

# The **Bugle**

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Alport, Middleton and Youlgrave**

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## **Reach for the sky**

Melissa Evelyn Bateman completed a tandem skydive from 13,500ft at Langar Airfield in Nottinghamshire to raise £1,000 for disabled adults. Melissa, of Upper Greenfields Farm, Alport, donated £750 to Enable ('make a dream come true') and £250 to Golding House Resource Centre Amenity Fund. Enable Care and Home Support (ECHS) has provided care and support for disabled adults across Derbyshire since 1990. Melissa, who is employed as an activities organiser at the Golding House Resource Centre, Matlock, said: "I have never been keen on flying and was terrified, but it was a truly an amazing experience. A massive thank you to everyone who sponsored me, especially my main sponsors Milner Off Road, Darley Dale, and Phil Wildbore, Monkee Genes – I couldn't have done it without you!"



*Above: Fearless Melissa on her tandem skydive from 13,500ft.*

## **Affordable housing application for Youlgrave**

A new planning application has been submitted by Youlgrave Parish Council to build eight local needs affordable homes on a site off Conksbury Lane. YPC Chairman Andrew McCloy said: "We have listened to residents' concerns and have made improvements to the overall layout of the buildings, as well as to the road junction. These will be attractive, sustainable local homes for local people." To view the proposals contact the Planning Service (see below) or go to <http://pam.peakdistrict.gov.uk/?q=Youlgrave>. To make a comment on the plans email or write to the Planning Service, Peak District National Park Authority, Aldern House, Baslow Road, Bakewell, Derbyshire DE45 1AE, email [planning.service@peakdistrict.gov.uk](mailto:planning.service@peakdistrict.gov.uk). Quote reference number NP/DDD/0211/0105 and include your name and address. The consultation ends on 25 March.

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Deadline for April Bugle:

Friday 25 March

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### Praising Youlgrave School

Dear Editor,

On the morning of 15 Saturday January, my granddaughter Charlotte Greengrass took an entrance exam for Sheffield High School. One week later we received the news that she had won a scholarship to the school, commencing September 2011, and I think that no one could have been any prouder than her father and I.

The family moved to the village in 2007 and Charlotte was sent to the village school where she gradually settled into school life and we wish to thank Youlgrave School very much for what they have achieved with Charlotte in her years there. The staff obviously recognised the potential that she often keeps hidden, and pushed her hard in the right direction so she could achieve that potential.

Thank you so much to all the staff and helpers at Youlgrave School – you should also be very proud of yourselves.

Sue and Daniel Greengrass  
Youlgrave



### Another 'snow hero'

Dear Editor

It was good to see the 'snow heroes' mentioned in the last issue, but an important one was missed: plumber Martin Shimwell and his staff. On one day alone Martin received 40 calls, and all were apparently answered and dealt with in a way that made us feel we were the only one with a problem. Thank you.

Joy Frost  
Youlgrave



### Empty housing

Dear Editor,

On 13 November 2010 we vacated our housing association house at Over Haddon after being offered it to us after only a brief enquiry. We lived there for four years.

To date, February 2011, the property is still vacant. Where are all the people who are desperate for affordable housing? Doesn't it seem a waste of a very pleasant piece of land on Conksbury Lane to build houses which are not needed?

Elaine Harrop  
Youlgrave



### Remembering Bernard

Dear Editor

I would like to thank everyone in Youlgrave for all the generous donations they made in memory of my late husband, Bernard, who passed away last year. A cheque for £600 was sent to Help for Heroes. I am also very grateful for all the good wishes from my friends and neighbours in Youlgrave on my move to Darley Dale, and I look forward to keeping in touch with you all.

Betty Oldfield  
Darley Dale

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## George Norman Wilson (1925-2011) OBE DL

Norman Wilson was born in Youlgrave, just 100 yards from the house where he and his wife, Jan, lived all their married life and where they brought up their two children, Genevieve and Ralph. Norman was hugely knowledgeable about his village and indeed his county, an encyclopaedia of information on everything from geology and history through to politics and people. His contribution spanned many levels as it did many decades, but he never lost sight of the importance of his home community.

