

# **The Bugle**

**A chance to blow your trumpet for the villagers of  
Alport, Middleton and Youlgrave**

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## **A time to remember – and be grateful**

This month is the 60th anniversary of the end of the Second World War, and the occasion is being marked locally by a number of special events.

### ***4th-10th July***

National week of celebrations for 60 years of peace. Publication of commemorative issue of the *Bugle*, researched and written by Norman Wilson, recording the Wartime experiences of local men and women – and remembering those who made the ultimate sacrifice. To be delivered free to every household; spare copies will be available in local shops.

### ***Tuesday 5th July***

Visit to Youlgrave School by the officers of the Youlgrave Branch of the Royal British Legion. They will take the School assembly and give a short talk to the pupils before presenting each one with a commemorative mug, specially commissioned by the Youlgrave Branch.

### ***Thursday 7th July***

The Women's Section of the Youlgrave



Branch will host a Tea Dance with a 1940s flavour in the Village Hall from 2-4.30pm. Admission on the door will be £2 and the Master of Ceremonies will be Marina Hawley. The music and dances will take you back to the '40s and there will be spot prizes, a raffle and a prize for the best outfit! Afternoon tea will be served, during which there will be a Singalong and an opportunity to purchase a commemorative mug (price £5).

### ***Sunday 10th July***

Service of Thanksgiving in Youlgrave Parish Church, 11am. All welcome.

**The Bugle is sponsored by Youlgrave & District Horticultural Society**

## Local news in brief

### Sites of Meaning wins top award

Middleton's Sites of Meaning project has scooped a top prize at Derbyshire County Council's recent Greenwatch awards. The project won first prize in the Derbyshire Heritage category for *Other Stones - Other Meanings*, and they also picked up the Tarmac Central Community Award. In total, Charles Monkhouse and Sallyann Carlin brought home two certificates, an Edinburgh Crystal rose bowl and £1,500 in prize money. Charles paid tribute to everyone who had been involved over the last few years: "Many thanks to all those who took part in the project, especially David Fine, Alice Ullerthorne, Chris Webb and Rebakah Newman of the Peak District National Park Authority, who suggested entering in the first place. Also many thanks to Lottery Heritage Initiative for funding the project."

### Completely quackers

Thank you to everyone who took part in the School Association's recent sponsored Duck Race on the River Bradford. Over £225 was raised towards outings and new equipment for your children.

### Bugle 2000

Spare copies of *Bugle 2000* are still available, free of charge, to any interested parties. *Bugle 2000* was a special Millennium publication featuring photographs old and new of people and places around the area. If you would like another copy, or are perhaps new to the area and have never seen one, contact Ann Knowles on 636362 for more details.

### Jack Wheeldon

It is with sadness that we report the death of Jack Wheeldon at his home in Kent. Originally from Youlgrave, Jack was a keen supporter and sponsor of the *Bugle*, and we extend our sympathies and best wishes to his family.

### Do you need money for your voluntary group?

Derbyshire Dales Council for Voluntary Services is organising a special session for local groups on how to go about applying for funds. It will take place on Tuesday 12 July at their offices in Bakewell, and experts will be on hand to discuss your project ideas and decide which fund is best for your group. The sessions are free but you must book an appointment in advance. Call Sarah Hand on 01332 592205.

### Middleton fundraising

Donations from this year's Welldressings at Middleton-by-Youlgrave came to £224.37, while the Village Market, held in May, raised a total of £910.45 for Village Hall funds.

### Safety warning

District Councillor Bill Moore says that several local residents have expressed concern to him at the number of youngsters cycling in and around the village in, they claim, a dangerous fashion. He says that none of them appear to wear a helmet. "Particularly worrying is their darting across the road, or suddenly turning when it's wet of getting dark, and very close to moving vehicles. Please ensure your son or daughter is safety conscious, and knows the Rules of the Road, before someone gets hurt."

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**Youlgrave & District Horticultural Society Annual Show:**

## MIDDLETON ROCKS!



An evening of music on The Square with  
Fat Fish, Dan Martin and others, Friday  
15 July, early evening till late



*The Square, Middleton-by-Youlgrave*  
Bar and barbecue

## It's your heritage... so have your say!

Thanks to a grant of up to £28,700 from the Heritage Lottery Fund, Youlgrave's historic welldressing displays will soon be immortalised in a permanent photographic exhibition. And to follow that, another exhibition in pictures and words will highlight the diversity of Youlgrave's history.

