do if you a glut of stuff?

I'll barter things for it, exchange stuff or sell some on the front yard.

What are the 3 essentials to a good allotment?

Time, muck and water, I've got 10 big water buts that I've been given or picked up at car boot sales and four baths that collect fresh rain water.

Who is your favourite TV gardener?

I haven't got one; I don't listen to these 'experts'.

What are you going to do now?

Now is the ideal time for planting the cabbages out. I'm also putting potatoes and marrowfat peas in.





A snapshot of Middleton in the 1890s

John Hames contacted the Bugle recently to say that he had come across several very old photos of Middleton among the belongings of his recently-deceased aunt, Margaret Hames. Born in Southport in 1927, she was the daughter of Jessie Brinsley who, it is believed, lived in Middleton during the 1890s and early 1900s.

John has kindly allowed us to reproduce these fascinating photographs. There are several family shots, plus one of The Square and another of Rock Cottage, which is where the Brinsleys lived

Can you put a name to any of these faces in the school photo (bottom right) which is dated 1898? Are they perhaps distant relatives of yours?! Please let us know, or if you have any other historical photos we would be delighted to feature them.









Spent batteries to be collected for recycling in the village

From this month, your old and used batteries can be safely disposed of at collection points around Youlgrave for recycling. A joint venture between Sustainable Youlgrave and the University of Sheffield has established collection points at Hollands and Parkers Butchers, Youlgrave Post Office and Youlgrave Garage. Look for the plastic tubs with lids and an appropriate poster, and simply drop in all your spent batteries. Domestic batteries of any size or shape (from AA and AAA to watch and camera batteries) are welcome.

Sustainable What's your opinion?

In July a small team of students from the University of Sheffield will be visiting Alport, Middleton and Youlgrave to

carry out an opinion poll on behalf of Sustainable Youlgrave. Supervised by their Professor, they will be going from door to door with a short survey asking questions on what you feel about improving the energy efficiency of your property to save energy/money (with an offer of help), renewable energy, environmental matters and whether it affects your lifestyle and behaviour. There will be more about this, and the students asking the questions, in the July Bugle, as well as a circular delivered to each house nearer the time.

For more details about Sustainable Youlgrave's current activities go to www.sustainableyoulgrave.org.

The curious case of the Bradford Road blackbird

We're all aware that birds have more than one brood in a season, especially if we have a mild early spring or their nest is disturbed, but on Bradford Road a blackbird has laid four eggs in *four* different nests just this year!

Dougie Oldfield takes up the story: "It's a familiar bird to us and we often see it in the garden and across the road on the allotment. It seems perfectly healthy and to our knowledge it hasn't been disturbed by anyone or anything. But already this year the bird has had four different nests, abandoning them each time after laying four eggs each in each. Two nests were concealed in

b u s h e s, and the other two in existing bird b o x e s. We've no idea why this has happened and why the



bird has so far laid 16 eggs in four different nests – but with no chance of any hatching."

Can anyone explain the bird's behaviour? Please contact the Bugle (address on page 19).

News from Youlgrave Bangbutt Village Link

Many thanks to those who came to the Breakfast Bistro. We raised £648 which was fantastic. A special thanks to all our stalwart helpers who slaved away helping at the Breakfast! And also to the young waiters and waitresses Joe, Will, Joe and Jennifer, who nobly gave up part of their precious weekend time to help us.

We have recently had news from Lottie who is still out there (she keeps extending her voluntary work) telling us that the Bangbutt villagers are full of pride for their magnificent school and clinic and they send many, many thanks to everyone in Youlgrave who has helped give them these extra facilities. And, of course, (for newcomers to Youlgrave) Bangbutt is also have a new well, 21 latrines and the ongoing literacy circle training, which we financed previously. Apparently an aid worker, who is doing a survey, visited Bangbutt recently and couldn't believe that every home had its own latrine!

We recently sent out money to buy bikes for the teachers, as some of them have to walk over 4 miles to <u>and</u> from Bangbutt every day. Lottie wrote: "The bikes had been delivered to Bangbutt, but it was agreed that I would go out and do a formal handing over ceremony, as the teachers had requested this. I talked to the teachers and they were very pleased

with their bikes and very positive about the school, except the normal crowdedness of the classrooms and that they have very few resources (not enough curriculum books, but as we know this is a problem all over Sierra Leone). The overall feeling I got from the teachers, the villagers and the kids was great pride in their school and great appreciation for having it. I have been given a load of letters from the Bangbutt school kids to Youlgrave School kids — if I stay till September I will post them. They are all very positive."

