



The Bugle



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Alport, Middleton and Youlgrave**

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School's Mini Soccer stars shine

Last month saw the first of many tournaments in Youlgrave School's calendar of sporting events. Class 3 (otherwise known as the Y5/6s) represented the school at a mini soccer festival held at Bishop Pursglove School in Tideswell.

We were blessed with glorious sunshine on the day, which helped to add to the fantastic atmosphere of the event. After wrestling with shin-pads (a whole new experience for many!) and some long tight socks, we were ready to play.

Both teams played matches against schools from Litton, Stanton and Curbar. We won some, lost some, got hot and sweaty and even took the occasional bash; but a good time was had by all and the School Games value of 'respect' was upheld and demonstrated by all involved.

We were especially proud of our



Class 3 pupils at the recent Tournament.

achievements as we'd only had one lesson of PE prior to this and overall our teams were placed 4th and 7th. Thanks go to our terrific captains for the day; Kaci, Harry, William and Natalie: for encouraging their teams and for their sporting conduct on and off the pitch. Onwards and upwards...hopefully!

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**Harvest Festival 2019, Sunday 6th October at 11am,
Youlgrave Parish Church – all welcome**

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Youlgrave Community Bonfire

Friday 8th November

6.00pm – 9.00 pm

Rheinstor Cottage Farm, Alport
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Bar & BBQ

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Monday	8.30am-12 noon, 2-6pm
Tuesday	8.30am-1pm
Wednesday	8.30am-1pm
Thursday	8.30am-12 noon, 2-6pm
Friday	8.30am-1pm
Weekend	closed

Youlgrave Parish Church with
Youlgrave Primary School

Harvest Festival 2019

Sunday 6th October at 11am

All welcome

Harvest gifts – please bring tins
and packets for Jigsaw Food Bank

Royal British Legion seeks volunteers

Youlgrave Branch of the Royal British Legion is currently seeking volunteers to assist with collections during this year's Poppy Appeal.

As well as carrying out well-known activities such as the support and welfare of ex-service personnel, the annual Poppy Appeal and the Remembrance Day Service, the Youlgrave Branch also arranges a number of social activities for members. In the past year these included an annual Christmas social evening, a visit to the Newark Air Museum (the home of over 70 Cold-War era aircraft) and a summer barbecue.

The Legion always welcomes new members. You do not have to have previously served in the forces and both male and female applicants are welcome. Members under the age of 18 enjoy the privilege of free membership.

If you are interested in either volunteering for the Poppy Appeal or in becoming a member of The Legion please contact either David Camm (636576) or David Sidery (636164).

Youlgrave Waterworks celebrates a landmark on the 150th anniversary of the second undertaking

Whilst July 1829 is the date most noted for the installation of the original pipe to the tank in Fountain Square, the two inch pipe had badly deteriorated after 40 years of service and 27th July 1869 is in some ways more notable as the creation of the second main to feed the ten tap points founded the basic structure that our current system has expanded on. Being a practical village, that date was picked to coincide with the annual flower fete, but financially the build was still in debt in November and paid off by some music hall events and the proceeds of a specially written play performed that Christmas in the Reading Room.

In September 1919 with peace declared, the cause for celebration of the 50th anniversary of Second system was deemed appropriate with street decorations of spruce branches and flowers and a long procession held.

The centenary proper was held in 1929 with welldressings, children's procession and pageant, followed by presentation of the centenary mugs and teas separately for the children and old folks in the Village Hall.

The above is taken from A History of Youlgrave Waterworks produced for the 150th anniversary in 1979.

In the last 15 years, along with the routine running of the system, we have installed two 11kW submersible pumps, plus approximately 40 new mains-isolating valves around the village.

Prior to this year and taking us two years to complete, our most important project and a major undertaking was the removal of the old restrictive meter pit and the diversion of the main pipeline through a newly created treatment plant with its own dedicated electricity supply. The installation of a bulk tank within the building allows us to have chemical deliveries pumped in, which is more economical and far safer as it minimises handling. We are currently installing fire hydrants at the extremities of the mains to give us more flushing points.