The quality of our traditional methods ranks Youlgrave high in the Premier League of Derbyshire Welldressings. Youlgrave Welldressing Committee preserves photographs recording tap dressings over the past 40 years and more. Because photographs, stored in albums, are hidden from general view, a selection is to be copied digitally, reproduced in collages, and displayed in a semi-permanent exhibition mounted on the walls of the Village Hall. We expect the photographic exhibition to be on display before next Christmas.

The second exhibition will take six months to plan. Because of the wide spectrum of topics that could be displayed, we expect to involve an equally wide spectrum of

enthusiasts. What makes a suitable subject? For a start, we are lucky to live amongst some of the finest scenery in the country. And our village is surrounded by prehistoric monuments such as Arbor Low. All Saints Church compares Norman and Gothic arches; is there a dramatic story behind these rival technologies? Instead of conventional twinning with some European village, we link with Bangbut and we are helping that war-torn African village reinstate its water supply. Water is close to the heart of Youlgrave since our system belongs to the residents. Live arts thrive: our pantomime; our Silver Band; our theatres. Youlgrave Cinema tells anecdotes of its past and now enjoys a present-day revival.

We have grouped subjects from which we want to develop 20 displays and these are shown on pages 8 and 9. If you are interested and wish to contribute please contact Anne Croasdell (636887), Gordon Coupe (636144), or Mike Newman (636084) for more information. **MN**

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★  
★ **Happy 10th birthday on 3rd July Alena Sharayevo!!!** ★  
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★ **Alena is visiting Youlgrave for a month from Belarus as part of the Friends** ★  
★ **of Chernobyl Charity. More details about Alena and her visit next issue.** ★  
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**Saturday 3rd September 2005**

## Royal British Legion outing to Eden Camp

On a cold St George's day, members of the Mens and Ladies section, along with their friends, departed from Grove Place for a visit to Eden Camp, situated near Malton, North Yorkshire. It is the only modern history theme museum of its type in the world.

After a very smooth journey and an enjoyable comfort stop we arrived outside the camp gates at eleven o'clock, and after alighting from our coach we were able to watch a memorial service for Second World War escape lines. These organisations helped a large number of allied servicemen to escape from countries occupied by the Germans under harsh and dangerous conditions. In 1942 a sergeant and a small contingent of army personnel arrived at Malton. Their immediate task was to construct a barbed wire enclosure and erect tents to house the flow of enemy prisoners of war captured in North Africa. The site was named Eden Camp, being close to Eden House and farm.

The first inmates were Italian prisoners. They were put to work and constructed a permanent camp consisting of forty-five huts. The Italians left the camp in 1944, and the next batch of prisoners to arrive were the Germans who stayed until 1948. Like the Italians, the German prisoners of war worked on the local farms under the control of the war agricultural officer.

POW Camp 83, as it became known, was discovered virtually intact in 1986 by a local business man, Stan Johnson. Up to 35 of the original huts were in roughly the same condition as they were when the last of the 1,200 inmates left for the 'Fatherland', Germany, in 1948.

The huts were re-equipped to tell the story of civilian and military life during World War II. Each of the huts gives a wonderfully illustrated account, which begins with the rise of Hitler and outbreak of hostilities. Other huts deal with rationing, evacuees and the problems involved transporting them from the cities into the countryside and safer homes. Plus there were

details about the Home Guard, the Blitz, utility clothing and furniture, Land Army girls, Bomber Command (Ops Room) and pathfinders (dropped flares and incendiary bombs) to illuminate the targets for the bomber crews.

Equally well portrayed, in other huts, was the work of the auxiliary fire service, the WVS, the Red Cross, the rescue services, the 'Bevan Boys' (men directed to work down the mines to produce vital supplies of coal for industry and the railways). Other huts tell off military events which took place around the world and depict scenes of the miraculous retreat from Dunkirk, the Battle of Britain, North Africa (Tobruk, Bengazi and the decisive Battle of El Alamein), the Dambusters ram on the dams of the Rhur valley, and the bloody war in the Far East.

In the midst of our journey around the enthralling look back at one of the darkest times of our nation's history, time was found to enjoy huts 16, 17, and 19. Here was the prisoners' canteen, officers' tea room, cinema, bar and ice cream parlour, all offering individual memories and treats. The canteen menu of sausage and mash, stew and dumplings, fish and chips, apple pie and other slimmers' delights were enjoyed along with the odd tippie.