We still need funds for our work in Sierra Leone. We are still financing the Literacy Circle and the school still needs resources. However, our plans are to slowly withdraw from Bangbutt and work elsewhere. Lottie writes: "I have been picking up knowledge about the needs in all areas I've been to, but I'm also to visit some areas in the Western Area which has yet to be arranged. Remember there was talk of maybe YBVL funding in this area – but the point is everywhere in Sierra Leone needs support."

Our next fundraising event will be our annual 'All Day Café' in the Village Hall, on Saturday 18 and Sunday 19 July. Please come – see you there!

Barbara Scrivener

Can you organise the collection for the Leprosy Mission?

I have asked in previous Link articles for anyone willing to take over organizing the Leprosy Mission collecting boxes in Youlgrave, as Doreen Blackwell has nobly done it for over 20 years. Thank you very much Doreen. However, nobody seems willing to take on this job.

I have contacted the LM headquarters and local representative in Nottingham and agreed to do it temporarily until the autumn, when there is usually the annual meeting somewhere in the village. If no one else seems able to take it over, then the collection will cease at that meeting. If you have a collection box or contribute annually, will you please ring me (636601) and let me know so I can arrange to collect them as soon as possible or leave them, with your name and address, at Parkers. Thank you.

BS

A postcard from India...

It's over 20 years since we visited India. At that time plastic bags were beginning to appear, disrupting the near perfect mobile recycling offered by cows munching their way down the street, interspersed with kitchen door visits to collect lunchtime's left-over chapattis! In those days, it seemed, everyone smoked. So in the heat and turmoil that is India, we wondered what would greet us.

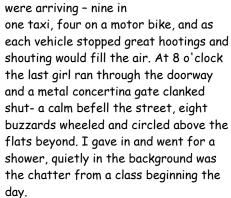
Kolkata (Calcutta) was noisy dusty and the traffic fumes quite appalling.

The vehicles are set very high so the exhaust fumes from buses, for example, hit you at about waist height.

I woke at dawn on the first morning to the birds singing. After a while the first intermittent

car horns began. Then I heard sweeping. I assumed it was the front of the hotel being swept, but a couple of days later I realised it was the whole street receiving its daily makeover. The car noise builds and the birdsong disappears - other than nearby crows and pigeons strutting on the ledges. And when you think the noise can't get any louder, it does and people start shouting. Curiosity got the better of me and I got up to look out of the window. Across the street was the Jewish School for Girls. It

was 7.55 and they were arriving - nine



We found an India
that imposed a no
smoking ban in public
places in October of
last year. Many goods
are again now
wrapped in
newspaper. People
have bags for life,
proper shopping bags
and in several of the

places we visited in N.E. India there were adverts and slogans demanding respect for wildlife, the environment and India's future. Some places had rubbish bins with 'Use me' written on them and often public toilets were now 'pay and use', attended and clean. We also saw adverts for new luxury eco homes. But they just meant you were far enough away from the city to touch nature. We all think we're doing our bit but I suspect we're just kidding ourselves.

Anne Croasdell & Peter Cork



Topical Tale of the Month

One day a florist goes to a barber for a haircut. After the cut he goes to pay, but the barber replies, "I cannot accept money from you. I'm doing community service this week." The florist is pleased and leaves the shop.

When the barber goes to open his shop the next morning there's a ' thank you' card and a dozen roses waiting for him at his door.

Later, a policeman comes in for a haircut, and when he tries to pay his bill, the barber again replies, "I cannot accept money from you. I'm doing community service this week." He leaves happy and the next morning there's a 'thank you' card and a dozen doughnuts waiting for him at his door.

Later that day, a college professor comes in for a haircut, and when he tries to pay his bill, the barber again says, "I cannot accept money from you, I'm doing community service this week." The professor is very happy and leaves the shop.

The next morning when the barber opens his shop, there is a 'thank you' card and a dozen different books, such as 'How to Improve Your Business' and 'Becoming More Successful.'

Then, a Member of Parliament comes in for a haircut, and when he goes to pay his bill the barber again replies, "I cannot accept money from you. I'm doing community service this week." The Member of Parliament is very happy and leaves the shop.

The next morning when the barber goes to open up, there are a dozen Members of Parliament lined up waiting for a free haircut.

Dee Frith, Bugle Political Editor

Derbyshire Dales District Council

Area Community Forum,

Monday 6 July, 7 pm, Agricultural Business Centre, Bakewell

Topics for discussion will include: countering the effects of the current economic climate, promotion of the Debt Advice Service, and what is being done to support the local tourism industry, businesses and individuals.