It is therefore fitting that Youlgrave Waterworks celebrates the 150th anniversary of the second system by the announcement of the completion of a new major development by linking the main pipeline to the village from the site of the old meter pit down to Mawstone Lane and on to the bottom of Bradford. This will create a ring main which is designed to improve the flow to the furthest extremities of the system and the new length will incidentally hold an extra 55 CuM of water.

YOULGRAVE WATERWORKS REMINDER: 2019/20 second instalments of £105 are due and our rules state that the full year is to be paid by 31st October. Unless you have agreed a payment schedule beyond this then please ensure full payment is made by 31st October. Please contact the Secretary at waterworks@youlgrave.org.uk if you need to extend this deadline. Our apologies if you have contacted us by email over the past 2 months but the email server crashed and lost all the emails, so if you are still awaiting a reply can you please contact us again as all is now working.



Re-using and recycling starts at home

Following on from articles a couple of months ago, about environment and sustainability, here's my contribution . . . my son reckons I have minor OCD, because I tend to keep quite a bit of stuff rather than throw it away. He may be right, but it's immensely satisfying when I need something and just know that I have the very thing - in the garage, or on the pantry or in the spare room - and find it. And the job gets done by re-using rather than more manufacturing.

My very good friend, the late Eddie Oldfield, was a great saver of stuff - luckily different stuff from mine. Between us, we would always have what we needed to solve any number of problems in the Reading Room, or for us, or other people. So, long live saving and re-using stuff, I say.

The Reading Room storeroom, full of kindly donated stuff, may pander to my love of saving things, but it also fills our popular sales table with bargains, makes a bit of money for the Reading Room and means stuff is re-used and not chucked away. We can also hold our Grand Sales (advertised elsewhere in the Bugle) - three whole days of selling other people's unwanted stuff to people who want it. Thank you to all our givers.

I'm happily doing my bit to keep our charity shops going, giving and buying. I love it when someone admires my latest charity shop purchase.

And what about compost, which has to be the most delicious recycling of all? I never cease to be amazed at the lovely, nutritious brown compost which miraculously rises out of all my weeds and leaves and twigs and peelings.

And then there's Greta, an admirable young woman. I'd like to read, in the Bugle, month by month, what our young people in Youlgrave think about environmental issues, because it's true, isn't it, that it's their world which we all need to be taking more care of.

Glenys Moore
Youlgrave



A day of hope in the Derbyshire Dales

Small steps to lowering our carbon footprint started by catching the 172 bus to Matlock on Friday 20th September, where we joined a crowd of about 300 global climate strikers, young people and older folks alike. Chanting and placards made the point that we need "action now" to avert climate disaster, with Derbyshire Dales residents adding their voices to the millions demonstrating worldwide.

Local school students, liaising with the police, lead us from Crown Square up the hill to the Council Offices where, after our massed phone alarm 'wake-up call' at 1pm, we held an orderly lie-in in the Town Hall foyer.

Walking home to Youlgrave along the Limestone Way, gathering damsons and enjoying our stunning countryside, was a fitting end to a day of hope.

Kate Heath
Youlgrave



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MATCH REPORT

Youlgrave United Under 35's 7 v Over 35's 6

Following the re-arranged date, the game finally went ahead on Sunday 22nd September. In a thrilling encounter, the unders just scraped the victory by the odd goal in 13. Both teams again had a luxury of players at their disposal with everyone getting plenty of playing time, and all players putting on a real show for the large village crowd. The weather was kind and thankfully the bad forecast didn't seem to deter anyone. Following last year's huge success, we managed to follow that up with an amazing total raised of £1,178. The football club will take £450 to cover this year's insurance premium and other general running costs, and the balance of £728 will be handed to Ashgate Hospice care to contribute towards the amazing work they do on a daily basis caring for people with terminal illness, and supporting their families. Ashgate needs £6.3m every year to function (£17,000 per day), and although this is only a drop in the ocean towards those totals they remain totally reliant on grant funding and donations to keep them going, so every little helps. That's a total of £3,138 in the last two years, and long may it continue.

