



The Bugle



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Alport bridge badly damaged by HGV

Alport's historic Mill Bridge has been seriously damaged by a heavy goods vehicle attempting to negotiate the narrow crossing.

The incident happened on a weekday morning last month when almost the entire western parapet was knocked into the river. Derbyshire County Council (DCC) quickly made the bridge safe and retrieved the fallen stonework from the water.

Located close to Alport Mill, the Grade II listed structure dates from the 18th century with early 19th century alterations. DCC is working with conservation officers from the Peak District National Park to ensure that the repairs to the bridge are carried out carefully and sympathetically.

It's not clear whether there were any witnesses to the actual event, but thanks to quick thinking from Haddon Estate employees working nearby the lorry was traced and the haulage company identified. It is understood that the Police are actively looking into the matter.

The damage to the bridge comes after a spate of incidents this summer involving vehicles harming local walls and buildings,



including the wall to the entrance of New Road being demolished and a property on Bradford Road struck by a motorhome.

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The bridge by Alport Mill was extensively damaged.



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No through route for HGVs

Dear Editor

I am writing to reassure local people that we are doing everything we can to prevent hauliers from illegally driving through the centre of Youlgrave.

For instance, we continue to enforce a “no load” policy if vehicles approach us through the village, which results in quite considerable costs incurred to the haulier involved. This also puts a strain on our customer relations as the orders are then delivered late as a result of our actions. However, at this time we cannot think of any other means to penalise hauliers breaking the weight restrictions.

Unfortunately it isn't usually repeat offenders, so punishment to one driver doesn't necessarily do anything towards stopping another driver doing the same thing.

Regardless, we are also continually informing all our haulage partners of the appropriate HGV route into our business, along with issuing endless maps identifying such, but if there is anything further you feel we can offer please do get in touch as I know it is a big concern for all.

Sarah Hill
Marketing Director
Long Rake Spar Company



Renewable energy at home

Dear Editor

It was good to read John Orchard's article on solar energy, and the reference to Sustainable Youlgrave. We both started from the same point. With apologies for upstaging him, I hope your readers will be interested in the installations at 17 New Road.

At 17 New Road we have:

- Energy supplied by Octopus, eventually on its Agile tariff, that charges us half-hourly at rates that vary according to the market value, from credit to debit.
- 12 PV panels on the original tariff.
- An 'Immersun' that sends spare PV energy to the hot water tank.
- A 4Kw battery set that stores energy from the sun or at low night rate tariff.
- An electric car, charged either from the sun or night rate electricity.
- An air source heat pump that takes heat out of the air and sends it into domestic hot water/radiators. This has enabled us to disconnect from mains gas.
- Every window has the latest double glazing

- Almost every light bulb is LED.

All the above were funded from savings, all on the basis of a return on investment of no more than 7 years.

The PV panels have already paid back and the ASHP will do so, both thanks to state aid. Government should enable those who have no capital to borrow. Please ask for more detail or to inspect.

Meanwhile it was then a good plan in principle to close down Sustainable Youlgrave and hand over, as planned, to a development agency, Youlgrave Community Land Trust. This was on condition it took over the climate change section in Youlgrave Village Principles. Sadly, for reasons I don't understand, YCLT hasn't done so.

I watch green economics and politics closely, locally, nationally and beyond.

The time might be right to try again to reduce our valley's energy costs and carbon footprint.

John and Jean Youatt
17 New Road, Youlgrave
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Wilf Lincoln Trophy – match report

The annual Wilf Lincoln Trophy match between Youlgrave and Bakewell football teams took place on Friday 28th August at Silverlands in Buxton, due to bad weather.

The contest between these two local rivals takes place every year in order to raise money and awareness for Alzheimer's.

Wilf Lincoln played for both Youlgrave United and Bakewell Town in his career and the game takes place in his honour.

The game kicked off at 8pm. Unlike previous contests it was a much tighter match. The artificial surface benefitted both teams by letting them play more stylish football, rather than hoofing it because of poor terrain. During a tightly-knit first half a surprise free kick saw Town take the lead, so it was 1-0 to Bakewell at half time.

Youlgrave didn't let this kill their belief, though, and they persisted in attacking Bakewell's experienced back four. Finally the persistence paid off,



Youlgrave's team.

and Youlgrave striker James Wood hooked an equaliser.

