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Defibrillator appeal – amazing response from local community

Last month's appeal by Youlgrave Parish Council to raise funds to buy a community defibrillator has generated a huge response, with over £7,000 already raised – and more fundraising events planned.

Donations have been received from a variety of local groups, businesses and

individual residents, including a number given anonymously. With the cost of a single defibrillator unit at around £2,000 the Parish Council was hoping to raise funds for one or possibly two. Thanks to the generosity of local people it has now ordered three, with the prospect of a fourth to follow.

A defibrillator is a potentially life-saving device used on someone who has suffered a major heart attack and works by shocking the heart back into a normal rhythm. It is safe and easy to use. Youlgrave's units are to be supplied by a national charity, the Community Heartbeat Foundation, and the cost includes installation and training for local volunteers.

The Parish Council is now considering

the locations of the units, which have to be accessible 24 hours a day and have an electricity supply. In the anticipation that there will be four separate units, it is likely that three will be located at strategic locations around Youlgrave, and the other in Alport. More details on this will follow

soon.

Councillors wish to express their thanks to everyone who has so far donated, as well as all the groups and individuals who plan to organise fundraising events in the near future, including early next year. If, as seems likely, enough money is raised for four units, any extra funds will go towards

promotional material publicising where the equipment is kept and how to use it; extra training for local residents (possibly including subsidised first aid courses); and a ring-fenced fund for future maintenance and replacement of the equipment.

Further donations, suggestions or queries should be directed to the Parish Clerk, Matthew Lovell, 01629 636151, email youlgraveclerk@btinternet.com.



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Thank you!

ANNE & JANETTE would like to say a very big thank you to all the ladies and gents that helped at the coffee morning and sale in aid of the Air Ambulance and Lifeboats. Also to the raffle ticket sellers who had done an excellent job. There were 24 prizes, with some prizes going as far as Market Drayton (well done Gillian!). A total of £1,332.51p was made in spite of the bad weather and the road being closed. Last but not least thank you to the folks who came and bought. Thank you all.

Fundraiser for the Defibrillators

A whist drive will be held at The George Hotel on Monday 16 December, 7.30pm start, in aid of the Defibrillators for the village. £5 per head to include supper. A raffle will also be held. Come along and have a good night and help raise funds.



Sunday 29 December, 8.30pm at The George Hotel Entrance £2 per person, teams of up to six

Everyone welcome In aid of the Defibrillator appeal

Laminator: Could whoever borrowed the laminator from Maggie on Bankside, please return it!



Saturday 14 December 8 till late Youlgrave Village Hall £3 (all proceeds to village organisations)

Dave Birds final gig with Twice Around!

The Harvest Coffee Morning, held by the Wesleyan Reform Chapel in October, was as enjoyable social event and raised £145.80. Youlgrave Bangbutt Village Link wish to thank the Chapel, and all who helped in raising this amount for the benefit of projects in Sierra Leone – it is much appreciated.

New loving home needed for two cats: Two beautiful black and white cats, mother 2 years, daughter 1 year, desperately need a new home, due to sudden death of owner. Very loving, happy, playful cats. Both spayed and up to date with injections. At moment living in Rotherham. For more information ring Barbara 636601.

This 32-page bumper issue of the Bugle covers both December and January. The next one will be out at the beginning of February 2014. Please send your contributions to the address on the back page by Friday 24 January. Seasonal greetings from us all at the Bugle!

Reminder from Youlgrave Surgery

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR OPENING HOURS:

Tues 24 December - OPEN as normal Wed 25 December - CLOSED Thurs 26 December - CLOSED Fri 27 December - OPEN as normal Tues 31 December - OPEN as Normal Wed 1 January - CLOSED Thurs 2 January - OPEN as normal

Please remember to order any medication in good time.

Book of church carvings

The new book of church carvings should be ready by the beginning of this month. It is a hard-backed, A4 size book containing sketches of most of the wood and stone carvings in All Saints Church, Youlgrave. It has a distinctive gold, hand tooled cover and is on sale at £25. A few extra copies are now available. To see a draft copy or to order, please contact Barbara Scrivener on 636601.

Panto help needed please

Putting up: Sunday 19 Jan, 9am Taking down: Sunday 9 Feb, 9am

Also volunteers needed for lighting and stage during performances.

Tel Adrian Rhodes 636882

YOULGRAVE PANTOMIME 2014

'Babes in the Wood'

Wed-Sat, 29 Jan-1 Feb Wed 5 Feb-Sat 8 Feb

7.30pm each evening and 2.30pm Matinee performances each Saturday.

Prices: adults £6, children £3
Special price one night only Wed 29
Jan, adults £3, children £1.50

'Babes in the Wood' will be the next production, directed by Nic Wilson and produced by Jan Wilson (no relation!). It is over 20 years since we last saw this pantomime and this will be a lovely, fast-moving story, with much slapstick humour, a cast of 23, stunning scenery, wonderful costumes, many well-known songs and much audience participation.

Do book your tickets in good time. This year the Booking Office will be run by John and Judith Orchard:

- Tel 01629 630202
- Email pommypanto@yahoo.co.uk
 The Box Office opens from Monday 2
 December (10am-6pm, Monday to
 Friday). It is closed from 23 December
 to 2 January 2014.

Come and support YOUR local Pantomime – we look forward to seeing you!