The Youlgrave Exchange

Free to anyone who will collect: a very large freestanding bookcase, 4ftx6ft 6in, reddish wood, 6 adjustable shelves, brackets are built into the inside of the sidepieces, plywood back. Not over smart, but does the job for lots and lots of books, and would no doubt respond to a bit of TLC. Phone 636477.

SATURDAY WASTE COLLECTION

Alport & Youlgrave: 13 & 27 June

Alport: 7.45-8am, Youlgrave School: 8.05-9.30am, Bradford & Mawstone Lane: 9.35-10.10am, Grove Place Police House: 10.15-10.30am, Grove Place other end: 10.30-10.45am

Middleton by Youlgrave: 6 June The Square: 9.45-10.45am

ANNUAL SPONSORS: COMMUNITY GROUPS & ORGANISATIONS

All Saints Parochial Church Council	636576	Youlgrave Parish Church	636285	
Beavers & Cubs (meeting times below)	636605	Youlgrave Parish Council	636151	
Middleton & Smerrill Parish Council	636037	Youlgrave Playschool, 9am-12 noon, Mo	n-Fri, for	
RAOB Lathkill Lodge	636221	ages 2 to school	636768	
Sustainable Youlgrave: Think global, act	local!	Youlgrave School Association	636605	
www.sustainableyoulgrave.org	636241	Youlgrave Scout & Community Hall, for	hire contact	
Youlgrave Bell Ringers	636484	Melanie Marsh	636605	
Youlgrave Bowls Club	636084	Youlgrave Silver Band	636362	
Youlgrave Cinema 636836		Youlgrave Village Hall, available for parties and		
www.youlgrave.com/Youlgrave_Cinemate	a.htm	events	636084	
Youlgrave Day Centre (Monday Club) at	the Village	Youlgrave Welldressers	636341	
Hall, contact Daphne Jackson	636392	Youlgrave Wesleyan Reform Church	636251	
Youlgrave & District Horticultural Association –		Youlgrave Women's Institute	636479	
contact Leslie Toyne	636484		_	
Youlgrave Methodist Church	636558	To sponsor the Bugle call Ann on 63636	52.	

REGULAR LOCAL EVENTS

Mondays	Monday Club (Day Centre),		Beginners class 7-8.30pm, The
-	Youlgrave Village Hall, 10am-3pm Yoga with Iris Pimm (636341), The	Thurs	Barn, Greenfields Farm (636341) Youlgrave Silver Band, Methodist
Barn, Green	nfields Farm, 7-9pm		School Room, 8pm
Tuesdays	Youlgrave Youth Club, Scout &	Fridays	Gentle Yoga, Scout & Community
	Community Hall, 6.30-8pm		Hall, 3.30pm
Tuesdays	Youlgrave Bell Ringers practice	2nd Mon	Mobile Library, Greenfields Farm,
	night, All Saints Church, 7.30-9pm		9.30am; Alport, 9.45am;
Mon-Fri	Youlgrave Playschool, Scout &		Abbeyfield, 10am; Bradford,
	Community Hall, 9.15-12 noon		10.20am; Rock Farm, Middleton
Weds	Drawing and painting classes,		10.40am
	Youlgrave Reading Room, 10am	2nd Tues	Youlgrave WI meetings,
Weds	Parent and Toddlers Group,		Youlgrave Village Hall, 7.30pm
	Reading Room, 1.15-3.15pm	4th Wed	Confidential Advice Sessions with
Weds	Darby & Joan Club, Youlgrave		Matlock & District Citizens Advice
	Village Hall, 1.30pm		Bureau, Youlgrave Medical
Weds	Bingo, Youlgrave Reading Room,		Centre, 9.30am-12.30pm
	7.30pm	Alternate	Mobile Library, Grove Place,
Weds	Beavers and Cubs, Scout Hall, 6.30-	Thurs	2-4.30pm, Holywell La 5-6.30pm
	7.45pm (term time)	2nd Fri	Mobile Police Station, Holywell
Thurs	Ecumenical women's Bible study	of month	Lane, 12.30-4pm
	and fellowship, Youlgrave	Last Tues	Youlgrave Parish Council meeting,
	Reading Room, from 10am	of month	Youlgrave Village Hall Committee
Thurs	Yoga with Iris Pimm, 9.30-11.30am		Room, 7.15pm
	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		· = 1

THE BUGLE: Andrew McCloy (Editor), Englemere, Brookleton, Youlgrave, Derbys DE45 1UT tel 01629 636125 e-mail andrew.mccloy@btinternet.com www.thebugle.org.uk.

