

The **Bugle**

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

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October 2024

Youlgrave's new sports pavilion: what are your views?



Youlgrave Parish Council has commissioned local architect, James Boon of James Boon Architects, and fundraising consultant Lucy Godfrey (with support from Victoria Dickerson) to develop outline architectural designs, a 'case for support' and a fundraising plan for the replacement of the existing Youlgrave Sports Pavilion (pictured above).

To help this process, we would be grateful if you could take a few minutes to complete a short survey about your use of the pavilion and/or your thoughts about its future development.

Please scan the QR code or visit the village website www.youlgrave.org.uk to find out more and have your say.

Although responses are preferred

digitally, if you would rather fill in a paper copy you can pick one up from the Post Office. We would like to hear from as many people as possible, whether or not you regularly use the playing field, with your views on what the new pavilion should be like, who it should be for and what should happen there.

Please respond by 5pm on Thursday 17th October. Thank you in advance.

There will also be an opportunity to speak to the consultants at a drop-in session at the Pavilion between 11am-1pm on Saturday 19th October. Tea and coffee will be available.



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Whist and Dominoes

Starting Monday night on 7th October at the George Hotel at 7pm, whist will be played, and the following Monday night will be dominoes. It continues until the end of March 2025.

If you fancy a game bring a partner and join us. It's £6 a night which includes a buffet and there are money prizes.

You can contact me, Anne Prince on 636883, or Steve at the George Hotel.

Have your girls joined yet?

It's the start of a new school year and there are lots of clubs and activities available for your girls to enjoy. **Rainbows** cater for girls aged 4-6 years and have an early evening slot in the Scout and Community Youth Hall that provides all kinds of indoor and outdoor fun, making things, singing, playing games and learning around different themes. **Brownies** follow on and have been baking, learning first aid and gaining badges around themes that help them understand the world and their place in it. **Guides**, by this time, are developing into strong, confident girls using their talents and abilities to learn and have a great time in the community with their friends.

Youlgrave also has an enviable reputation for excellent results with the **Duke of Edinburgh Award** – see article on page 21. Last year, seven youngsters (boys and girls) achieved their Bronze award. This year we have five going for Silver and five for Gold. This is a brilliant achievement. So why not make sure your girls get involved?

For more details, ring Edwina Cant on 07772 019385.



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Shoebox appeal 2024

It only feels like yesterday that we were planning last year's Shoebox project! You will soon see posters and leaflets around the village and in local shops detailing how you can help bring joy and happiness this Christmas to children across the world.

if you're new to the appeal, you can find more information over at www.samaritans-purse.org.uk. There are three ways to donate a shoebox:

1. Fill an empty shoebox with exciting gifts for a child (please check the website above or pick up a leaflet to see what you can and can't add) and drop into Youlgrave All Saints Church between 1st -10th November.
2. Buy a box online & choose what you'd like to go inside it and it'll get packaged and sent for you - you can do this on the Samaritans Purse website.
3. Donate £20 online and they'll do everything for you.

Last year was a huge success – a full car-load of shoeboxes were dropped to the collection hub in Chesterfield!

There will be a family service in church on Sunday 2nd November at 11am, please join us if you can and bring your shoebox. The final collection of shoeboxes will be on 10th November.

On behalf of Youlgrave All Saints Church and Samaritans Purse, we thank you for your continued support.



Charlotte & Barbara

Youlgrave Community Bonfire

Friday 8th November

6.00pm – 9.00 pm

Rheinstor Cottage Farm, Alport
(entry by the phone box)



**Music
Fireworks
Bar & BBQ**



All proceeds in aid of
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Sat, 5 October

in the

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please don't hesitate to get
in touch with

**Joan Roper (636498) or
Glenys Moore (636477).**

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VILLAGE HALL UPDATE

Thanks to everyone who came to our first 'Open Mic' night, especially those who entertained us! It was a great turn out and we hope to hold another very soon.

The auditions for the **2025 pantomime** have taken place and rehearsals will be starting before long. If you would like to help out in anyway please get in touch. We would especially like help with the choreography and music.

Our next **Attic Sale** is on the 21st September, see noticeboards for more information.

We will be holding a **Greek night** on Saturday 12th October, see noticeboards and Facebook for more details.