Louie Parker (1935-2013)

It is with great sadness that we mourn the loss of Louie Parker, a dear friend to many within the village.

Louie was born in Kildale, Yorkshire, and moved to Youlgrave at the age of three when her father took up the position of local vicar at All Saints Church. She went to St Elphin's School and later worked for many years in Bakewell

Library, as well as running the library in Youlgrave held in the Village Hall.

She lived for a while with Jan and Norman Wilson and whilst there helped Jan with the Junior Red Cross group. For a while she lived in Canada with David, her husband, but they soon returned to Youlgrave, the place she was proud to call home for much of her life, making several lifelong friends and acquaintances whilst living here and working at the library. Sadly her husband died in 1996.

She was a regular church-goer and had a beautiful singing voice. She was also a member of the Girls Friendly Society.

A loyal and trustworthy friend with strong Christian values, she selflessly always put others before herself with her kind and thoughtful actions. A keen gardener, she loved the outdoors, including birds and cats – and especially her beautiful white cat Nado (short for tornado!), She was also a crossword enthusiast and very upset if she missed a

vital newspaper! She was regularly seen with an infectious smile that clearly displayed her happy and joyful approach to life. Vivacious, fun to be around, with always a story to tell, it is clear why she made so many friends and had such an impact on all who knew her. A beacon of colour, she would brighten up any day with her infectious giggle and

mischievous ways.

Battling a debilitating illness did not suppress her faith or joy for life. Residing at home until the very end was a testament to her courage and determination. A true friend, she will be sadly missed by many who had the pleasure to know her.

She leaves a sister, brother and numerous nieces and nephews.

Ten of Louie's friends gathered at the Farmyard Inn on 14 November to celebrate what would have

been her 78th birthday. We toasted dear Louie with wine, fruit juice, tea and coffee (not all mixed together!). Then we munched our way through a great plate of delicious sandwiches carefully prepared for us by Sue and her chef Simon. Happy memories of times with Louie were shared and we sang 'Happy Birthday' to her. We are sure she was listening to us and having a giggle with that infectious laugh of hers, kicking her legs high! It was a good occasion. God bless you. Louie dear.

Frederick Reginald Parker (1917-2013)

Fred Parker was born in Derby, the second of five children. He left school at 14 to train and work as a butcher, making deliveries by bicycle all around the city. When he was 19 he went to work for Chapmans of Darley Dale. In 1939 he was called up and trained in the LAD (Light Aid Detachment), which became the Royal Mechanical and Electrical Engineers (REME). The recruiting sergeant picked up on the fact that Fred

could drive and mend a vehicle, which was still something of a rarity in those days.

By now Fred had married Norah, whom he met at a dance in Chesterfield. They married in 1942, but Fred was almost immediately posted overseas. He went on the 'Torch Landings' in Tunisia and was attached to the Grenadier Guards for the

rest of his service. He took part in the North Africa campaign which defeated Rommel, then joined Allied forces as they moved north through Italy via Monte Cassino and ended up in Austria. He was demobbed in 1946.

He resumed his career with Chapmans and in 1949 moved to Youlgrave, where he became the third partner in a butchery business on Church Street, ending up as the sole trader in 1956 and living in the flat above the premises.

Fred worked hard all his life, since running a butchery business meant working seven days a week. He supplied around 20 local schools, hotels and hospitals. Getting up at 6am every day, he would prepare orders and stock the shop. Twice a week he would make a regular delivery round that would

see him dropping off at (amongst other places) Stanton, Rowsley, Stancliffe Hall, Baslow, Curbar, Stoney and Bakewell Newholme and schools – all before 9am! Then there were the deliveries towards Biggin and Hartington.

In his 60s he began to move towards semi-retirement and finally started to take proper holidays. Indeed, he loved travelling and went all over Britain, Europe and

further afield, including regular trips to friends in Arizona, USA. He was a very cheerful and sociable man, who liked talking to people and making new friends. He was an active member of the Grenadier Guards Association. an honorary becoming member in 1972. He went on regular trips with the Association and attended

two Garden Parties at Buckingham Palace.

Closer to home, he was one of the founder member of Youlgrave Bowls Club and won many prizes. He was a lifelong fan of Derby County football club, living near the former Baseball Ground when he was younger.

Fred and Norah had two children, Janice and Andrew. Norah died in 2000 but Fred went on to become not just a grandfather but a great grandfather. Despite officially retiring from the Youlgrave butchery business, which Andrew still runs, Fred remained active and independent, even making trips to the cash and carry in his 90s.

The family would like to pay special thanks to the carers who looked after him so well in his final six months.



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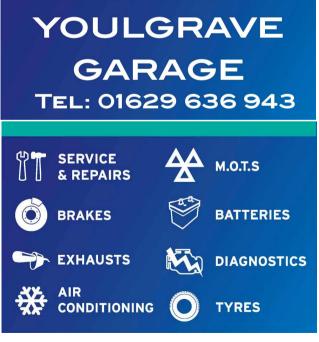
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Youlgreave & District branch of the Royal British Legion remembers George Ollerenshaw

Pictured right: On Thursday 17 October several members of the late George Ollerhenshaw's family were invited to attend a meeting of the Branch to receive the thanks of the members for the generous donation of £222.00. It was given in memory of George towards the cost of a new sign for the Knoll Club and for a brass plaque which is to be installed to mark the occasion. Refreshments were enjoyed by all after the meeting.