After a short course at Queen's University, Belfast, Norman volunteered for aircraft duties in the RAF in 1944. He trained in Britain and the USA, then after leaving the Service for a few years returned to flying with the outbreak of war in Korea. In 1954 his single-jet engine fighter crashed on take-off and he was seriously injured. After he was well enough to be discharged from the Service he returned to Youlgrave to convalesce, which in Norman's case meant getting stuck into community work. He joined the parish council and before long his aptitude and energy saw him rise swiftly through the ranks of local government. His subsequent record of public service over the next 40 years was simply outstanding.

He was an elected Member of Bakewell Rural District Council (the predecessor of Derbyshire Dales District Council) for eight years. He also served on Derbyshire County Council for 36 continuous years, still the longest term of any Member, and also held the unique record of twice being its Leader (1967-69 and 1977-81). In 1968 he instituted the first-ever County Council



Civic Service – now a mainstay of the local authority's calendar – and of course made sure that the great and the good from around the county came to Youlgrave's All Saints Church and took refreshments afterwards in the Village Hall. Norman was also a County Magistrate between 1967-73 and later was awarded the ceremonial title of Deputy Lieutenant for the County of Derbyshire.

At more or less the same time, and for three decades, Norman was a Member of the Peak District National Park Authority, then known as the Peak Park Joint Planning Board, and its Chairman from 1977-81.

But Norman was also busy on a regional level, for instance as Chairman of the East Midlands Standing Council of Planning Authorities, and held several national positions. He was President of the British Stone Federation and a Member of the Executive Committee of

the Association of County Councils. In 1996 he was awarded an OBE for services to local government and national parks.

### Community commitment

It's easy to imagine that Norman's day to day energies would almost totally be taken up by his work for the County, National Park or elsewhere. But he felt a deep commitment to Youlgrave and its people and he gave his support to countless village groups. He was a Parish Councillor, Director of Youlgrave Waterworks, the President of the Youlgrave Branch of the Royal British Legion and Chairman of Youlgrave Welldressers. Indeed, his involvement with welldressing stretched almost four decades. He worked on Jim Shimwell's Holywell, coming along each year with his own particular stool and bag of specialist tools (many of them adapted, it was thought, from his time studying medicine as a young man). He worshipped in the village his whole life, attending Sunday School at the Wesleyan Reform Chapel before being asked to sing in the Church choir at All Saints – his voice was that good – and becoming the Morning Reader.

Norman was also a lynchpin behind the Village Hall and in 1962 wrote and produced the first-ever Youlgrave Pantomime ('Babes in the Wood') in order to raise funds for the hall's much-needed renovation. It didn't take long for it to become a regular fixture in the social calendar. Norman wrote and produced the first five pantomimes, deliberately weaving in scenes set in rich Derbyshire dialect to delight the local audience and no doubt puzzle the odd visitor. Fittingly, his wife, Jan, took over this role in 1977 and for the next 32 years wrote and produced what has

become not just the longest-running but also one of the greatest of Derbyshire village institutions. Norman continued to support Jan, producing the posters for each production and as President of the Village Hall.

Norman was an effective communicator and an accomplished author. He wrote an authoritative account of Youlgrave's long and proud history of welldressing ('tapdressing' as he preferred to call it). He also researched and wrote the Bugle's special commemorative publication that looked back at the lives of Youlgrave men and women in the Second World War; and he co-wrote the definitive and highly acclaimed account of the Mawstone Mine Disaster.

### Family man

Norman was also a proud and caring family man, an inspiration for Ralph and Genevieve as they grew up in Youlgrave. Despite his disability, he led them on 'scoots' out and about the local countryside, often stopping his mobility scooter to chat to friends and neighbours along the way. He could turn his hand to making anything in his workshop in the cellar; and although coming to computers relatively late in life, he soon outstripped his children in computer know how and could be found expertly editing his home-shot films. He was an expert teacher who, according to Genevieve, taught her and her brother everything they needed to know about rawle plugs, foraging in hedgerows, the importance of doing a job properly and the conditions required for fog!

Norman was an inspirational character in so many different ways and made an exceptional contribution to public life – both on the wider stage and here in Youlgrave.

## A tribute to Norman Wilson and Malcolm Nix

**Norman Wilson** was not only a dedicated Welldresser, who worked on Holywell for over 40 years, but an archivist and author who documented the development of welldressing and the influence that Youlgrave has on the art. Norman chaired the organisation for 36 years, stepping down in 2000.

