



The

Bugle



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Alport, Middleton and Youlgrave**

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New housing scheme up and running

On Friday 10 April Youlgrave Community Land Trust (YCLT) hosted the official launch of the Conksbury Lane housing scheme. Lillian Clark cut the ribbon, assisted by Poppy Prince, our current Carnival Queen. We thanked all the organisations who have helped us along the way: the Homes and Communities Agency for our Government grant, Derbyshire Dales District Council for finding £300,000 of extra capital to help us achieve a higher sustainability level, Peak District Rural Housing Association for being such steadfast partners, Lindum our builders who everyone agreed did an excellent job, and innumerable people from the village who have supported the project from the beginning.

So in its first two years YCLT has brought £1.2 million of investment to the village. Many people have commented how well-constructed the houses are and how good they look in the street scene. The new residents of Hannah Bowman Way will bring new life to Youlgrave, strengthen the local economy and support the school. They all come from the village and one new resident commented that she had grown up with four of her new neighbours. We warmly welcome them to their new homes.

The landscaped part of the site is being seeded as a wildflower meadow,



Poppy Prince and Lillian Clark cut the ribbon, with Cllr Carol Walker.

then managed by YCLT as a community orchard. We have offers of tree donations from a number of people who want to dedicate a tree to a relative. Trees might also commemorate the men of the village who died in the two world wars and Youlgrave School want to be involved in the planting which will commence in the autumn. *YCLT*

More views about the new housing on page 7

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YOULGREAVE BOWLING CLUB

Mid Summer Sponsored Bowling Marathon

A number of bowlers will be sponsored to bowl from dawn until dusk at Youlgreave bowling green to raise money for Youlgreave Bowls Club and Ashgate Hospice. Watch out for bowlers with their sponsor forms and give generously please.

Midsummer's Day, Sunday 21 June, from 6am until 9pm.

Everyone is welcome to join us for a fun day – come along and support the bowlers and join in bowling.

Child friendly area, plenty of seating.

During the day there will be 'early' bacon butties and a bar, plus BBQ, hot and cold drinks and light music.



Youlgrave Village Hall

Annual General Meeting

18th May at 7pm

Everyone welcome.

For more information see yvvh.org.uk/agm or details are on our noticeboard outside the hall.

Plants for Pollinators/Bees

On the village website there is now a complete list of all plants that encourage pollinators to your land, from the tiniest flowers to trees.

Click on Groups/Youlgrave Beekeeping Group/Plants to encourage bees



WANTED: Old fashioned fire guard, please call Janet Shimwell on 636402.

Welldressing – Coldwell End

There will be a pre Well Dressing meeting for all the Coldwell End team – that's anyone who ever has helped or wishes to help – on Monday 1 June at 7.30pm, Brambleside, Brookleton, Youlgrave.

Please come along.

“Thank you”

Dave and Margaret Birds marked 50 years of marriage last month with a celebration at Youlgrave Village Hall. £250 was raised on the evening, which will go towards the maintenance of the village defibrillators. A huge thank you to everyone who came along and donated so generously.

Middleton-by-Youlgrave

Well Dressing and Market Day, Saturday 23 May

By the time you are reading this the Middleton well boards will be in the sheepwash, getting a good soaking ready for the clay. For the well dressing this year we will again be using petalling by numbers, making it easy for anyone – no previous experience required – to come and help when they can. Middleton residents are particularly encouraged to come along to the playground shed to help in any free moments during the week starting 17 May. The shed is lit at night to encourage evening helpers.

We're hoping the weather will be kinder this year (last year it rained all day!) on Saturday 23rd as the huge plant stall will need to be emptied ready for next year. The market will also feature the usual attractions: stalls, food and activities for all.

All profits from the stalls, which are considerable as most produce is donated, help to bolster village funds, the majority of which go to maintenance of the playground and village hall. The plant stall and teas in the village hall carry on through the extended weekend and the well dressing will remain up until the end of the week, weather permitting.