Both sides' keepers proved their worth by providing scintillating saves. Towards the final few minutes Bakewell saved themselves from an upset with a headed winner from Matthew Kelcey.

Many thanks to the spectators who travelled the distance to support a good cause in very hard times.

Marcus Johnson

News from Youlgrave Waterworks

The AGM of Youlgrave Waterworks Ltd will be held on Monday 19th October at 8pm in the Reading Room, subject to a 2 metre minimum distance with masks to be worn when entering and leaving due to the single access – optional only while seated. As there are restrictions on numbers, if you are planning to attend can you please let us know by either phoning Matthew Lovell on 01629 636151 or email to waterworks@youlgrave.org.uk so we can keep track of attendance and let you know if rules change and we have to move to a Zoom meeting, for which the link will be obtained from our email address.

A reminder that final instalments were due on 1st October and the full amount is payable by 30th October 2020.

Summary of the Housing Need Survey report for Youlgrave – and next steps

In December 2019, the Rural Housing Enabler for Derbyshire Dales District Council carried out an on-line Housing Need Survey in the Parish of Youlgrave, with the support of the Parish Council. The full report is available on the District Council website <https://www.derbyshiredales.gov.uk/housing-a-council-tax/find-a-place-to-live/housing-needs-survey>

Postcards were hand-delivered to every household in Youlgrave with the December 2019/January 2020 edition of the Bugle. The postcard asked residents in housing need to complete an on-line survey on the District Council's website or to contact the Rural Housing Enabler for help in completing the form. The survey was also promoted by an article in the Bugle, a press release, Youlgrave Parish Council website, social media and posters and postcards were distributed within Youlgrave on noticeboards and at key services.

The completed forms were then analysed by the Rural Housing Enabler for Derbyshire Dales and the responses, combined with other available data, are presented below.

What are the key findings from the Youlgrave Housing Need Survey?

Combining the Youlgrave Housing Need Survey results and the District Council's Housing Register data (Home-Options), and ensuring no double counting, indicates that there are 17 households (9 from the survey and 8 registered Home-Options) in housing need with a strong local connection. These 17 households have the following minimum requirements as set out in the table below.

Minimum requirements	Survey respondents	Home-options data	Total	Suggested provision
one bedroom	3	1	4	2
one bed single storey	1	4	5	
two bedroom	3	1	4	1
two bedroom single storey	2	2	4	2
three bedroom		(1 possible)	(1 possible)	1

It is normally assumed that a proportion of those in need will satisfy their housing requirement over time, although the evidence suggests that this is difficult in our rural villages. If roughly a third of this figure is taken as a guideline of actual need, then the extra provision should be 6 units of affordable housing, allowing for flexibility on numbers to maximise the use of a site and different property types.

The tenure requirement is for affordable rent. This could potentially be reviewed should additional information become available during the lifetime of the survey. This survey shows a predominant need for smaller house types.

It is also worth over-providing on the minimum bedroom requirement to add flexibility of use, although single people under the Home-Options Policy would only be eligible for a 1-bedroom property.

Although the turnover of the current affordable housing stock is low, some of the need from older people may be met through the turnover of bungalows and older person's flats. The following type and mix of affordable homes to rent would meet the identified housing need:

- 2 x 1 bedroom flats for younger single people
- 2 x 2 bedroom bungalow to M4(2) wheelchair adaptable standard
- 1 x 2 bedroom 4 person house
- 1 x 3 bedroom house



New housing on Hannah Bowman Way, Youlgrave.

There is very limited opportunity for local people to meet their housing need in local parishes by buying or renting a home on the open market, and the current affordable housing in Youlgrave is not meeting demand.

This survey has been undertaken with the support of Youlgrave Parish Council. These conclusions are based on information provided by residents of Youlgrave as part of an on-line survey and other available data. The views of the Parish Council and the community on the outcomes of this report are very much welcomed.

What are the next steps?

The Parish Council is holding an on-line public meeting via Zoom at 7.30pm on 27th October by invitation only (this is just for security reasons to prevent an open meeting being 'invaded') for the Rural Housing Enabler, Isabel Cogings, to present the results of the Housing Need Survey, answer any questions and discuss next steps. Please contact the Parish Clerk at youlgraveclerk@youlgrave.org.uk for a free invitation.

The next steps would be to appraise sites in or on the edge of the village for their potential to deliver affordable housing to meet the identified local housing need. This is usually undertaken by organising a walk round the village with key partners.