2013 POPPY APPEAL

Many thanks to all who have supported the Poppy Appeal this year. The total sum collected was £2,526.44 which is an increase of £197.59 on last year's total.

Our thanks must also go to all who attended the Service of Remembrance in the Parish Church, and especially the young members of the different organisations who took part in the service and to the Branch Chaplain Rev Garrie Griffiths for conducting the service.

Our next meeting will be on 19 December when we will be welcoming members of the Women's Section of the Royal British Legion. The evening will include refreshments and a quiz.



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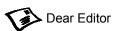
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I've been wondering what has happened to the local buzzards, as during the summer it was so good to see at least one buzzard most days when out walking with the dog around Middleton, Alport and Elton. But I have not seen one for the last couple of months or so. Then, at the end of November. Peter Birds and I found a sick buzzard at the top of the dale near the sheep dip where pheasant shooting takes place. The buzzard was taken to the vet who found no external injuries. S/he has gone to be rehabilitated but we do not know whether s/he will survive. Given that there are no physical injuries and the fact that three raptors were found poisoned in the Dale a few years ago, poisoning is a real possibility.

This incident has been reported to the police. They have asked that people look out for other sick or dead raptors in and around the Dale. If you do find anything suspicious please call the police on 101 and give the crime reference number 377.

It's probably a good idea too for those walking with children and dogs in the Dale to be extra cautious about what they may pick up.

I would also like to raise awareness that buzzards are primarily scavengers not killers and are therefore very prone to being poisoned.

Sue Watmore Middleton

For all the back issues go to www.thebugle.org.uk

POTS FROM FRANCE

WINTER EXHIBITION

Opening: Sunday 1st
December at 2pm, then daily
10am to 7pm until Saturday
24th December (closed
Mondays)

As well as our regular exhibitors, we shall be showing work by new potters with the emphasis on functional ware, balanced by a choice of larger pieces and a selection of tea bowls.

Jack Blackburn, Bankside Cottage, Bankside, Youlgrave, tel 636689

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

On Sunday 17 November a good number of people turned up at Youlgrave Parish Church for the annual Shoebox Service. 158 boxes were filled with goodies for sending to Eastern Europe, Africa and even parts of central Asia. This was a tremendous effort, considering the school was unable to take part this year. As every year, we are grateful to Paula and Richard Marchbank who brought 83 of those boxes (from Bowmer and Kirkland, where Paula works) to swell the number of our Shoeboxes. We were pleased to welcome at the Service Jenny and Ian Green, who manage the warehouse in Chesterfield where the shoeboxes are checked. They brought a big van with them in order to take all the boxes to Chesterfield in one vehicle for a change! BS



Christmas events in and around Youlgrave







CAROL SINGING ROUND THE VILLAGE

on Friday 20 and Monday 23 December in aid of Youlgrave Bangbutt Village Link. This local charity provides support to projects in Sierra Leone, West Africa. See their website at

www.youlgravebangbutt.org

Everyone, especially children, will be very welcome to join us - whether you can sing in tune or not. All that is required is your energy and enthusiasm! We had great fun last year.

Fri 20th: meet at The George at 7pm Mon 23rd: meet at Bulls Head at 7pm Please bring warm clothes and a torch, and children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult.

If you would particularly appreciate hearing a few carols, or know of anyone else who would, please let Simon know (01629 636523/07706 956067). We look forward to singing with you or to you!

Christmas Tree Festival at All Saints Church, Bakewell

Tree light switch-on and opening service on 7pm on Thurs 12 December. Then open daily from Fri 13-Sat 21 December, 10am until 5pm. Sundays from noon.



Youlgrave Bowls Club

Christmas Concert

with Youlgrave Silver Band and entertainment by Mick **Partridge**

at Youlgrave Village Hall on Thursday, 12 December at 7.30 pm.

Admission £4 Adults, £1 Juniors,

Crib Service Christmas Eve, 5pm

Happily a Jesus has turned up! Emma and Andy and baby Koru, of Bankside, have agreed to do the honours this year. It's rather fitting as Koru was actually born on Bankside. Who was the last baby to be born in Youlgrave, let alone on Bankside?! If you are a newcomer, a visitor or just haven't come to this Service before, try it this year. It's a great way to start Christmas and one of the easiest ways to try to bring Jesus into your Christmas celebrations, especially for the children. It is a 'live' crib service, with a sheep, dogs and sometimes a donkey! Please come ready to take part as well, if you wish. Come dressed up ready to be a shepherd, king or angel. If you would like to borrow a costume, there will be a few angel costumes, head-dresses (usually T -towels) for shepherds and crowns for kings. No words to learn. The service lasts about 35-40 minutes and is lit by candlelight.



🧘 Christmas events in and around Youlgrave 🥍



Candles in church

Many people have already signed up for a Memorial Candle dedicated to someone in church at Christmas. If you haven't done this vet, and wish to. can you please do so as soon as possible so the labels can be printed in time to stick round the candles. They cost 50p each and please give the money to Alison or Andrew at the Post Office or to Barbara. This year we are short of volunteers to stick the labels on the candles and would also like a volunteer to take over organising this. If you feel you could help, please contact Barbara on 636601. Thank you.

Many thanks to those who have already given donations towards the large red candles used all through the church at Christmas. There is still time to give donations towards this. Please ring Barbara on the number above.