**Malcolm Nix** designed the Fountain welldressing between 1977-89. Here he continued a tradition of innovation. Under him, our work was always led by the design. We constantly explored the use of new materials to give the precise effect that Malcolm was looking for. Anyone who worked on the Fountain well at that time will tell you of late nights splitting straw with scissors or placing individual butter cup petals on the clay.

His inspiration came from many sources. His 1978 design featured Samson and the lion. It was bordered by a temple complete with cracks which, as the week progressed, became more pronounced as the clay dried out. In 1986 using the words *'To set at liberty those who are oppressed'* (Luke 4.18) his design depicted a prisoner of conscience, in celebration of 25 years of Amnesty International. A figure lays slumped over a desk, his Picasso-like face broken and tear stained, above is a bird-cage symbolising the denied freedom. Malcolm's designs were always passionate.

Ironically Malcolm is also remembered for a Fountain design that wasn't his. To celebrate 150 years of 'modern' Welldressing, Malcolm approached renowned and respected artist John Piper to design the Fountain Well. So it was that in 1979 we executed one of the most striking designs ever to grace the village.

Malcolm Nix was an artisan craftsman. There was very little that he could not turn his hands to and the quality of his work can be clearly seen in the house that he restored on Bankside. In retirement he moved to northern France.

A private memorial will be held on 20 March at the Showroom Cinema in Sheffield.

*Fred Baker, Chairman, Youlgrave Welldressers*

## NEWS IN BRIEF

### Community transport donation

Youlgrave Parish Council has donated £150 to Bakewell and Eyam Community Transport (BECT) in recognition of their ongoing good work in the village, especially the services they provide for older residents. BECT currently provides over 3,000 passenger journeys a year for people in Youlgrave, helping them with trips to shops, medical appointments and so on. BECT Chief Executive, Edwina Edwards, told the Bugle: "Although Bakewell and Eyam Community Transport receive some funding from Derbyshire County Council we are always fundraising. We are extremely grateful for the financial support of Parish Councils such as Youlgrave as this allows us to make up the shortfall. The generous donation enables us provide an excellent service for the people of Youlgrave."

### Post Office prospects rosy...

As the Bugle went to print the future of Youlgrave Post Office looked much brighter, with Post Office Ltd giving their formal approval to proposals to relocate the business in new village premises, subject to final checks. The present post office will remain open for the time being. Full details in the next issue of the Bugle.

### ... but fish and chips finished

The Happy Plaice mobile fish and chip van is no longer visiting Youlgrave on a weekly basis. Proprietor Paul Else said that after the cost of fuel and staffing had been deducted the business was making a loss visiting Youlgrave, and he regretted that he had no choice but to pull the service. He thanked his Youlgrave customers and said that he was still available for one-off events.

## New community fruit orchard takes shape

Youlgrave is predicted to be a little bit more fruity in 2011, with the arrival of a Community Fruit Orchard.

Following an evening presentation in the Farmyard last year on the benefits of growing your own fruit by Lynne Thornley, a retired RHS Lecturer from Broomfield Agricultural College, we were inspired to establish a local community orchard to create a supply of fresh, local and seasonal fruit.

We share a plot with the Youlgrave Bee group on the Parish Council allotments at Coldwell End, and over a few late summer evenings last year we cleared the site and dug out a bed which this year will be home to a selection of soft fruit bushes. We also plan a modest collection of apple, plum and other traditional orchard trees on the plot.

As the nights drew in, activity turned to planning the next year and



*The Orchard Group: Phil Clarke, Glenys Moore, John Bishop, Eddie Oldfield and Steve, Katherine & Will Baker.*

fundraising and we were delighted when our recent application to the Derbyshire Community Foundation for funds to purchase trees, bushes and basic tools was granted in full.

Funds are only part of the story, of course, and our secret weapon is the time and manpower donated by our team of friendly volunteers. Gardeners will know that February and March are the months to get new fruit trees into the ground and we shall be busy over the next few weekends doing exactly that. Extra hands and new faces are always warmly welcomed and if you'd like to join us to help out.

Please contact either Glenys, [GlenysAnnMoore@googlemail.com](mailto:GlenysAnnMoore@googlemail.com) tel 636477 or Phil Clarke, [phil@settvalleyconsulting.co.uk](mailto:phil@settvalleyconsulting.co.uk) tel 630095.



