



# The Bugle



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Alport, Middleton and Youlgrave**

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## Village Shop under new management

The new proprietor of Youlgrave Village Shop, Jade Stacey, says she is relishing the chance to develop the successful business further.

Jade has worked in the shop since Mr and Mrs Bingham re-opened the former Holland Butchers in summer 2017, but now she has taken over the business on her own and has already introduced some new lines and is extending the range of produce on offer.

"We now offer hot snacks like sausage rolls, as well as coffee to take away, thanks to a new Rijo coffee machine that the company to set up specially."

Youlgrave-born Jade says that, as before, as much will be sourced from local producers as possible. Milk comes from Amy's Dairy of Youlgrave, Peak Feast products are on sale, and bread and pies are from Bloomers of Bakewell. There are Hartington cheeses and fresh meat now comes from E.W. Coates of Darley Dale.

"Fresh fruit, veg and bread is



*Jade Stacey, new proprietor of Youlgrave Village Shop.*

delivered daily," says Jade, "and if you order anything by 1pm we can make sure it will arrive next day. I'd urge any local producers who would like us to stock their products to get in touch, or alternatively we would love to hear recommendations from customers."

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### Youlgrave Medical Centre

We will be closing at 12 noon rather than 1pm on the following Wednesdays:

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Friday	8.30am-1pm
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*Recently I spent five weeks in Chesterfield Royal Hospital after falling in the garden and breaking my left hip. I would like to thank, most sincerely, my dear family and good friends for their get well cards and visits to see me in the hospital. It helped me a lot as it was difficult being away from home, the days were long and it passed the time for me. Also I would like to thank those kind people who helped me on the day I fell, everyone was brilliant.*

*Thank you all.*

*Muriel Harrison  
Youlgrave*



*Village Shop, continued from front page*

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**News from Youlgrave Waterworks**

Youlgrave Waterworks sets the rate for the coming year at its January meeting and agreed not to raise it for this year, so the bill remains at £210.00 for the year from 1st April with the usual option to pay all, in two (1st April/1st October) or seven instalments of £30.00 commencing 1st April. The new bills will be sent out in March.

The improvement works continue with replacement mains and completion of the ring main planned this financial year. Reminders have gone out to those who may have overlooked their second instalment – please pay promptly as our rates can only be held at this level if we don't have to cover for debt collector fees. This is your community company and can only remain so with your commitment. Please remain vigilant for any leaks and contact our team if spotted. Our numbers and email are now in every issue of The Bugle (see page 27):

James Bacon (leaks): 077866 365610, admin matters: 07483 875719

email: [waterworks@youlgrave.org.uk](mailto:waterworks@youlgrave.org.uk)

## Margaret Fell

Margaret Fell died last December, aged 88. Margaret designed the Coldwell End well dressing until 2000 and continued to help there until 2003.

Pre-World War Two, well dressing had been the exclusive provenance of the menfolk of Youlgrave. At the end of the war well dressing was gradually re-established at the five tap spots. Bank Top restarted in 1949 and the joint designers were the young Fred Shimwell and - shock horror - Margaret (at that time Margaret Boardman, aged about 20).

To allow women anywhere near the boards was revolutionary but to have a female designer...! The next year, in 1950, she left Fred at Bank Top to re-start well dressing at Coldwell End, where she designed from then until 2000 with help from Iris Pimm in the last two years. She always had an all-female team of petallers, but in the 1950s when well dressers were actually paid, women on the other wells only got half the pay of the men.



Margaret was a designer for 52 years, an all time record, I think. For the last 25 years or so she did so from afar, living in Ormskirk and then Cumbria. She and many of her team would join the Youlgrave Church choir for the well dressing blessings.

She was an ambassador for well-dressings throughout the county, helping to establish the tradition in Ashford, Pilsley and Etwall. She addressed countless WI groups and others on the subject.