CHRISTMAS FUN EVENING

Upstairs at the Bulls Head on Friday 27 December, 8pm start. £2.50 per person Seasonal quiz, music and entertainment. Mince pies and raffle. Proceeds to Weston Park Hospital. Question Master Mick Partridge. Come and have a giggle!!!



Christmas events in and around Youlgrave





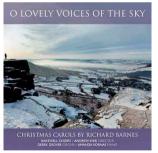
In many communities local bands are an important element in the run up to Christmas. They produce music and atmosphere that people in general enjoy as part of Christmastide. This year Youlgrave Silver Band is playing in the village on no less than three occasions in December!

THURSDAY 12 DECEMBER: conducted by experienced and popular brass band musical director, Paul Harding, the band will be playing a Christmas concert in Youlgrave Village Hall at the invitation of Youlgrave Bowls Club (7.30pm start).

MONDAY 16 DECEMBER: the band will play for the singing of carols outside the Weslyan Chapel, Holywell Lane, at 7pm.

THURSDAY 19 DECEMBER: between 7.30pm and 9pm a group of band members will play carols around the village, weather permitting!

The band hope that you will be able to listen to the carols and music at these events and that this will add to your enjoyment of the festive season. Also remember that the band is always on the look out for new members. If you are interested or have an ability to play brass, please come along to the Methodist Church hall on any Thursday evening from 8pm and we will help you get involved. Instruments and instruction are available.



Do you remember Mr Barnes at Lady Manners?

CD of Christmas Carols by Richard Barnes

Richard was a very special person and an exceptional musician. This CD has been produced to pay tribute to him and to enable his compositions to be heard and appreciated by as wide an audience as possible. It contains

24 carols in a variety of styles, composed or arranged by Richard and performed by four local choirs under the direction of Andrew Kirk.

The CD costs £10 (£12 incl p&p) and all the money received from the sale will go to Macmillan Cancer Support and The Royal School of Church Music (RSCM). Any cheques should be made payable to Richard Barnes Christmas CD account.

Copies are available from Linda Fussey, St Vincents, Conksbury Lane, Youlgrave, tel 01629 636793, email lindafussey@yahoo.co.uk.



Christmas events in and around Youlgrave





YOULGRAVE VILLAGE CHRISTMAS MARKET



Saturday 14th December 10.30am - 1.30pm, Village Hall



FREE ADMISSION

Fresh local food, locally produced crafts, locally grown produce and plants.

Seasonal refreshments served. Free Sustainable Youlgrave bag for everyone to celebrate Christmas!! Contact Lucy for a stall or for more information on 01629 630 315 or Lucybcbarnwell@hotmail.co.uk

Youlgrave Wildlife Notes: November 2013

Pheasants use their long necks to

reach bird feeders.

Not much happening with plant life at the moment, although a few wildflowers still produce the odd bloom and the berries are still present in large numbers.

So far only small numbers of winter thrushes have visited the village, though there have been fieldfares on Conksbury Lane and I have had redwings in the garden twice. There were only about three, however, and they didn't stop to taste the delicious holly and cotoneaster berries ready for them. Perhaps I might have some holly berries left for Christmas for a change, though there's plenty of time left? I

did see a huge flock of hundreds many fieldfares near Ramslev Reservoir above Baslow and some flocks have flown over the village without stopping. I have had several reports of large flocks verv starlings doing spectacular evening flights as seen on the telly on many occasions.

These have been seen from Conksbury Lane, over Middleton and the latest report was from Moor Lane on the 26th where they were so close you could not only hear the wings but even feel the draught.

On 4 November I had a report of a goosander on the river at the bottom of Holywell Lane and also two mergansers higher up the river. A kingfisher was reported on the 3rd near Bradford Bridge. The Holywell Lane area has been very busy with reports of both greater spotted and green woodpeckers, nuthatch, bullfinch, two herons apparently having a scrap and two dippers. A sparrowhawk

was seen there carrying a wood pigeon. Not surprisingly it had to keep stopping for rests as a wood pigeon is a large prey, for even a female sparrowhawk. A regular wood pigeon on the feeder there has not been seen since! Other bird of prey sightings include a sparrowhawk in our garden on 31 October and jackdaws mobbing a kestrel above Old Mouth.

All the usual small birds are present in large numbers and my tray feeder has been emptying rapidly. This has been mainly due to jackdaws and collared doves, but also a cock and three hen

pheasants, so I invested in a mesh guard to keep the larger birds off. This has been successful for jackdaws and doves, but pheasants have remarkably long necks.

My bird of the month, a glossy ibis, was seen near the fisherman's car park along the A6. It was very easy to find as there was a large flock of

twitchers nearby. This rare visitor looks a bit like a black curlew on steroids.

In the night sky Orion is clearly visible over the Village Hall and Jupiter has been quite close above it and very bright. Venus has been a very bright evening star in the west.

Finally, a walk down the Dale on the 26th gave two grey wagtails, two dabchicks and a dipper.

My thanks to all contributors and please keep in touch.

lan Weatherley iweatherley@tiscali.co.uk or 636350

Please support the Bugle in 2014

It's that time again when we invite local businesses, community groups and individuals to renew their back page sponsorship for the year ahead. Rates remain unchanged, yet again, 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.