At the moment, we could potentially still do a walk around the village if we keep to a maximum of 6 people and maintain social distancing and ensure a number of other safeguards are in place. The 'walk' would involve a Peak District National Park planner, representatives from the Parish Council and Youlgrave Community Land Trust (YCLT), the Rural Housing Enabler and Alison Clamp of Peak District Rural Housing Association (PDRHA). We may need to re-think if government advice changes.

The planner's opinion on a site/sites is key. It is the planner who will assess which sites have potential and which do not, with views being sought from consultees,

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including Derbyshire County Council Highways.

Alison Clamp of PDRHA and the Rural Housing Enabler would then work with YCLT and other partners to progress potential site(s). We do not return to a Parish Council meeting to discuss the sites publicly because of the sensitivities around taking sites forward; for example, we would need to speak to/negotiate with the landowner. The Parish Council will be updated on progress and any potential development proposals, but note that progress can be very slow with rural schemes and often there is nothing or very little to report for some time.

Who do I contact if I have any comments, queries or land to offer/suggest?

Contact the Rural Housing Enabler at Derbyshire Dales District Council, Isabel Cogings 01629 761256 or Isabel.Cogings@derbyshiredales.gov.uk

Are you in housing need?

If you are looking for an affordable home, register with www.home-options.org and express an interest in a property when advertised.

Report by Isabel Cogings, Rural Housing Enabler, Derbyshire Dales District Council

Youlgrave pupils use new computing and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Maths) resources

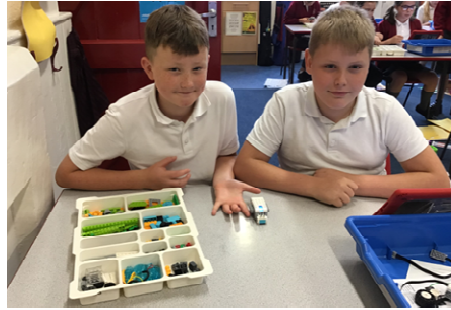
Youlgrave All Saints' Junior pupils have been using newly-purchased iPads and STEM equipment as part of their computing and science curriculum, learning coding and programming skills through exciting scientific topics. The 'WeDo' equipment is from Lego Education and uses the popular Lego building bricks to help pupils learn in a fun way.

As you'll see from these Class 2 photos, the children have loved using the new equipment and are looking forward to the next lesson!



Lego Learning at Youlgrave, All Saints' Primary School – a new way of learning in class

On 16th September, Class 3 were introduced to a new way of learning science and computing. There was suspense in the room as Mrs Prince announced that we would be using 'WeDo' Lego kits in science lessons for the rest of the year. We were told to clear our desks and after we received our Lego boxes. Mrs Prince handed out iPads so that we could use them to control our Lego models.



The first thing we built with our Lego was a model snail; and we then had to control the lights, making them flash different colours, using the programming tool on the iPads. Then we were able to build a model windmill with moving sails and finally a robot called Milo, who is able to move around the table.

When asked about the Lego lessons Olivia in Year 6 says: "I love the building part, and I like the sounds you can programme the robot to use". Cass was heard saying in class: "I love Lego – this is the best day of school ever." We all really enjoy using the Lego kits and can't wait for our science lessons to come around again so that we can learn to do something new with them. There are 16 different Lego projects in total to develop and we can't wait to have a go!

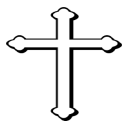


Youlgrave Parish Council update

Youlgrave Parish Council met on 29th September by Zoom to receive reports on our provision of services over the summer, providing additional cleaning for our public toilet blocks under Covid conditions with many complimentary notes left by users for the extra effort put in by our cleaner. Discussions on boundary changes and our PDNPA Parish Statement were noted, including the gathering momentum of Local Plans in the Planning process and forthcoming changes likely in local government structure.

Council thanked Rob Scott for his 6 years service as a councillor and wished him well in retirement.

We have a casual vacancy advertised currently and welcome applications to fill it by a co-option ballot just prior to our 20th October meeting. Please email the clerk youlgraveclerk@youlgrave.org.uk with your details and a short paragraph on your aspirations to serve your community as a councillor by 17th October.



