



The

Bugle



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Youlgrave Garage: out with the old, in with the new

New petrol pumps installed during our re-vamp of the garage in 1994 have come to the end of their working life. Like most village shops, petrol stations in rural areas are a rare sight nowadays. Statistics show that an average of three close down every week throughout the UK and this trend is on the increase.

With your support we are able to maintain a busy repair/service department and VOSA-approved MOT test station, not only serving our village but many others in the area. Our commitment is to our customers and have therefore decided to install replacement pumps that will hopefully, subject to your continued support and reliable fuel deliveries, take us forward another 15 years or so.



Ryan models the Garage's new pumps.

Graham Elliott

DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE: CHURCH STREET, YOULGRAVE

WHEN: From 3 December to 7 December 2012

WHERE: Church Street, Youlgrave, from its junction with Moor Lane, adjacent to the Fountain in an easterly direction for a distance of 30 metres.

REASON: Sewer repair works.

ALTERNATIVE ROUTE: Conksbury Lane and Back Lane.

Access will be maintained, whenever reasonably possible, on the affected length of road. The road will re-open as soon as the work is finished. This may be earlier than advertised. Derbyshire County Council apologises for any inconvenience caused while work takes place. Anyone needing further information should ring Call Derbyshire on 08456 058 058.

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Youlgrave and District Horticultural Society

Those of you who enjoy gardening may be interested in buying your seeds through the Horticultural Society. We are using Suttons who came out well in a recent 'Which?' report. If we get sufficient orders (as we usually do) we should qualify for a reduction of 40% on each packet of seeds and 15% off any other items in the catalogue.

Catalogues and order forms can be obtained from Carol Normington (The Tower, Bradford Road, tel 636795). Orders will need to be placed by the beginning of January.

YOULGRAVE BOWLS CLUB

INVITE YOU TO A

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

With Youlgrave Silver Band
Conductor Paul Harding

and

Entertainment by Mick Partridge
At Youlgrave Village Hall

Thursday 13 December at 7.30pm

Admission: £4 (Juniors £1)

Including Tea/Coffee and Mince Pies

Saturday 8 December

A special seasonal concert at the Sheffield City Hall

The programme features the
**famous Black Dyke Brass Band and
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The concert promises to be "jovial,
sparkling and full of surprises".

Tickets cost £25 each, which
includes the community bus which
will pick up from and return to
Youlgrave, and the concert ticket.

Everyone is welcome, so if you'd
like to come to what will be a most
enjoyable evening please telephone
Joy on 636868 or John and Jane on
636721 to book your seat(s).

Wanted, cleaner 1 session per week -
Youlgrave. Ring 630202

Youlgrave Folk Club, anyone?

Plans are underway to start up a
Folk Club in the Bull's Head function
room next Spring. We are looking
for people to help with the
organisation and running of the
Club. If you are interested in getting
involved please give Dave Sharpe a
ring on 630295 or email
dave.sharpe@hotmail.co.uk.

Welcome to Youlgrave Pantomime 2013

The pantomime chosen for 2013 is
'Puss in Boots', a magical Furry Tail,
a traditional story chosen to appeal
to all the family. After the Children's
Auditions in September, we had 15
local children wanting to take part.
Some of them had never been in the
pantomime before, and others had
been in several productions - a very
good mix.

The main cast is a very strong one
this year, with Nic Wilson playing Dame
Daffodil, ably supported by Simon
Edmonds, John Orchard, making a
welcome return as the Wizard, Keith
Evans, Katie Henwood, Lillian Clark,
Sophie Dillon, Jade Shimwell and Dilys
Morgan. Damion Glover and Thomas
Birch are the mischievous miller's sons
and Eve Birch is a lovable Puss! (There
is one surprise ghostly character!)

Rehearsals have started,
choreography is stepping up, costumes
are being created by the Sewing Ladies
at an incredible rate, hats being made,
shoes fitted, scenery painted, the magic
is starting to happen! We have a new
head of 'Props' this year in Wendy
Wilson, who is combining this with her
usual task of 'Dame's Dresser' during
the run of the show.

