

The Bugle

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

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TRIPLE SURPRISE FOR MIDDLETON FARM

Calving at Greencroft Farm, Middleton-by-Youlgrave, took an unusual turn recently when a cow gave birth to triplets.

It's very rare for a cow to have three calves at once, and according to local sources the last time it took place in the Middleton area was back in 1976 (to farmer Philip Stone).

The smallest of the Fresian calves was the size of a Labrador when born, but all three – two male and one female – are healthy and doing well, as is the mother, who remarkably was a first-time calver.

Equally surprised were Robert and Karen Wigley, who had no idea that three calves were on the way. "I got this call from the shed that there was another on the way," said Karen. "It took us all by surprise, but we're delighted that they're all healthy."



Jamie Wigley tries to arrange a photo-call for the calves.

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**Derbyshire Dales
District Council**

**Election in Lathkill
& Bradford (Youlgrave) ward**

Thursday 11 May 2006

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Bill Moore, 1933–2006

Bill Moore, who died on 28 February after a short illness, was a popular and well known local figure. He was associated, in particular, with the Reading Room and as a regular in the local pubs, and also for his strongly-held political convictions. Latterly he was elected Youlgrave's District Councillor, but over the years it wasn't uncommon for people to approach Bill with pleas for help in the assumption that he was their political representative!

Born in the West Midlands, Bill took early retirement from his post as a polytechnic lecturer in Sheffield and became ever more immersed in left-wing politics. He stood for parliament several times in West Derbyshire, was the

founding editor of Chesterfield Council's 'Our Town' newspaper, and was an active member of West Derbyshire Labour Party.

Bill and Glenys moved to Youlgrave in the early 1970s, since when their affection for the village and the Derbyshire countryside grew and grew. Bill often remarked that he was puzzled why people would want to live anywhere else.

Bill's involvement in community affairs was far-reaching, and not just as a regular in the village pubs where he would happily talk to anyone and everyone – whether about the weighty matters of the day or more lighter



issues, such as the fluctuating fortunes of Birmingham City football club. Indeed, his sense of humour and quirkiness were legendary.

Some of Bill's local activities were not widely known. For several years he taught adult education on midweek evening to people with learning difficulties; and he delivered Meals on Wheels to houses in Youlgrave, where he was particularly popular with older residents because of his kindness, patience and charm.

Apart from being Youlgrave's respected District Councillor (and recently appointed to the Peak District National Park board for a second time)

Bill was also well-known as Vice Chair of Youlgrave Waterworks, leading a successful recent campaign to save the company from closure. He was also part of the editorial team that produced the *Bugle*, frequently coming up with useful suggestions and ideas and keeping the Editor on his toes.

Bill was closely involved in restoring the village's historic Reading Room, making it once more a centre for community activities. He loved the Saturday morning workshops – even, on occasions, getting his hands a bit grubby. And lately a project that had become particularly close to his heart was Youlgrave's new Youth Club, which Bill and Glenys helped set up last year. Indeed, Bill was adamant that more should be done for young people in villages such as Youlgrave, and he made this point regularly and forcefully at both District Council and Parish Council meetings. Bill remained the sole Independent councillor, not affiliated to any political party, in the whole of the Derbyshire Dales.

Bill was incredibly well-read and highly knowledgeable on world and current affairs. He expounded environmental concerns long before they became fashionable and railed against rampant capitalism and globalisation. Both Bill and Glenys were lifelong supporters of Greenpeace. Bill also enjoyed a long involvement with Village Aid in Bakewell, making use of his IT and publishing skills. He also worked as a volunteer at the Oxfam shop at Matlock for over 12 years.

Bill Moore's dedication to Youlgrave went to the core. He was a truly remarkable man, and one who will be remembered in many different ways and by many different people for his selflessness, warmth and generosity.

Andrew McCloy

Remembering Bill...

Bill was a very respected and truly independent member. His clarity of thinking and contributions to the debates were always very appropriate. A good man, he will be sorely missed."