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Food Bank collection in Youlgrave to be trialled

It has been suggested that Youlgrave could be a collecting place for Food Banks. Sadly, Food Banks are becoming a much used resource nowadays. David Figg has offered to put a box in a corner of his shop to collect offerings and then these will be taken to one of the local Food Bank distribution centres: Matlock, Buxton, Clay Cross and Chesterfield. It would be good if we could give this project a trial run up to Christmas, a very expensive time for the kind of people who have to depend on Food Banks. There will be more information in the next Bugle and it can also be obtained by going on-line and looking at the many entries for Food Banks. Food needed is tinned food and dried food, such as cereals, rice, pasta, sugar, biscuits, tea, coffee, long life drinks, (the list is endless!), but NO fresh food. There will be lists of suitable foods to donate by the collecting box. If you feel able to support this project, your help will be very much appreciated. Thank you. Barbara Scrivener

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Youlgrave Carnival update: planning for 2014

Youlgrave Carnival Committee would like to thank the people who attended the 'last chance meeting' held on 7 November, and are most grateful for their commitment in helping to organise next year's Carnival.

The new members have already started to take on responsibilities and bring new ideas to the table, which means we can continue to organise a Carnival for next year. However, there is still room for more people to join us. Our next

meeting will be held on Thursday 9 January at 8.30pm at the Farmyard Inn – we would love to see you there.

In light of the above, we can now confirm the date for next year's Carnival will be **Saturday 28 June**. This is the weekend after we celebrate Welldressings. Hosting Carnival after Welldressings is a tradition in many of our neighbouring villages and one that we hope will become a tradition in Youlgrave with your help.

The move of date, we hope, can be permanent and has been decided as many other carnivals and fetes are now held on our 'old' date of second week in July. By moving the date forward we hope we will be able to improve on activities and entertainment during the day making it a more enjoyable day for all.

It is not planned to have a 'Carnival Week' in 2014. Instead of this, we plan to hold fundraisers throughout the year – the first fundraiser being on Saturday 25 January.

This first event is an 'Auction of



Promises & Prizes Night' with a sit-down Chinese Buffet included in the ticket price and it is to be held at the Farmyard Inn. This fundraiser is to help raise money towards the Youlgrave Defibrillator Fund, along with funds towards the organising of next year's carnival. Please note this is a ticket only event and we would recommend that you buy your tickets early to avoid disappointment, as we only have limited seating available. Tickets will be on sale from the Farmyard Inn or through Leah Brindley (077451 48993) or Sarah Hill (07870 705394).

If you can donate a prize or contribute a promise that we can auction, please let Carnival Committee know. Contact details are shown below.

We would like to thank you for your continued support and hope to see new and old faces in 2014.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Youlgrave Carnival Committee
Email: youlgravecarnival@hotmail.com

Tel: 077451 48993

Children in Need at All Saints' CE Primary School



On Friday 15 November all the children from All Saints' Primary School came to school wearing their pyjamas to raise money for Children in Need. We started the day off with a parade of our pyjamas. Then we had a whole school treasure hunt looking for Pudsey bears hidden all

around the school. Bradford house found the most Pudsey bears and won 50 house points! We are still finding them around school now! In the morning each class went out to put coins on a large Pudsey bear. Thank you to all the people who put coins on as they passed by our school gates.







In the afternoon we carried on the fun. Each class had made their own games for all the children to play. We had guess the name of the teddy, target games, pin the mouth on Pudsey, Pudsey pairs and much more. At the end of the school day we had a cake sale and all the cakes had gone by 4 o'clock it was a great success.

A big thank you to the

School Council (pictured above) for organising a great day with lots of fun activities to support Children in Need. And thank you to all the people who helped up to raise a fantastic amount of £225.87.

Report from Youlgrave Parish Council

The Parish Council met on 26 November and is pleased to report an overwhelming response to the defibrillator fund. It has also organised a meeting on 10 December to progress the village website and installation of our SITA-funded Multi Use Games Area will be completed shortly – see full reports in this edition.

The final six parish bins are being put in place and labelled with the clerk's contact number for residents to report when they need refilling. A reminder please that bins not marked with a Youlgrave Parish Council number are directly refilled by Derbyshire County Council and will need reporting to them when empty. Our stock of grit bags available for parishioners to purchase at Youlgrave Garage at the discounted price of £2 per bag is disappearing. Please note once this pallet is empty, a

price increase will be inevitable on the next pallet due to the manufacturer's seasonal increase.

Following our request for information about the arson attack last month we are pleased to note that liability was admitted by the person responsible to PC Hyde and payment for the damage agreed.

The first real increase in the Precept (the local parish tax) since 2008 was agreed by Council. Our new annual commitment to providing grit and a contribution to the next playing field project for a BMX trail will see a rise of approximately £3.97 per property for the year commencing next April.

Our next meeting is on 28 January at 7.15pm in the Reading Room.

Matthew Lovell Clerk

More Youlgrave bowling success – so why not come and try it for yourself?

Youlgreave Crown Green Bowls Club had another very good year, helped by some good weather, but mainly by good team performances. The Wednesday 'A' team, led by non-playing captain John Wragg, won the second division cup and got promotion to the first division. The Wednesday 'B' team, led by captain Mick Partridge, won the fourth division cup and got promotion to the third division. Both these successes were in the Chesterfield and District Bowls League.