Many of you may have seen a short film made in 1999 by Granada TV, which is part of the film shown in the Village Hall. Margaret explains a good deal about well dressing materials.

She was an expert innovator and motivator with endless enthusiasm. Her pictures were always complex, populated with biblical figures with features sculpted in clay. She designed our contribution for the exhibition of welldressings at Chatsworth Country Fair in 1999.

*Peter Pimm*

## Julia Thornton

I would like to thank the many friends who have been in touch to offer concern and support following the sad death of my friend Julia. I have been overwhelmed by everyone's love.

The bright, intelligent, well read and witty woman I knew for 46 years sadly had been lost to us some time ago. I like to imagine her now laughing with her partner Allan and surrounded by the many dogs who filled her life.

*Val Cornish*

## Middleton's pub opens for business – just for one day

The Bateman Arms once -in-the-year opening in Middleton by Youlgrave will be on Saturday 9th February, from 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

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Come and enjoy traditional pub games: dominoes, darts and table mini-skittles.

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*Middleton Village Hall Committee*



*The Bateman Arms was originally located in Square House, Middleton.*

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Or maybe you would like to learn about how it's done at the practical monthly sessions? Then you can feed bees, butterflies and birds in your own garden – oh, and yourselves as well of course...

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## Youlgrave Wildlife Notes: December 2018 & January 2019

December bird life was dominated by the very large numbers of fieldfare and redwing around the village. A flock of redwings descended onto our garden on the 13th and completely stripped a heavily laden cotoneaster tree in about a day. I saw a particularly large flock of redwings near Raper Lodge and fieldfare have been visiting gardens to feast on the fallen apples. As the berries both in gardens and in the hedgerows have been eaten, the fieldfares have moved to the open pastures where they can feed on worms. I was away over Christmas and the New Year and was struck by the lack of these birds around the village on my return. I get the impression, however, that there has been an increase in the number of blackbirds, often feeding on fallen apples. There have been large numbers of the northern chaffinch, the brambling, in the country this winter often feeding on beech mast. A few have found their way into gardens with reports from Coldwell End and my own garden in early December.

Another finch that has been seen at Coldwell End and our garden is the siskin. It looks a bit like a tiny greenfinch and is very acrobatic. A marsh tit has continued to visit Coldwell End. The common garden birds have been plentiful with nuthatch, long tailed tit, bullfinch, song thrush, greater spotted woodpecker, tree creeper, lots of goldfinches, starlings and a goldcrest giving added enjoyment. The inconspicuous dunnock is worthy of mention as it is one of the few birds actually singing at the moment. The robin



*Siskin*

does give its little winter song and I have heard the occasional mistle thrush and great tit, but the dunnock is in full flow.

The Dale has had plenty of interesting birds and a great white egret was reported on 15th December. There have been two dabchicks but on different pools, dippers and grey wagtails. On 13th January I watched a kingfisher for about half an hour. It occasionally dived for fish and seemed quite undisturbed by

the walkers that stopped to admire it. Sadly it was too dark for a decent photo. There has been a very tame heron and the cygnet is still present. Birds of prey have been mainly buzzards with tawny owls hooting. An amusing sight was a couple of pied wagtails actually

picking up tit-bits from under the hooves of the belted Galloways beside the Hollow Farm track.

These two months are not noted for their wildflowers, but I usually manage to find something in bloom as I walk round the village. Groundsel, ragwort, sow thistle and red deadnettle can all be found if you take your eyes away from the birds for a moment. I had just finished writing the first draft of this article on 20th January when I saw two male bramblings in the garden.

My thanks to my contributors to this article: John, Simon, Ann, Geoff, Ian, Keith, Alex and Lesley. All contributions gratefully received.

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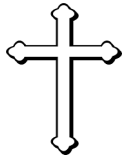
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## **Churches in Youlgrave: Tent peg moments**

I am writing this in the midst of all the uncertainty after the lost Brexit vote in Parliament. As a nation, at the moment, we have become familiar with what uncertainty feels like. And we all respond differently. Natural 'risk-takers,' are more likely to see uncertainties as opportunities, and to be optimistic about the prospect of change. Those who are naturally more 'risk-averse,' may feel anxious or uncomfortable.