A huge thank you from the football club to everyone who took part, everyone who attended and supported the event, all who bought raffle tickets and donated some amazing prizes to the raffle. And a big thank you to those who helped on the day, preparing the pitch, serving drinks, barbequing food, selling raffle and tombola tickets, and generally helping the event to run smoothly.

Dan Bacon - on behalf of YUFC

NEWS FROM YOULGRAVE SCHOOL

Aldi's Kit for Schools Stickers

We're collecting Team GB stickers with Aldi's 'Kit for Schools' promotion. Please help us to collect 300 stickers to complete our poster by 3rd November and we'll receive an exclusive sports kit for our school. In addition to this, 20 primary schools will also have the chance to win £20,000 to kick-start a health legacy for their school, so you never know! Stickers can be handed in at the school office or via a member of our school community.

Welcome to our new Sports Teacher

Miss Lyn Tonks (pictured right) has recently joined our school as a teacher of school sport. Miss Tonks has been teaching in the primary sector for over 30 years, mainly as a classroom teacher, in schools based in London and Sheffield. She will work alongside Mrs Trainor, our sports teaching assistant, for three afternoons a week developing the PE curriculum and running after-school clubs. She is already impressed by the talent and spirit of the children of Youlgrave and is very much looking forward to her new role in school.



At total of £472 has so far been raised from last month's **Macmillan Coffee Morning** at Youlgrave Reading Room. Thank you to **EVERYONE** who contributed, helped and/or attended. If you missed it, there's still time to make a contribution – just hand it in at our post office.

Cynthia Maureen Fryer (1928 – 2019)

Cynthia was born in Matlock and lived in Matlock Bath before moving to Northwood Lane, Darley Dale. In 1936, aged 8 years old, the family moved to Youlgrave and lived on New Road. Cynthia attended Youlgrave School until she passed the 11-plus and then went to Ernest Bailey School in Matlock, travelling on the bus every day with a few others who had passed the exam.

Having completed her education she trained for what was then known as the GPO (General Post Office) as a telephonist and telegraph operator at their HQ in Derby and travelled by train every day. The days were long and training was intense, but having completed training she was put in post at Darley Dale exchange where she worked until her marriage to James Fryer in 1948.

Upon marriage they lived in a small Bungalow in New Road whilst a family home was being built on Main Street, into which they moved in 1955.

During her married life and now as a mother, Cynthia did numerous little jobs to boost the family budget in and around the village and was part of the first Youlgrave Playgroup set up in the village. It was held at the Old Hall on Main Street at the home of the local doctor and his wife two mornings a week – which Cynthia loved.

As her own family grew up she joined the Youlgrave School Catering team (school dinner lady) and worked there until she retired in 1990 aged 60. It was another job she really loved.

Cynthia had many interests and would

have a go at most things or help out others. She loved cooking and baking and was very good at it, too. She also enjoyed travel, especially caravanning with James. She learned to dance, tried to play the organ (but was not very successful with that), and she did yoga, keep fit classes, art classes and belonged to many local clubs and groups, including the WI, Monday Club, British Legion, Chapel Thursday Group, Welldressings, to name but a few.

As age crept on she decided that coach holidays were the thing and she had many of those; and she also took went on cruises to see more the world.

Cynthia sadly seemed to be accident prone in her later years and suffered a few bad falls, resulting in operations with screws and plates being put in place to knit her together. Gradually as time went on, further falls resulted in her being more reliant on family and

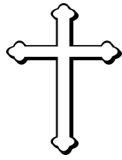
social care to the point that she became housebound, which she disliked intensely.

She suffered a major stroke at home on 8th July this year and passed away in hospital, aged 90.

She was a much-loved mother, grand mother and great-grandmother and left many happy memories for all the family to cherish. Sadly missed but never to be forgotten.