There's a **60s/ 70s/80s disco** on Saturday 19th October from. 7:30 till 11:30pm. Bar and hot pork cobs available. Re-live your old disco days and come and have a boogie! See noticeboards for details.

The **Cinema club** is back after the summer break (see notice on page 26 of this issue).

SECOND HOMES HOLIDAY LETS IN YOULGRAVE AND MIDDLETON

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

What are your concerns? Have you a view on either of these issues?
Is your voice being heard?



Join a Community Discussion at The VILLAGE HALL, Tuesday 3rd December 7pm.

Further Information: Kathryn or Maggie 07773 237335 or 636189

A Youlgrave People's Assembly initiative with invitations to Laura Mellstrom - our DDDC councillor - and members of the Parish Council.

Bugle letters: Please be considerate with fireworks



Next month it's Bonfire Night and there is usually a few weeks of fireworks celebrating it. This for many is exciting; watching the colourful lights whizzing through the air and amazing patterns created. However, spare a thought for the many animals and people who for various reasons find this time of year quite unnerving. For some, the bangs being back memories of warzones and spark painful memories, and for nervous animals, well, it takes a lot for owners to keep them calm. This is not to say stop enjoying fireworks, but if you are going to let some off, pop a note through your immediate neighbours doors to let them know that's what you are going to do with a date and time so people can be forewarned!

Thank you for being neighbourly and considerate!

Name and address supplied

NEWS FROM YOULGRAVE WATERWORKS

Youlgrave Waterworks is pleased to report that the first phase of our header tank project is operational and showing marked improvement for peak time flow.

Please note that the second instalment for those choosing to pay their bill in two amounts is now due and that whole £259.00 is to be paid by 30th October. A reminder will be sent out to all who have not completed payment under standard terms at the beginning of November with the outstanding balance. Should further letters need sending out the bill will be increased by £5 to cover the costs for this additional work and postage.

For past issues and special editions of the Bugle go to:
www.youlgrave.org.uk

Update from Youlgrave Band

New players are always welcome! Rehearsals take place every Thursday night at Youlgrave Methodist Church from 7:30 till 9:30pm. If you are looking to learn then don't worry, you can come to our learner band every Thursday at 7pm before normal practice (instruments are available).

If you have any enquiries please send us a message on Facebook @youlgravesilverband or contact our secretary Judith on 07734 714227.

Our next concerts will be the Christmas ones. It's scary how fast that's come around again so soon?!

- Elton lights, Sunday 1st December at 6pm
- Our Christmas concert is on Thursday 5th December at 7:30pm at Youlgrave Village Hall
- We will be doing our annual caroling round Youlgrave and Rowsley, but dates are still to be confirmed



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Pommie People

This month's interviewee is **Phil Smith**, hairdresser, mosaic artist and videographer.



Where were you born and what's your earliest memory?

Darley Dale Hall in 1953 (maternity hospital). A birthday party in the room where I'm writing now, must have been 3 or 4. My brother is four years and one day older than me, it must have been our joint birthday in July.

Where did you go to school and what was your favourite subject?

Youlgrave School then Bakewell Secondary Boys school, art being my best subject. I wanted to be a commercial artist, but was too young to start the course at Chesterfield Collage of Art, as I was only 15 and leaving school without ANY qualifications. So hairdressing was such a great choice as it gave me more confidence since I suffered with a stammer and was really immature for my age looking back.

What person has had the most influence on you?

Well, Jesus keeps me almost on track, he's a good influencer. I don't think I could say there's any one person. I've always strived to learn from as many professional people in hairdressing, and later in my new hobby in mosaics and ceramics. Going on courses all the time to learn from the best, even to this present day.

Tell us something about you that not many people will know.

Having a Swiss mother and living in the same home where I was brought up.



What do/did you do for a living and how did you get into it?

I was a ladies hairdresser for 50 years in Sheffield – loved it! Now happy making large scale mosaics and murals with my own hand made tiles.

How do you relax?

In my new studio working with clay or walking our dog Ben, a golden retriever. Cooking, making short films... I sleep to relax.

What living person to you most admire and why?

Grayson Perry as he is non judgmental and a great artist, as well as being funny. Also anyone who works with children or the disadvantaged.

Where's your favourite holiday destination?