If you've any questions please ring Pete Tapping on 01629 636625.



Don't miss

Support your local band

YOULGRAVE SILVER BAND CONCERT

with Monologues

MAY 14th at 7.30pm

and a performance from the new learning band

YOULGRAVE METHODIST CHAPEL

£5 Entrance

New bench in memory of Charlie Bacon

There is not a day goes by that my Uncle Charlie isn't thought of with love. The two years since we lost 'our Charlie' have been extremely tough... unbearable at times; but together as a family we have had no choice but to muddle on. As you will remember, Charlie loved the hills and dales of Youlgrave – walking and his allotment were his life. Some of you may also remember a shed sale we held where we sold Charlie's shed contents in a bid to raise money to purchase a memorial bench. The sale went well and raised just over £300 and thanks to everyone that supported us.

It was on this day that we found some old rusty bench ends deep within Charlie's shed and it was decided that instead of purchasing a bench with no real meaning we would lovingly restore Charlie's bench ends, then donate all of the money we had raised with your support to the British Heart Foundation, a charity close to our family's heart.

For the bench my brother had the ends sandblasted; my mum painted them; my husband made and refitted the slats; and I stained them! We thought there was no better tribute to him than to resurrect something he once loved.

The bench, now complete, has been fitted opposite the top allotments where the old bench sat, next to the footpath down Spring Lane that he once trod. The photograph (above) of Charlie and his friends was taken many years ago and they are sat in the same spot on the old bench before it was stolen. Today we have fitted Charlie's bench ready for the summer season, so please sit on the bench, look over to the allotments, listen to the sound of the birds singing and think of 'our Charlie' - missed but not forgotten and in our hearts forever.

Katy Wayne



Above: Charlie (centre) with John Roper and Mick Roper. Picture below: the new bench.

Badminton: A group of badminton players meet at 10am on Thursdays in the village hall for an hour of fun and exercise with rackets and shuttlecocks... we even connect the two sometimes!

We are a friendly group of mixed ability – beginners, players and returners – and we would welcome all to join us.

Although we all like to win, it is not a pressured event, just good fun. So dig out those rackets and come and give it a try. Either just turn up or call Pam on 636032.

Opening of new Youlgrave homes

On April 10th all the suits were gathered in the sunshine for the opening of the housing. There were suits that had designed, modified, seen through planning, advised, built, overseen, encouraged, supported, financed, observed, facilitated – about 60 altogether! In amongst them all, wandering up the street, I noticed some young people who I thought might be housing applicants and also their parents heading for an inspection.

I approached a young woman who'd I'd not spoken to for a long while – had she got a house? She had! I asked which one and immediately her eyes filled. "I can't believe it, it's the one I asked for – I'm just so happy" and the tears rolled down her face and she laughed and cried all in one smile. Small gaggles of people gathered and played the game of asking if they could look around each other's houses. They all knew each other. They were all pleased. I think they all felt lucky.

Youlgrave CLT Board Member



Dear Readers

Wednesday 8th April just finished tea at Mums and decided to take a stroll along Conksbury Lane and noticed the fencing around the new housing development had been taken down allowing access so decided to have a nosey around. What a shock, I couldn't quite believe how poor the quality of the workmanship on these houses is. The stone has not been dressed, the pointing is atrocious, Paving is uneven and loose and the Dry stone walling will be lucky to survive the winter, huge mastic joints around window frames there's just nothing done well. I just feel the people of Youlgrave should be if not already made aware of the poor quality workmanship. Some will wonder what qualifies me to make judgement and all I will say is those who know me know I am qualified.

Matthew Slater



Youlgrave allotment thefts

Towards the end of April a number of chickens were stolen from a plot at the Parish Council's allotments at Coldwell End. The incident has been reported to the Police who are investigating. Local residents who keep chickens are being urged to remain vigilant and report any suspicious activity to the Police on 999.

YOULGRAVE'S CAFÉ

Open 9am - 1pm on Thursday, 14 May in the Reading Room

Coffee, tea, juice, cakes, scones, teacakes, newspapers, a bit of bric-a-brac, a raffle.