Councillor Lewis Rose, Leader of Derbyshire Dales District Council

"He never did teach me how to screw without grunting." *Eddie Oldfield, Chair of Youlgrave Reading Room (referring, it is presumed, to their shared efforts at renovating the building)*

"He was deeply committed to this community and really cared about the people of Youlgrave. For Bill, every person mattered, irrespective of their background." *Andrew McCloy, Chair of Youlgrave Parish Council*

I responded to Bill's small, but perfectly formed, campaign to re-establish the village youth club. I offered my services as a fund raiser only. I stressed *only*. So was I surprised when Bill said in front of all in the Bull's Head "would I take the chair, I'd said I would?" The charming rascal! *John Youatt*

Bill had a keen sense of the absurd – only he could have brought together Matthew Parris, Patrick McLoughlin and Lewis Rose, all on their feet and, indeed, singing 'The Red Flag' at his Service. The irony would have delighted him and the tribute from political opponents was impressive." *Dee Frith*

Some of Bill's pranks were legendary, such as his note announcing a "24 hour bellathon" – which was pushed through the doors of people living near the church.

Richard Ambler

Design and installation of energy efficient heating systems

Gas appliances – services and repair

Youlgrave pupils take part in Tag Rugby Tournament



Youlgrave school entered a tag rugby tournament which was held at Bakewell Methodist Junior School. Our first match was against a well organised Stanton team. Unfortunately, we lost 8-2 against them. Our second match was against Great Longstone B. We may have fought hard and scored 2 tries, but we sadly lost 4-2. Our third and final match was against Bakewell A, but our match ended in sorrow and we lost 6-0. We got in the cars and drove home feeling pleased with ourselves.
By Joe Hallam & Stephanie Mellor

On Wednesday 1st March, Youlgrave's tag rugby team went down to Bakewell Methodist Junior School. When we arrived at the tournament, our first one this year, we had to practise hard before we went and played our first match. We had a great time at the tournament, here are the teams we played: Stanton, Great Longstone B and Bakewell A. Although we lost all the games we still tried and had a great time. Sadly we didn't get into the finals but at the end we got a special treat (Hot Chocolate and Maltesers!).

By Aiden Marsh, Adam Wilson & Emlyn Jones

Birthday fundraising success

Michael and Marjorie Shimwell and family would like to thank all friends and relations who made Michael's 65th birthday a great success.

The donations on the night amounted to £750, and this has been divided equally between Youlgrave Surgery and Youlgrave School. The Surgery is buying a Pulse Oxymeter and the School is going to discuss how their money can be put to good use for the children – they will let us know in a few weeks time. We would also like to thank David Figg for his delicious pies and his hard work on the night.

PUB'S RAFFLE MONEY BUYS NEW SCHOOL EQUIPMENT

A lucky punter at the Farmyard Inn's Monday night raffle might come away with a bottle of wine, but the children at Youlgrave School are also celebrating after the pub used its raffle takings to buy new equipment for the pupils.

Money from the weekly raffle purchased a variety of kitchen items that the children use in cookery classes, including an electric whisk, scales, saucepans and plastic storage boxes. So, does Pommy have any budding young chefs in the making...?

"We fell 8,000 feet at 120mph through the cloud"

Youlgrave's **Charlotte Spencer** describes her daring fund-raising sky dive.

I decided to raise funds for Great Ormond Street Children's Hospital (GOSH) because of the help they gave me and my daughter. Bethany, who is now five, was born at Calow, but was taken to GOSH straight after she born. She had bladder exstrophy, which is when the bladder is on the outside of her body. She spent the first five weeks in London where they operated. She had a week in intensive care and I was lucky to stay with Bethany while she was in hospital.

I am a Friend of GOSH and I found an advert on their website for people to take part in a sponsored sky dive. I thought this would be a good way to show my gratitude. I've always wanted to do something to help them and when I found it I knew it was for me! The hospital has a arrangement with the British Parachute School, who helped me.

My partner Michael and I drove down to the airfield at Langar in Nottinghamshire on March 19th. I was briefed on how to exit the plane and land. They supplied me with a jumpsuit,

hat and goggles.

I was lucky that the briefing instructor was my jump partner, so I knew I was in safe hands!