From the Churches

After a summer in which we began to hope things could return to normal, we are being warned to gear up for a second wave of the coronavirus. Some of us are already weary, and the coming winter is likely to be hard and anxious. But we are not in the same place as we were in March. The Archbishops of Canterbury and York have written about the experience and responsibility of the churches: "We have learned a great deal. In the witness we show to our nation we need to be determined, resilient and hopeful... The church at the local level [can] extend care for the most vulnerable, and witness for the poor and disadvantaged who are suffering disproportionately. All this is the nature of love."

Despite all the Chancellor may be able to do, people are anxious about job losses. There is widespread concern about hunger – especially amongst children – and a rise in homelessness. "Domestic violence remains a major issue which is concealed."

We can all help to do something about hunger locally. The Jigsaw food bank in Matlock helps about 50 hungry households each week. All Saints Church and School have supported the food bank for several years, but we have not been collecting food since the start of lockdown. Harvest Festival on 4th October is an opportunity for us to show our love and care. Please bring gifts of tins and dry goods: tinned fruit and rice pudding and tinned meat are especially in demand. On the other hand, the food bank has ample supplies of tinned tomatoes, baked beans and dry pasta.



We need to draw close to Christ, draw strength from our faith, and offer the hope and stability of the gospel to others, especially the elderly and isolated and those with fragile mental health. "It is this gospel joy, even in the darkest times, that alone can help us through this crisis, bringing hope and an eternal perspective to the very pressing trials of the moment."

A prayer for those affected by Coronavirus

God, our rock and shield, we pray for our land, and all nations and places in our world, as many endure the effects of Covid-19 and the Coronavirus pandemic.

For those who are ill, grant healing;

for those who mourn the death of loved ones, bring comfort;

for those who care for the sick, grant strength and endurance;

for those who are isolated or whose livelihoods are threatened, give courage and hope;

for all who take difficult decisions, from governments to health practitioners, give wisdom and compassion to accompany the knowledge and experience that they bring.

Deliver us from this disease, we pray, and enable all nations and communities to grow in collaboration and unity as we face this challenge together.

Grant a legacy of enduring common purpose in facing all that threatens our global common good.

We pray in Jesus' name, in the unity of the Spirit
Amen.



SERVICES IN OCTOBER

Sunday 4th October

9.30am Stanton Morning Prayer
11.00am Youlgrave Family friendly Harvest Festival

6.45pm Middleton Harvest Festival

Sunday 11th October

Creation Sunday
9.30am Stanton Holy Communion
11.00am Youlgrave Morning Prayer

Sunday 18th October

9.30am Birchover Holy Communion
11.00am Youlgrave Holy Communion

Sunday 25th October

9.30am Stanton Holy Communion
11.00am Youlgrave Holy Communion

Sunday 1st November

9.30am Stanton Morning Prayer
11.00am Youlgrave Family friendly service with charity giving

Gifts for children in shoeboxes, cash gifts for Christian Aid

All Saints Service: details to follow

See church noticeboards or websites for further details

For services at other churches:

Youlgrave Methodist contact Margaret 636558

Youlgrave Wesleyan Reform contact Isobel 636251

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Photo of the month: road re-surfacing at Church Corner this summer, by Peter Knowles.

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Donate your unwanted clothes and shoes in the school's new recycling bank

A huge thank you to everyone who contributed to the clothes recycling collection at school in September. We raised a massive £196.40 for Friend of Youlgrave School PTFA.

We also want to say thank you to the Farmyard Inn for kindly allowing us to put a new permanent clothes recycling bank in their car park. This will replace the school collections, and mean there is always somewhere to put your unwanted clothes and shoes. The bank will be emptied whenever it is full. So, if you have any unwanted clothes or shoes, please put it into a bag and place in the bank. It is run by the same company and proceeds will still go to school fundraising. (See poster for full list of what is accepted.)

WHAT WE WILL ACCEPT



WHAT WE WON'T ACCEPT



Kirsty Prince, Treasurer to Friends of Youlgrave School PTFA

Deadline for the November Bugle is Friday 30th October. Contributions to the address on the inside back page. www.youlgrave.org.uk

Have fun, but stay safe, at the Haunted Halloween House!

We all love Halloween and dressing up, so let's not let Corona get in the way this year!

As always, I'm putting on a display, but this time it's going to be bigger and better than ever.