*Phil Clarke*

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Words and photos by Andrew

### VINTAGE CARS IN THE SNOW

On Sunday 5 December 2010 the Land's End to John o'Groats rally came through our area. It's for pre-1973 cars and the photos above show a Mini Cooper and a TR4 (with snow chains). Unlike the RAC Rally of old, where there would be thousands of spectators, there were only three of us braving the snow at Middleton by Youlgrave!

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## Panto review: Jack and the Beanstalk

It was the first night, and as well as the usual supportive locals, Stanton WI, Nick Stacey's delegation and a well-behaved Scout Group, we smuggled in our Sheffield pals for their annual fix of Youlgrave's glorious entertainment and comedy. Laughing in all the right places, I heard one of them say "this is better than The Lyceum!" Praise indeed from over the border!

First night nerves were hardly visible, with the odd little (!) boob from Dame Trott calmly dealt with, her usual ad-libs and an amazing wardrobe, as always. A marvellous crew behind the scenes, in the musicians' corner, and a great production team following the highly successful precedent of the much-respected Jan Wilson, offering an evening of joy and talent from Daisy the cow, the excellent chorus and soloists and the dancing skills to the opposing 'contrary Mary' and Fairy Godmother. The novel idea of incorporating well-known nursery characters gave them all a chance to shine. Jack and Jill Trott excelled throughout this very professional pantomime, and Lucy's vocals were really spellbinding. I am



Photos: Philip Smith

performed equally superbly.

Be it up in Mary's garden, in the dungeon or the bright Rhymeton Street, the plot flowed and thrilled from the opening intro to the customary singing competition between Dame Trott's rather noisy team and the more sedate audience on The very grand Grand Old Duke of York's side.

The hoped-for happy ending did not disappoint, with wow-factor finale songs and the emerald costumes, and two final twists – Mary's humble return to Fairyland, and the appearance of Masher Gorge revealed as the booming Giant in his own comical fashion. It took me till then to work out the anagram on the programme!

Thanks to all of you for the hard work you put in to the 2011 Pantomime. We hope it was as much fun for you as it was for the audience.

**Liz Hickman**



informed that Sophie, Jill's stand-in one night the following week,

## Youlgrave Guides film wins Oscar (we wish!)

You are all invited to the world premiere of 'Youlgrave Guides - Who are We' on Friday 25th March, 7.30pm, Youlgrave Village Hall, FREE!

At the beginning of 2010 the Guides had a discussion about how our unit was going to celebrate the Guiding Centenary and so the idea of making a DVD was born. We wanted to try and create an image of where 1st Youlgrave Guide Unit has come from, but also capture the memories of women in the village who have been a Guide either here or elsewhere. We wanted to show how Guiding has changed and what the girls get up to nowadays.

After a great deal of form-filling (thanks to the Bugle Editor for his help with this) we were finally awarded a Heritage Lottery Fund Grant which made it possible. We have been able to buy some great equipment and to employ a fantastic couple of professionals to work alongside the Guides. GlassBall Art Projects have taught the girls how to use the cameras to produce over 50 hours of film, plus they taught the Guides interview techniques so they could interview 20 people – aged 11 to 96! We spent several evenings at the Level Centre Studio at Rowsley where all the girls had a go at editing and realised just how difficult it was going to be to cut it

down to make a 30 minute film!

One of our younger leaders has written the theme music and our very talented group of girls have recorded it. We

have worked with Derbyshire Guide Archivist to learn more about Guiding history, but most information has come from our interviewees – so many tales and stories of their time in Guiding.

The end result is a film which our unit is very proud of and wants to share with everyone. The 'Premiere' will take place on Friday 25th March in the village hall. It will be preceded by some entertainment from the Guides and refreshments will be served. The evening is free but tickets are required and available from Penny McCloy 636125.

We would like to thank everyone who has helped to make this possible, especially the ladies who agreed to be interviewed and also the Heritage Lottery Fund who made it financially possible. We hope to see you all on the 25th March.





## The WI learns a new language!

In February, the WI girls met to learn a new language: body language! It was an interesting evening given by Stanton resident Robert Alan-Haven. We learned lots and are now fully armed with lots of interesting information – so watch out WIM's! (WI Men). We welcomed more new visitors to the meeting and enjoyed some homemade food and refreshments at the end.