There were about ten people jumping with me. The plane climbed to 13,000 feet, the



door opened, we all shuffled forwards, and people started to jump out. I was last out so I could see everyone else jump before me. At the door the instructor stood behind me and I went head first out of the plane. We fell 8,000 feet at 120 mph through the cloud before the parachute opened. When it opened we could see Nottingham. I could hear my instructor talking to me. Although the descent only took a few minutes we had fun spinning the parachute around. The instructor landed on his feet and I lifted my legs. Thankfully we were both still in one piece!

Michael, friends and family were watching and couldn't believe I had actually done it. People have been very generous and so far I have raised £942. I'm still collecting for the hospital, so anybody wishing to contribute can contact me, Charlotte Spencer, on 636096.

Thank you.



Call Geoff Brightmore on 07971 839515

Or Martin Shimwell on 07989 984826

YOUTH CLUB'S POOL TABLE PROVES A BIG HIT



There was much excitement at Youlgrave Youth Club with the recent arrival of the new pool table. It was soon erected – once we'd found the right screwdrivers, etc, and was immediately in use by both boys and girls. **JY**

Coffee Morning



Saturday 6th May

The annual Coffee Morning for Christian Aid will be held at the home of Mrs Dorothy Oldfield, Coldwell End, Youlgrave, at 10.45am on Saturday 6th May. There will be the usual stalls selling bric-a-brac, books and cakes, etc. All welcome.

EVERYONE WELCOME AT THE YOUTH CLUB VOLUNTEERS MEETING

You are warmly invited to a meeting at 8pm in the Bull's Head (small room) on Friday 28th April.

The Youth Club Committee thought it would be a good idea for all the present volunteers and potential volunteers to have a get together. We would love a few more helpers, especially men, but also people with any special skills or interests that the young people might be impressed by or interested in. For example, are you good at playing darts, or pool, or table tennis, or card games or anything else? Could you come along, just for one evening maybe, to demonstrate your skills and/or coach a few of the members? For more information, please ring Glenys on 636477.

A bowling trip to Alfreton has been booked for 3rd May. More details and parental agreement letters available at the Youth Club.

The Youth Club will be open on Wednesdays as usual during the Easter holiday and the Spring Bank holiday, but closed for six weeks in the summer holidays.

DEADLINE FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO MAY'S BUGLE
Monday 15 April

The Battle of Bradford Wall

Elizabeth Ashmore remembers how people-power triumphed in a dispute over a well-used Youlgrave gennel.

On the 28th March 1963, 16 dedicated ladies, accompanied by their children in pushchairs, demolished a newly-built wall erected to close in a 'gennel' for all time. This gennel was one of three on Bradford regularly used by residents and schoolchildren. I used it daily, both to school and to call on Mrs Bibby and her daughter, Betty, who lived in the next door cottage. The late Mr Harry Goodwin lived in an adjacent cottage on the back of this gennel on Stoneyside and he and many long-established families living on Bradford told of the 'old miners' way' (gennel) used since 'time out of mind'. Sadly only one of the three gennels is currently open on Bradford and the action taken that day by ladies who are now amongst our 'senior citizens' lives on in my memory. I dedicate this poem to their great sense of 'right'.

Mr Goodwin also told me that it was common in those days to see the gennels "full of folk fighting" in disputes over local football matches!

THE OLD LEAD MINER'S GENNEL
1863 history, 1963 action in Bradford, Youlgrave

Lead Miners' cottages rise the steep slope,
Bradford and Stoneyside connected... so close,
Back to back cottages, farm buildings so quaint,
And old Miners' Passages, 'Gennels' between.

These Gennels, an ancient track long, long ago
Where gangs of old Miners trudged, taking their loads,
They heaved, pushed and barrowed the ore from their mines
Along ancient trackways to Engines or Coes.

Through centuries, these sturdy 'Cots' built in a day
By gnarled worn and tough hands for families to stay.
And pig crews and hencotes small paddocks and then
... these quaint curving passage-ways, running between.

To slip through from Stoneyside, Bradford (Youlgrave) ...we find
Gangs of our Leadminers stretching entwined
As they walk through the centuries,
Barmaster to measure... Full 29 yards from Meer to Meer.