I don't think it's safe to take children knocking door to door, and not many people will want to do so. I have come up with a

plan to keep Halloween fun and safe for everyone to enjoy. In the front garden there will be a safe one way in and one way out system. Families can wait on the street 2m apart on your markings, as only one family will be allowed in at a time. I ask no touching, please, but there will be plenty to see and be scared of! We will have lights, a smoke machine, scary noises and much more (but a warning for anyone with epilepsy – there will be a mini strobe light with flashing lights).

On the way out the children can pick up a sealed Halloween bag (made up in a safe environment a few days before the event) filled with sealed sweets and toys, so the sweets will not have been handled.

I will have a donation pot and all money collected will be donated to Jigsaw Food Bank. Please come if you dare and have some fun this Halloween – on Saturday 31st October and Sunday 1st November, from 3pm to 9pm, at 25 Grove Place, Youlgrave. *Fay*



Local residents urged to report litter and dog-fouling hot-spots

Derbyshire Dales District Council is urging residents to report areas in the district where litter and dog fouling are causing a problem under a new campaign – 'Don't be a tosser – bin it!'

After a summer where high volumes of litter were seen across the district, the council is supporting community groups and individuals who are picking up litter and helping to keep it clean. But it's not just litter, dog fouling continues to be an issue. "Although 9 out of 10 dog owners pick up dog mess after their pets, that still leaves a significant number who don't," said Councillor Chris Furness. "We're encouraging residents to help us by putting litter and dog mess in the bin and reporting problem areas to us."

A spokesperson added: "With the information from residents we will target those areas with the worst problems by patrolling and talking to dog owners to encourage responsible behaviour.

We will support groups and individuals who want to help reduce the problem in their community by providing pink chalk-based spray paint to highlight dog mess and put up signs." Residents can report a litter or dog fouling hot spot via an online form available at www.derbyshiredales.gov.uk/reportlitter



Highlighting dog mess with pink spray.

Youlgrave Wildlife Notes: September

September has been yet another month of contrasting weather, but the long hot spell that finally broke on the 23rd has prolonged the growing season and given the butterflies some extra time before some of them go into hibernation. I have seen peacock, brimstone, speckled wood, various whites, painted lady, small copper and lots of tortoiseshells in the garden recently. One rather optimistic tortoiseshell was even trying to hibernate on the outside wall of our house, though I don't give much for its chances.

My lockdown project, digging the pond I have been meaning to for the last 30 years, is beginning to attract animals of all sizes. A very large frog was sitting beside it recently and when I started to drag out the blanket weed it I found all sorts of water beetles, some pond slaters, water boatmen and some small nymphs that might have been the result of damselflies that appeared to be laying their eggs very early on. Two hawk dragonflies have been patrolling the pond and trying to lay their eggs, though they seem to be putting them anywhere but in the water. A large frog has been doing its bit controlling the slugs next door, too.

Some swallows that had failed to nest early in the year still had young into this month and the swallows and martins have been flocking prior to migration. There were still some to be seen today, the 24th. A new bird for my records for Youlgrave was reported from Coldwell End. This was a hobby, a small falcon with almost swift-like wings whose speciality is chasing dragon flies, though

will also follow migrating martins and swallows. The occasional red kite and peregrines are still around, buzzards are often seen, sometimes in families making quite a lot of noise; kestrels can be seen hovering and sparrowhawks have been enjoying meals of collared dove in the garden.

A kingfisher has been seen throughout the month, mainly towards Alport though it has been seen at Bradford as well. Spotted flycatchers were seen. On the 24th I spent

part of the wet morning just looking out of the window and was rewarded with a nuthatch, a chiffchaff and a black cap. The last two used to migrate, but some can now be seen throughout the winter months. Other notable birds in village gardens have been nuthatches, bullfinches, long tailed tits and increasing numbers of coal tits,

goldfinches and greenfinches. Along the river dippers, grey wagtails and herons can be seen, along with coots, moorhens and mallard. Three red legged partridges continue to visit gardens around Alport Lane.

On my wildflower walk, on the 24th, I found 50 species in bloom. There were 34 this time last year. The water mints are making a fine show in the river and autumn hawkbit is doing well in grassland. Species such as spring sandwort and ivy leafed toadflax having been blooming for months, though many species are beginning to disappear now.

My thanks to this month's contributors: Geoff, Edwina, Simon, Richard, Anne, Pat and Ruth.