Harold Lowe has recruited Jeremy
Hewitt to help with making Stage
Furniture and they are already on track
with this task, needing inventive minds
to interpret the items needed in the
script. Adrian Rhodes will once again
be Stage Manager.

There is another change: Mike and
Ingrid Newman have given up the
bookings and Jan Wilson has taken on
the task for this year. This is a new
venture for me so please bear with me!

Bookings start on Mon 3 Dec until Sat
22 Dec, then close until after the New
Year, re-opening on 2 Jan 2013.
Bookings hours are Monday-Friday
10am-5.30pm, and Sat 10am-1pm
ONLY. Tel 01629 636284. PLEASE
NOTE CHANGE OF TIME!

'Puss in Boots' runs from Wed 30 Jan
to Sat 2 Feb and Wed 6 Feb to Sat 9
Feb 2013, each evening at 7.30pm,
with matinees on both Saturdays at
2.30pm. Judith Taylor will be running
the Box Office for the show, doors open
at 7pm each evening and at 2pm for
the matinees.

We all look forward to welcoming you
to our magical world of pantomime - so
book early to support your very own
local 'Puss in Boots'!

Thank you, Lillian!



Several residents have contacted the
Bugle in praise of the newly edged path
through All Saints churchyard. Well, we
can reveal that you have the tireless
Lillian Clark to thank for that, whose
voluntary work around the village also
includes maintaining the flower trough
at the top of Holywell Lane and helping
out at the pavilion and playing field.
Thank you, Lillian!

Have your say on your ambulance service



Bugle readers will recall two earlier items concerning proposals to close many of EMAS's (East Midlands Ambulance Service) traditional ambulance stations, such as Buxton, Bakewell and Matlock, and to replace them with fewer and bigger modern stations called 'Hubs'. In the Derbyshire Dales and the High Peak the nearest Hub will be at Chesterfield. A smaller local standby post would be at Rowsley, replacing the stations at Matlock and Bakewell. The purpose is to improve service targets that have not been achieved for many years. There is concern that by improving service in urban areas might make matters worse in rural areas. The next stage in the consultation closes on 17 December.

The issues are more complex than you might at first realise. Our A&E ambulances spend most of their time on the road, allocated to jobs by a control centre at Nottingham.

In Youlgrave we have the benefit of the knowledge and hands-on experience of two paramedics; a doctor who served us at many levels for 30 years; a doctor who

currently serves on the new group of NHS surgeries that commissions NHS services in north Derbyshire; a member of the former primary care trust; and a resident who attended a big meeting in Buxton recently.

Between all these good people the main shared thought is that the changes will alter the service we are used to, possibly for the worse, possibly not. For that reason, it is a good idea to try to understand the current service; the proposed changes; and possibly to suggest changes to the proposals that might be better for rural areas. There might be a counter proposal to have an additional 'Hub' west of the Pennines in or near Buxton.

A meeting will be arranged in the second week of December to listen to an explanation of the issues by the paramedics and (we hope) a representative of the EMAS management. Our District Councillor, David Frederickson, has agreed to chair the meeting. Please go to www.emas.co.uk to register your views. And look out for local posters confirming the date and venue of the meeting.

Join us for carol singing around the village this Christmas

Carol singing around Youlgrave will take place on Tuesday 18 and Friday 21 December, in aid of Youlgrave Bangbutt Village Link. This local charity provides support to projects in Sierra Leone, West Africa – see www.youlgravebangbutt.org

Everyone, especially children, will be very welcome to join us – whether you can sing in tune or not. All that is required is your energy and enthusiasm! We had great fun last year.

Tuesday 18 December: meet at The

George at 7pm.

Friday 21 December: meet at The Bull's Head at 7pm. Please bring warm clothes and a torch, and children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult. If you would particularly appreciate hearing a few carols, or know of anyone else who would, please let Simon know (01629 636523/07706 956067). We look forward to singing with you or to you!