Uncertainty and doubt are a natural part, not only of life, but of faith too. I am always saddened when I meet people who think they have to be completely sure about what they believe, and completely free of doubts, before they can really claim to have a faith. I have yet to meet a devout Christian who has never had times of doubt.

In my own times of doubt, I have found it helpful to reflect on what a friend of mine calls 'tent peg moments.' As I look back over my journey of faith, there have been particular times when God has felt very close. For some, these might simply be times when, just for a moment, it felt as though maybe there is a God. Hang onto these moments, my friend says, and look back on them, like a rock-climber may hammer a tent peg into the rock, to hold them steady when the going gets tough.

So I invite you all to look back, and reflect on what your 'tent peg moments' are, whether to do with faith, or some other aspect of life.

And, yes, I know rock-climbers don't call them tent pegs, but that was the way the idea was introduced to me, and it stuck!

### **Please pray**

For all those struggling with uncertainty due to Brexit. And for our politicians, whatever their views on this issue.

For couples preparing to marry in our churches this year.

For those carrying heavy personal or family burdens.

### **A Lent invitation**

Each year our churches in Youlgrave run a joint Lent course, when we explore a faith-related topic together. This year we are going to be exploring our beliefs and ideas about 'difficult' questions such as what happens when we die. You are very welcome to join us, whether you have a faith or not. Look out for more detail in next month's Bugle.



## LOCAL CHURCH SERVICES IN FEBRUARY

*See church websites or noticeboards for further detail*

<b>Friday 1<sup>st</sup> February</b> 2.00 pm Stanton Family Service	<b>Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> February</b> 9.30 am Stanton Morning Prayer 11.00 Youlgrave Family Service 6.45 Middleton Evening Prayer
<b>Wed 6<sup>th</sup> February</b> 10.30 am Youlgrave Communion	<b>Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> February</b> 9.30 Stanton Holy Communion 11.00 Youlgrave Morning Prayer 6.30 Youlgrave Holy Communion
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Dear Editor

Parking in Youlgrave, indeed the length of the 'Bradford valley' is at best difficult, at worst impossible. It won't get better. It's a nightmare from which we must all wake up. It's not good enough to say it's no worse than in many other Peak villages and laugh at Bakewell where parking has been a pantomime joke for years. It is time to take action, to act on the interesting and illuminating findings of the recent Parish Council parking survey and honour the efforts of our primary school children who put a lot of hard work and imagination into their part of the survey with their insightful drawings and pertinent comments. The lesson they will learn from their active participation in this community project is that nothing happens, their work disappears along with everyone else's contribution, swallowed by some huge invisible bureaucratic machine never to resurface... then, several years down the line, a new parking survey will appear.

To find out what happened to the

existing survey, how it will be used and what action will be taken, we will have to make a fuss. Back to those frustrating phone calls that never seem to get to the right person, the letters and emails that go unanswered, the officials who apparently champion the cause only to disappear from the scene as just things get started. All of this must be done if we want any forward movement on the difficulties of parking.

Given the size and geography of the village, no one solution will fit every situation so it is likely that a raft of inventive and imaginative measures will be needed to address the problem. Interestingly, most residents were against the idea of parking permits, possibly because they cost money and possibly because without proper policing they are impossible to enforce.

Solutions, however, can be found. We will have to compromise but negotiate those compromises, we will have to use common sense and consideration for others. If we are truthful, it's not always visitors who cause hold-ups and difficulties by thoughtless parking outside the shops and in front of Peak Feast. Hand on heart, have we never been part of the problem? Let's work together towards real improvements.