Well, it has to be New Zealand or

Switzerland. I'm so lucky that I have relations in the latter, but honestly I just love being in Pommie.

What book are you reading and what music are you listening to at the moment?

I prefer audio books, the last one was the 'My Fishing Life' by Ashley Mullenger, but any factual or biographies (dyslexic brain). Music – most 60's 70's or 80's and like most female folk singers.

What's your favourite time of the day and why?

Can I say the hours I'm awake? You're a long time dead.

What's your favourite food or meal?

I love cooking and love curries.

What's your favourite sport and did you ever play it?

Unfortunately I've never liked sport, but will watch or listen to it. I really think I've missed out not being a team player.

Are you a cat or a dog person?

Had cats when I was young, but Ben takes the medal.

What are you most proud of?

Making a recovery from a possible life-changing back operation in 1992, spending 9 weeks in hospital and having to learn to walk again. Making me more determined as ever on keeping my Salon running. I never thought I'd reach the age I am. Pilates has been a game changer for me.

What's the most embarrassing thing that's ever happened to you?

Helping an elderly person parking her car in Bakewell, then actually hitting the car in front. I blamed my dodgy leg.

What's your most prized possession and why?

Well, I had my Morris Minor Million for 31 years, 53 days and 6 hours. It was the best thing I ever bought. The best thing I ever sold... paid for my new studio, which is the garage where it lived for many years. Now my prized possession is my health.

What skill would you like to learn?

I'm doing it now... clay, there's too many things you can do with it.

What's your favourite local view/place/location?

Walking down Bradford Road and seeing Mitten Wood and the dale, or coming home over the hill top of Rowsley Bar or the top road from Bakewell and thinking that I'm nearly home.

What do you like about living in Youlgrave?

Meeting old and the new people who live here. Talking to visitors, as I'm very proud about our village and the surrounding countryside.

What could be improved about Youlgrave?

A change in the law that all second homes owned by people outside our village should have pay double rates to support our local community.



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From the Churches

There are two other church-related articles in this issue: a piece by our Churchwarden Dan Cocker about when we might get a new vicar (see opposite page), and an update on the Pommie Pilgrimage from Petra, aka Sandra Akerman (following pages). So I don't imagine you have patience to read another article. Instead, here is a poem for harvest festival – and remember, it's on 6th October at the parish church. Please bring gifts as usual for our Community Cupboard and the food bank in Matlock. Tins of meat and fish, cleaning materials and personal toiletries are particularly welcome. Thank you! *Richard*

A prayer for those whose lives are thin
And shelves devoid of bread and tin.
A stronger prayer for those who stand
With more than enough in every hand.
For in God's Kingdom love is king
And generosity the trendy thing.
There is no lack or chance despair,
No deprivation, no hunger there.
In God's town... no cupboards are bare,
No hungry child, no shadow there.
In the City of Angels no fears you'll find
For hope and joy are all refined
By hands and feet of those who love
And serve the one true God above.
So come on people! Come and see
What God can do through you, through me.
It's Harvest, and in the autumn glow
The words of truth are: 'reap' and 'sow'.

For heaven need not be a 'distant place'
If we love our neighbour at this time, in this space.
So here's my prayer: Dear God above...
Open our hearts through the power of your love
And help us see, every moment we live,
With the eyes of your generous Spirit.
Teach us kindness, teach us to give.
For the path may be narrow, but our hearts can be wide.
Under God's season of plenty and blessing, no-one can hide.
And in closing I ask that I never walk by,
That I look that God given task square in the eye.
Keep me soft in the heart, never letting it harden.
That the Eden we seek is right here in this garden.
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Services for October

6th October

11 am Harvest Family Service
– 'the harvest of the sea'. Bring tins etc. for Community Cupboard and Jigsaw foodbank, Matlock

6.45 pm Evening Prayer at Middleton

Sermon series on the Old Testament book of Ruth: 13th, 20th, 27th

13th October

11 am Holy Communion

20th October

11 am Morning Prayer

27th October

11 am Holy Communion for Youlgrave parish group

3rd November

11 am Family Service to conclude Pommie Pilgrimage

For services at other churches:

*Methodist: Margaret (636558),
Wesleyan Reform: Isobel (636251)*

When are we getting a new vicar for Youlgrave and Middleton?