Simon Northcott



YOULGRAVE ALL SAINTS SCHOOL CHRISTMAS FAIR

On **Friday 7 December** from 6pm in School, everyone is invited to come join the festive frivolities that the School Association and children have been busy planning.

An exciting evening is promised where the mood could not be more seasonal, with the taste of mulled wine, smell of warm mince pies, the sound of Christmas carols and laughter filling the school.

Raffle tickets are now on sale, available from the Farmyard Inn, Hollands Butchers, the George Hotel or the School Office, with an array of super prizes donated kindly by many local businesses and individuals.



Also available during the evening of the fair there will also be the usual stalls selling wonderful homemade cakes, crafts and some quirky gifts, Tombolas of both the 'normal' and 'sweet' kind, face painting a wine lottery (!), games run and designed by the children themselves and much more.

Not forgetting our most important visitor who shall be dropping by his grotto armed with gifts galore and even bringing along some real *Live Reindeers* for everyone to meet!

Please tell your friends and families about what will be a wonderful beginning to our community's Christmas Celebrations.

MIDDLETON SOCIAL CLUB'S BUSY PROGRAMME

To keep you up-to-date, we are pleased to say we are still operational and have had a very successful year, albeit numbers have unfortunately declined for various reasons, mainly due to ill-health. We have organised film shows, speakers, quizzes, whist, outings, demonstrations, musical performances, etc, which have been enjoyed by all. We are ending the season with a Christmas Lunch in Bakewell.

We will be arranging a similar programme in 2013. However, we are closing down until the end of March due to inclement weather during the winter months, re-opening 26 March. Our meetings are held fortnightly on alternate Tuesday afternoons in Middleton Village Hall from 1.30 to 3.30pm to coincide with the bus times from Youlgrave/Middleton. Please make a note in your diary and come along to join us. Looking forward to seeing you on Tuesday 26 March 2013. Tel 636527 or 636678.



Church Farm Diary, December 2012

The cattle have been driven up Moor Lane for the winter months, to be housed in the buildings on the moor at Old Hall Farm land near Long Rake. They went up without any problems; all the family turned out to help, even son in law Rob, so now every morning Dakin and Michael go up to the building to feed and clean the cattle out and check that they are all in good health. They have settled well and are glad of dry bedding and a dry back. They are bedded down on wood shavings and limestone dust, this is cleaned out and put back on the ground. Dakin likes to have them inside as he says you know where they are and not getting out and knocking walls down.

They are fed on hay and silage with a substitute of grains and corn. The calves have a special feeder for their corn, which is made so the cattle can't get into it, otherwise they would pinch the calves share and they wouldn't grow for that market.

The old stone building on the moor has had some repairs on the roof. Dakin, Joseph and Michael spent a few hours mending it to keep the weather out.

The big Limousin bull was sold at Bakewell market the other Monday. He has gone on to another farm to enjoy life a bit more, so we have just the Aberdeen Angus one left, which will be sold soon and then a new bull will be purchased for next season. All animals have to have a test for TB before they can go to market. The vet comes a week before and pricks the skin twice and it is read two days later. The vet usually

measures the thickness of the skin with a caliper to see if the skin has changed giving an indication if the cattle has caught TB.

Lucy and I are thinking of having a few pigs. We have had pigs in the past, farrowing them and fattening the piglets. We could use any waste food instead of putting it in the little bin, not that we get much in our family. Michael likes pigs and says that they are the cleanest animals.

We once loaned a boar called Tony from a farm at Tansley, and brought it home in the back of a van with me in the back with it. One day in the field it chased me. I had Elizabeth and one of her friends with me, so we ran across the field (Gloria my neighbour, thought it was hilarious) only to be told by its owner later on that it was nasty. I wish that he had told me before.

The corn is coming up in the ploughed wheat fields, even though it was planted a bit late; but nature usually never fails us. Farming is very controlled by the seasons and that is something you can't alter.

Another muck spreader has been delivered. It holds a lot more muck, making spreading more economical so you don't have to go into the field that often, and since Dakin will go to other farms to do their spreading for them a decent sized spreader is needed.