The time passed all too quickly and we had to depart at 5pm. After another equally enjoyable comfort stop on our return journey we arrived back home just after 8pm. A very well deserved vote of thanks to Harry Hutchinson and Eddie Oldfield for supplying us with a comfortable coach and organising entry to the museum. After the great success of this particular outing, more, I hear, are being requested. Any suggestions would be most welcome.

**J. M. Boden**

*Honorary Secretary*

*Youlgrave Royal British Legion*

**See commemorative WWII Bugle out this month**

**Numerous classes include flowers, vegetables,**

## Bankside Wildlife Garden begins to take shape

At first glance it seems nothing more than an untidy bed of nettles, weeds and rogue saplings, but look again and you will see that the pieces are slowly falling into shape as Youlgrave's ground-breaking wildlife garden begins to take on a structure.

Last year, plans for developing the half-acre strip of terraced land below Maggie Ford's cottage on Bankside were boosted by the award of around £10,000 from the National Park's Sustainable Development Fund. This has helped to

pay for the essential preparatory work aimed at making the garden safe and usable for visitors:

- Drystone walls repaired
- Safety fencing erected
- Careful renovation of the period summer house, destined to become a shelter and information centre for visitors.

In addition, a team from the British Trust for Conservation Volunteers has helped shift soil and dispose of rubbish, and there are plans for girls and boys from Youlgrave's newly-founded Duke of Edinburgh's Award group to help clear undergrowth, put up bird boxes and create a permanent path around the small garden. A pond is also going to be dug, and when the vegetation is brought a little more under control there is likely to be limited planting and sowing of indigenous flora.

There's still some way to go before the wildlife garden, a village resource aimed at the whole community, is fully opened to the public, but the first, firm steps have now been taken.



*Maggie Ford surveys the renovation of the period summer house.*

Bankside Wildlife Garden Committee is made up of Youlgrave residents, and they extend a warm welcome to anyone who would like get involved. You don't have to be a gardener or wildlife expert (most of us aren't!), but just share our enthusiasm for turning an overgrown plot of land into a natural and wildlife-rich garden for everyone to enjoy.

For more details contact Maggie Ford on 636189 or Val Cornish on 636420.



**handiwork, children's and cooking**



## Autocare arrives at Youlgrave Garage

Youlgrave Garage has announced that it has now joined Autocare, a European network of more than 3,000 garages which is supported by a programme of technical and management training courses designed for the private motorist and the fleet operator.

The Autocare programme aims to give the motorist access to top quality servicing and repair facilities at a convenient location. It believes that it is unreasonable to expect vehicle owners to drive miles out of their way in owner to take their vehicle to a main dealer for routine repairs.

Modern vehicles are now so complex that traditional skills are no longer good enough to cope with such aspects as fuel injection, ABS braking systems, engine management and so on. Autocare aims to address this issue by providing Youlgrave Garage with a comprehensive training programme to make sure that all staff are technically competent to handle all aspects of service and repair to any make of vehicle.

Graham Elliott of Youlgrave Garage told the *Bugle*: "The key to quality servicing and repair is rapid access to a comprehensive range of quality components and consumables that meet the same standard as was originally fitted to your car when it rolled off the production line. Through close co-operation with its suppliers, customers are assured a first class service and

availability at all times." He also added: "Such is the importance of projecting a professional 21st century image to motorists that we place great emphasis on the appearance of our garage and staff, so that you can be sure that you are dealing with trained professionals. Youlgrave Garage will, through access to the Autocare programme, be providing you with regular promotions designed around the requirements of busy people who need their vehicles serviced at a time and location convenient to them." So keep an eye out for further details and special promotions.

### Are you a ROVER owner?

Following the demise of Rover you may well be concerned about the availability of genuine parts and service facilities. Worry not, it's all here in the village. We have been guaranteed an unlimited supply of genuine Rover parts delivered to us on a daily basis for the foreseeable future. We are also equipped with Rover diagnostic and scanning equipment to aid in fault-finding and repairs, in addition to our usual servicing.