Avril and Martin Fryer would like to thank everyone for their kind donations. The total raised for Derbyshire, Leicestershire & Rutland Air Ambulance was £365.





Churches in Youlgrave: A hard harvest

For many communities, October is traditionally the time for Harvest Festivals. But if our harvest celebrations are to be anything more than a hollow gesture, they must surely include a recognition that our consumption of more than our fair share of the earth's resources is causing death and hardship for many millions around the world, and threatening the very existence of life on earth.

So if, this year, we sincerely do wish to be thankful for harvest, what can we do? There are many things. We can lobby our government to commit seriously to addressing climate change, and to end the madness of our continued use of fossil fuels. We can commit to trying to end our own personal contribution to the destruction of our planet. We can change our energy supplier to one investing only in renewables. We can reduce the amount we travel, and use public transport if possible. We can reduce our red meat consumption to the less than 100 g (4 oz) per week that scientists calculate is sustainable. We can join or support an organisation such as Extinction Rebellion, that is committed to trying to ensure our children have a future.

And if these comments make you angry, as I am sure that for some of you they will, you can reflect on what your anger tells you about what you value.

Yours in Christ,
Louise Petheram
rev.louise.p@gmail.com 01629 636814

Please pray

For our young people involved in climate strikes and climate activism.

For our farmers, that our government would lead and support them in their efforts to work sustainably and protect our environment for us all.

For Thomas and Emma, and Jamie and Charlotte, married in September.



Flights of fancy

There is still time to choose a name for the Youlgrave weather vane cockerel. We are very grateful to everyone who has taken part so far. The financial burden of maintaining our church building is a large one, and increasingly becoming unmanageable for our regular congregation. Closing date 5th October.

Other regular Sunday services

10.30 am Methodist (contact Margaret 636558)

6.30 pm Wesleyan Reform (contact Isobel 636251)

Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) (contact Jeni 636550 for details)

SERVICES IN OCTOBER

See church websites or noticeboards for further details

Wed 2nd October 10.30 am Youlgrave Communion	Fri 4th October 2.00 pm Stanton Family Harvest
Sunday 6th October 10.00am Stanton Harvest Praise 11.00 Youlgrave Family Harvest 6.30 pm Harvest at Wesleyan Reform	Sunday 13th October 9.30 Stanton Holy Communion 11.00 Youlgrave Morning Prayer 6.30 Youlgrave Holy Communion
Sunday 20th October 9.30am Birchover Communion 11.00 Youlgrave Communion 6.30 Youlgrave Evening Prayer	Sunday 27th October 9.3am Birchover Morning Praise 11.00 am Youlgrave Communion
Sunday 3rd November 9.30am Stanton Morning Prayer 11.00 Youlgrave Family Service 3.00 pm Youlgrave All Souls' Service 6.45 Middleton Evening Prayer	Wed 6th November 10.30 am Youlgrave Communion
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Shoebox time is nearly here again! Leaflets explaining the project, organised by the charity 'Samaritans Purse', are in the Village Shop, Post Office, Peak Feast, churches and chapels. NEW THIS YEAR! From now on we are not allowed to send toothpaste or sweets (because of import regulations). If you need a few ideas of what to put in your box, there are some printed suggestions on the table in church. Please take one if you wish. Please bring your boxes to the **Shoebox Family Service** at 11am on Sunday 3rd November in All Saints' Church or drop them off in church during Saturday 2nd November. If you would like to visit the warehouse in Chesterfield where they are collected and checked please ring Barbara on 636601. For any more information ring Barbara.

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Youlgrave History Society: A Walk Back in Time

A dry and sunny evening in July and my husband, Ian and I joined a Lead Mining Heritage walk around Youlgrave (thank you to Over Haddon History Group for organising a series of these walks and for opening them to all comers!). Our walk leader was the incredibly knowledgeable Tony Wood, and he took us back in time to a Youlgrave and landscape in its industrial past. I grew up in Youlgrave and as children we played in the fields with the simple reminder to avoid the lumps and bumps that are still a part of the field scenery today; that was the extent of health and safety growing up in the 60s!