Youlgreave Bowls Club is open to all ages, male and female. Bowls is a very enjoyable and social activity and anyone interested should contact any member for details or come to the green during the bowling season, which is from the end of March to the end of September. You will be made most welcome and bowls are available for beginners.





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Friday 6 December at 7.30pm, Youlgrave Village Hall

News from Youlgrave Beekeepers

The bees are settling for the winter as the weather gets colder. They have filled their hives with stores of honey and in each hive we have left extra fondant supplies, in case the winter is as long as last year's. On warmer winter days they will eat stores and venture outside to relieve themselves. On colder days and weeks they will cluster and keep warm together, until it freezes, and being cold blooded their little bodies stop temporarily (stasis). If you haven't done so already, why not plant more snowdrops and crocus for when they fly again in Spring? When we help our bees, we do, of course, help all pollinators.

New all-weather sports pitch for playing fields

A Multi Use Games Area for football, tennis, basketball and other games

Earlier this year Youlgrave Parish Council was successful in its bid for £25,000 from the SITA Trust to convert one of the two existing tennis courts on the Alport Lane playing fields into a 'Multi Use Games Area' or MUGA.

The MUGA will be a durable, all-weather artificial pitch marked out for a range of sports, including football, tennis and basketball. With goals and hoops, it will be entirely fenced, but access will be free and it will be permanently open. It is hoped that individuals and groups will make use of the facility, including Youlgrave School and the village's various sporting teams. A rota may be have to be drawn up for priority use at peak times.

The remaining tennis court will be kept exclusively for tennis and open for anyone who wants to enjoy the sport, whatever time of the year.

On the top side of the MUGA sleeper seating has been installed for spectators.



Youlgrave's MUGA under construction.



What the finished MUGA will look like.

The Parish Council is also looking for volunteers to help re-clad and re-felt the existing wooden shelter next to the pitch as our community contribution to this project.

The Parish Council's successful bid follows two unsuccessful applications for funding to Sport England. The SITA Trust operates under the Landfill Communities Fund and part of the requirement was that the Parish Council should make a financial contribution of £4,100 to the overall project. SITA Trust funding was only possible because the Parish Council dedicated the grounds a Queen Elizabeth II Playing Field last year.

The Council is especially grateful for the support of Youlgrave Tennis Club, who agreed that one of the existing tennis courts could be redeveloped and shared with other users. The Council remains committed to supporting the club and encouraging more people to play tennis in Youlgrave.



Above: A plan of the layout of the new MUGA and how it is marked-up for different sports. The remaining tennis court is on the right.

New Youlgrave website – please get involved!

The Parish Council is holding an informal public meeting to discuss its ideas for developing a new village website – for the benefit local residents, businesses, community groups and visitors alike. We already have a small grant towards the project, some outline ideas for likely layout and content, and a web designer on board to create the site, but we want local people to be centrally involved and ultimately help write, edit and maintain the on-line material.

We are meeting on **Tuesday 10 December** at the **Reading Room** at **7.30pm**. Everyone is welcome and you don't need to be an internet wizard – just have some creative ideas or simply be prepared to contribute in some way. We particularly want community groups and organisations to use the new website to promote their activities, attract new members, fund-raise, and so on.

If you can't make the meeting but still want to get involved or know more please contact Parish Clerk Matthew Lovell on 01629 636151 or email youlgraveclerk@btinternet.com.

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Church Farm Diary, December 2013

that it is similar to this month. does.

That is life on a farm – the months and weather dictate what goes on. You may think that it is this month is for an easy party pudding, boring, always knowing what to do, but it isn't. so not much cooking is involved. I hope There is always the unexpected that you have to be aware of, like snow and storms, hoping that Christmas. the roofs on the buildings are secure and all the stock under cover; or illness and that have we | GOLDEN CRUNCH LAYER the right medicines; and of course calving that 3 oz Bourneville plain chocolate will be start shortly after Christmas.

Sarah, with the help of Lucy, has the job of feeding the bought-in calves, though we all help when needed. These calves are on powdered milk, as they have been brought in from a farm. It is always best to get calves straight from a farm and not a market, as they can catch many germs, then they take a lot of rearing. These calves are fed with a large trough that has 10 teats, the milk is poured in and they suck the milk as though it is a cow. This is a lot easier than individually feeding with buckets like I used to do - as Joseph says "in the olden days"! Then you had to get the calf to suck your fingers and try to lower its head into the milk to make him suck. This was always difficult, as the natural way for a calf to suck is with its head held up to the cow. You would get bitten fingers and chapped hands and when the calf was getting stronger your fingers would get knocked against the bucket, but it's a pleasure feeding now.

As many of you know, Michael is not one to give presents, but the other day he decided that I would like a surprise, not a box of chocolate or a bunch of flowers, but a domestic steam cleaner (more work!). If it's not practical I can't the fruit on top of the cream.