The WI has now moved onto email and our first email to the majority of members was sent, with a buddy system in place for those who do not have one so everyone can be aware of news, activities and events within twenty four hours rather than wait for our meeting each month.

Next time we welcome Gloria Havenhand to our meeting on Tuesday 8 March from 7.30pm, who will be talking about bees and the health benefits of bee-related products. In 2009 the WI voted to lobby DEFRA about the decline of the honey bee, so this will be a good follow up event to this at which we will update members and visitors on the progress of this campaign.

If you want to know more about the WI before coming to our next meeting on 8 March please ring me on 630315 (evenings) or alternatively email me at [stirlinglucyb@hotmail.com](mailto:stirlinglucyb@hotmail.com).

We look forward to welcoming you to a forthcoming meeting.

**Lucy Stirling**

30-something WI enthusiast



ABOVE: Youlgrave's Aiden Marsh having his familiar curly locks chopped off at an event at Lady Manners School. This sponsored haircut has so far raised over £300 for the charities Down Syndrome and War Child (for children affected by war throughout the world).



Friday 18 March

### A SINGLE MAN (12A)

British expatriate George Falconer, an English professor in 1960s Los Angeles, is trying to cope with the loss of his long term partner and soul mate. The film focuses on a single day during which decisions have to be made and the future resolved. Starring Colin Firth (of more recent 'King's Speech' fame) who received an Oscar nomination for this sensitive, compassionate and deeply moving portrayal. 99 mins.

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All welcome. Refreshments.

## Youlgrave Wildlife Notes: February

My appeals for sightings of waxwings in the village have at last been successful. There was a flock back in the cold weather, so Youlgrave didn't get left out. A solitary collared dove egg was found at Coldwell End. A sign of Spring or just an incompetent bird?

The Bee group honeybees have been visiting my winter heathers and have been bringing in yellow pollen back to the hives. If you see honeybees in the garden please let me know. On the 10th I walked through the Playing Field Wildlife Area, down to Alport and up the river as far as the third dam. Groundsel, dandelion, snowdrops, chickweed, hairy bittercress and spring whitlow grass were all in flower. The last two are tiny, four-petalled white flowers and there were lots on the Playing Field car park. Hairy bittercress has a divided leaf and spring whitlow grass has a simple leaf. If you see hazel catkins or lamb's tails it's worth looking closely at the twigs to find the tiny red female flowers that will form the hazel nuts. The catkins are pollen-producing male

flowers only. I saw greenfinch, blackbird, house sparrow, jackdaw, collared dove, wood pigeon, great, blue and coal tits, Canada geese, robin, magpie, chaffinch, moorhen, mallard, wren, dipper, coot, dabchick and starlings (small flock) in that order. There can't be many villages where you can see dippers so close to home. Goldfinches and bullfinches have been common in the garden and there was a redwing on next door's lawn for several days. Large pheasants have been frequent visitors and I have had one siskin on the feeder. These are quite unusual visitors to our garden. Further afield I saw a red kite on Beeley Moor on the 16th.

Last month I described how to use Orion as a guide to finding other constellations. If you follow the line of the belt upwards and to the right to the Pleiades and keep going you will come to the large 'W' of Cassiopeia.

Please keep the sightings coming in.

**Ian Weatherley**

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### Youlgrave Bee-Friends

At the Village Market on 12 February, 22 people signed up to be Youlgrave Village Bee-Friends. They ranged in age from just four years old to well over 80! There must be lots more people in between who would still like to become a Bee-Friend. The only qualification is to want to plant flowers and plants which are bee friendly and will attract bees and other beneficial insects into your garden.

To help you in your quest to befriend a bee, the Youlgrave Bee Group are offering a range of seeds at just 30p a packet. They are all annuals, have bee-friendly flowers and come into bloom in July and August. Varieties are: alyssum, anchusa, antirrhinum, candytuft, cornflower, cosmos, dianthus, pot marigold, nasturtium and stock. If you're not sure what these are, look out for the picture posters around the village.