The history of mining ore in the Peak District goes back over 3,000 years and was hugely important for employment in Youlgrave. The lead veins which were much sought after by the Romans and subsequent generations mostly took the form of a 'rake', which was a vertical vein several feet or yards across which could be seen running across the countryside.

As we set off with Tony on that July evening, it was hard to imagine the picture that he would construct of the intense industrialisation and mining paraphernalia where now runs the river Bradford and Lathkill and on into Alport; dales of outstanding beauty and wildlife. Leaving the George Hotel where we had

all congregated, we set off down Bradford Lane and crossed over to the New Dam, passing the decades-old spoil heap from original mine workings that might have been there 100 years. Staggered by this, we walked along to Hollow Farm, wading or rather tiptoeing perilously through a biblical multitude of froglets, and up the lane to Lower

Greenfields Farm. Here, with the permission of the owner, we crossed the field at the back of the farm to peer with care into the depths of a huge shaft, now covered with a grille - a stark reminder of the cold, damp, inhospitable and dangerous conditions that faced a lead miner.

Now back on the lane, we saw the beehive capping of a shaft in a nearby field; having walked here all my life and never noticing this

before! At this point we headed along the field path leading to Millfield Farm and stopped to look into the woods alongside the path. Here, Tony drew a detailed image of even greater industrial mine workings and a way of life now gone, from the Blyth Mines and the Guy Shaft. Heading down the lane past the farm we stopped to look at a small restored field building. Who would have guessed this was once the powder house/gunpowder store for the Prospect Mine (Alport)? The restoration



A covered mine shaft

Names for some of the Youlgrave rakes: Jack-at-a-pinch, Dirty Face, Shining Gutter, Quite Holes, Strong Wint, New Years Gift, Nick i ' th Tor, Burning Drake Vein, Nellie Long Arm, Shining Sough...

of this single storey building with its stone flag roof above a barrel vault is a little known piece of local lead mining history. The farmer has installed a small stile in the fencing to enable people to go and have a closer look.

Passing through the gate onto the road, we stopped and looked across to the row of cottages which were once the site of the Mine's offices. Continuing to walk down the lane towards Alport, shortly before the bridge we diverted down the little footpath on the left. Tony pointed out that, going into the hillside, we would once have seen an aqueduct coming from some way up Lathkill Dale; this aqueduct would have been a large metal pipe supported on a huge wooden structure. It's hard to envisage in that peaceful hamlet today!

Through Alport and on to the Coach Road for the final leg of our evening's magical mining tour. Approaching Braemar Bridge we saw evidence of lead workings alongside the river towards Braemar Lane, and then a further two rakes in the adjacent field. These would have had all the trappings of lead mine workings, stretching down from Bradford Road and forming a very different outlook to the one we enjoy today.

Back into the village and a final detour through the Churchyard to visit the grave and memorial to the 1932 Mawstone Mine disaster, where eight men lost their lives, and five of whom are buried there. Tony gave us his insight into what

happened that day and to the bravery of the men.

My grandfather, Arthur Bacon, and his brothers were lead miners at one time, and I have childhood memories of the existence of Bacon Mines being spoken about in the family. There is a note of such a mine, Bacon Close, and an engine shaft in the fields near Icky Picky, the little grassy path winding down on to the Coach Road and I like to think this might be the family lead mining connection. Some of my grandfather's mining tools and accessories were displayed and are now archived at the Lead Mining Museum in Matlock Bath.

Having tried our best to absorb and retain all

the facts and information from Tony's amazing memory, and slightly sobered by the industrial picture of Youlgrave's past, we headed to the George for a few drinks!

My thanks to Tony Wood for an engaging and enjoyable walk, for challenging our imaginations and for a plethora of facts and figures. If you are interested in more, Tony leads regular Heritage Walks for the Mining Museum. Many of the mining names, paths and places can be seen on the Field Map entry in last month's Bugle, and thanks to Chris and Irene Shimwell, and Marjorie and Mick Shimwell for their research and knowledge of these.