I have just been looking at the have it. Anyway, I have put it to work, diary for last December and find trying to find some dirt as the advert

> As Christmas is nearly with us the recipe you all have a happy and healthy **Marjorie Shimwell**

4 oz butter

3 tbsp golden syrup

4oz icing sugar sieved

1 small orange

60z cornflakes

1/2 double cream

14 oz can peaches or mandarin oranges 2—7 inch loose bottomed cake tins, well areased

Break the chocolate into pieces and melt with the butter and syrup in a large pan. Stir in the sieved icing sugar and the finely grated rind of the orange. Crush the cornflakes slightly before adding them too. Stir well so that they are completely coated in chocolate. Divide the mixture evenly between the tins, flattening a little with a knife, avoid crushing it too much. Leave in a cold place for a couple of hours or overnight. Whip the cream until it will hold its shape. Warm the base of the tins quickly to loosen the chocolate mixture. Turn out on to a plate, spread half the cream on the first cake and divide the fruit on top then put the second cake on top with cream and arrange the rest of

News from Youlgrave Community Land Trust

As you know, Derbyshire Dales District Council is providing financial support for Youlgrave Community Land Trust's (YCLT) affordable housing development at Conksbury Lane. We are very grateful for this vote of confidence in our work. We expect to be on site in the new year (probably February) with completion of the houses before next winter. An exciting feature of the scheme is the proposed community orchard and we'd love to hear from people who want to be involved. because it will be owned and managed by YCLT. But I also want to encourage more people to join us. We have nearly 200 members already, which shows how much local support there is for the housing scheme.

Let me remind you how YCLT works. First, it is community-controlled and owned. Anybody living in Youlgrave and the Bradford Valley, including occupiers of properties YCLT owns, can join, and the Board is working hard to engage villagers in YCLT's future development. Second, although YCLT members control the assets, we are a 'not for profit' organisation and any surplus cannot be paid to

members but must be used to the further benefit of the community. Third, YCLT's job is to provide permanently affordable housing and other assets for the village. So the CLT will have a long-term stewardship

In the short term, though, we have very limited financial resources. The housing grants can only be used for that purpose and we have little money for daily running costs like meeting rooms, accountancy and our new website (www.voulgraveclt.org.uk). We will soon be undertaking some fundraising events (watch this space!) and we will welcome any donations that people feel able to make - there have been one or two already. The experience of other CLTs is that because they exist solely for community benefit, people who have a long -standing connection with the village, even if they no longer live there, have made donations or bequests of money or property to the CLT, as a way of investing in the future of the village they love. We hope that in time Youlgrave folk will come to see Youlgrave CLT as a way of putting something back into our beautiful village.

David Frederickson

Pommy's got talent! Help fundraise for the Garden.

We are planning a Sunday afternoon 'talent' concert to fundraise for Bankside Wildlife Garden. So if you can sing, play an instrument, tell a story, read a poem – or have any other hidden talent - this concert is for you! A date has still got to be confirmed but will be late February/early March. So watch out for further details. But contact Maggie on 636189 if you think you could be interested. This is for adults – AND children!

Thanks to everyone who did the November working morning on the garden. It's now all ready to face the winter. Sadly there has been more vandalism with the dial hand on the sundial broken off. It will cost nearly £100 to replace! Our insurers have now insisted that no unaccompanied children should be allowed into the garden. Maggie

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It was with great sadness that our members heard of the sudden death of Carol Sampson, a well-loved friend of many, and greatly loved Mum of Michael. We shall all miss her cheerful face and friendly manner, and also her immense sense of fun.

November was extremely busy, with the long-awaited and successful Coffee Morning, involving months of team effort. Our meeting welcomed Cath Jones and Pam Walker, both W.I. members, who presented a very clear and informative picture of their respective experiences with eye laser surgery at The Hallam Vision Centre. The accompanying AGM brought a heartening report by our President, Secretary and Treasurer on the events and status of 2013. Thanks were given from Gloria to Jennifer, Kate and Lucy for their great contributions to Youlgrave W.I. and to all the Committee members, especially Jean Stacey.

We also hosted the W.I. Area Group meeting, providing suppers for nearly 90



The W.I. kitchen crew.



Youlgrave W.I. President Mrs Gloria McCaul with The Duke of Devonshire, special guest at last month's W.I. Area Group meeting in Youlgrave.

ladies from other villages and Bakewell. All agreed that the talk by The Duke of Devonshire on the history, art and family connections of Chatsworth was most enlightening.

November Supper Club, an early Christmas party, literally raised the Reading Room roof with laughter. A Christmas quiz, beetle drive, charades, parcel-passing (or not!) and a risqué monologue, plus a shared feast, saw a nearly full turnout of members, plus friends and family. The pink balloon game shall remain a secret joy, but evidence may be obtained from our photographer Wendy Barton.

On 10 December we hold the second party at our regular meeting, with a super shared supper and entertainment to look forward to. Additionally, we are also hosting the Group Carol service in Church on Friday 13 December at 7.30pm and all are welcome. On 14 January we have a talk from villager Ingrid Newman, with the promise of truly emotional

River Bradford news

Since the meeting in the Top Chapel two years ago, a lot has happened. By now most of you know about - or will indeed have - Christine Gregory's beautiful book A River in Time. The book is on sale at Parkers and can also be ordered on-line at www.riverintime.org.uk. We decided to produce the book, with the help of the Peak District National Park and Grafika, as it became increasingly obvious that there was so much about our river to be discovered: its history, ecology, wildlife and of course the people who have lived in and around its valley. Partly as a result of the Youlgrave river initiative, the Peak District National Park set up the White Peak Rivers group to look at all of the issues affecting the limestone rivers in the White Peak. Already, there have been some very exciting discoveries and work has been started on areas relating to the health and well-being of the Lathkill. The river Bradford is next on the list!