### Youlgrave Garage

Tel 636943 [www.youlgravegarage.co.uk](http://www.youlgravegarage.co.uk)

### YOULGRAVE METHODIST CHURCH

### - Coffee Morning -

Saturday 23 July at 10.30am

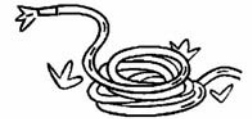
The Methodist Church is fund-raising to help meet the cost of installing a new central heating system this year. The existing pipework and radiators were installed in 1929 and the current oil-fired boiler in 1972, and they need replacing. One of the planned fund-raising events is a Coffee Morning at the home of Mr Anthony Wragg, Coldwell End, Youlgrave on Saturday 23 July at 10.30am. We hope to see as many as possible supporting this event. TBG



The editorial team take its customary summer break next month, nosing the Bugle Bus towards the seaside clutching bucket and spade and a packet of gooey egg sandwiches. The next issue will appear at the beginning of September, so all contributions large and small should be sent to the Editor (address on page 2 – or via Youlgrave Post Office) by mid August. Thanks.

**Youlgrave & District Horticultural Society Annual Show:**

## Youlgrave & District Horticultural Society



The next meeting of the Society is to take place in the Reading Room at 7.30pm on Thursday 28th July. Everyone is welcome to attend, especially gardeners new to the area.



If you have any ideas or comments please come along to the meeting, contact a member of the Society or call Sandra on (01629) 735122.

*And don't forget that the Society's annual show takes place on Saturday 3rd September in Youlgrave Village Hall. See page footers in this Bugle and local notices nearer the time.*

**Please make a note in your diary for Saturday 3rd September**  
**Youlgrave-Bangbutt Village Link are pleased to announce their**

## African Evening

**In the Village Hall, following the Horticultural Show.**

**We offer you an evening of fun with African food and entertainment. All are welcome.**

## Remembering Mawstone

On 23 May 1932 an explosion in Mawstone Mine, near Youlgrave, killed five miners; and a further three, including the mine manager, died trying to rescue them. The mine closed following the tragedy, and six of the men are buried in Youlgrave Churchyard. Since 2007 is the 75th anniversary of the disaster, the Parish Council has been asked whether it plans to mark the occasion by some sort of permanent memorial in or around the village. So what do YOU think should be done? Erect a plaque or stone, hold a special event, or possibly do nothing at all? Please send your comments and ideas to Parish Clerk Matthew Lovell at Christmas Cottage, Church Street; email him at [youlgraveclerk@btinternet.com](mailto:youlgraveclerk@btinternet.com); or speak to any of the Parish Councillors (see details on Church Street noticeboard). All views welcome.



**Saturday 3rd September 2005**

## Photographic exhibitions at Village

*By Mike Newman  
Village Hall Hon.  
Treasurer*

The Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) has awarded Youlgrave £28,700 to mount two semi-permanent photographic exhibitions on the walls of the Village Hall.

The first is devoted to existing photographs of past welldressings. However, this article relates solely to the second exhibition, which is devoted to Youlgrave's history, past and present.



*Youlgrave Silver Band performs during Well Dressing Saturday.*

### **Item 0: 'School'**

Youlgrave Primary School children are to be asked to create their own photographic exhibition about the school, including their own well Dressing.

### **Item 20: 'How well Dressings are made'**

This will be devoted to the making of tap dressings from design stage all the way through to dismantling and storage. Because of the way the finances of the grant work out, this topic cannot be included in the first exhibition.

We now invite ideas for other topics to be displayed. Original documents and photographs will be copied digitally, without causing damage, and returned to the owner. We shall ask for permission to use to use the material for the purpose intended and seek assurances that the

donor has the right to give such copyright.

We have space for 19 more collages, each 1.5 metres high and 0.6 metres wide. In order to comply with the Disability Discrimination Act, the size of lettering is to be at least

## 26 point Arial

Since at least half of each collage should consist of pictorial material, the absolute maximum number of words that can be accommodated is 325.

Some of the subjects that might be included are listed into groups with the number of collages available:

**1 – 4 Youlgrave at work:** lead mining (and origin of Youlgrave's name), the mine disaster, quarrying, geology and radon, Youlgrave Waterworks (including Fountain Square and taps), old mills.

**Numerous classes include flowers, vegetables,**

## Hall to document the past and present

**5 – 8 Youlgrave arts:** pantomime, cinema, theatres, silver band, painting, Music Fest.

**9 – 11 Youlgrave countryside:** the dales and dams, walks around Youlgrave, Arbor Low, Stanton Moor and Robin Hood's Stride; appropriate map.