The tup has been put to the ewes so hopefully there will be some lambs in the spring. Lucy and Joseph are useful at lambing because of their small hands.

The land at Church Farm is recovering from having lots of cattle churning it up

in the wet weather. It soon recovers and the gateways are always the worst.

Michael's lorry hasn't been very busy this month. Most farmers have finished building and repairing for the winter and many gardeners aren't 'doing their landscaping in the winter months, so he has had more time to help Dakin feeding the cattle.

Marjorie Shimwell

Youlgrave Cinema presents



The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel (Cert 12)

A group of British retirees (played by Bill Nighy, Judi Dench, Maggie Smith, Tom Wilkinson, Penelope Wilton, Ronald Pickup and Celia Imrie) decide to retire to India. Enticed by advertisements to the newly restored Marigold Hotel and bolstered with visions of a life of leisure, they arrive to find a place a shell of its former self. Though the new environment is less luxurious than imagined, they are forever transformed by their shared experiences, discovering that life and love can begin again when you let go of the past. *118 minutes*

Friday 7 December at 7.30pm

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Remember those who tried their best
that were poisoned or stabbed in the chest.

Those quiet, quiet fields full of poppies,
That were once full of fights,
Through rain, sun, wind or nights.
The poppy that we wear,
To show we really care,

Remember Them

By Eve Birch and Jade Murray



Providing more for less in the NHS

Dr Ben Milton from Youlgreave Health Practice explains why commissioning North Derbyshire's health services is keeping him busy

Like David last month, I can reassure everyone that reports of my departure are definitely exaggerated, but unlike David I can't describe the same road to Damascus conversion from the top of Rowsley Bar. I already knew the Peak District well and it was a conscious decision to move to the area when I started GP training in 2001. We moved over from East Yorkshire as both Helen and I were keen to return to our rural roots, mine in Cumbria and Helen's up in the Hope Valley; and we settled quickly in to village life in Birchover.

After finishing my training at the practice I was appointed a partner in 2003, replacing Dr Martys on his retirement and taking on responsibilities both at Darley Dale and Youlgreave. The opportunity to work in such a wonderful place is one that is never lost on me. Added to that is the ethos of the practice, providing traditional general practice but with an eye on the ever evolving world outside, and I have always felt very lucky indeed. In the last few years, however, those outside interests have taken me away from the practice more and more.

The NHS may have a single brand, but it is actually a series of independent organisations operating under that brand. The latest reorganisation of the



Dr Ben Milton

NHS has seen the creation of Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) and the reason you may see rather less of me at present is that I am currently the Clinical Lead and Chairman of the North Derbyshire CCG (a role that occupies two and a half days of my week, while the remaining time is spent back at the practice). The CCG consists of a group of 38 GP practices and is responsible for looking after 280,000 patients covering a geographical area from New Mills in the High Peak across to Bolsover in North East Derbyshire.

The role of the CCG is to buy the care that the public receives from the healthcare providers, a process known as commissioning. There are effectively two parts to commissioning. Firstly, we must stay within our allocated budget, but secondly we must constantly look to improve the quality of the services provided. This requires us to work constantly with the hospital, mental health and community trusts, as well as the many smaller charitable and voluntary organisations that provide care to the population. Each year we must agree contracts which specify both the price but also the quality, and then these must be monitored in a process of continual change (and hopefully improvement).

Historically, since the inception of the

NHS demand has grown every year due to changes in the population and the arrival of newer technologies and better (but more expensive) medicines. This increasing demand has traditionally run at an additional 5% every year and the funding has previously increased by the same amount. The current financial difficulties mean that while that demand will continue to grow at the same rate over the next few years, the increase in funding will be little more than 0.1%!

This challenge (a total of £20 billion of savings across the NHS, and about £25 million for North Derbyshire, between now and 2015) is what I spend my time away from the practice trying to help sort out. Realising these savings whilst trying to preserve the level of service we have got used to from our local NHS is going to be very difficult. I strongly believe that it is best done using the knowledge of the clinicians who are actually doing the job and in touch with the public who experience those changes. That is why I believe that, for all the concerns that some people have about these reforms, it is right to be involved and trying to shape things locally as best we can.