Dee Frith  
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## A short history of Youlgrave Pantomime

As it is the panto season, Youlgrave History Society thought it a good idea to compile a brief Pantomime history for newcomers to the village, for old people who have forgotten and for anyone else interested! So, below is a brief history taken from the book 'The Spirit of Youlgrave and Alport' by Mary Bartlett and Bridget Ardley, plus bringing it up to date. We have Mary's permission.

"The pantomime is a very important date in Youlgrave's calendar and a major component of Village Hall funding. It is looked forward to and attended by people far and wide. Several performances are sold out well in advance. The show runs for two weeks and there is a large team of backstage workers who build scenery, sew costumes, sell ice creams, programmes and tickets.

In 1927 Major Mockett, manager of the Village Hall, produced Dick Whittington which ran for six performances. He produced two other pantomimes. In 1962 Norman Wilson revived the pantomime with Babes in the Wood, an instant success After five years, Norman was followed consecutively by producers Martin Brooke-Taylor, Margaret Fell, Stephen Walker and John Roper. In 1977 Jan Wilson, Norman's wife, began a long and successful period as producer and musical director. She had two years off in 1998 and 1999 when the show was directed by Louise Page and Chris Hawes".

Jan took up the mantle again in 2000 and continued (except for 2011 when Nick Stacey produced it at very short notice due to Norman Wilson's illness) until 2016 when she retired from her



*Major Mockett, with cat.*

wonderful 'roll' of panto producing after 40 years of very successful pantomime involvement. She was given an 'Oscar' in recognition of her valuable work for the village, in keeping the famous pantomime going.

Since then, for the past two years, the panto has been produced by Nic Wilson (no relation). This year Charlotte Bingham, a young woman from Bakewell, has nobly taken on the mantle.

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## Youlgrave Panto: Snow White at the Village Hall

Youlgrave Village Hall is back for its 57th season of panto, with a script by David Pryor and directed by the young Charlotte Bingham, they have created the popular pantomime Snow White, starting on 31 January.

With characters such as Wally, the not-so-very-funny court jester and the love of his life, Cook (Gwendolyn to her friends), Evell Rotunda, Snow White's evil, scheming auntie and Gert and Ada, the village gossips, not to mention a cottage full of dwarfs that can't count- there's plenty of fun and laughter planned.

This year we have nine performances, including two Saturday matinee performances: 31st Jan, then Feb 1st, 2nd, 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th. The show will be packed with every ingredient for the perfect traditional family pantomime. Expect larger-than-life characters, loads of laughs, a dose of slapstick, modern music, beautiful costumes, stunning dance moves, and of course... plenty of heroes to cheer and baddies to boo!

Tickets are available at the Youlgrave Village Hall Box office from Mon, Wed 6-8pm Sat 10 -12 noon. Or call 07926 283838 Tues, Thurs or Fri 10-5pm only.



At the matinee performance on February 2nd this year, we hope to welcome to 'Snow White', (weather permitting, as they are travelling from Worcester), Mrs. Elizabeth (Liz) Wilson and husband Colin, together with some of their family. Liz is the daughter of Major Mockett, mentioned above, who started all this happening in 1927. So it is a great pleasure to have them with us this year. A tradition started 92 years ago.

*Barbara Scrivener*

### **Youlgrave History Society**

As part of our interest in all things historic related to Youlgrave, we would like to find out more about the very beginnings of Youlgrave Pantomime. Do you have memories of the Pantomime you would like to share with us? Do you know anything about the early years and Major Mockett? We would love to hear your stories and see your photos, so do please get in touch.

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## **News from Youlgrave School: Bizet's Carmen, learning German and a new teacher for Class One**

Last Autumn we were approached by the Royal Opera Society asking if the school would be interested in studying Bizet's Carmen with the children. Carmen is an opera in four acts written in the genre of opéramique with musical numbers separated by dialogue, it is set in southern Spain and tells the story of the downfall of Don José, a naïve soldier who is seduced by the wiles of the fiery gypsy Carmen.