**12 – 15 Youlgrave social and sports:** church activities, Women's Friendly, Darby & Joan, WI and other societies, Guides and Scouts, etc; Abbeyfield, bowls, football, badminton, tennis, cricket, table tennis, playing fields, horticulture and show, trout fishing and fisherman's hut.

**16 – 18 Youlgrave buildings:** Thimble Hall, Church buildings (and church schools), shops and pubs past and present, the Village Hall, the Reading Room, buildings development style and detail.

**19 Youlgrave-Bangbutt Village Link**  
**20 How well Dressings are made**

### ***Time to get creative***

The list is probably not complete. Some topics may belong to other groups. Preferred material will be unusual, eye catching, or amusing, and perhaps anecdotal.

For instance, our water supply company is perhaps the last in England to be owned by a village community, and records describe how each fit and able resident was required to dig one rood (4¼ yards) of original trench for the water pipe.

The village hall projection box is lined internally with steel to provide fire resistance from the days of the carbon arc projector, and a bell rope, intended as a fire escape, still hangs by an escape-hatch hidden in the wall. And where does the Youlgrave pig on the wall figure? Is the nick-name 'Pommie' associated with the band?

One last word: if you do work on material for displays, please record all the time you spend on your topic; HLF do not pay for time spent, but they do need to know how much effort we expend in matching their financial contribution.

*Please contact: Anne Croasdel (636887), Gordon Coup (636144), or Mike Newman (636084) with your ideas or for more information. Thank you.*



*All Saints pupils show off their Jubilee spoons in 2002.*

**handiwork, children's and cooking**



## Youlgrave-Bangbutt Village Link AGM

The AGM, held in the Reading Room in April, was a very happy and successful occasion. Thirty people attended, including six members of the One World Link group in Leamington Spa. Their group included two young Sierra Leoneans, from Bo, in Sierra Leone, and also Jariatu, a young woman dressed beautifully in traditional attire. These three visitors added style and flavour to the event.



*Stylish visitors at the group's AGM in the Reading Room.*

After the short business meeting, buttered 'cold' cross buns and tea were served and everyone looked at the photographic display of Bangbutt, all around the room. Then they were able to experience a little bit of life in Bangbutt, by watching a DVD of the recent visit.

The following trustees were elected: Maggie Ford (Chairperson), Barbara

Scrivener (Secretary), Glenys Moore (Treasurer), Ali Plowright/Carol Sutcliffe (Minutes Secretaries), Dianne Hewitt, Tricia Donnison, and welcome to new trustees Clare Bright, Rita and Harry Hutchinson (from Birchover). Co-opted trustees were Louise Page and Chris Hawes.

### Middleton Grand Prix... or Wacky Races?

*John Warren and Anna White, both in plaster recovering from recent mishaps, make a dash for the finishing line outside Greencroft Farm (Michael Schumacher came a poor third).*

*Photo: Karen Wigley*



**Schedules available nearer the time**

## Funday!

Come and help the children of Bangbutt by having FUN – for young and old, at Old School Hall House, Main Street, Youlgrave (opposite the Farmyard Inn)

**Saturday 23rd July 2.30-5pm**

Entry 50p (includes cup of tea), children 20p  
For children – games and treasure hunt (20p a go)  
For adults – cream teas, stalls, tombola & raffle

## Russian accordionist wows local audience

A packed audience in Youlgrave Methodist Church on Thursday 16 June was greatly entertained by Youlgrave Silver Band and its star guest, Russian accordionist Alexander Korbakov. The 24 members of the Band, including cornet soloist Helen Mellor and soprano-cornet soloist Ivan Robinson, were in very good form under their conductor John Roper, but it was the dazzling virtuosity of Alexander Korbakov that stole the show. His incredible fingerwork on the accordion and later on the concertina - "the oldest one in Russia" - was breathtaking. From my position in the Band behind him, I was looking at about 150 smiling faces throughout his performance, as he played Russian folk-songs and transcriptions of classical pieces and more modern pieces. His facial expressions and body language increased the audience's enjoyment. At the end he played two encores and received a



*Illustration by John Marple*

standing ovation, justly deserved. The evening finished with excellent refreshments provided by the Church ladies, up to their usual high standard. A superb evening and all for £3 per person. There's value for you!