Come to relax

Come to start the day

Come with a friend

Come with lots of friends

Come for a souper lunch

Come to support Christian Aid

YOULGRAVE BAND PROGRESS

Our learners group of 7 players started with a bump as on the first session in January our teaching conductor unfortunately went sick for the summer. Not to lose the fantastic, enthusiastic talent at the door, we muddled through, then organised ourselves, and now the new group will proudly play their first performance at our forthcoming concert on 14 May at the Methodist Hall (see notice on page 5).

John Roper has kindly stood in as our conductor for the summer and organised a traditional concert, together with monologues from his friend.

We need supporters as well as players. There's no use playing to an empty hall, so come, join us, and enjoy a fun evening.

Youlgrave Silver Band – forthcoming engagements

- Thurs 14 May, Methodist Chapel concert, 7.30pm
- Sat 20 June, Youlgrave Well dressing Parade, 2.30pm
- Sun 21 June, Youlgrave concert, Wesleyan Chapel, 7pm
- Sat 27 June, Youlgrave Carnival (playing field), 3pm

We also need a percussionist and some cornet instruments, suitable for learners to use, so please get in touch if anyone can help. Also, it is not too late for anyone else who wants to learn an instrument to join us at the Methodist Hall, Colwell End, at 7pm each Thursday.

Judith Orchard (Sec) 630202

Walking for Health (Youlgreave group) - update

Spring is here, the swallows are back, lambs are appearing in the fields, hopefully the weather will start to improve and warm up, and our thoughts turn to getting out and about. We (Pete Tapping and Linda Neale) thought the time was right to remind you all about the 'Walking for Health Group' that meet in Youlgreave.

The group has continued to walk throughout the winter with a hardcore of six local walkers, plus Pete and myself, meeting on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. We have braved some cold days, but everyone has enjoyed getting together for some fresh air, socialising and not to forget the walk.

Although originally we walked mainly in the Youlgreave, Bradford and the Lathkill area, over the winter we have started to spread our wings and in recent weeks walked on Stanton Moor, around Robin Hood's Stride and most recently a circular walk around the village of Winster (see picture courtesy of Pete).

As you can see it was a bit windy on the tops, but the views were spectacular and by the time we were walking back to the cars up the Limestone Way it had warmed up and some outer layers were being peeled off.

The pace of the walks has been set by the walkers themselves and walking as part of a group is a good way to start and get active. You will find that everyone encourages each other to keep going. Remember the walks are



free and led by trained walk leaders.

Some of our walkers have also taken part in the monthly celebration walks that are arranged on a monthly basis at different areas throughout Derbyshire Dales.

So if you would like to get active please come along and join us you will be made very welcome.

We meet at 10.30am at Coldwell End Car Park, Youlgreave. The walks are held on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month, the dates of the walks till the end of June 2015 are as follows: 12th and 26th May, 9th and 23rd June.

If you would like more information please contact Pete Tapping (mobile 0775 2463918) or Linda Neale (01629 650625).

For further details about Walking for Health across the Derbyshire Dales contact Howard Griffith: Walking for Health Officer, email howard.griffith@derbyshiredales.gov.uk or tel 01629 761194 or visit www.derbyshiredales.gov.uk/walkingforhealth

All Saints' Church,
Youlgrave

FLOWER FESTIVAL

20-25 June 2015

All Saints' Church, Youlgrave, will be holding a Flower Festival in June with the theme "Inspired by...."

The aim is to enhance the beauty of our Church with flowers at a time when Youlgrave has many people visiting the village to see our marvellous welldressings.

We would welcome sponsorship of our floral displays to celebrate someone's life or to celebrate a special birthday, anniversary or other occasion. We would put a label by the side of each display giving the name of the sponsors, unless anyone wanted their sponsorship to remain anonymous.