In the lead up to their showcase performance at the village hall the Class Three children studied operatic techniques, characterisation, mood and voice projection, they then performed some of the songs from the opera that have been adapted by the Royal Opera Society for younger children. The atmosphere they created with their very simple retelling of the story was



astounding. They produced some stand out performances showing attitude and passion that will stand them in good stead in future Youlgrave Pantomimes or maybe on national theatre stages. Watch this space for the school's summer term production of A Midsummer Night's Dream.



### **New member of staff**

*This term we are pleased to welcome Louise Eaton (pictured left) to our teaching staff. She has taken on the 'team-teaching' role with Mr Tom Dean in Class One and met the School Council as part of her interview with the children. Council members reported that Miss Eaton attended Stanton in the Peak Primary School, moved onto Lady Manners then went on to study her Bachelor of Education Degree at Plymouth University where she specialised in sport and art. During her time at university she was a member of the Kayaking Club and now competes with Derby Rowing Club which takes up most of her free time.*

*Miss Eaton, who lives locally, loves the arts and has two pets: a Border Collie called Nessa and a black cat called Iris. Miss Eaton is settling in nicely to our school already. Not only is she helping to train the school netball team, but she is also making use of her language skills by adding German to the Key Stage Two Modern Foreign Languages curriculum. The children seem to be taking on some key phrases, I wonder if they tried them out in the village shop yet?!*



## Church Farm Diary, February 2019

I hope everyone had a good Christmas and New Year. We had a hectic one with the family, but very nice. One of our daughters spent their holidays in Australia with family that they had not seen for 12 years. So the children were busy getting to know cousins that they had never met. The weather was very hot and Hannah said it didn't feel like Christmas, luckily we had a pretend one before they went.

So now we are back to normal, wondering what the state of things will be after Brexit. Reading in the *Farmers' Guardian* about food exports it sounds like we will be OK. There is a huge growth in global demand for British produce. Importantly, exports to non-EU countries, including China and Hong Kong, are continuing to outpace those to our European neighbours.

In 2018 we saw a number of opportunities opening up for British farmers and food producers outside the EU. Taiwan opened access for British pork, Saudi Arabia opened up to British lamb and China lifted its ban on British beef exports. Looking ahead to 2019 there are many more opportunities we can seize. British dairy products in the US have a huge potential for some of our cheeses particularly traditional cheese, such as Stilton and Red Leicester. And there is growing demand for lamb in the US particularly among the younger customers.

Back on home ground we still have the heifers outside, because the weather has been kind. They are having corn and silage to substitute the grazing and are growing well.

**Marjorie Shimwell**

*Marjorie Shimwell's Recipe of the month:*

### ***Spanish paella with sherry and chorizo and prawns***

#### Ingredients

1-2 tbsp oil  
Salt and pepper  
2 skinless, boneless chicken breast cut into large chunks  
150g chorizo in large pieces  
2 cloves garlic peeled and chopped  
2 pinches paprika or to taste  
150ml sherry optional (or make up stock)  
300g Arborio rice  
Knob of butter  
400ml chicken stock  
1 large bunch of spring onions trimmed

and sliced  
250g raw prawns unpeeled  
150g frozen peas  
1 bunch of flat-leaf parsley finely chopped  
lime wedges to serve

#### Method

Heat the oil in a large frying pan. Season the chicken pieces add to the pan and brown them well all over. Add the chorizo and fry for another minute,

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add the garlic, then the paprika. Take the pan off the heat to cool a little and add half the sherry.

Return the pan to the heat and bring to the boil. Boil for a couple of minutes to drive off the strong alcohol taste, then add the rice, butter and stock. Turn the heat down and simmer for 30 minutes so most of the liquid has been soaked up by the rice. Don't mix the rice as it will get a lovely crunchy layer on the bottom. Half way through the cooking time put the lid on the pan or place a flat baking tray on the top if you don't have a lid.