100 Years later 1963

One day in this 'Gennel' the family there -
Bricked up a wall... to keep public at bay,
Incensed with deep anger this passage to free
Parish Council seemed impotent, Town Council as well.

And despite several weeks with no action forthcoming
Sixteen Bradford housewives took charge and control.
And with pick and sledgehammers and pushchairs in hand
they struck, heaved and flattened this wall with pure WILL.

And their toddlers looked on with broad smiles of surprise.
As the 'Old Lead Miners' Gennel' was revealed to our eyes
For all folk to pass through betwixt and between
the two sides of Bradford as always had been.

And Nellie in charge with gleam in her eye,
Addressed local Press "Let all come who will
And pass through this Gennel as in days of Yore
Was decreed by the Miners in taking their ore!"

And then full of pride at achieving this win,
She remarked - "We are off... to that wall in Berlin!"

So in faded newspaper, now yellowed with age
The date (19)63, the women enraged,
Pose alongside their pushchairs, toddlers and all -
The day Housewives in Bradford demolished THAT WALL.

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Youlgrave Parish Council

It has once more been a busy and eventful year for the Parish Council.

We began by welcoming a new Parish Clerk, Matthew Lovell, who has brought a conscientiousness and level-headedness to the role. I would also like to thank Anne Croasdell who stepped down last May after three years as Parish Council Chair. We are grateful for all her hard work and appreciate her continuing input and unstinting enthusiasm.

We are fortunate to have a full complement of ten councillors, an excellent blend of age, experience and expertise. All take their duties seriously and put in a lot of unpaid and unheralded work on behalf of the people of Youlgrave. In addition to the main council, we have two smaller committees that examine issues affecting the Alport Lane playing fields and finance/personnel matters. Parish Council representatives also sit on the committees of a number of village groups and bodies, including the Village Hall, School and Scout & Community Hall.

Roads, parking and pedestrians

So, what has actually been happening over the last 12 months? In terms of visible results, we have at long, long last got a new road surface! The Parish Council may not have laid the tarmac, but we persuaded Derbyshire Council to 'paint' a pavement along the roadside where none previously existed, and from what we can tell the painted line and 'stick people' symbols are working well. PLEASE help pedestrians by not parking on or driving over the lines. Traffic and parking remains a sensitive issue, but pedestrians HAVE to take priority – children walking to school, older residents visiting the shops, or whoever.

Advisory 'no parking' white lines have also been painted at locations where inappropriate parking has caused problems over access to

properties or side roads. Again, please try and avoid parking on these white strips, such as the ones opposite the ends of Conksbury Avenue and Barnes Lane – they are there for a reason, and one day it may well be a matter of life and death if an emergency vehicle can't gain access. We are also aware of the ongoing issue of obstructive parking around Fountain Square, and we hope that further planned measures may help alleviate this problem.

Playing fields and recreational facilities

The Parish Council manages the Alport Lane playing fields on behalf of the National Playing Fields Association. Having installed new toddlers play equipment, thanks to grants from Awards for All and Derbyshire Dales District Council, we plan to complete the older children's equipment by installing a play tower. Meanwhile, a new and innovative play surface has been laid underneath the existing equipment, consisting of shredded black rubber made from recycled tyres.

The sports pavilion is in serious need of renovation. To date we have overhauled the electrics, mended holes in the floor and made other various running repairs, as well as removing the dilapidated sightscreens. The next stage will see us applying for funding for structural repairs to the building. We would like to see both the pavilion and the field itself used by more clubs and community groups, and in particular we hope that a village cricket club can be re-established.

Elsewhere on the playing fields, the former wildlife area at the bottom of the playing fields is being brought back to life, thanks to Ian Weatherley and his small band of helpers.

A growing problem surrounds people taking private vehicles on to the grass. This is strictly prohibited, since it is not only dangerous to other users but also damages the surface. We will shortly be taking measures to address this issue.