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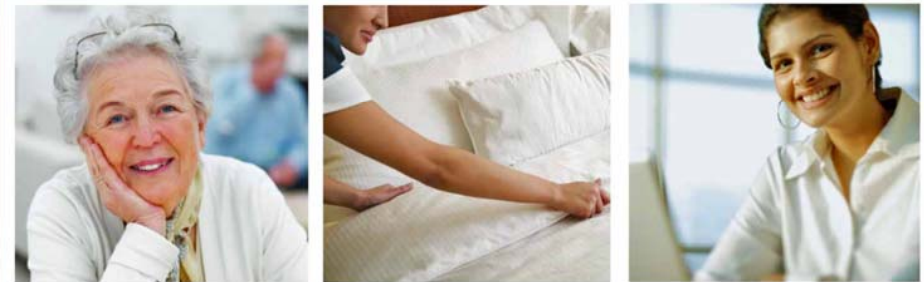
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## Helping you prepare for the Digital TV Switchover

Age UK Derby & Derbyshire has begun working with other charities and voluntary groups to prepare older people for the switchover, which starts in our region on 30 March 2011. The appointment has been made on behalf of Digital UK, the independent body in charge of switchover. Age UK (formerly Age Concern and Help the Aged) is the largest independent local charity providing direct services to older people and is mobilising local charities across the Derbyshire area to hold events and presentations, giving advice on how to switch over to digital TV.

### So what is the digital TV switchover?

TV across the UK is going digital. The existing analogue TV signal will be switched off and replaced with a new, stronger digital TV signal.

### Why is switchover happening?

Switchover is happening so that Freeview services (digital TV through an aerial) can be extended to people who cannot currently get them, including those who receive their signal from a relay transmitter – like many of us in Youlgrave who get our TV pictures via the Stanton Moor transmitter.

Digital UK will soon be holding road shows across the Central TV Region to provide further face-to-face advice for anyone who needs it. The **Switchover Help Scheme**, run by the BBC, has also

been set up to make it easier for older and disabled people to switch to digital TV and they will be writing to eligible people in the area. People are eligible for the scheme if they are aged 75 years or more, have lived in a care home for six months or more, get (or could get) certain disability benefits, or are registered blind or partially sighted.

The Help Scheme provides older and disabled people with all they need to switch one TV to digital, such as easy to use equipment, installation by an approved installer and a 12-month aftercare service. There is an all-inclusive cost of **£40** for the standard option, or for people on certain income-related benefits, it's **free**. For more information call free on **0800 40 85 900** or visit [www.helpscheme.co.uk](http://www.helpscheme.co.uk)

### Support for local community groups

Support to Groups includes free briefing sessions to enable your staff and volunteers to feel confident to give switchover and switchover Help Scheme advice to people they support. The Small Grants Programme funds events, activities and initiatives that get switchover and the Help Scheme information to as many people as possible. For more information contact Julie Akino, Age UK Derby and Derbyshire, tel 0788 4134225 or email [digitaloutreach@ageukderbyandderbyshire.org.uk](mailto:digitaloutreach@ageukderbyandderbyshire.org.uk)

For more details about impending **Freeview** in our area go to:  
[www.freeview.co.uk/availability/main/display/coverage/DE45%201JF/NA/0](http://www.freeview.co.uk/availability/main/display/coverage/DE45%201JF/NA/0)

Or to find out more about the digital switchover in person visit the Agricultural Business Centre in Bakewell on 6 June (9am-5pm) for the free **Switchover Roadshow**, when you can ask questions and get free expert advice.

## Youlgrave Village Hall seeks new Secretary

As you may already know, Ingrid Newman has decided to step down as Secretary of the Village Hall after several years doing a splendid job of keeping Mike and the rest of the Committee on the straight and narrow. Although a rewarding job, taking care of the running of our fabulous hall is *time consuming*. It is now time for Ingrid to take a well deserved rest. Since the Village Hall cannot function without a Secretary we are appealing to anyone who has a Friday night free once a month, typing skills and is good with correspondence to come forward. Don't be put off – we're not wanting a super hero, just somebody who cares, so please make yourself known to any of the committee members. We would like to find someone by April.

We are also looking for new, younger committee members and local people with practical skills.

If you are interested, or want to discuss it in more detail, please get in touch with: Phil Smith 077909 40909, Carol Sutcliffe 636570 or Ingrid Newman 636084.