Once the rice is cooked take the pan



off the heat. In another frying pan heat a little oil over a high heat and add the spring onions and fry for a couple of

minutes until they start to turn golden. Add the prawns and cook until they are piping hot, then add three frozen peas and cook until they are defrosted. Take the pan off the heat for a minute or so to cool down. If you are using sherry add the remaining sherry to the prawn mix and heat for a

minute or two. Then tip the prawn mix into the rice mixture and return the pan to the heat until piping hot. Serve on hot plates with the parsley and lime wedges.



## WI start with a blooming good turnout

Our January meeting welcomed not only a return of over 60 members, but also a number of new ones. We had a fascinating talk by Jane Conquest on cottage gardens. Many tips and hints, including suitable winter plants, were imparted as we scribbled down delights to look out for in the garden centres. After the full diary over Christmas we had a great Robbie Burns celebration at January Supper Club with suitably 'tartaned' lasses enjoying a traditional neeps and tatties supper and Scottish shortbread, plus a tot or three of the 'water of life' and a challenging quiz!

February Supper Club, on the 28th, will be a real winter warmer, with good old Pie 'n' peas.

For our Centenary year, we took a group photograph that should appear in the Derbyshire WI Link, hopefully in a prime

place on the front page. Book Group continues to meet at Amy's Tearoom.

Craft group will meet at the Village Hall Community Room on Mondays, February 4th and 18th, starting at 1pm now.

The Centenary Research Group and our players are in the throes of creating a Performance for all on November 16th and 17th with details to come.

Future events will include another Yoga Day at Baslow in March, our special group meeting dinner with a special speaker in April, and a members 'Dabble Day' and much more.

February WI meeting is on Tuesday 12th at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Barbara Ann Walker from the Ashgate Hospice will talk to us about this well-known and vital local institution.

*Liz Hickman*

## **100 years ago: NEWS FROM THE HOME FRONT**

*High Peak News, 1 March 1919*

### **YOULGREAVE**

#### **Death of Private M Thompson**

'After a brief illness, the death took place of Pte. Milton Thompson on Wednesday last. Pte. Thompson was in the Labour Battalion of the R.E.'s (Royal Engineers) and had been in France for over two years. He was demobilised on the 10th and although suffering from severe cold was anxious to reach home. He was obliged to go to bed on arrival and heart trouble followed pneumonia from which he died. He was 36 years of age, and leaves a widow and three children, for whom great sympathy is felt. The funeral took place on Sunday (23 Feb) and was attended by a great concourse of people. The church was crowded and the service was conducted by the Vicar. The Deceased was borne to the church and grave by old comrades, and many soldiers lined the route to the Church and saluted the coffin as it passed slowly along. A soft movement on the organ and the "Death March in Saul" as the cortege entered and left the sacred building were played by the organist. The chief mourners were Mrs. Thompson and her two sons, and many friends followed the remains to the grave. There were several beautiful wreaths from relations and friends.'

### **Wasted Corn**

A complaint was read at the local Chesterfield War Agricultural Committee from The Ministry of Food that corn was being wasted on account of many stacks being

improperly thatched. With a view to setting an example it was stated that police court proceedings were to be taken in one case. The Committee also discussed the abnormal price of binder twine which is now 146/- per cwt. compared with 40/- to 44/- in pre-war days.

### **Canadian Lumberjacks**

In early February 1919 the Derbyshire Times was reporting on the arrival of the 132nd Canadian Forestry Corps at nearby Rowsley for wood felling operations in the neighbourhood. A light railway was being constructed from the Rowsley Railway Sidings extending across a wooden bridge over the River Derwent to the woods in the vicinity of Beeley. In April it was reported that the Canadian Corps was leaving having completed their work.