Gas safety and landlords certificates

Chairman's annual report 2005-06

The Parish Council has also acted to tackle the rash of anti-social behaviour that broke out in the village last year. The Police were contacted and a number of individuals were interviewed and warned about their future behaviour. On a much more constructive note, the Parish Council welcomes the setting up of a new youth club in Youlgrave, and the continued growth of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Group based in the village. We also congratulate Youlgrave Village Hall on its smart new appearance, and its excellent Photographic Exhibition that is recording our precious heritage.

Allotments, noticeboard and litter

The Parish Council's allotments at Coldwell End are now all taken and a waiting list has formed. A new village noticeboard was erected on Church Street, thanks to a generous donation by Derbyshire Aggregates marking 21 years in business. The Council purchased a new grit bin after complaints about the hazardous nature of the church steps (next to the school gate) during winter. At its Coldwell End car park, the money raised from visitors via the 'Honesty Box' continues to pay for ongoing maintenance of the car park.

Towards the end of 2005, members of the Parish Council met an officer from Derbyshire Dales District Council to complain about the general untidiness and rubbish in the streets of Youlgrave. We argued that a popular village the size of ours should be cleaned more than five times a year (as at present); and we also highlighted (once more) the ongoing mess around the District Council's recycling bins at Coldwell End. We will wait and see whether there is any tangible difference.

We continue to liaise with Derbyshire County Council, Derbyshire Dales District Council and the Peak District National Park over wider issues that affect communities across the Peak District, such as housing and

the environment, and Youlgrave Parish Councillors have attended various local events, such as the Peak Parishes Forum.

One area of particular concern to the Parish Council is the fact that we are losing more and more of our shops and services. Of course, Youlgrave is not alone in this, but in the last few years the fish and chip shop, newsagent and now café have all gone; and it's clear that once again the future of rural post offices is under review.

Of more immediate interest to some villagers, perhaps, is that the Parish Council has kept the precept unchanged for the second successive year. (In very simple terms, the precept is the sum levied by Parish Councils for its local work; the amount appears on your annual Council Tax statement.)

A note of thanks

I would like to thank all the Parish Councillors for their ongoing hard work, as well as all those other individuals who help out for the good of the community. I'm thinking of the likes of Malcolm Stacey, who every year and without any fuss (or payment) puts up the Council's Christmas tree in the churchyard and sorts out the lights. Thank you, on behalf of the whole village.

Finally, I would like to record the Parish Council's great sadness at the recent death of Bill Moore, Youlgrave's District Councillor. As the sole Independent councillor in the whole of the Derbyshire Dales, Bill took his role earnestly and diligently, and was particularly determined that the authorities should do more for younger people in rural communities such as ours. He also valued his relationship with the Parish Council and regularly reported on news and issues that affected people in the village. We will miss you, Bill.

Andrew McCloy
Youlgrave Parish Council Chairman

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- 1,927 people have received transplants
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An additional 1,530 people have donated corneas and 2,156 people have received the gift of sight.

In conjunction with *NHS UKtransplant*, a campaign has been launched for the months of April to June 2006 jointly by Rotary (in Matlock) and the *Matlock Mercury* to encourage residents of the Dales to register their names with the Organ Donor Register. And it couldn't be easier...

All you have to do is to complete a donor leaflet (available at health centres, libraries and where you see the campaign posters). Then send it off or just register through the Rotary website or the *Mercury* website: www.matlockrotary.com or www.matlockmercury.co.uk. Alternatively, ring 636815 and we'll send you a form so you can help us achieve 1,000 new potential donors. It only takes a minute. Now is the time to register!

MIDDLETON VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE AGM

Thursday 27 April, 8.15pm

Help is needed for Middleton
Welldressings and Village
Market on Saturday 27 May.

Come along to the AGM
or contact John Warren
on 636037.



POSTCARD FROM SPAIN

It's nice to see the name 'Shagpile' appearing in the *Bugle* again, albeit the niece of the great man, Wilton was perhaps the first person to befriend me when I arrived in the village in the late '80s. He often used to hail me with the words, "Fancy a quick chuck?" My wife thought it a derogatory term at that time, until I explained to her that it was a term used in Petanque and not a phrase used when harking back to my childhood.