I hope we can keep the NHS strong locally and able to withstand the rigours it faces, so it is able to continue to look after the communities of North Derbyshire as well as it has done for the last 60 years.

Once I've got that small challenge sorted out I hope to be back in surgery in Youlgreave, enjoying the company and the countryside a little more often!

Ben Milton

Ed – for information about Youlgreave Health Centre, including opening times, see www.darleydalesurgery.co.uk/youlgreave.php

The Councillor's Column



*Cllr David Frederickson, Derbyshire Dales District Councillor for Bradford & Lathkill ward, tel 636586
Email david.frederickson@derbyshiredales.gov.uk*

Conksbury Lane Housing Project

The application to designate the housing land at Conksbury Lane as a village green has been turned down by the County Council, and the Homes and Communities Agency has now allocated funds which will enable the building of eight affordable homes. The scheme is also at the top of the list in Derbyshire Dales capital building programme. Isabel Frenzel from Derbyshire Dales and staff from Peak District Rural Housing Association have been meeting local people who are interested in having one of the homes. Isabel says that these interviews have shown a clear need for the homes amongst local people, particularly young people and young families, although single people and couples are also interested. There is also a demand for both renting and shared ownership. The Council now has enough information to determine the size and type of housing needed. No allocations have been made yet and priority will be given to people with a local connection to the village. Derbyshire Dales will keep in touch with the people they have seen and anyone else who is interested should contact Isabel Frenzel on 01629 761256.

Bin collections

Thanks to everyone who has kept me abreast of persistent collection problems in the village. I have invited Jo Mortimer, a contract manager at SERCO, to come and see the shortcomings for herself. By the time you read this I hope to have shown her around. I will be making it clear to her that SERCO have so far delivered a poor service and that the 'teething troubles' of the new system have lasted far too long.



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Youlgrave Duke of Edinburgh Award Group

This past year we have been training a group of 12 young people from the village and surrounding area in navigational skills, camp craft and teamwork skills in order for them to complete practice and qualifying expeditions for their Bronze D of E Award. They had to walk for two full days for each weekend, carrying everything in rucksacks to allow them to be self-sufficient. They camped in VERY cold conditions and cooked all their meals on tranga stoves. The



The Bronze DofE group.

weekends challenged the young people both physically and mentally, but they completed the challenge cheerfully and with a fantastic attitude. The groups then had to present their purpose and give an account of their expedition to the leaders and their parents, which was informative and entertaining.

The 12 young people are now finishing the other sections. These

include activities such as swimming, cycling and rugby, photography, musical instruments, working for charities and attending Granby House to talk to the residents. They have nearly all finished these sections and will then gain their Bronze Award. We hope they will all go on towards their silver award. Well done to you all!

Penny McCloy

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

This year we had another tremendous collection: 163 Shoeboxes, filled with goodies, to send to Eastern Europe, Africa and even parts of central Asia. A few of us were excited about the prospects of putting our names down on a list to one day accompany the Shoeboxes to one of the Eastern European countries. We are grateful to Paula and Richard Marchbank who brought 89 Shoeboxes (from Bowmer & Kirkland, where Paula works) to swell the number of our Shoeboxes. During the Service, Ian Macleod, one of the OCC organizers, gave us his Thought for the Day message and talked about the difference just little things in the Shoeboxes could make for the children many years later in their lives. The Shoeboxes were then taken to the sorting warehouse in Chesterfield (in Ian's car and thanks to Fay's car as well). If anyone would like to visit the warehouse, or even help check please ring Barbara on 636601.

PRESENTS

A Christmas Festival

Saturday, 22nd December 2012 - 7.30pm

All Saints' Church, Youlgrave

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whom will be at the market.



Helping to develop sports opportunities in your village. Activities, coaching and festivals on your doorstep; for fun, fitness and friendship.

Derbyshire Village Games is coming to Youlgrave...

Would you like to see more activities within the village for ALL ages? A multi-sport club or a stretching or aerobics class? Whatever your interests in sport and physical activity, the Derbyshire Village Games could help you bring them to Youlgrave.