### Village Market Recipe Corner

At February's Village Market the Produce Stall had lots of locally grown Jerusalem Artichokes for sale and purchasers were asking for recipes. Here is one which you may like to try.

#### Provencal Jerusalem Artichokes

- 450g Jerusalem artichokes scrubbed and cut into chunks
- 3 tbsp olive oil
- 150ml white wine
- A handful of chopped black olives
- 1 tsp dried thyme
- 1 clove garlic crushed and chopped
- 1 tbsp chopped fresh parsley
- 2 tbsp breadcrumbs black pepper

Put the artichokes, oil, wine, olives, thyme and garlic into a saucepan. Pour in enough water to cover all the ingredients, put the lid on and simmer very gently for 25 minutes. Remove the lid and boil away the liquid until you are left with an oily sauce. Add the parsley and breadcrumbs and, stirring from time to time, let them absorb the remaining liquid and brown.

Good warm as an accompaniment, but better eaten at room temperature; a tasty lunch dish with a tomato salad, bread and cheese.

## Cowboy Bingo Fun!

The Governors of Youlgrave Primary School are holding a family fun bingo evening on Friday 8 April at the Village Hall from 6.30pm.

Tickets cost £2 for adults and LMS pupils, £1 for children of Primary age and they will be on sale in school and at Parkers Butchers. There will be one free bingo ticket with each entry ticket. Further bingo tickets will be on sale at the door for 20p each.

The theme of the evening is cowboys and there will be bacon butties on sale and a bar for refreshments. There will be a cowboy themed raffle and lots more prizes for bingo winners!

Please join us in your best cowboy gear for what will be a fun-filled evening to raise funds for further building improvements to the school. YEEHA!



# Poetry Corner

## An Ode to Mick Partridge

Micky P, you WERE born to be funny  
To brighten our miserable days  
By getting us rolling with laughter  
In all your mysterious ways.

For years we have tittered and giggled  
At the daftest things you say and do  
So don't ever stop being funny  
Or our lives will forever be blue.

You were put on this earth for a reason  
And that is to make us all laugh  
Keep it up Mick you know that we like it  
But least said about you in the bath!

Your jokes, it's the way that you tell 'em  
The expressions you have on your face  
Then your eyes play along with the story  
And our thoughts are all over the place.

So, we wait for the glorious finish  
With our faces all cracking with smiles  
The punchline comes out, IT'S A BELTER  
And we are heard laughing for miles.



It would not be the same Pommie Panto  
Without your professional wit  
Your timing and rubber expressions  
Make you a regular hit.

For sure you were born to be funny  
Keep it going as long as you can  
Remember that humour's contagious  
And yep, you're one funny man.

By A. Villager

## Coffee Shop re-opens at Cliff Farm

Serenity Coffee Shop, at Cliff Farm off the Alport-Elton road, re-opens for the new season on Saturday 5 March. It will be open every Saturday and Sunday, between 11am and 5pm. Proprietor Christine Earl said: "Do come along and join us for a leisurely cup of fantastic Bean-to-Cup coffee, home-made cakes, Ploughman's Lunch, and really good company. Walk over to us with your dog, or park your car here and go for a stroll. Whether you're cyclists, climbers, joggers or those simply out for a drive, everyone is welcome!"

Serenity Coffee Shop, Cliff Farm, Cliff Lane DE45 1LL  
Tel 01629 650712 & 07837 725337  
Email [relax@peakserenity.co.uk](mailto:relax@peakserenity.co.uk)  
[www.serenitycoffeeshop-derbyshiredales.co.uk](http://www.serenitycoffeeshop-derbyshiredales.co.uk)



**Sunday April 17th, 9:30am to 2pm**

Come and enjoy a freshly cooked  
breakfast and help us raise money to  
aid our projects in Sierra Leone

**At Youlgrave Village Hall**  
Holywell Lane

Optional Extra !!!

**Walk off your breakfast or develop an appetite.**

Once again you can take a guided walk before or after your meal. 5 or 6 miles. Depart 10:15 am.. Choose full English or vegetarian meal and as much toast and coffee as you like for a combined ticket of £10. Booking essential for the walk. For details phone 01629 636580.