Ian Weatherley 48iweatherley@gmail.com



Watching our veg garden (photo by Richard Powley).



The W.I. will carry on!

Regardless of current regulations curtailing our actual meetings at present, we aim to hold virtual meetings where possible, to keep members in touch via newsletters and ideas from the membership and the Committee, the W.I. publications, and many articles provided online via the dedicated websites. And not forgetting our very own

Facebook page, which is regularly updated.

An AGM will go ahead, so that our officers and helpers can provide a team to take us into 2021 and beyond. The Programme for our 102nd year in 2021 will still be formulated, though with a good deal of hope and anticipation.

It is our wish that, when possible, that we'll be learning, crafting, singing and eventing as soon as its possible.

On a happy note, we did meet in the village Hall in September, when 18 members really enjoyed coming together once more. Plenty of space for everyone,



A socially distanced but friendly W.I. meeting in the Village Hall.

and a lot of varied conversations, and laughter, despite the different arrangements and our BYO suppers. Sandy had prepared many colourful brooch kits for us all, and we received some welcome complimentary messages the next morning. Judith held a 'roll-call' open question – 'What did lockdown mean for you?' Responses were varied: saving money, gardening etc, time to reflect, and feeling fortunate to live in this area.

Rather than become a dormant group, there are ways in which we can be active. Following campaigns, preparing for the next year's Resolutions, and adopting the idea of collecting members items for a Time Capsule scrap box.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 13th October, listed as a visiting Chesterfield Street Pastor. Members will be updated on any details after the Committee Meeting on the 6th.

Best wishes to everyone



The fruits of September's 'sew-in'.

Liz Hickman

Calling Low Dale Rock Shelter

By Chris Shimwell, Youlgrave History Society

Calling Low Dale is a southern offshoot of Lathkill Dale in the Parish of Youlgrave. The dale, also previously known as Church Dale, is a narrow valley with precipitous wooded, limestone cliffs and a floor consisting of limestone boulders of varying size, covered in summer with dense vegetation, especially nettles.

The rock shelter is situated in the upper part of the dale at a height of 290 metres. (Map Ref. SK184654). It is approximately 500 metres from Bee Low tumulus first excavated by Thomas Bateman in 1843-51 (1861) and re-excavated by BM Marsden in 1966-68. (1970) Arbor Low stone circle and Gib Hill tumulus are approximately 2 kms from the site.

The rock shelter was found at the excavation of a cavity under a rock face carried out by Major (subsequently Colonel) TA Harris and Leslie Armstrong between the years 1937-1939.

In a letter to my father – Bill Shimwell, schoolmaster and avid local historian and naturalist – in November 1967, Harris described the floor deposit of the rock shelter to be 17 feet in depth comprising 3 sepulchral levels and an occupied level at a depth of 13 feet.

Level 1 – thirteen infant burials, all contracted and much pottery of the 1st century AD.

Level 2 – eleven infant burials, all extended, mostly incomplete but two complete, some sherds of early Bronze Age pottery and some flint implements estimated as c1750 BC.

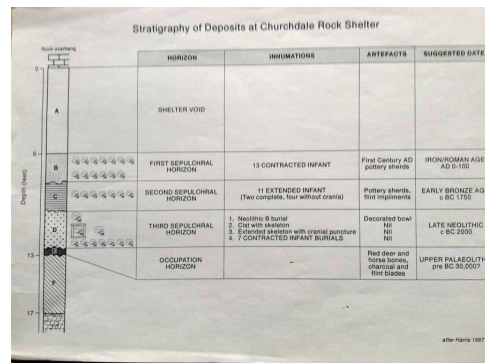
Level 3 – (i) Cist containing a skeleton, thought to be a middle-aged man with a

dolicocephalic (long headed) skull; (ii) In front of the cist a skeleton, thought to be of a woman whose skull appeared to have been punctured by a weapon along with several infant burials; (iii) Neolithic B burial consisting of bones of several individuals. Mixed amongst this burial were pieces of a decorated bowl c2000BC.

Level 4 – Occupied level with a hearth around which were bones of Horse and either Red Deer or Reindeer. Flint blades estimated to have been from the Upper Palaeolithic period were also found - c30,000 BC.

The ground in front of the shelter revealed flint flakes and much charcoal at a depth of 4 feet, surmised to have been a temporary abode for funeral parties.