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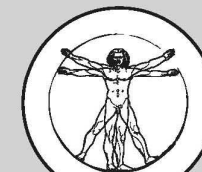
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And check out the village website
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The W.I. Just gets busier

Our April meeting was another floral extravaganza with Jennifer, Judy, Ann and Elizabeth being skilfully creative and advising us as we filled various jugs/bowls/cups with the bright flowers of Springtime, rounded off with a delicious buffet. Several of us visited Great Longstone for a group meeting with a lovely summery meal, a doodling contest (which we won), a quiz (which we didn't) and a marvellous talk by Louise Page on the Utility goods and our eating habits, etc, introduced during post-war rationing. We were all fascinated by her knowledge and her descriptions of the famous CC41 clothing, parachute undies, 'futility' corsets and the equally unpopular household furniture of that era.

The Bunny evening was the usual mixture of fun and chaos, raising funds



Springtime flower arrangements

for the Church improvements, and Jean Stacey's team worked wonders to feed us all with the amazing pie and peas, while other W.I. members provided a great raffle and prizes, with Judith Rimmer bravely 'supervising' the 14 games.

May Supper Club, on 28 May, will be very different from any other – a chance to try your hand at bell-ringing with David Camm, starting at the Reading Room. The May meeting will be held at the Village Hall on Tuesday 12 May at 7.30pm and is our annual Resolutions Meeting, with Barbara Dakin MBE also delivering a talk entitled 'Oh Mum, what have I done?!'

Details of the May craft group meetings will be sent to members shortly.

Next month we will report on the April area Quiz and the rag-rugging Supper Club.

Many more outings/events are planned in this Centenary year, including a Tea party on Wednesday 13 May for both former and current members.

If you would like to find out more about Youlgrave W.I., please contact any member or come to a meeting and you will be very welcome.

Liz Hickman

Jog Run Youlgrave

Now the days are longer and in the hope that more people can come along, we're moving to **Tuesday evening at 6:30pm.**

Jogging and running for absolute beginners and all runners.

Meet at the Scout and Community Hut (outside because it's Scouts meeting night). Every Tuesday from 18:30 to 19:30 - ring me if you'd like to get out at another time.

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Everyone welcome - free. Any enquiries contact Pete Tapping on 0775 2463918.

Youlgrave Parish Council report

With the final meeting of Council after the print deadline and the imminent election, a condensed report follows.

Last month saw the completion of the Holywell Lane toilet block refurbishment and the noticeboard back in use, plus the access path alongside the river from Bankside to King Street finished.

Council would like to thank Charlie Bacon's family for donating the memorial bench opposite the top allotments which replaces the one stolen last year (see page 6).

Allotments: we currently have plots vacant. If you wish to apply for a plot please contact the Clerk by letter or email giving your address in the parish. Plots are offered in order of oldest application date.

The Chairman's statement on the

year's events presented to the Annual Parish meeting will be in the June edition of the Bugle.

The Clerk would like to take this opportunity to thank all councillors past and present for their support during the first ten years of his employment in this parish.

The first meeting of the new Council is on Tuesday 19 May at 7.15pm in the Committee Room of the Village Hall.

Matthew Lovell

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PARISH AND DISTRICT COUNCIL ELECTIONS 2015

Elections are on **Thursday 7 May** and the Polling Station for Youlgrave is the Village Hall on Holywell Lane (voting to take place between 7am-10pm).

ELECTION OF PARISH COUNCILLORS FOR YOULGRAVE (NUMBER TO BE ELECTED IS TEN)

Lillian **CLARK**

Anne **CROASDELL**

Graham **ELLIOTT**

Nicola Jane **HUMPHREYS**

Andrew Brian **MCCLOY**

Glenys Ann **MOORE**

Richard Thomas **ROPER**

Rob **SCOTT**

Brian **WARDLE**

Anthony Richard **WILKIN**

Ralph Rowan Barrymore **WILSON**

John **WRAGG**

ELECTION OF DERBYSHIRE DALES DISTRICT COUNCILLOR FOR LATHKILL AND BRADFORD WARD (NUMBER TO BE ELECTED IS ONE)

Graham **ELLIOTT**

David Alan
FREDERICKSON
(Independent)

A walk through Youlgrave: Part 1 - Alport Lane

This is the first in a new series of articles that takes a closer look at the buildings, the people and the history of Youlgrave. We begin with a walk into the village along Alport Lane in the company of Peter Knowles.