At the beginning of Easter this year, the parish started an 'interregnum' – a gap between vicars or priests-in-charge being in post. Many organisations would not wish to run themselves without a leader for very long. But this arrangement is usual for Church of England parishes. It has pros and it has cons.

Our interregnum will be longer than usual. The previous priest-in-charge was responsible for 10 churches, from Taddington in the north to Biggin in the south, from Earl Sterndale in the west to Stanton in the east. The task at hand is not simply finding another person to do the same job. Questions to be answered include:

- Which area should the new priest(s) cover?
- Should any of the 10 churches be linked with other churches outside the group of 10?
- Should the priest(s) be paid a stipend or be self-supporting?
- If a priest will cover a smaller area, should the priest be full-time or part-time?
- Should the priest combine the parish role with a different non-parish role in the diocese?

These are all questions that Archdeacon Nicky Fenton, who is responsible for this area of the diocese, is discussing with parochial church council. The process is likely to take many, many months.

If there is one thing for which the villagers of Youlgrave and Middleton are known, it is perhaps self-sufficiency. It may have started with the water supply. It has continued with so many businesses and organisations that Youlgrave and Middleton still have and other places never had or no longer have. In that spirit, for Youlgrave and Middleton churches during the interregnum, it is not just 'business as usual', but even more is happening than in recent times. Highlights include:

- The regular pattern of services is being maintained, with new services and activities added, such as wild church and sung evensong.
- Popular special services continue, such as the pet service, the harvest festival, the service of lessons and carols and the crib service.
- The Pommie Pilgrimage has been a huge success, drawing wide support throughout the village and far beyond.

If you would like to receive the weekly email bulletin about church services and other events, please email the Church Warden Dan Cocker:
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Pommie Pilgrimage, the final phase!

We have really got into our stride with this pilgrim lark! As we enter the final phase of the project we have walked to 38 of the 42 Cathedrals with 174 people clocking up a massive 3,720 miles, that's a total of 8,749,150 steps. We have raised well over £33,000.

Helen and Richard Gillingwater took their grandchildren Gabriel, Hugh and Leo on a mini pilgrimage from their home in Peckham to St Paul's via Southwark. Nicola and Julie walked from Ely to St Edmundsbury making new friends and meeting up with old (Jill and Garrie Griffiths) Kate slogged up to Carlisle from Blackburn to link that branch of the walks, enjoying the wildness of it all and admiring the Victorian engineering of the viaducts.

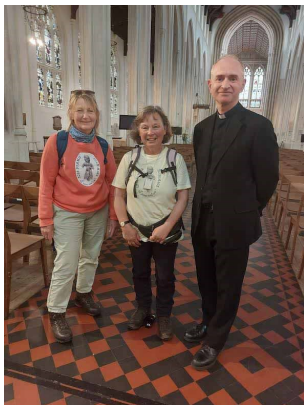
The Powley family helped Chris with a nostalgic trip to her childhood stamping ground with their walk from Newcastle to Durham. Charlotte walked in memory of her sister from St Edmundsbury to Norwich accompanied by butterflies as well as her family. Jane walked from her birthplace to Canterbury via St. Pauls, Southwark, and Rochester and had the great joy of being joined by her daughter Rowan for the last couple of days. Ian and Helen walked with friends from Winchester to Salisbury and had tea and biscuits with the Dean. Nick and Kate joined Youlgrave to Manchester, surprised both by the rural

entrance the canals give you to such a big city, and the overwhelming crowds and noise of that city on a Saturday afternoon. Dee walked from Liverpool Cathedral to Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral (Paddy's wigwam) with her daughter Laura.

As I write this Simon and Jayne are walking through rain from Leicester to Peterborough and Ellie and Matt are likewise getting wet between Wakefield and York. Dianne and Jeremy are walking with his brother Tim and Heather to link Birmingham to Coventry, where I believe they are meeting up with Lady Godiva! Barbara is finishing her mammoth walk around the village and going down to Guildford for her pilgrim welcome, helped by her Petra's Angel, Helen. The school are doing a sponsored walk on the 11th October, we will be cheering them on; mini pilgrims in the making!

Not to mention the 30 odd people who turned out to walk all or part of the way from Sheffield back home to Youlgrave via Haddon Hall Chapel, to be met by a specially organised quarter peel of bells. I am sure you heard them.