Thanks to the sponsors Derbyshire Country Cottages and the Farmyard Inn. **PK**

**from local shops and post office**

# Youlgrave School's musical Summer Evening

Saturday 23rd July

In the gardens  
of "The Tower"

courtesy of Mr and Mrs Normington

Tickets £15

programme commences at 19:30  
carriages at 23:30

including  
a Salmon and Strawberry Supper  
and your first glass of wine

Tickets available from Hollands Butchers or Pat Cleaver (636836)

+ Welcome to All Saints Church, Youlgrave +

**Flower Festival:** Friday 26–Tuesday 30 August (10am–8pm)

Sat 27th August: Musical Evening (7.30pm), Sun 28th Aug: Holy Communion (8am), Family Worship (11am), Songs of Praise (6.30pm)

**Youlgrave Bible Convention:** 9–11 September 'Gospel Models'

**Youlgrave & District Horticultural Society Annual Show:**

YOULGRAVE CINEMA  
PRESENTS



Saturday 20th August  
A film for all the family at  
Youlgrave Village Hall  
10.30am

**For sale:** Two, as new, full size spinning wheels and one weaving loom. Call 658650.

Youlgrave School Association

**Fun afternoon**

In the schoolyard

**Saturday 9th July**

50p entrance

Stalls: Books, cakes, tombola/  
raffle, bouncy castle, milk the  
cows, barbecue and ice creams,  
cow pat, hook-a-duck, bran tub.

**Saturday 3rd September 2005**

All Saints Primary School

(Recent work from Miss Lomas' class):

## Extracts from rhyming poetry

There was a bang, that is ENOUGH  
The cat had a fang but the mouse was  
tough!

*By Jude Morgan*

The mouse ran quickly,  
The mouse ran on the track  
He ran past the houses,  
Then he ran back.

*By Robert Simpson*

There was a bash  
The mouse thought "Oh No!"  
I want to give that cat a crash  
It's time for me to go!

*By Thomas Mellor*

There once was a bash,  
What a crash,  
Oh NO!

It came down in a flash.  
*By Keiron Tabbenor*

*Granby House, Youlgrave*

**STRAWBERRY CREAM  
TEAS AND STALLS**

on Saturday 2nd July at 2.30pm

**PIE & PEA SUPPER  
AND QUIZ**

On Friday 29th July at 7.15pm price £5.

*Call 636123/636527 to book*



## Go wild in the garden!

A garden pond will be home to large numbers of dragonflies and damselflies. The way to tell the difference is in the flight. Damselflies will flutter gently over the water whereas a dragonfly will dart powerfully around, particularly when mating. Eggs are laid on the stems of water plants so there must be a good supply of these in the pond, particularly taller ones. Good ones to use are common water crowfoot, frogbit, amphibious bistort and water lilies.



## Wildlife project of the month

June is the time of roses in the garden and also when many native shrub roses come into flower. These are generally less demanding than other roses and their simple flowers provide nectar for insects and hips for birds. Rosa rugosa makes a lovely fragrant hedge with large hips. The common native dog rose looks pretty in a mixed wildlife hedge, as does the sweet briar, which has an apple scent. All of these give an informal feel to the wildlife garden.

**Maureen Parry**

*Maureen Parry can be contacted for Garden Design on 630064.*

## POSTCARD FROM SPAIN



So the PC Monster raises its ugly head, once again. But what is a PC Monster? Not a Police Constable, and certainly not a Personal Computer, but the rather absurd habit of being Politically Correct. A few weeks ago a crematorium in England decided to remove a cross from its forecourt, so as not to offend non-Christian religions. But do the people who decided on this action really believe that people of other religions actually care what the symbol of other religions are? Do we take offence at Rastafarians wearing brightly coloured hats and dreadlocks, or Krishna devotees wearing flowing orange robes and ringing bells and chanting? Certainly not the level headed, run-of-the-mill sort of people, thankfully, that most of us are.

We have even renamed certain jobs, so as not to offend, and make the jobs sound more important. Housewives in America are now called Homemakers, and Transport Managers are called Logistic Experts. It doesn't make the job any easier; it just makes it sound more exciting.

A friend of mine, a Scot, is very PC. He doesn't call himself Scottish, he says "He's of Highland Ancestry". He was telling me the other day about the noise the 'Refuse & Sanitation Engineers' were making in the early hours outside his 'Recreational and Habitational Area'. He said his 'Homemaker, Life Partner and Mother of his Offspring' couldn't sleep, left their 'Shared Dormitory', went downstairs, and told the above mentioned Engineers, they were all of 'Doubtful Parentage'.