Let's look at Youlgrave, our village, and what makes it so special. Approaching up Alport Hill you can appreciate how the village is raised on a fairly level plateau above the two river valleys, the Lathkill and the Bradford. This raised location adds to the village's unique character and provides wonderful views of the surrounding countryside. The disadvantage for many centuries was the lack of drinking water on the (limestone) plateau, so water had to be carried uphill from the springs in the valley. Now of course it's piped into our homes, thanks to Youlgrave Waterworks and Severn Trent Water. Lead rakes which ran under the village have been worked since ancient times until the early 20th century and provided work for villagers. These were worked as opencast then filled in or marked the line of mining.

We are standing at the top of Alport Hill. On our left and set back from the road is one of the finest buildings in the

village, **Raenstor Close**, built in 1911 for the Misses M.H. & A. Melland. It is a large stone-built house in the Arts and Crafts architectural style, which must have seemed strange in Youlgrave at the time. The house overlooks Bradford Dale and the Raenstor Rock near Alport. The design was by Mr Ibberson of Sheffield and the builder was Frederick Gladstone Nuttall. A short lime tree avenue leads to the impressive entrance gateway, which has ornamental iron gates flanked by curved walls featuring stone carvings by Charles Webster showing 'Animals charmed by Orpheus'. The stable block and cottage adjacent to Alport Lane are in the same attractive style.

Miss Mary Hoyle Melland (born 1851) was the eldest daughter of William Edward Melland (born in Youlgrave in 1820). He died at Middleton Hall in 1904 after living and working in Manchester, where he owned a cotton and linen business employing 800 people. He married twice and had 10 children in all. Mary Hoyle Melland and her younger sister Annie (born 1859) were generous benefactors to the village. In 1930 they donated the Playing Field of 7.5 acres which backs on to Raenstor Close's garden. Together with Mrs Waterhouse of Lomberdale, they also gave the Village Hall, which was built in 1909, then restored and extended in 2005.

Granby House, further along Alport Lane on the right, dates from the early 1900s and was built as a guest house (Youlgrave had become attractive to



Miss M. H. Melland and her builders (courtesy of 'The Spirit of Youlgrave and Alport' by Bridget Ardley and Mary Bartlett)



Granby House – previously a guest house, doctor's surgery and stocking factory.

visitors thanks to the Midland Railway at Rowsley). The house later became a doctors surgery, used successively by five doctors during the 20th century; then it became a stocking factory and eventually an Abbeyfield older peoples' home, the ownership later being transferred to the Granby House (Youlgrave and District) Society Ltd. It was officially opened by Prince Charles and Diana, Princess of Wales, in April 1990. They travelled here by helicopter which landed on the playing field. Opposite Granby House is the modern **Doctors Surgery** (1995) designed by Mitchell Proctor Architects of Chesterfield, replacing a large vehicle-repair shed on the site. Before 1911 there was little on Alport Lane to obscure the view of All Saints Parish Church. Nowadays the houses on New Road, developed in the 1930s, partly hide the Church but not its 15th century tower which stands proud, the best church tower in the county.

The modern light industrial factory next to Granby House was built in 1988 and is commonly known as the **Asquith Studio**. It was occupied by Brian and Barbara Asquith's Silversmith and design business, later by Phil Wildbore's

Monkee Jeans company. Sadly, it is now empty and for sale.