Helen Knight

... Crash Purse Sough, Penny Whistle Vein, Timperley's Old Wife, Pienet Nest Vein, Luck of Old Shack, Cat Hole Vein, Golden Purse, Tobacco Box, Snuff Box



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Pilates classes in Youlgrave

Friday morning Pilates classes will be taking place on a permanent basis in Youlgrave, thanks to enthusiasm and support from the village. The classes are held at Youlgrave Village Hall on Tuesdays (10.30-11.30am) and Fridays 10-11am. The cost per session is £6 (pay as you go).

So is Pilates for me...?

Do you sometimes feel a little stiff and creaky? Do you want to retain strength and movement as you progress to or through retirement? Do you want to feel taller, looser, and more supple? Do you have an existing injury which requires safe and controlled exercise? Is the thought of a 'fitness class' off-putting or intimidating? Will you benefit from instruction in correct posture?

If you answered yes, then Pilates classes are for you. Come along and join our super friendly group and see for yourself. Contact Theresa on 07904 353040, email hello@peakdistrictpilates.com or visit the website at www.peakdistrictpilates.com.



Tai Chi in the Top Chapel

Tai Chi classes resume on Wednesday 11th September from 10am to 11.30am at Youlgrave's Methodist Chapel. The cost is £10 per session. For more details contact Sarah on 07815 190476 or email yeshesarah@gmail.com.

Zumba at the Village Hall

Come along to the Village Hall every Tuesday morning, 9.30 – 10.15am, and keep fit and supple with this popular Latin-inspired dance workout.



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For further information please contact Helen Emmerson on 07957 369691.

YOULGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

The Parish Council's September meeting was pleased to receive a report that the new Youth Club is attracting a lot of interest. They have already spring-cleaned their home in the Pavilion and received several donations of furniture and equipment to assist. Works to our new toilet block and store at Coldwell End near completion, with wall and floor coatings due this month and a final fix thereafter. Derbyshire County Council has awarded us a small grant which will allow us to better house and supply litter-picking equipment in our new facilities. Council next meets on 22nd October at 7.15pm with an opening presentation by the the District Council's Rural Housing Enabler who is looking to carry out a new Housing Needs Survey in the parish.

Matthew Lovell, Clerk

Annual meeting of the Leprosy Mission

This will again be held during the Coffee Morning at the Wesleyan Reform Chapel on Wednesday 16th October from 10am to 12 noon. The 'retired' area organiser, Pamela Levens, has kindly agreed to come and talk to us again. Pamela is always an interesting, lively and committed speaker. Do come & listen to her.

There are over 700 new cases every day of every year and that's about one new case every 2 minutes of the day. Of these new cases, 70 are children who are told every 20 minutes of the day "you have leprosy". How would you feel if that was told to your child?

It is now treatable with multi-drug therapy which is a six month course which usually cures it, but the drug can't restore lost sensation and function to hands and feet. But, as always, drugs cost money! So please come along and help to cure this terrible disease. Please bring your collecting box with you if you have one. If you can't come to the meeting, please contact Barbara Scrivener (636601) or Mary Turner (07765 671844) to offer your support and/or to give a donation. Thank you very much.

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Youlgrave Wildlife Notes: September 2019

After a pretty hectic July and August, September has been fairly quiet. It has been a very good year for butterflies and early September continued the trend with lots of butterflies, particularly on buddleia. Painted ladies, red admirals, tortoiseshells and peacocks gave a lot of colour. Even on my wildlife walk on 25th September I saw whites, small tortoiseshells, a speckled wood and some really fresh looking red admirals, one of which was sucking the juice from an over-ripe raspberry in our garden. Dragonflies, too, were very active this day over the New Dam. These were hawker dragonflies, probably southern hawker, and one pair was mating.