As for me, my new title is, 'Provider of Freshly Made Infusions and occasional server of Intoxicating Beverages', Barman, to the Un-Politically Correct. Wouldn't it be nice to return to the days of normality, when people were just people and weren't labelled with names and titles that didn't really mean anything?

Anyway, have a good summer 'Citizens', and I'll see you in September, possibly even less PC.

**GROUCHO**

## - ATTIC SALE -

Youlgrave Village Hall  
Saturday 10th September  
10am-12.30pm

For table reservations please ring Rita on 636663. £6 per table. Also cake stall and tombola. Refreshments available. Proceeds for Village Hall refurbishments.

## News from the Farmyard

*Sean and Jo at the Farmyard Inn have recently changed their opening hours and will now be open every weekday from 5pm. The T-Time special menu will be available every day except Sundays. Group bookings, such as funeral parties, will still be catered for, so call 636221 for more details.*

**COMING SOON:** New menus... and we hope to serve food all day at weekends.

**Opening hours:** Mon-Fri: 5-11pm,  
Sat: 12-11.30pm, Sun: 12-10.30pm

## Stamp collectors?

Are there any stamp collectors in the village that would be interested in a small unwanted, (not valuable!) collection? FREE! If so ring 636601

## Joke of the month

Sean Connery gets a call from his agent one day. The agent goes: "Sean, I've got you a job, starts tomorrow, early. You'll have to be there for 10-ish."  
Sean furrows his brow and says: "Tennish? but I don't even have a racket."

## Reading Room trials

In a bid to increase the number of evening activities in the village, the Reading Room is to organise a series of free events and meetings, probably starting in September. If any excite interest, then each could expand into something more permanent. Put forward for consideration at the moment are recorded music evenings, a technical and scientific club, a discussion and debating society, cookery demonstrations (for men as well as women?)\* and a writing circle. Do you have any suggestions for possible activities? Please write them on a slip of paper, with or without your name and contact details, and leave them in the box in the Post Office.

**Bill Moore**

*\* Cllr Moore is reputed to cook a mean breakfast. We await his masterclass with some relish – Ed.*

## Saturday Waste Collection

**ALPORT & YOULGRAVE:** 9th & 23rd July, 13th & 27th August

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

**MIDDLETON-BY-YOULGRAVE:** July (none), 6th August

The Square: 9.45-10.45am.

**For more details and suggestions of new classes**

**contact Secretary Sandra Harrop on 01629 735122**



## ANNUAL SPONSORS

Abbeyfield (Youlgrave & District) Society, Granby House – very sheltered housing for elderly people	636123	Maureen Parry, Garden Design	630064
Bakewell Bridge Car Park (Muriel and David Rhodes), Stone Ends, Brassington Close, Youlgrave	636453	F. Parker, Grocer & Butcher	636217
Ken and Liz Bartlett, The Stone Barn, Middleton		Peak Feast, Cakes, Vegan & Vegetarian savouries and ready-made meals	630000/07951 215121
Brightmore & Shimwell, Plumbing and Heating Services	07989 984826/07971 839515	Iris Pimm, The Barn, Greenfields, Alport	636341
Bull's Head Hotel	636307	Pots from France, Bankside	636689/636043
Castle Farm, B&B, Caravans & Camping Barn	636746	Barbara Scrivener, Hands Help Healing	636601
Derbyshire Aggregates Ltd	636500	Shearing Associates, IT infrastructure & management	636331
Equity Estates, Commercial and Affordable Residential Property	636180	Smerrill Grange, Bed & Breakfast	636232
Farmyard Inn	636221	Trevor & Val Smith, Dubai, UAE	
George Hotel	636292	Jean Stacey, Cake-making and decorative icing	636485
Anna Goodall, Holistic Health	815653	Thimble & The Tweedles, self-catering holiday cottages	07817 900841
Hollands Butchers	636234	Kathi Ward, Woodwind instrument repairs	636179
JDB Plumbing & Heating	636637/07866 365610	The Wee Dram, Specialist Whisky Shop	812235
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Knoll Club (Royal British Legion, Youlgrave)	636599	Youlgrave Bell Ringers	636223
Peter Knowles, Architect	636362	Youlgrave Bowls Club	636467
Lathkill Books, lathkillbooks@aol.com	636330	Youlgrave Garage	636943
Lathkill House, Bed & Breakfast	636604	Youlgrave & District Horticultural Association	636484
www.lightingforgardens.com	01462 486777	Youlgrave Methodist Church	636558
Long Rake Spar Company Ltd, stockists, importers and exporters of decorative aggregates	636210	Youlgrave Neighbourhood Watch	636611
Matthew Lovell, Christmas Cottage, Church Street - wood-turned crafts and gifts	636151	Youlgrave Parish Church	636285
Patrick McLoughlin MP, House of Commons London SW1A 0AA	01332 558125	Youlgrave Parish Council	636887
Maxies Taxis	636124/07710 867887	Youlgrave Playschool	636265
Meadow Cottage Tea Garden	636523	Youlgrave Post Office	636201
Monday Club	636392	Youlgrave Silver Band	636362
Bill Moore, District Councillor, Lathkill & Bradford	636477	Youlgrave Village Hall	636887
The Old Bakery, Bed & Breakfast and self- catering accommodation	636887	Youlgrave Well Dressing Committee	636341
		Youlgrave Wesleyan Reform Church	636603
		Youlgrave Women's Institute	636353