Printed by Greenaway Workshop, Hackney, Matlock (tel 01629 734089).

The views in this publication are not necessarily those of the editorial team.

ANNUAL SPONSORS (COMMUNITY GROUPS ON PREVIOUS PAGE)

Amy's Dairy, for fresh milk, free range eggs, cream,	F
orange juice, yoghurts 636639 & 07799 880740	
Bakewell Bridge Car Park (M. & D. Rhodes),	E
Coombs Road, Bakewell 636453	
L.T. Birds, Joinery & Home Maintenance,	E
23 Northwood Lane, Darley Dale 07786 434376	ŀ
Brightmore & Shimwell, Plumbing and Heating	
Services 07989 984826 & 07971 839515	N
Dave Brown, Plastering and Home Maintenance	
636075 & 0777 3045148	9
Castle Farm, Bed & Breakfast, Caravans and	7
Camping Barn 636746	
Circuit Safe – authorised electrician 01629 55013	
Contemporary Curtains & Blinds	(
www.contemporarycurtains.co.uk 636079	
Derbyshire Dales Council for Voluntary Service,	7
offering support for local community groups 812154	
Dulux Design Service, your local designer Chris Read	1
www.duluxdesignservice.co.uk 636360	
Farmyard Inn 636221	ŀ
George Hotel 636292	•
Gillingwater family, Old Hall Farm	1
Eric Goodwin, Plasterer & Tiler 636627	
John Hancock, Plumbing, Heating & Lead Roofing	
	١
636455 & 0771 0640142	1
Granby House, very sheltered housing 636123	,
Hollands Butchers 636234	`
Hopping Farm Caravan Park 636302	'
Anne Hunt, Driving School – Beginners, Refresher	
courses, Pass Plus 636162	[
James Bacon/JDB Plumbing & Heating	
636637 & 0786 6365610	Г
Diane Kettle, Art studio, paintings for sale, cards,	
commissions, personal tuition, art lessons 636763	
Peter Knowles, Architect 636362	
Long Rake Spar Co Ltd, decorative gravels,	
aggregates and hard landscaping products 636210	
Ingrid Newman, Handknitted scarves and	
accessories 636084	
Judith Orchard, Individually designed clothes,	
repairs & alterations; proceeds to Bangbutt 630202	
F. Parker, Grocer & Butcher 636217	
Nicola Phillips, Stoneyside, Youlgrave	
Iris Pimm, The Barn, Greenfields, Alport 636341	
,,	

Pots from France, Functional and Studio Ceramics from France exhibited Sept and Dec 636689 Brian Roche, Violin maker and repairer www.rocheviolins.com, 630099 Barbara Scrivener, Reflexology & massage 636601 Annie Sharpe, Experienced Reflexologist M.A.R. 47 New Road, Youlgrave 630295 Mark Shearing/Switchback Mountain Adventure 07736 771140 Smerrill Grange, Bed & Breakfast 636232 Trevor & Val Smith, PO Box 2861, Dubai, UAE Jean Stacey, Cake-making and decorative icing 636485 Carol & John Sutcliffe, self-catering holiday accommdn at The Cottage, Crimbles Lane 636570 Thimble Cottages, fabulous holiday cottages in the Peak District www.thimble-cottage.co.uk Tulips Florist, Flowers for every occasion – daily delivery service, 1 Diamond Ct, Bakewell 815816 Kathi Ward, Woodwind instrument repairs kathi@repairs007.fsnet.co.uk, 636179 The Wee Dram, specialist whisky retailer, 5 Portland Square, Bakewell 812235 John & Jean Youatt, New Road, Youlgrave 636241 Youlgrave Garage – Motor engineers and MOT **Test Station** 636943 Youlgrave Post Office 636201 Youlgrave Waterworks - 07798 525075 (payment enquiries), 07762 053979 (service enquiries) D.P. Young Site Services, Welding and Fabrication 636413 & 0770 3126647

SPONSOR THE BUGLE IN 2009

Please support your monthly community magazine. Annual rates are £25 for businesses and £20 for groups and individuals – back page listing is entirely optional. Cheques should be made payable to 'The Bugle' and can either be left at Youlgrave Post Office or sent to Ann Knowles, Garden House, Fountain Square, Youlgrave DE45 1UR (tel 636362). Thank you.