Village Games is an exciting, accessible and community-led project developing a series of events across rural Derbyshire aiming to continue the excitement of the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games by offering the right activities in the right places. The Derbyshire Dales Village Games Co-ordinator, Katy Stubbs, is on hand to help develop and support new and existing activities, clubs and festivals, while also utilising the existing facilities. Therefore whatever your interests, whether it be as a participant, parent or coach, the Village Games Co-ordinator would love to hear your ideas on what you think would benefit the local residents of Youlgrave.

If you would like to find out more or get involved and help to develop activities, please don't hesitate to contact Katy on 07909 443293 or email katy@villagegames.org.uk

Youlgrave Guides Fund Raise for Children in Need

Many thanks to anyone who bought cakes or sponsored members of Youlgrave Guides in their fundraising efforts for Children In Need. In one evening, the Guides raised an amazing £375.52 (with a little more sponsor money still to come in) Well done girls!



Youlgrave-Bangbutt Village Link Barn Dance

This proved to be a very well attended event. J Edgar and the Hoovers kept us all, nearly 90 energetic dancers, on our feet (and waived any fee for which we are gratefully indebted!). The dance floor was packed and the food much appreciated. Thanks go to all our volunteers for their unstinting efforts, and of course to the band. £702 was raised to support our projects in Sierra Leone. To learn more about our projects and see pictures of the merry dancers go to our website at www.youlgravebangbutt.org. Thank you to everyone who attended and supported this event.



Crib Service

**All Saints Church, Youlgrave
Christmas Eve, 5pm**

Lisa Bingham is happy to repeat her role as Mary, but this time with her own baby, Daisy, and not having to borrow one! She insists this will be her last appear in the role! Nick Barnwell has kindly agreed to be Joseph, giving John a rest from the role. If you are a newcomer try it this year. It's a great way to start Christmas and one of the easiest ways to try to bring Jesus into your Christmas celebrations, especially for the children. It is a 'live' crib service, with a sheep, dogs, and hopefully a donkey. Please come ready to take part as well if you wish. Come dressed up ready to be a shepherd, king, or angel. If you would like to borrow a costume there will be a few angels, head-dresses (usually T-towels!) for shepherds and crowns for kings. No words to learn. The service lasts about 35-40 mins and is lit by candlelight.



BUGLE LETTERS

The Day I Caught the Youlgrave Lavender Thief

A man has been stealing lavender from our front garden. He has been caught in the act twice now but tends to ride away on his bike before my parents can meet him.




His bike is white with turquoise and purple grips and he wears a brown hood. He said he usually takes lavender from down the hill but they have run out!

My parents are not very pleased and want to talk to him.

By Charlotte Hepper (aged 10)

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**Honeydew melon with figs
and ginger syrup**

**Chicken liver parfait with grape
chutney and melba toast**

THE MAIN EVENT...

Roast Turkey
Hand-carved turkey crown and lemon and thyme stuffed leg.
Served with gravy and piggies in blankets

Traditional roast beef
Served pink with gravy and Yorkshire pudding

**Barberry duck breast in sweet
cinnamon orange sauce**
Pan-fried and served pink with fondant potato

Dill roast salmon fillet
Garnished with lemon and caper crème fraîche

Nut roast pie
Topped with cranberries in a sweet cranberry glaze

All of our main courses are accompanied with a selection of
roast potatoes, garlic mash, braised red cabbage, sprouts and
roast parsnip and chantennay carrots

FOR DESSERT...

Christmas pudding In a rich brandy cream sauce

Sherry trifle
With fresh strawberries and raspberries, topped
with whipped cream

Chocolate orange torte
With Glenmorangie anglaise

Spiced apple and raisin tart tatin
With calvados infused custard

TO FINISH...
Warm mince pies for all

Menu B ~ £22.50 ~ 6 courses

TO START...