If I were to be philosophical, I admit a certain pride in all their achievements and would say "Lawks, what a place Youlgrave is!" All you need is an idea and Pommie People help make it happen. All 42 Cathedrals (43 if you include the Isle of Man) will be walked to and then between



this summer - this is a triumph!

All of this activity will be celebrated on Sunday 3rd November at 11am in the church. Family service on this occasion will be led by Jane and Geoff and will give thanks for the amazing time we have all

had. And we look forward to an era when we will be able to 'spend a penny', keep warm and have a cuppa easily after the service. The WI choir will be singing and there will be celebratory refreshments... all welcome, please come along.

Pommie Pilgrimage Competition

An amateur competition open to all.

Closing date Wednesday 30.10.2024

Entry for each class costs £1 for adults; free for children. The judge's decision will be final.

Adult Classes

1. Photos

Class 1.1 An amusing photo of a Pommie Pilgrim

Class 1.2 A Pilgrimage photo

2. Art and Craft - any medium

Class 2.1 Image of a cathedral

Class 2.2 Portrait of a Pilgrim

Class 2.3 "My Pilgrimage"

Class 2.4 A handmade object that might be needed by a Pilgrim

3. Writing

Class 3.1 Pilgrim diary entry, Pilgrim short story or free verse on the subject of Pilgrimages (Max 500 words)

Class 3.2 Limerick on the subject of Pilgrimage

Class 3.3 Haiku "Reflections of a Pilgrim"

Children's classes

Class 4.1 A picture of a Pilgrim in any medium. Tell us what they have with them and how it might help them?

Class 4.2 An acrostic poem using the word PILGRIM

Both classes will be judged within the following age groups. Reception to Yr2; Yr3 to Yr6; Yr7 to Yr12

Quizzes

Quizzes, adult (£1) and child (free) can be collected from and handed in to Youlgrave Post Office. Correct entries for the adults' and children's quizzes will be drawn out of a hat at the final party to decide the winners in the event of a tie.

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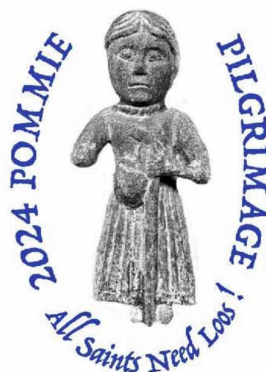
- Complete an entry form for each class you want to enter. Cut out or copy the one below.
- Submit art and craft classes, each with an entry form attached to Moorside, Moor Lane (the Hewitt's) with the entry fees.
- Submit photo and writing classes to Moorside too, or electronically by email to pommiepilgrimage@gmail.com and use Just Giving for your entry fees.
- Children's classes can be handed in at School or at Moorside, Moor Lane. (the Hewitt's)

Entry Form



Name: email:

Class: Child's age group:



What a day – Youlgrave Show returns with a bang!



Photos by Kirsty Prince and Phil Smith.

The streets were alive early Saturday morning, full of smiling people carrying produce. After a 10-year break, Youlgrave Show was back!

With all the competitive tension, excitement and demonstration of the many talents our small village holds. Even down to the weird vegetables! The cafe was full of chatter and Dawn's great cakes. Crafted pens, garments, children's entries, jams and cakes and produce were admired and judged. And the usual crowning glory of the Show was, as always, Dougie doing the auction in his inimitable way (but fewer marrows this year it seemed!).

All the participation and efforts of very dynamic and enthusiastic volunteers made this an exceptional day. There has been lots of great feedback, some saying it was like stepping into an episode of The Archers, and comments on what other classes people might like to see – including 'holiest cabbage', 'biggest failure' and a more general cake class. If you'd like to be involved in the planning for 2025 please get in touch at youlgraveshow@outlook.com.

Roll on next year!



My name is Olympia Dale and I am 7 years old and I live in Youlgrave. I entered my Oak tree in the Youlgrave Show because I have grown it from an acorn and it was a category in the show. The oak tree is special to me as when I found the acorn, it was just trying to grow on concrete and it couldn't because it had no soil. I don't know where it came from as there were no oak trees nearby. I decided to plant it in a pot so it would grow. I enjoyed entering the Youlgrave Show because it was fun entering everything and taking the things down to the show at the village hall. Thank you to Youlgrave Show for awarding my Oak Tree the Best Exhibit in the show.