As well as introducing Petanque to the village, Wilton was also a Horse Doctor of some renown until his love of acting and stage review took over his somewhat hectic work schedule. He was reportedly the first man to use the term 'Foot and Mouth', proclaiming 'You open your mouth and put your foot straight in it, Groucho!'.

He wrote a few well received reviews, one of his most famous being his write-up of the film 'West Side Story', commenting "It's that well written and performed, it's like watching Shakespeare set to music".

I once had the misfortune to carpet a villager for saying that Shagpile was not his real name, more a comment on the rakish lifestyle of his early youth. Wilton was always a good friend and mentor to me in my brief stay in the village and I was not going to stand by and hear his good name blackened.

I heard a rumour that Wilton had passed to the other side, and gone to the 'Great Ministry in the Sky'. I sincerely hope it's not true. Wilomena's review was good, but it didn't have the underlaying (sic) wit of good old Wilton.

Drop me a line at the usual address if you can confirm or deny these disturbing rumours.

GROUCHO

Easter Monday April 17th to Saturday April 22nd 2006, 10.00 - 16.00

A Select Exhibition of Original Oil Paintings

Local Landscapes by a well known Derby artist

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@ Greystones Cottage, Bankside, Youlgrave

BROWSERS & MUDDY BOOTS WELCOME!

Tea and cakes in the garden

In aid of: Youlgrave-Bangbutt link & Tearfund Water Projects

Welldressing donations to local community

Following this year's Welldressing AGM, the Committee would like to thank Mike Newman for all his hard work for making the Village Hall display happen. It is a wonderful testimony to this precious Youlgrave tradition. Also, due to increasing donations last year (through linking with Bangbutt), several good causes are able to benefit from donations. Bangbutt received another £500 towards building latrines and hygiene training (a well has already been built); the Church Roof fund received £500; the Playgroup £200 for new easels; and the Monday Club £200 for an outing. Thanks to all those involved in all aspects of Welldressing. Let's look forward to this year's event.

(Some of you might be interested to know that Youlgrave Welldressing is to be featured in Woman's Weekly in the next couple of weeks!)

Free estimates – no call out fee

CORGI and ACOP registered

YOULGRAVE-BANGBUTT VILLAGE LINK AGM



Saturday 22 April, 3pm, in Youlgrave Reading Room

Come along and watch excerpts from the DVD of the latrines being built, the Bangbutt children having a great time at the Christmas party we financed, and hear all the latest news, plans and details of daily life in Bangbutt. If you need transport, ring Carol on 636570.

Hopefully we shall have at the meeting three Sierra Leonean young women to talk to us about life in post-war Sierra Leone: Jariatu, from Birmingham/Freetown, who came to last year's AGM and also entertained us at the African Evening last September; Henrietta from Freetown, who is Sammy's wife; and Yeama, from Freetown but studying journalism in Sheffield! As usual we hope they will come beautiful attired in their Sierra Leone dresses.

S.O.S. Does anyone possess or have easy access to a Power Point projector that they would be willing to lend to the Youlgrave-Bangbutt committee to use at their AGM? If so, please contact Barbara on 636601.

HELP NEEDED FOR COFFEE MORNING IN APRIL

We are having a stall at the coffee morning in Bakewell Methodist Church on Monday 24 April, 10am-12noon. Any contributions of preserves, cakes, plants and good quality bric-a-brac would be very welcome. Please contact Carol (636570). And of course, don't forget to come as well!

Joke of the month

Why don't bats live alone?
They like to hang around with their friends.

What's the difference between a teacher and train?
The teacher says: "Spit that gum out!"
And the train goes: "Chew, chew, chew..."

*As told by 1st Youlgrave Guides
(heard on the Basil Brush Show)*

Brightmore & Shimwell Plumbing & Heating Services

Youlgrave Village Hall

ATTIC SALE

Saturday 29 April

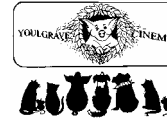
10am-12.30pm

For table reservations call Rita
on 636663. £6 per table.

Also cake stall and tombola.
Refreshments available.

Proceeds to Village Hall funds.