**Savour the scenery and marvel at the marmalade!**

Bring your friends and relations

## Please support the Bugle in 2011

It's that time again when we invite local businesses, community groups and individuals to sponsor the Bugle for the year ahead. Rates remain unchanged at £25 for businesses and £20 for community groups and individuals, although donations of any size are always welcome! Thank you for your continued support, which enables The Bugle to remain a free community publication.



### BUGLE SPONSORSHIP 2011

- **£25** for businesses and local authorities OR
- **£20** for individuals and community groups

Name .....

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*Please make cheques payable to **The Bugle** and deliver or send them, together with this form, to Ann Knowles, The Garden House, Fountain Square, Youlgrave DE45 1UR. You will be sent a receipt. Thank you.*

### The Youlgrave Exchange

**Gabrielle 110 electric typewriter**, in good working order, with spare correctable film ribbons. Free. Call 636125.



Need to get rid of unwanted items but don't feel like simply throwing them away? Or are you looking for something in particular? Advertise them for free here – see back page for contact details.

### SATURDAY WASTE COLLECTION

#### Alport & Youlgrave: 12 & 26 March

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: None in March

The Square: 9.45-10.45am

## REGULAR LOCAL EVENTS

**Mondays** Monday Club (Day Centre), Youlgrave Village Hall, 10am-3pm

**Tuesdays** Yoga with Iris Pimm (636341), The Barn, Greenfields Farm, 7-9pm

**Tuesdays** Youlgrave Youth Club, Scout & Community Hall, 6.30-8pm

**Tuesdays** Youlgrave Bell Ringers practice night, All Saints Church, 7.30-9pm

**Mon-Fri** Youlgrave Playschool, Scout & Community Hall, 9.15-12 noon

**Weds** Drawing and painting classes, Youlgrave Reading Room, 10am

**Weds** Parent and Toddlers Group, Reading Room, 1.15-3.15pm

**Weds** Darby & Joan Club, Youlgrave Village Hall, 1.30pm

**Weds** Bingo, Youlgrave Reading Room, 7.30pm

**Weds** Beavers and Cubs, Scout Hall, 6.30-7.45pm (term time)

**Thurs** Ecumenical women's Bible study and fellowship, Youlgrave Reading Room, from 10am

**Thurs** Yoga with Iris Pimm, 9.30-11.30am  
Beginners class 7-8.30pm, The Barn, Greenfields Farm (636341)

**Thurs** Youlgrave Silver Band, Methodist School Room, 8pm

**2nd Mon** Mobile Library, Greenfields Farm, 9.30am; Alport, 9.45am; Abbeyfield, 10am; Bradford, 10.20am; Rock Farm, Middleton 10.40am

**2nd Tues** Youlgrave WI meetings, Youlgrave Village Hall, 7.30pm

**4th Wed** Confidential Advice Sessions with Matlock & District Citizens Advice Bureau, Youlgrave Medical Centre, 9.30am-12.30pm

**Alternate Thurs** Mobile Library, Grove Place, 2-4.30pm, Holywell La 5-6.30pm

**2nd Fri of month** Mobile Police Station, Holywell Lane, 12.30-4pm

**Last Tues of month** Youlgrave Parish Council meeting, Youlgrave Village Hall Committee Room, 7.15pm

## Youlgrave Carnival Committee needs your help!

Youlgrave's 2011 Carnival will be held on **Saturday 23 July** and the week-long events will begin on Sunday 17 July.

As always, we are seeking your help in providing Raffle and Tombola prizes, or alternatively any financial donations would be greatly received. Why not approach your place of work for their support and see if they would be willing to offer a free voucher or offer of some work done free.

Is your organisation looking to raise extra funds? We have the perfect opportunity as we are looking for a team of helpers to take on the running of the tea coffee and cake stand in the marquee; any monies raised would go to your cause.

Calling all local businesses and organisations, or anyone looking to promote their own smaller business! Make sure you have a stall on carnival day – we have such a huge attendance and are always looking for diverse and interesting stalls.

We need helpers throughout Carnival – if possible, we would appreciate the same marshals as last year – if you are available please let us know. Any help during the week, be it big or small, is not only appreciated but vital in ensuring things run smoothly. Any new ideas and suggestion are always welcome! We want to support and promote our village and its people so please help us. Please contact:

Email [youlgravecarnival@hotmail.com](mailto:youlgravecarnival@hotmail.com), Jessica 07921 228441, Leah 07745 148993

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