**For details of sponsorship, please contact Andrew on  
01629 636125**

## REGULAR EVENTS

<b>Mondays</b>	Monday Club (Day Centre), Youlgrave Village Hall, 10am-3pm	<b>Fridays</b>	Parent and Toddlers Group, Reading Room, 1.15-3.15pm (contact Emma, tel. 636265)
<b>Tuesdays</b>	Yoga with Iris Pimm (636341), The Barn, Greenfields Farm, 7pm	<b>2nd Mon</b>	Mobile Library, Greenfields Farm, 9.30am; Alport, 9.45am; Abbeyfield, 10am; Bradford, 10.20am; Rock Farm, Middleton, 10.40am
<b>Tuesdays</b>	Youlgrave Bell Ringers practice night, All Saints Parish Church, 7.30-9pm	<b>2nd Tues</b>	Youlgrave WI meetings, Youlgrave Village Hall, 7.30pm
<b>Mon-Fri</b>	Youlgrave Playschool, Scout & Community Hall, 9.15-11.45am (contact Emma for details, tel. 636265)	<b>4th Wed</b>	Confidential Advice Sessions with Matlock & District Citizens Advice Bureau, Youlgrave Medical Centre, 9.30am-12.30pm
<b>Wednesdays</b>	Drawing and painting classes, Youlgrave Reading Room, 10am	<b>Alternate Thurs</b>	Mobile Library, Grove Place, 2-4.30pm Holywell Lane 5-6.30pm.
<b>Wednesdays</b>	Bingo, Youlgrave Reading Room, 7.30pm	<b>2nd Friday</b>	Mobile Police Stn, Holywell La, 12.30-4pm
<b>Thursdays</b>	Beginners Yoga with Iris Pimm, 7pm	<b>Last Tues of month</b>	Youlgrave Parish Council meeting, Youlgrave Village Hall Committee Room, 7.15pm.
<b>Fridays</b>	Yoga with Iris Pimm, 9.30am		
<b>Fridays</b>	Gentle Yoga, Scout 7 Comm. Hall, 3.30pm.		

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

<b>Sat 2 July</b>	Strawberry Cream Teas and stalls, Granby House, 2.30pm	<b>Fri 29 July</b>	Pie & Pea Supper, Granby House, 7.15pm
<b>Sat 9 July</b>	School Association 'Fun Afternoon', All Saints schoolyard, 3.30pm	<b>Sat 20 Aug</b>	Youlgrave Cinema presents: <i>The Incredibles</i> , Youlgrave Village Hall, 10.30am
<b>Sat 23 July</b>	Funday, Old School House, Main Street, Youlgrave, 2.30-5pm	<b>Sat 9 Sept</b>	Youlgrave & District Horticultural Association Annual Show, Village Hall
<b>Tues 26 July</b>	Youlgrave Parish Council meeting, Village Hall committee room, 7.15pm	<b>Sat 9 Sept</b>	Africa Evening in Youlgrave Village Hall
<b>Fri 15 July</b>	Middleton Rocks music evening (see p. 3)	<b>Sat 10 Sept</b>	Attic Sale, Youlgrave Village Hall, 10am- 12.30pm
<b>Sat 23 July</b>	Coffee Morning for Youlgrave Methodist Church, 10.30am (see p. 6)		

Saturday Waste Collection dates - see page 11