All Saints C of E Primary School of 1868 has Early-English Gothic-style windows popular in Victorian times. It was designed by Mr Rollinson of Chesterfield and built by local builder 'Old Will' Shimwell. The School was used for the official reception when many local people met the Royals in April 1990. At the east side of the school is the modern **Scout Hut** built in 1981, designed by local Architect Gordon Coupe. East of the Scout Hut is a single storey dwelling called **Old Stone Masons Cottage** which describes its former use as Henry Carson's monumental masons workshop. Opposite the school is **William IV House**, formerly the Thornhill Arms public house from 1881 and previously known as the William IV Inn.

Pictures of many of the buildings mentioned in this series of articles can be seen in the excellent book *The Spirit of Youlgrave and Alport* by local writers Bridget Ardley and Mary Bartlett (Landmark Publishing Ltd, 2003).

In the next issue: Gordon Coupe takes us on a walk along Church Street.



All Saints School, built in 1868.



Church Farm Diary, May 2015

This is one of the busiest times of the year for farming. The ground is getting prepared for the harvest, whether it is silage or crops. Joseph is very happy this year as he is old enough to drive the tractors in the field. He is proving to be very useful and has been muck spreading, chain harrowing, ploughing and seeding down. Also, the walls need repairing as the weather and cattle have knocked them down – you don't want any stones getting in to the machinery and causing a break down. The same goes for barbed wire fencing, that can also cause a lot of trouble.

The milking is going well and the cows are very relaxed and calm, so therefore producing a good amount of milk. The calves that the cows have had are also very fit and growing well.

This month's recipe is for a Chinese dish. I used to have a Chinese pen friend for about 30 years. She was called 'Wing Wah' and she would send me recipe books and give me ideas on how to cook the dishes.

Marjorie Shimwell

Visit to the National Memorial Arboretum (Staffordshire)

The Youlgreave 1914-1918 Community Group is organising a coach trip to the National Memorial Arboretum on Saturday 13 June.

The 150 acre arboretum is home to the Armed Forces Memorial and contains over 200 significant memorials representing military, civil services, local and overseas organisations. It is described as 'a spiritually uplifting place which honours the fallen, recognises service and sacrifice, and fosters pride in our country.'

The cost of the trip will be £8.00 per person (entry to the Arboretum is free). There is a Visitor Centre with restaurant and shop on site.

Depart Grove Place, Youlgrave at 8am. Back in Youlgrave approx 5.30pm. To book a place, please contact Anne and John Cooper on 630282 or email jlac784@hotmail.com.

RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Sweet and Sour Pork or Chicken

Dice the meat into inch squares and dip in batter made of cornflour and milk. This makes it lighter than the normal batter. Add seasoning and fry in oil until lightly golden. Or if you wish to omit the batter, just fry in strips until cooked.

Slice cabbage, onion, spring onions, carrots, red peppers and place in a very hot wok or frying pan with very little oil, toss until cooked but still firm and add bamboo shoots.

To make the sweet and sour sauce:

1 cup of water with 1 tablespoon of cornflour to thicken

½ cup of white vinegar

1 cup of soy sauce

1 tablespoon brown sugar

1 tablespoon tomato sauce

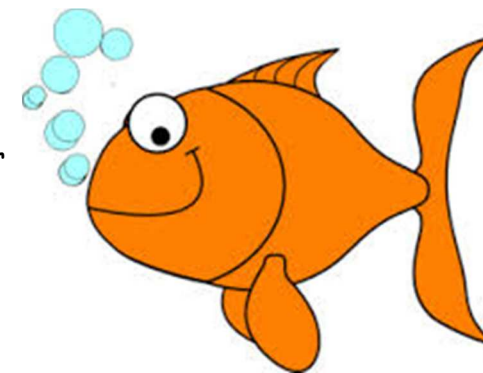
Small tin of pineapple chunks using half the juice

Mix together in pan and heat until thickened

Serve with rice or noodles

Youlgrave School news: A pair of fish swim into Class 2!

On Monday we welcomed two new class members, Goldie and Dotty – the goldfish! We were so excited by their arrival that Miss Blood decided to create a lesson all about them. For our grammar lesson on speech marks we had to imagine we were the goldfish and that we were observing Class 2. We then created a conversation using speech marks between Goldie and Dotty, here are some examples of our work.