Youlgrave Duke of Edinburgh Award Group

The Youlgrave Duke of Edinburgh Award Group has been very busy again this year.

We had several young people join us to start their DofE journey with the Bronze award. This involves carrying out a skill and a physical activity as well as volunteering. They have also learnt navigational skills, first aid and campcrafts culminating in a 2-day, self-sufficient expedition. I'm pleased to report that four local participants have now completed their award with another two very close to finishing too.

Several of the boys from last year's Bronze award have continued with us onto Silver. They, too, have undertaken a skill, volunteering and physical activity, this time over a longer period of time. They practised and improved their skills for the expedition. For Silver this involves a 2-night, 2-day practice expedition which they carried out in the Staffordshire moorlands followed by another expedition which covered 3 days, over the Dark and White Peak

area. Again, I'm pleased to report that they are well on their way to completing their awards.

Finally, Lucy, Caitlin, Eleanor and Guy have completed their Gold award. This has involved a year of volunteering, a year of either their skill or physical activity and six months of the other. They have undertaken two expeditions of 4 days, their practice in the northern Dark Peak over Kinder and Bleaklow and their qualifying expedition in the Lake District. In addition, for Gold, they have attended a residential where they don't know anyone in the group. They have participated in a variety of activities including a stay at a zoo, participating in visits to a hospital and learning about medicine, a conservation weekend and an activity weekend resulting in first aid and water safety qualifications. These four are now looking forward to a visit to the Palace to receive their awards.

Congratulations to all the young people who have completed their awards this year. *Penny McCloy*

- Are you aged between 14 and 25? (Or in Year 9)
- Are you in need of a challenge?
- Do you want to have fun?
- Do you want to try something new?



If you can answer **“yes”** to any of these questions, come along to find out what the Duke of Edinburgh's Award can do for you at a meeting on **Tuesday 22nd October at Youlgrave Scout & Community Hall at 7.30pm.**



We've recently have had several young people from the Youlgrave Group finish their Bronze, Silver and Gold awards. This means we are looking at starting some new groups of different levels, but welcome anyone wanting to start at any level.

Contact Penny McCloy on 636125 for further details.



It was Open House at Youlgrave WI. We recently invited women from the local area to join us for two important topics of discussion.

Nicola Shimwell DI covered Modern Slavery concerns such as labour, sexual and criminal exploitation, also domestic servitude and organ removal. The most vulnerable often belong to minority or socially excluded groups. For any concerns, the Modern Slavery hotline can be accessed on 0800 121700, or the Salvation Army on 0800 8083733, and also 101 or 999 can be utilised.

The talk the following week on Women's Health was largely about the symptoms and longer term effects of the Menopause.



The audience had many tales to tell and questions to ask of Dr Amanda, a specialist in this field. It was a helpful and informative evening, with various age groups learning something new and sharing their experiences.

The Supper Club returned in August with a super curry night followed by ice creams, cake and shortbread, and our September French themed evening was tres delicious with coq au vin, roast vegetable quiche, and delicious chocolate and almond cake and tarte aux pommes to follow.

Our Choir have resumed Wednesday rehearsals with folk music from a former resident, Ann Osbourne, and don't forget Sandra's 'Canticle of the Sun' will be performed at the Pommie Pilgrimage Service on November 3rd.

Around ten crafters came along to the Methodist Church on September 21st to begin making new items for our forthcoming November Coffee morning (see advert) and we have another creating date on Saturday October 26th from 10-4 with refreshments and BYO lunch. Also at the wonderful Village Show, several members were successful with their various entries.

Our next WI Meeting is on Tuesday October 8th when our WI member Kate Heath will be speaking to us about 'My Coastal Path Walk'. This is at 7.30pm in the Village Hall and new and potential members are always very welcome. *Liz Hickman*

Youlgrave WI

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Make and Mend

is back again.

Make and Mend will resume activities on a weekly basis commencing on Monday 30th September. We meet at 7pm for a couple of hours (or for as long as it takes, usually) in the Harold Lowe workshop below the Village Hall. You come into the hall through the Social room and go down the steps near the kitchen if you're not sure where that is.