Tomato and basil soup Served with a crusty roll and butter

Posh prawn cocktail
North Atlantic prawns on a bed of gem, radicchio and iceberg, held in a filo basked
moated with marie rose sauce

Honeydew melon with serano ham, figs and ginger syrup

**Chicken liver parfait with grape chutney
and melba toast**

AND THEN...

Gin and tonic sorbet (or green apple sorbet for the kiddies)

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AND THEN... Warm mince pies for all

TO FINISH...
Tea or coffee and handmade chocolates



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Braised Beef Rib, Seasonal Vegetables £9.50

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Warm Ginger Pudding with Toffee Sauce £4.50

Coffee & Hazlenut Cheesecake with Chocolate Sauce £5.00

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Mulled Wine & Mince Pie £4.50

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Coffee & Chocolates £2.00

To book your table call us on 01629 636307

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The next issue of the Bugle is February 2013.

Please send your contributions to the address on the back page by 24 January.

Season's greetings to all our

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Youlgrave Wildlife Notes: November 2012

Wildflowers are now getting very scarce, but I have found the occasional dandelion and there was a hogweed blooming on the Wildlife Area on the 22nd. One plant still blooming at the end of November is the bright blue flower in the field just beyond the Roughwood Hollow turning near Middleton. This is called *Phaselia* and is grown as a game crop to feed birds such as pheasants.

After a slow start the winter migrant birds have arrived in some numbers. I had no sooner sent off the last article when I had a flock of 30 or so redwings in the garden on 28 October. These were just roosting in a birch tree and didn't raid my berries. There was also a small flock of fieldfare over the Dale. On 29 October



Brambling

a single male brambling visited my feeder. The brambling is the Arctic version of the chaffinch and could be mistaken for one, though it is much more orange. They have a particular liking for beech mast and I have seen big flocks of them, in the past, on beech at Ladybower and Hayfield though, I don't think the beeches have produced much mast this year. On 12 November it (presumably the same one) returned to a cherry tree in the garden in the company of 20 goldfinches. Considering how little time I actually spend bird watching in the garden it does make me wonder how many interesting birds I miss!

On 2 November there was a flock of 50 or so fieldfare over the house. The

migrant I haven't yet seen is the waxwing. These have come over in large quantities this year and have been seen in Bath Gardens in Bakewell and near the car park. For some reason waxwings seem to like supermarket car parks and a couple of years ago Sainsburys, Tesco, etc, were almost in competition for who had the greatest numbers. The nearest to this so far this year was a flock behind Costcutter at Darley Dale.

Down the Dale the dippers and grey wagtails have been on show and on the 10th I had an excellent view of a dipper singing loudly. A welcome return has been made by a pair of dabchicks and on the 8th I saw one trying to line up a bullhead in its beak prior to swallowing it. A mild day on the 15th brought out a hedgehog onto the lawn. Daylight sightings at this time of year are worrying as hedgehogs are supposed to be hibernating by now, though this one did seem healthy. Sparrowhawks have visited several times, scattering the small birds, and one was soaring over the garden on the 15th.

Orion is now very prominent over the Dale from about 10pm, with Jupiter looking very bright indeed just above it.

I'm still hoping for waxwings in the village so any reports much appreciated along with anything else.

Ian Weatherley
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Winter draws on at

A surge of recent activity within the W.I. started on October 30th with a group visit to Ashford in the Water, a thoroughly enjoyable evening with a lovely quiche and cheesecake supper, and a 'Rabbit in a hat' competition won by the hosts, with Youlgrave a commendable second. Continuing the theme, an excellent magician entertained the ladies.

On 10 November our annual coffee morning was a huge success with crafts, cakes and tempting prizes, etc, drawing the crowds on a lovely Autumn morning, and all the helpers were thanked at our recent AGM. Naturally we had much business to discuss, with two new members welcomed onto the Committee, and the retirement of Margaret Deeming after many loyal years. A change is in store for Gloria McCaul who replaces Lucy after three years of sterling (!) hard work as President. Jennifer Easton is now our Secretary and Kate Stephenson continues as our valued treasurer.