"Hey Goldie, come and look at all those funny faces looking at us," whispered Dotty.

"Let's play a trick on them and charge at them," said Goldie mischievously.

"Are you ready? 1,2,3gooooooooo!" bubbled Dotty.

"What's that big thing over there?" asked Goldie.

"Oh, those are giants, let's hope we don't end up as fish and chips!" said Dotty in a frightened voice.

"Well they've put a force field around us!" said Goldie.

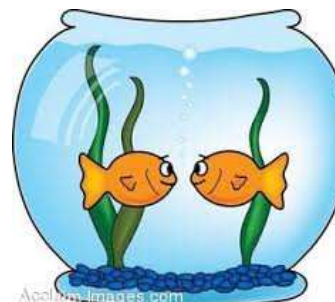
"No, silly, it's a fish tank!" replied Dotty.

"Ha, there's that bulbous giant magnifying its nose on that tiny shrimp tank!" Goldie sniggered meanly.

"I actually think they're quite interesting. They even have fingers so they can move those weird sticks around, bet you can't do that!" challenged Dotty.

"Yeah maybe but they can't swim" said Goldie rather triumphantly.

"You should have seen them swimming a few weeks ago, they were brilliant!" retorted Dotty.



You will be glad to know that Goldie and Dotty have now happily settled into their new fish tank.

Bangbutt wine tasting evening: a correction and reminder

First, the correction. In last month's 'Dates for Your Diary' from the Youlgrave-Bangbutt Village Link the date for the All Day Café was given as Saturday 19 July. The date is correct but not the day. The correct day and date is SUNDAY 19 JULY (see below) This was an error on the part of the publicity officer who submitted the information and who apologises for any confusion that might have occurred.



Now the reminder. Germany produces wines of great quality and variety – but don't take our word for this, come to the Village Hall and find out for yourselves. Christine and Richard Powley are organising a WINE TASTING EVENING in the hall at 7.30pm on Saturday 9 May. There will be eight different wines to sample, including sparkling, white and red varieties, all from Ungstein in the Pfalz region. In addition, Christine and Richard will talk about the wine growing area and the wines on offer. People attending are invited to bring their own food. Cutlery, crockery and glasses will be provided. Tickets at £10 are available from Holland's or by ringing 636580.

FURTHER DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

ALL DAY CAFÉ – Sunday 19 July 10am–5pm, Reading Room

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This Christian aid Week, you can help transform the lives of women like Loko. From 10-16 May churches throughout Britain will come together to pray, campaign and raise money to improve the lives of people like Loko. Every year, 100,000 volunteers demonstrate God's love for the poor by taking part in house-to-house collections for Christian Aid. In Youlgrave we will be helping people like Loko in three different ways and we hope that many of you will also help. Firstly, during the week of 10-16 May, about 24 helpers will be doing house-to-house collections round the local villages and farms.

Please respond to this appeal as every little bit helps. Secondly, on Sunday 10th, there will be a 'soup, roll & delicious desserts' lunch in the Reading Room from 12.15pm onwards, preceded by a lively Family Service at 11 am in the Parish Church. Come and see a presentation and hear more about Loko's difficult life. And thirdly there will be a café style coffee morning in the Reading Room on Thursday 14 May, from 9.30am onwards. Do join us there! More helpers at any of these events would be VERY welcome! Please ring 630020, 636601, or 636477 (Christian Aid Committee).

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What's on at Youlgrave Village Hall

**8th May
7:30pm**

Youlgrave Cinema Club: The Book Thief (Cert 12A). Based on the novel of the same name by Markus Zusak, the film is about a young girl living with her adoptive German family during the Nazi era. Watch the trailer at yvh.org.uk/whats-on/

**9th May
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**9th May
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Bangbutt wine tasting evening. A completely new venture from the Youlgrave -Bangbutt group. Group members Christine and Richard Powley are organising a Wine Tasting Evening in the village hall. There will be eight different wines to taste including sparkling, white and red varieties.