If you just want to drop in for a chat and advice about a repair that's fine but if you bring the problem with you we can usually set about making a start with you straight away and will provide as much help as you need.

If you participated in last season's sessions you will already know how it works and Peter and I would love to see you again.

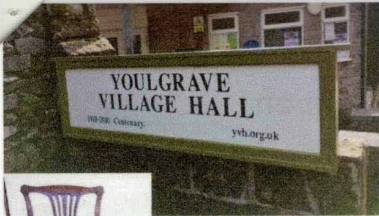
If you didn't, the idea of our workshops is to help you to repair your broken or worn out items to give them a second, third or even greater lease of life. We will be there to advise how best repairs might be made and provide the resources and tools necessary to do so if we possibly can.

We love a challenge!

One thing we would love to increase is the number of items crafted at the hall. In wood, metal or other materials perhaps.

What about starting on some handmade Christmas presents for friends and family?

Peter and I both look forward to seeing you and your projects in the coming weeks.



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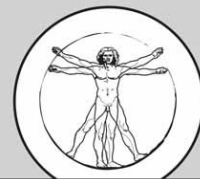
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Tickets cost £5 - cash only (please bring correct change if possible). Everyone is most welcome. Booking isn't necessary but if you want a particular seat, or have any queries, please phone Glenys on 636477. And ice creams are served before the film starts - £1.50 and £2. We look forward to welcoming you.

Next film - "Till", Friday 8 November

Youlgrave Wildlife Notes: September 2024

Autumn really has arrived now, whether you prefer the Met Office version or the good old fashioned solstice. We have had a few very nice days this month, sufficient to tempt out the occasional butterfly, mainly peacocks, whites and speckled woods. It has still been a very poor year for butterflies nationally. I have seen a number of dragonflies recently, mainly southern hawkers and common darters. Those are the big helicopter ones and the smaller ones with red tails.

Another fascinating and rather scary insect that was found in someone's house was a female wood wasp. These are very large wasp-like insects and the female has a big sting on its tail. Except that it isn't a sting but a powerful boring egg laying tube or ovipositor. Quite harmless to humans.

Early in the month I found an elephant hawk moth caterpillar walking in the road at Alport. This also has an impressive spike on its tail.

There have been a few swallows and house martins around the New Dam, but I presume they will all be gone soon. Little egrets have been reported a couple of times recently and kingfishers, grey wagtails and dippers have been seen along the river. Chiffchaffs have been seen in gardens and some willow warblers were seen in a mixed flock of goldfinches, long tailed tits and sparrows. The willow warblers are probably on their way now but we often get the occasional over wintering chiffchaff. There were a lot of rowan

berries this year, but the blackbirds are eating them up fast. After some alarm about the lack of finches last month I am pleased to report that ours are back on the feeders.

There have been lots of mallard and greylags on the New Dam. The usual buzzards can be seen, barn owls have been reported near the New Dam and off Conksbury Lane. Around the ninth a very noisy bird attracted attention near the Lovelocks Bridge in Bakewell. I, too, heard it and there, sitting in a hawthorn

bush, was a ring necked parakeet. These birds invaded parts of London some years ago and I understand there is a population in Sheffield. They are still very unusual round here and let's hope it stays that way.

Hedgehogs, hopefully getting ready for hibernation, are being seen, and we had one in our passageway the other night. It departed without assistance. A dead slowworm was found down Holywell Lane, minus its tail. Slowworms will shed their tails if attacked, so it

looks as though this one is a victim.

On my wildlife walk on the 25th I found 46 species in flower. Harebells, mints, field and devils bit scabious were all in good numbers, the rest were occasional. In August there were 65. Last September there were 51.

My thanks to this month's contributors Lisa, Edwina, Geoff, Judith, Roy, Trudy, Ian, Maggie, Simon and Pat

Ian Weatherley
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Elephant hawk moth caterpillar, seen in Alport.

OUR MP NEEDS YOUR HELP!

The Government is in the middle of rewriting its policy on Affordable and Social Housing. We're doing our bit in helping to get the wording right and to put urgency into launching a new policy document. A hundred CLTs across the country are trying to get housing projects off the ground. Our scheme for 9 units is to go for planning permission, we just need an assurance about funding for the scheme.