A single burial of an elderly man was found in a nearby shelter with no accompanying dateable material.



Stratigraphy diagram: drawn from information provided by Harris in litera 1967.

These findings were reported in *The*

Proceedings of the Prehistoric Society, IV (1938), 317 (editor JGD Clark) and in the Journal of the Derbyshire Archaeological and natural History Society Vols 57-60, 1936-1939.

Nothing further was published until 1953 as Major Harris returned to the armed forces during World War II.

Piggott (1953) described the findings and attributed the potsherds to be from a Peterborough Ware bowl, which had been decorated using the articular ends of the limb bones of birds. The flint blade was described as being a *petit tranche* type arrow head as seen in other Neolithic contexts.

This flint blade and the fragments of the bowl were donated by Major Harris in 1956 to Sheffield City Museum and the bowl was restored and measures 14cm in diameter.



Gilks (1971) described the bowl and indicated that tests carried out by Donald Bramwell, a well known and published amateur archaeologist and naturalist established that the impressions on the bowl were probably produced using bones of the Common Sandpiper (*Actitis* – formerly *Tringa hypoleucos*), the large impressions at the neck and shoulder of the bowl using the distal end of the humerus, the small circular impressions at the outer rim using the distal end of the tibia and wedge shaped impressions on the top and crest of the rim using the distal end of a metacarpal. See below:



Gilks also states that the decoration on the bowl is parallel with that found on Mortlake bowls found in West Kennet long barrow thus assigning them to the same type. Piggott (1962).



Major Harris presented his Calling Low Dale archive, to join his previous donation of the bowl and arrowhead, as a bequest in 1975 to Sheffield City Museum. This consisted of photographs and a disappointingly small amount of skeletal material:

- (a) Dolicocephalic skull and mandible of an adult in very good condition
- (b) 8 fragments of another skull also from (b) an adult
- (c) A child's mandible with a few teeth

I was fortunate enough to gain access to this archive during the winter of 2013/14 and I attempted to ascertain the sex, age at death and some description of pathology of the 3 individuals using skills acquired during my studies towards a Certificate in

Human Osteology obtained at Sheffield University in 2011/12.

a) Complete adult skull and mandible

For age estimation at death a combination of ectocranial suture closure and dental wear was used.

Ectocranial suture closure, using a scheme developed by Meindl and Lovejoy (1985) gave a mean age of 52 within a range 23-76. Dental wear using the Miles (1963) scheme gave an age of 36-42. In my opinion this points to an age at death of between 40-50 years.

Sex estimation was carried out using morphological traits of the skull, Fermbach et al (1980) and gave an overwhelmingly male result (see below).



This man was also suffering from severe dental disease with periapical abscesses leading to sinus formation through the bone of the upper jaw and long standing periodontal disease with bone resorption seen in the right side of the mandible. It is likely that from this he would have been in considerable pain.

b) Fragmented skull

Ectocranial suture closure gave a mean age of 32 with a range of 19-48. Sex estimation showed almost equal male



and female morphological traits

It is however significant that the junction between the sphenoid and occipital bones at the base of the skull was unfused and this usually occurs between the ages of 19-25, Buikstra and Ubelaker (1994) (see below). This leads me to an estimation of age at death of less than 19, possibly late adolescence, hence the lack of obvious sexual traits.

This individual also had a persistent metopic suture. This is the junction of the two frontal bones and is normally completely fused by 12 months of age. Stedman (2000).



Above: Part of occipital bone with unfused junction with sphenoid to the left.

This may have resulted in this suture being mistaken for a wound in the front of the skull (see below).



c) Mandible of a child



Sex estimation of children's skeletons is less reliable but this mandible is probably from a male child as the mental protuberance (chin) is large, projecting and squared off.

The dentition is deciduous with first and second molars in place and thus my estimation is that this child was 3-5 years of age at death.

Calling Low Dale rock shelter obviously had a long period of occupation, from Palaeolithic to Iron Age, possibly for up to 10000 years and was probably one of a number of rock shelters in nearby and surrounding limestone dales eg Cales Dale.

I feel that it is an important site, with more to reveal and am sure that it warrants further investigation.

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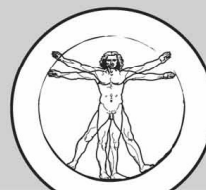
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The Little Red-Haired Hairy Man from Youlgreave

This story takes place in the midst of time when lead mining was common in the village, as told by Martyn Gillie.