Birdlife has increasingly been more about what isn't there. The swallows and martins are definitely getting ready to depart and there have been quite large mixed flocks feeding over the New Dam. The swifts have gone now; even birds passing through seem to have disappeared. Our resident birds are, of course, still with us, though their numbers may seem to increase, particularly blackbirds and starlings, as winter visitors start to join them. There will certainly be lots of food this winter for them. The rowan trees seem to be particularly heavily laden this autumn and our cotoneaster tree branches are bending under the weight of fruit. The fieldfare and redwings will be arriving soon and I would be very interested to receive reports of first sightings. I saw my first local fieldfares on 25th October last year.



Southern hawker dragonfly

Buzzards have been particularly noisy lately. The 'teenagers' often make a lot of noise still demanding to be fed. I suspect they are unlucky. Tawny owls, too, have been heard hooting. Nuthatches have been returning to feeders and I have heard dippers singing already. After a fairly cheap summer for the bird feeders, birds such as greenfinches and goldfinches are now emptying the feeders, though I suspect the occasional squirrel has been helping them. It looks like being a good 'mast year'. The beech trees have a lot of nuts and I found a hazel nut partly buried in the lawn recently. This is good news, particularly for bramblings which were very common last winter.

On my walk on 25th September I found 34 species of wildflower in bloom. On 24th August I found 61. White yarrow is particularly common in the fields at the moment and the tall dandelion-type flower of the perennial sow thistle can be seen in longer grass verges. The pretty musk thistle seems to have had a very good year, but is probably joining other thistles as a bit of a nuisance. Still, the goldfinches love the seeds. The nationally rare spring sandwort is still blooming on the spoil heaps around Icky Picky and the blue ivy leafed toadflax flowers are still common on garden walls all round the village. Once these flowers start blooming they go on for months.

Thanks Simon for several very useful reports.

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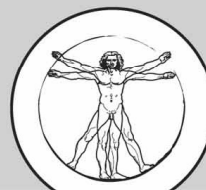
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But firstly, our big fundraising event occurs on Saturday October 19th, again details are on posters and in this Bugle.

September Supper Club carried much favour with a delicious choice of mild and spicy dishes from our catering team, accompanied by a fairly prolonged progressive Whist drive, won by Cath and Janet.

October Supper Club is on the 31st, coinciding with Hallow'een, hence our theme



Sue Reed with our lovely Centenary tablecloth, duly completed.

involves pumpkin skills and a spooky party!

At our September meeting, Jo Wilde from Stanton, a Weleda representative, operating in her new career as a holistic massage and therapy advisor, and our local Tropic adviser, Leah Goodwin, both enthused about their natural, plant-based beauty and skin therapy products to an appreciative audience. A few members will enjoy the Group meeting at Monyash on October 23rd, when our hosts will supply a home made supper and a speaker specialising in 19th Century history. The next meeting is on Tuesday October 8th at 7.30pm at the Village Hall, when Ashbourne Animal Welfare will be introduced by Jane Wain, together with her dog!

Liz Hickman

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Beethoven - Egmont Overture

R Strauss - Duet Concertino for clarinet and bassoon

Falla - The Three Cornered Hat: Selection

Stravinsky - Petrushka (1947)

Visits to two more concert visits are planned for March 2020.

To book a place, cheque or cash by 20 October please to either: Ian Bishop, tel 636168, contact@bishopi.plus.com or Peter Ryder, tel 636266, ryder908@btinternet.com. Also please contact us for further information.



Youlgrave W.I. Annual Coffee Morning

Village Hall

Saturday 19th October

10 - 1pm

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Friday 4th October, 7.30pm,
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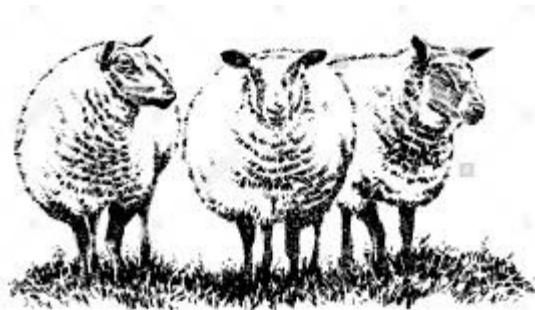


Church Farm Diary, October

I think that the silage season is coming to an end. It has been a wonderful growing time. The in-calf heifers are looking a picture, very healthy and partial to biscuits. I would rather have cattle tame than going crazy when you have to handle them.