A year ago the Environment Agency (EA) was invited to meet with BRAG (the Bradford River Action Group) after residents suggested the possibility of leaks from the Bradford into the sewage pipe belonging to the Severn Trent Water (STW) which runs parallel with the river down the whole valley. The EA asked Severn Trent to look into this. Sure enough, precious water is being lost from the river and actually finding its way into the sewer pipe, to be treated at a cost by STW at their Picory Corner works.

The Rivers 'Roadshow'

Over the next three months there will be a series of open meetings, hosted by the White Peak Rivers Group, which BRAG are a part of, to discuss the exciting developments to help restore flow to the Lathkill. The group will be represented by the EA, Haddon Estate, Natural England,



The dry swimming pool in October 2011.

the Peak District National Park Authority, Lathkill Dale Shoot and the Limestone Research Consultancy.

The first of these meetings will take place in Monyash on Monday 9 December at 7pm in the village hall. Subsequent meetings will be held in Sheldon, Youlgrave and Bakewell. Please keep an eye out in the Bugle for when the group comes to Youlgrave, sometime after the pantomime season. *Maggie Ford*

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Could fracking come to Youlgrave?

My friend Ginny loves 'Right Move', fantasising about dream properties she could not possibly afford and, as she says, getting a feel for house prices in her area. So I was fascinated to find www.wrongmove.org during one of my own, rare net-surfing moments. It turned out to be Greenpeace's site where you can feed in your postcode to see if it is on the government's list of areas where fracking could take place. Given Youlgrave's situation in a National Park. the fragile ecology of both Dark and White Peaks and the unique nature of the area's geology, I felt confident that Pommie would be safe from the frackers. So I was disturbed and deeply disappointed to find that the village is in an area that the government is considering for possible fracking. Feeding in further local postcodes revealed that South Derbyshire, the Matlock area, the Hope Valley, right up through Buxton, Glossop and virtually the whole of the Stockport postcode area were also on the list.

Cynically I thought that Green Peace might have rigged the site so that the whole country appeared to be at risk, but a trawl through my address book showed that, in fact, several areas were unlikely to be fracked. These included Aberdeenshire, Inverness, the Borders, some of Northants, Bedford and St Albans, most of Devon and all of West Oxfordshire... which just so happens to be the Prime Minister's constituency. An awful lot of the rest of the country seems to be at risk; go through your own address book and see what happens.

I emailed Tony Favell, Chair of the Board of the Peak Park and Edale resident, to ask for the official Park line on fracking and the eventual reply appears superficially reassuring. The British Geological Survey indicates that the only suitable areas are beneath Bleaklow and Howden Moors and a small area to the west of Kinder Scout; and more easily accessible areas would be explored before these. The National Planning Policy Framework's current policy on all major development within the boundaries of national parks is that planning will be refused except in "exceptional circumstances" where they can be demonstrated to be "in the public interest". Peak Park mineral extraction policy states that no new mineral extraction will be permitted - except for fluorspar and stone for domestic use except in "exceptional circumstances". A paragraph in the current Park development plan draft document exists, it seems, to ensure that "management criteria" are in place to deal with any "unconventional hydrocarbon (shale gas) proposals" that come forward. It now waits to be seen if the British Geological Survey identifies any significant deposits of shale gas AFTER exploratory works.

Too many get-out clauses here. Too many "exceptional circumstances", too many unexplained criteria and who would entertain the idea of even exploratory work on the magnificence of Bleaklow, Howden and Kinder? Of course, there is a shale overlay on Youlgrave's underlying rocks, which were in part responsible for

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Mondays	Yoga with Michele (815168), Village Hall,		Youlgrave Reading Room, 10am
	4.55-6.25pm	Thurs	Yoga with Iris Pimm, 9.30-11.30am
Tuesdays	Art Club, 10am-12 noon, ring		Beginners class 7-8.30pm, The
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Tuesdays	Yoga with Iris Pimm (636341), The Barn,	Thurs	Youlgrave Silver Band, Methodist
	Greenfields Farm, 7-9pm		School Room, 8pm
Tuesdays	Youlgrave Bell Ringers practice night,	2nd Mon	Mobile Library, Mt Pleasant 9.25-9.40am,
	All Saints Church, 7.30-9pm		Bradford Dale 9.45-9.50am, Grove Place 9.55
Tuesdays	Scouts 7-8.30pm, Scout Hall	-	10.15am, Holywell Lane 10.20- 10.40am, The
Mon-Fri	Youlgrave Playschool, Scout & Community		Pinfold, Middleton, 10.50-11.20am
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Weds	Drawing and painting classes, Youlgrave		Village Hall, 7.30pm (636353)
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Weds	Bingo, Youlgrave Reading Room, 7.30pm		Matlock & District Citizens Advice Bureau,
Weds	Beavers 5-6pm, Cubs 6.15-7.30pm,		Youlgrave Medical Centre, 9.30am-12.30pm

the deadly gas of the Mawstone Mine Disaster, so even here we may not be as safe from "exploratory work" as we think we are.

It is illegal for drilling companies to drill under your house if you do not give your written consent. The same applies to farmland. You can join the Greenpeace campaign, sign their document, refusing to consent to exploratory drilling under your property but, better still, the community needs a united response, should the threat ever become a reality. Whatever your stance on fracking, the matter needs careful consideration, we must be aware of the economic forces around us and be ready to act should the need arise.

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