Youlgrave Cinema presents an Ealing Comedy classic



PASSPORT TO PIMLICO

Saturday 8th April at Youlgrave Village Hall.

2.30pm (doors open 2pm). Refreshments provided.

Admission: £2 per person, on the door or in advance by calling 636420

Visit the RHS Gardens at Harlow Carr, Harrogate

Youlgrave & District Horticultural Society has arranged a day trip to Harlow Carr Gardens near Harrogate and there are some seats still available on the coach. The trip is on Thursday 27 April, departing Youlgrave at 9am and returning to the village by 6pm. The coach will pick up and drop off by the telephone box at the top of Holywell Lane. The Horticultural Society has generously paid for the coach, so the cost will be only £5 per person.

If you would like to come along for an enjoyable day out please telephone Jane on 636721.

YOULGRAVE BOWLS CLUB

Coffee Morning

Youlgrave Reading Room

Saturday 6th May

10-12 noon

Various stalls

Admission 50p
including coffee & biscuits

Call Geoff Brightmore on 07971 839515



The Youlgrave Exchange

reduce...recycle...re-use...

Pine bunk beds, perfect condition, free to a good home. Call 636993.

1950s black 'Olympia' manual typewriter – collector's item, perhaps? Free. Call John or Jane on 636721.

Small 3-piece suite, tapestry blue, old and a little tatty but perfectly serviceable. Free for collection. Call 636523.

Avocado-coloured toilet. In need of some restoration. Free to a good home. Call 636330. *(Last call for this priceless item – Ed.)*

Philips AK601 CD player, Pioneer SA301 amplifier. Old but works fine. Call Andrew on 636125.

SAFEGUARDING YOUR PROPERTY

Due to the success of the shed alarm initiative, Derbyshire Police's Crime Reduction Unit has a stock of security chains and padlocks for sale. These will enable householders to attach together vulnerable items such as pedal cycles, ladders and lawnmowers in sheds and garages. The chains are 150cm x 8mm, zinc coated with a plastic cover. The padlocks, measuring 50mm, are brass with a hardened steel shackle, and are on sale as a package for just £5 from Police Station Enquiry Offices (Bakewell, Buxton, etc). Shed alarms are also on sale at £5 each. If you have any questions please contact the Crime Reduction Unit at Buxton on 0845 123 33 33.



GO WILD IN THE GARDEN

Spring is here at last, with the bright flowers of marsh marigolds appearing by the river. This is an easy and rewarding marginal plant for domestic ponds, thriving in shallow water at the pond edges. Most of their stems, leaves and flowers are out of the water giving excellent cover for baby frogs and toads. Other native marginals are bog bean, flowering rush, lesser reed male, water mint and flag iris. Once established in damp earth or plastic baskets, they will need dividing at this time of year.

WILDLIFE PROJECT



If your garden has a more 'formal' type of pond or pool, this can be made more wildlife friendly without building a new structure. Ornamental fish will eat tadpoles so these are not useful in a wildlife pond. Easier access to attract birds and small mammals can be created by putting in steps or some large rocks round the edges. Native marginal plants will attract insects and provide cover. Putting in some mud from an established pond would help the process along. Native floating plants like water crowfoot, frog bit and white water lily will help to oxygenate the pond.

Maureen Parry

Maureen Parry can be contacted for Garden Design on 630064

REGULAR LOCAL EVENTS

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

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

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

Mon-Fri Youlgrave Playschool, Scout & Community Hall, 9.15-11.45am

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

Weds Bingo, Youlgrave Reading Room, 7.30pm

Weds Youlgrave Youth Club, Scout & Community Hall, evenings

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

Thursdays Beginners Yoga with Iris Pimm, 7pm

Fridays Yoga with Iris Pimm, 9.30am

Fridays Gentle Yoga, Scout & Community Hall, 3.30pm.

Fridays Parent and Toddlers Group, Youlgrave Reading Room, 1.15-3.15pm

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

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

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The Abbeydale Singers in action at All Saints, Youlgrave, last month, raising money for the Church Roof Appeal. **Photo: Phil Smith**

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