### **Ypres**

The Derbyshire Times reported that "The Belgian Government has decided to leave the ruins of Ypres as they are as a symbol of memorial to the horrors with which the country has been visited. Ypres will be rebuilt but on a new site which has yet to be chosen." A protracted discussion ensued. Churchill, returning to the Cabinet as Secretary of State for War and Air in January 1919, told the Imperial War Graves Commission, "I should like to us acquire the whole of the ruins of Ypres. A more sacred place for the British Race does not exist in the world." Ypres, like Louvain, was to be rebuilt and remembered as one of Belgium's 'martyred cities'.

### **County Farms (Derbyshire Times)**

The Government proposal for the settlement of ex-soldiers in the land includes plans for smallholdings. The provision of cottages with a little land for men earning their living by seasonal work in the neighbourhood or co-partnership farms or market gardens under experimental changes. It is proposed that the County Council shall buy and equip the land required under a Government guarantee to make good any loss or holdings incurred during the first seven years.'

### **Private Milton Thompson**

In keeping with the practice over the last four years, as with the other fallen Youlgreave servicemen, Private Thompson will be remembered at the 11am Communion Service on Sunday 17 November 2019, one hundred years after he fell.

*Anne & John Cooper  
The Youlgreave 1914-1918  
Community Group*

## **Youlgrave Concert Group**

Our next Concert in Sheffield City Hall is on Friday 8 March. This looks popular, so we needed to buy our group tickets soon. If you want to buy your own ticket, you can book a seat on the bus for £12.

Royal Philharmonic Orchestra is playing:

**Sibelius** Finlandia

**Mozart** Violin Concerto No. 3

**Vaughan Williams** The Lark Ascending

**Elgar** Enigma Variations

Anu Tali (Conductor) and Jennifer Pike (Violin)

The next concert is planned for 10 May. Return travel by the Community Bus and a ticket in the stalls is £32. Pick up at Holywell Lane and The George. For further information contact either Ian Bishop, tel 636168

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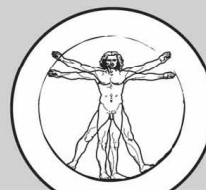
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*Dates or times may be subject to change, so please check with the organiser/venue.*

Mon	Monday Club	Village Hall	10am-3pm
	WI Craft Group	Village Hall	2-4pm (1st/3rd Mon)
	Pommie Patchworkers	Village Hall	1-4pm (2nd/4th Mon)
	Stained Glass Group	Village Hall (carpentry room)	7-9.30pm
Tues	Pilates Movement	Village Hall	10.30-11.30am
	Zumba	Village Hall	1.30-2.30pm
	Parish Council meeting	Village Hall	7.15pm (3rd Tues)
	Bell Ringers' practice	All Saints Church	7.30-9.30pm
	Youlgrave Women's Institute	Village Hall	7.30pm (2nd Tues)
	Yoga with Iris Pimm (general class)	The Barn, Greenfields, Alport	7-9pm
Wed	Confidential advice sessions with Citizens Advice Bureau	Youlgrave Surgery	9.30-12.30am
	Tai Chi Chuan	Methodist Chapel	10-11 am
	Diane Kettle's Art Class	Reading Room	10am-12 noon
	Coffee Morning	Wesleyan Reform Chapel	10am-12 noon (3rd Wed)
	Pilates	Village Hall	6-7pm
	Bingo – all welcome!	Reading Room	7pm
Thurs	Yoga with Iris Pimm (general class)	The Barn, Greenfields, Alport	9.30-11.30am
	Badminton	Village Hall	10-12 noon
	Diane Kettle's Art Class	Reading Room	2-4pm
	Rainbows, Brownies & Guides	Scout & Community Youth Hall, Penny 636125	Term time only
	Yoga with Iris Pimm (beginners' class)	The Barn, Greenfields, Alport	7-8.30pm
	Salsa Dance Class	Village Hall	7.30-9.30pm
	Youlgrave Silver Band	Methodist Chapel	7.30-9.30pm (learners 7pm)
Fri	Mobile Library	Holywell Lane Grove Place	3.15-3.30pm
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