There is some concern about funding from the government for rural Affordable and Social Housing, particularly in National Parks, where building costs are a lot higher due to their being smaller developments and planning demands on appearance and materials to be used in construction. The UK Housing Associations and Community Land Trusts are lobbying government to ensure the new policy does not adversely affect any areas of housing demand such as ours. One of the best ways to effectively put pressure on the government is for MPs to go to the relevant minister with a barrage of letters from their constituents.

We have written to John Whitby, our new MP as a Community Land Trust. It would be great if there were many letters from residents asking for his help in providing more Affordable Housing for rent in our village, stressing the urgency for launching their new policy and not delaying current schemes that are in an advanced state of planning.

Can you write to him explaining the need for more affordable housing in Youlgrave? If you are someone who needs housing in the Youlgrave or have friends and family who need housing tell John Whitby MP the story why the housing is important for Youlgrave, why it needs to be in Youlgrave and what kind of housing you're wanting.

Give him your full address (so he can be sure you're one of his constituents), When he speaks to the housing minister, John will need your story.

If you want a template for a letter please contact Anne Croasdell annecroasdell@yahoo.co.uk or richard.powley@makepaper.net

Email john.whitby.mp@parliament.uk or send a letter to John Whitby MP, House of Commons London SW1A 0AA

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Church Farm Diary, October

Sadly the swallows and swifts are marking the end of summer. They are getting lined up on the telephone wires ready to fly off to warmer climes; it would be wonderful if we could do just that for the winter months.

It is the dark mornings I do not like; it seems ages till you can go out in the light. I like to get up early and get on with the day, evenings are not too bad for me because you can settle down.

The weather has been kind to the corn growers, we had that lovely warm and dry spell to enable the crops to be harvested. The weather makes a big difference to the price of the straw if it can be baled and sold off. There was a time years ago when the straw was ploughed into the earth because no one needed it, but nowadays it is a very useful commodity, both for bedding down and eating.

I heard some very sad news about wild swimming down Raper Lane. When I think back to when we were little the river was a no-go area for us. Mr McClehey was the water bailiff and he lived in Raper Lodge keeping an eye on any trouble. There was also fish in the breeding tanks, you can see the old place where they were kept. When my dad was farming our fields went down to the river bank until the Duke wanted to take the stretch off the bottom for the fishermen, so I was quite privileged to be able to go to the river at any time. Raper Bridge has a special place in my heart, apart from being the best place on earth. It was somewhere I could go and very often do my homework sitting on the bridge. I dread to think what it will be like if it does get the same invasion of people like the river Bradford does. It will be very upsetting.

Marjorie Shimwell

Recipe of the month: Canterbury Tart

It has been a wonderful time for apples, so this is a recipe for apple pie with a difference.

For the pastry

100g chilled butter cubed
225g plain flour
25g icing sugar
1 egg beaten
2 tablespoons water

For the filling

225g caster sugar
Finely grated zest and juice of 2 lemons
100g melted butter
2 large cooking apples peeled cored and coarsely grated
2 red eaten apples cored quartered and thinly sliced

25g demerara sugar

Method

Preheat the oven to 200% gas 6

11inch flan tin about 4cm deep,

Make the pastry the usual way and rest for about ½ hour.

Rollout in to flan tin and bake blind for about 20 mins.

To prepare the filling beat the eggs, sugar and lemon zest and juice, stir in the warm melted butter, and then then grated apples and mix well. Fill the fan tin and arrange the sliced apples on top and sprinkle with demerara sugar.

Bake for 30-40 mins until the mixture feels firm to the touch and the apple slices are slightly brown. Serve warm with cream or custard.

News from Youlgrave, All Saints' CE Primary School

Class 3 end of year production: Robin and the Sherwood Hoodies

Children from Year 5 and 6 at Youlgrave, All Saints' CE Primary School performed their end of year production to family and friends at the end of July. The children

thoroughly enjoyed showing their acting, dancing and singing talents which wowed the audiences. The children and staff worked incredibly hard to rehearse, learn lines and songs and all who watched thought that it was a superb production



Class 2 Big River Study

Children from Class 2 took part in the Big River Study by visiting the River Bradford and identifying plants and wildlife. We then sent our findings in to the Big River Survey. We saw a heron, ducks, fish and even a cow in the river!

Sports Day

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