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**18th May
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YOULGRAVE CINEMA PRESENTS

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Friday 8 May, 7.30pm, Youlgrave Village Hall

Free to members or £5 on the door

Joy and Roy Stubbs Memorial Weekend, 10-12 July

Villagers who worked with Joy and Roy Stubbs are planning events to celebrate the projects they led for the community and supported so successfully. These were: the creation of Granby House, the rebuilding of the Scout and Community Hall and the creation of the wildlife garden at Bankside. The current outline plan is as follows

Friday 10 July, 6-8pm: Procession from the Scout and Community Hall to Bankside garden Performance by folk group THE BIRDSCARERS

Saturday 11 July, 3-5pm: Afternoon Strawberry Tea at Granby House

Sunday 12 July, 11am-3pm: Summer Jazz and Buffet at the Village Hall

Please book these dates in your calendars and diaries. All details subject to change. See June Bugle for confirmation and an account of the Stubbs' time and projects for the community in Pommie. Please let Edwina Edwards know whether you will attend and whether you can offer any help to the team, edwinaedwards07@btinternet.com or telephone 01629 636491

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Youlgrave Playschool Committee

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Youlgrave Wildlife Notes: April 2015

April has been as warm as March was cold. There was snow on the lawn on the 1st but it hasn't looked back since. As expected, this has given us a surge of wildlife activity.

The summer visitors have been arriving. The first reports of swallows were from New Farm and Conksbury Lane on the 5th. A chiffchaff was reported from the top of the Dale on the 27th March and a blackcap from New Road on the 16th. I saw my first house martins over the Dale on the 24, although I did have a report for the 9th. Curlews have been seen and heard regularly round the village and lapwings have been flying around Haddon Fields. I saw a flock of departing fieldfare over Haddon Fields on the 1st.

Butterflies have been emerging from hibernation, mainly peacocks and small tortoiseshells, and have needed rescuing from the church belfry and people's houses. I saw a brimstone in the garden on the 9th. I had the first report of a slow worm on the 23rd. Frogs have been laying and hatching in garden ponds and large numbers of toads have been crossing the track to get into the New Dam.

There have been plenty of signs of birds nesting. The coots in the Dale have been building their nests, blue tits in the garden have been bringing moss into a nest box and swallows have been collecting mud for their nests. A pair of buzzards have been soaring regularly over the Dale and pairs of grey wagtails have been seen in the Dale. There was a pair of goosanders reported from

Roller Dale on the 18th and I saw a full summer plumage dabchick hidden in vegetation on the top pool on the 12th. There have been a number of tufted ducks of both sexes in the Dale.

The warmth has caused a big increase in wildflowers. At the start of the month the kingcups were just coming out in the Dale and the wood anemones were visible near Hawley's Bridge. My pre-writing walk on the 25th found 34 different species of wildflowers in good numbers. The cowslips below the

playing field continue to multiply and bluebells were just coming into flower. In the Dale there were carpets of golden saxifrage, plenty of kingcups and patches of wood sorrel. On the pavement edges and playing field car park were lots of little white flowers, such as rue leafed saxifrage,

spring whitlow grass, thale cress and hairy bittercress. On the spoil heaps around Icky Picky the rare alpine pennycress was in full bloom and the meadow saxifrages were just beginning to flower.

A couple of bird treats rounded off the day. There were three linnets sitting on the wire by the New Dam and a blackcap was heard, and eventually seen, below Balpo Gardens.

My thanks to Joy, Keith, New Road Birders, Brenda, Simon, Andy and Cath for their contributions and please keep them coming.

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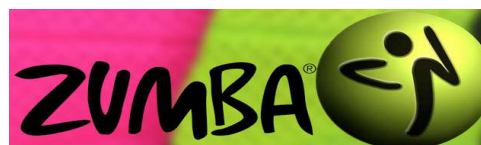
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