A miner in the village had three sons, but the family were very poor and the three sons dreamed of making their fortunes. One day the eldest son had had enough of the filthy and dangerous work of lead mining and set out to find his fortune. He walked for half a day and then sat in the shade of a small wood to eat his lunch. As he unpacked his bread and cheese a little red hairy man appeared and begged for a share of the food, but the lad said no and told him to go away. After his meal the young man continued on his way, but despite his best efforts he failed to find his fortune, and within a few weeks he was back at home.

However this did not deter the middle son, who decided to try his own luck. He set off as his brother had done, and after walking for a few hours is sat in the same shady wood to eat his lunch. The same little red hairy man appeared and begged for a share of the food but this lad was a bit more generous than his brother and he threw the little man some crumbs of bread and a rind of his cheese. The man ate what he was offered, and then told the lad that if he wanted to find his fortune he should look in the centre of the wood. Full of hope, the lad searched the wood and came across an abandoned lead mine. However, it looked old and worked out, and anyway he was trying to get away from lead mining, so he went on his way. Needless to say he fared no better than his brother, and in a few weeks time he also was back at home with his family no better off.

Undaunted, the youngest son thought he might do better, so he said his goodbyes and set off. On his first day of walking he came upon the same shady wood and sat down to eat his lunch. The same little man appeared begging for food. Now this lad was much more generous than his brothers, and he shared his food equally with the little man. When they had finished eating the little man gave the same advice that he had given to the other two brothers, that this life would find his fortune in the centre of the wood. After some searching the lad found the same lead mine, but the little man was waiting for him and told him to get into a basket and be lowered down into the mine.

Well the lad did get into the basket and he was lowered down the shaft. At the bottom he found himself in a open, bright and beautiful landscape. Again he was met by the little red haired hairy man who guided him through a series of adventures where he killed three giants and rescued a princess, who agreed to marry him. Eventually the lad returned home with all the riches of the three giants, castles and a beautiful princess on his arm to live happily ever after and prosperously in Youlgreave until the end of his days.

And the moral of this tale is that though others may have tried before you and failed, that is no reason for you not to try as you may succeed.





Church Farm Diary, October

What a wonderful Indian summer we have had! This will set us up for the winter. I don't think that anyone is looking forward to what we might have to face with the Virus, so we have to make the most of the nice days.

The milk cows have enjoyed the good weather grazing in the fields, but as soon as a spot of rain comes they all march off into the sheds again. The young stock have grown well in the fields and have never been without grass because it has been a great growing time.

But having said all that, the straw has not been as good as usual, because when it was planted when the weather was very dry so the seed had a bad start. There is not as much straw around and it will be very scarce in the winter when it is needed. Prices of barley straw varied by £22.00 a tonne across England and Wales.

There has been a lot of anger and upsetting situations with visitors to the Peak District. The visitors have been coming to the countryside without any idea of livestock and leaving their litter. A farmer in the Edale Valley has had plastic bags over a cow's head, hundreds of nitrous oxide gas canisters in a watering hole the cattle drink from and disturbance with sheep. This is just one example and we in Youlgrave know about the swimming pool, etc.

Maybe the cooler weather will keep them at home?

All the younger grandchildren are back at school and seem to be enjoying the company in their bubbles. Certain procedures have changed but all seem to be quite acceptable.

Marjorie Shimwell

Recipe of the Month: Welsh Rarebit

Ingredients

25g salted butter

25g plain flour

150ml milk

75g Cheddar cheese grated

Splash of Worcestershire sauce

Pinch Paprika

1tsp hot English mustard

2-4 thick slices of bread of your choice

Method

Heat the grill on a medium setting.

Melt the butter in a pan and add the flour.

Stir together to make a paste and cook for 1 to 2 mins.

Slowly add the warm milk and stir together to blend.

Bring to a simmer and add the cheese and Worcestershire sauce, paprika and mustard, then remove from the heat.

Toast the bread on both sides and then divide the sauce among the slices of bread.

Top with a little more grated cheese and put under the grill until golden and bubbling.



Youlgrave Surgery Flu Services update

For the attention of all patients eligible for flu vaccinations 2020

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- If you **require seating** whilst in the queue, please advise staff upon arrival.
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 - Upon your arrival a member of staff will be available to mark your arrival.
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