The 40 attendants were mesmerised by the ensuing talk by Christine Gregory who employed her incredible photographic skills and extensive knowledge to introduce us to the habitat, speed (45mph), importance, and sheer beauty of the Brown Hare. She led us through their tracks, their 9 foot leaps, their



Margaret Deeming at the coffee morning.

decline, and need for a healthier countryside as outlined in her marvellous book.

To whet the Christmas appetite we have a supper club party on 29 November, in suitable garb, at the Reading Room; and 11 December Christmas Party involves a costume competition and plenty of fun and games. We also have carols on 14 December at Monyash, and we plan a New Year lunch, a January afternoon tea, the reconvening of Craft club on 7 January at Annie's and much more to come in 2013.

Please contact any WI member and look out for posters if you are interested in joining us for a taster evening.

Liz Hickman & Jean Stacey



LEFT: The spell of heavy and prolonged rain that swept the country at the end of November caused some localised flooding of the River Bradford at the bottom of Bradford Lane. Luckily for us most of Youlgrave is located on higher ground.

Photo by Peter Knowles

Can you remember 'The Sweetie Shop' or 'Stevo's'?

We recently obtained planning permission to replace our old workshop on Bradford Lane; it is a bit of a safety hazard, to say the least. We have spoken to a few people in the village who have told us that our workshop was known as "The Sweetie Shop" or "Stevo's". We have found these photos and unearthed a bit of the history of the building. The workshop belonged to the cottage next door to us, Lower Ivy Cottage. Mrs Webster lived there with her daughter Nonna; the workshop was a general shop that Mrs Webster ran until she retired, then her daughter Nonna ran it. Years later it was taken over by John Stevenson (he is in the top photo). It would be great if anyone has any more old photos or tales of the place when it was a shop that they could share with us.

Wendy Hilton & Simon Barton
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You're invited to a party!

We're trying something new: a pre-Christmas Christmas party. Join us at the **Reading Room** on **Thursday 6 December, 6.30-8.30 pm**, for a short Christmas quiz, games (a short Christmas Beetle drive), a Christmas karaoke, Christmassy food - and all for £1 adults, 50p children. Everyone brings a wrapped present, maximum cost £1 (try the charity shops in Bakewell) and takes one home. Phone 636469 or 636477.



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Mondays	Yoga with Michele (815168), Village Hall, 4.55-6.25pm		Beginners class 7-8.30pm, The Barn, Greenfields Farm (636341)
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Tuesdays	Yoga with Iris Pimm (636341), The Barn, Greenfields Farm, 7-9pm	2nd Mon	Mobile Library, Mt Pleasant 9.25-9.40am, Bradford Dale 9.45-9.50am, Grove Place 9.55-10.15am, Holywell Lane 10.20-10.40am, The Pinfold, Middleton by Youlgrave, 10.50-11.20am
Tuesdays	Youlgrave Bell Ringers practice night, All Saints Church, 7.30-9pm	2nd Tues	Youlgrave WI meetings, Youlgrave Village Hall, 7.30pm (636353)
Tuesdays	Scouts 7-8.30pm, Scout Hall	4th Wed	Confidential Advice Sessions with Matlock & District Citizens Advice Bureau, Youlgrave Medical Centre, 9.30am-12.30pm
Mon-Fri	Youlgrave Playschool, Scout & Community Hall, 9am-12 noon	Last Tues of month	Youlgrave Parish Council meeting, Youlgrave Village Hall Committee Room, 7.15pm
Weds	Drawing and painting classes, Youlgrave Reading Room, 10am		
Weds	Bingo, Youlgrave Reading Room, 7.30pm		
Weds	Beavers 5-6pm, Cubs 6.15-7.30pm, Scout Hall, 7.45pm (term time)		
Thurs	Bible Study and Fellowship group, Youlgrave Reading Room, 10am		

Candles in church

Many people have already signed up to have a Memorial Candle dedicated to someone in church at Christmas. If you haven't done this yet and wish to, can you please do so as soon as possible so the labels can be printed in time to stick round the candles. They cost 50p each. Please give the money either to the Parkers at the Post Office or to Barbara (636601). Thanks.

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