When I was little I was put on the Silver Service bus that ran up to Friden brickworks to take the men and women to and from work and I got off at the Oldhams' farm where my great aunts and uncle lived. This was often my summer holiday. I loved it, especially feeding the lambs, as my Dad didn't have sheep. Years later, when we were able, we had a good flock of Texel sheep, and the first ewe came with a tup lamb which we petted. This was a bad mistake, as he became grumpy and knocked Michael off his feet, so you can image where it went then! Sheep multiply very rapidly, from 25 you suddenly have 225 and they need more attention than cattle. Feet are always a problem, with maggots in the summer months before they are sheared. We didn't have enough grass for cattle and sheep so eventually the sheep went.

Marjorie Shimwell



Recipe of the Month: Bonfire Toffee and Parkin

The recipes are taken from my mother's (Lucy's) book dating back to 1936

Treacle Toffee (Auntie Lois)

1b sugar

1/2 lb treacle

1/4 butter

Melt butter in a pan and add sugar and treacle, boil for 20 mins. Test by dropping a small amount into a cup of cold water, if it breaks with a snap it is done. Pour into a well greased tin.

Parkin

6oz flour

6oz medium oatmeal

4oz sugar

4oz marg

1oz ground almonds

2 teaspoons ground ginger

1 teaspoon mixed spice

1/2 teaspoon cream of tartar

1/2 teaspoon carbonate of soda

1/2 lb treacle

1/4 cup of warmed milk

Dissolve soda in the warm milk, mix all the dry ingredients together, rub in the marg, then mix all together bake in a shallow tin in a moderate oven until for about 40 mins. Leave to cool then cut into squares. Hand these round on Bonfire night.

Feeding up for winter

It's harvest time in the orchard. The pear tree is weighed down with fruit which will be ripe one day soon and perhaps past its best the next. Pears are wonderful to eat, but there is a definite art in the picking to make sure you have a useable and storable crop. Apples on the other hand are more straightforward. It was a bumper year in 2018 and, as often happens, there are fewer apples this year, and on the grapevine the information is that everyone's crop is also lighter, so we haven't planned a juicing day.

Apple-picking, depending on variety, is from September onwards. It's such an easy fruit. To store cooking apples I wrap them in a sheet or half a sheet of newspaper so they aren't touching each other, then put them somewhere cool and dry – I have some old mushroom trays, but it could just be on a shelf – and they go in my frost-free shed. From harvest last year I was using apples on a weekly basis until about February or March. Just the odd one went bad, probably because I hadn't been thorough enough in only storing the best ones, but because they were wrapped it didn't spread. Then the ones still left and going soft were pulped in the microwave and frozen in ice cream tubs. I ended up eating home grown cooking apples nearly all year.

So that's the human food. The bees, having given us their honey for our toast, have to be encouraged to survive the winter. The answer is to feed them sugar syrup which they take down into the hive and store in cells. This way they top up the honey stores that they have kept. Through the winter they will cluster in the hive, keeping each other warm and feeding on the sugar they've stored. Then, come the warm days in spring, they're ready to fly out and feed on crocuses and other early spring flowers to build up their strength. This gives them an edge on other bees who have to start from a single queen each spring to build a colony.

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	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	Zumba	Village Hall	9.30-10.15am
	Pilates Movement	Village Hall	10.30-11.30am
	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, tel 636125	Term time only 7-8.30pm
	Yoga with Iris Pimm (beginners' class)	The Barn, Greenfields, Alport	7.30-9.30pm
	Salsa Dance Class	Village Hall	7.30-9.30pm
	Youlgrave Silver Band	Methodist Chapel	(learners 7pm)
Fri	Pilates	Village Hall	10-11 am
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