

# The Bugle

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

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## Changes at the Bugle

Well, December is here and sees the Bugle complete four years of publication. As well as the end of the fourth year, it's time for me to bid you all a fond farewell as Editor. Fear not, however, I've made sure I'm leaving you in capable hands. The Editorial Team would like to welcome Andrew McCloy as Editor. We look forward to reading what he has to say.

Andrew has lived in the village for five years and has also recently become a Parish Councillor. We hope that the input from a new team member will help to make (or keep?) the Bugle interesting. No stranger to writing, Andrew has published a number of walking books including 'Walking in Youlgrave' a guide to ten circular walks in and around the village, which can be bought from Youlgrave Post Office, the Bull's Head, or Roses Newsagents.

Although I will remain on the team to

carry out other duties for as long as necessary, and there are quite a few, we would very much like to share out some of the work too. Anyone who thinks that they would be able to offer their services should contact Ann Knowles (tel. 636362) or me (as below, for one last time!).

There are lots of people to thank for their support. Jim for the free printing in the early days. All of those who write and deliver for us, too many to mention individually. The sponsors on whom we are more dependant now that we pay for printing. I hope you'll continue to offer the same support to the Editorial Team.

Ann Knowles, Elley Pilkington and Chris Shimwell deserve a lot of credit for their work: Chris for his advice and for writing; Elley for writing and proof reading; and Ann for proof reading and being the organisational and administrative backbone of the team.

As well as giving me something worthwhile to do when I really needed it, I have learnt a huge amount too, for which I am very grateful.

I'll close by wishing Elley and her partner Steven the best of luck on their wedding day on Saturday 15 December.

### Youlgrave Pantomime Puss in Boots

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to  
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# Youlgrave Pantomime

Not every household in Youlgrave had a television set 40 years ago, but a fair and growing part of the population were already riveted by this brought-to-your-parlour entertainment. So a village pantomime hardly seemed a good bet to lure customers to the paybox and administer the kiss of life to a Village Hall struggling back to financial viability from near-terminal dilapidation. That it instantly became a star attraction says as much about the nature of rural communities as about the wealth of home-grown talent available to the producer.

Actually, it was not such a leap in the dark as it may have seemed. There had been three or four productions under the auspices of Major Mockett thirty years previously and there were still a few of the old-stagers, like Bernard Hadfield, ready and willing to tread the boards again; and they were joined by natural entertainers like Harry Sandell and Tom Rhodes, not to mention renowned singers Mary Witham and Vivienne Wragg and, of course, a band of eager beginners. A couple of concerts in 1960/61 demonstrated the potential for an audience swelled by game-for-anything neighbours like Auntie Polly and her party from Biggin. But what really guaranteed success was the know-how and experience of people the audience never

saw: Brenda Birds and Dorothy Sandell, George Ollerenshaw and that most brilliant of musical virtuosos, Ida Smith. About the only person who didn't know one end of a pantomime horse from the other was Management Council Secretary, Norman Wilson, whose only apparent qualification for the job of writing and producing – as it turned out – 'Babes in the Wood' was that he drew the short straw.

However, he did know enough to pack the cast with children, thereby guaranteeing an appreciative audience of fond parents. And a few other wheezes were employed to edge the scales of success onto the credit side, most of them the work of WB Carter, the Council Chairman, who was not averse to stoking up the boilers during the first half of a performance in order to sell more ice-cream in the interval.



**Tom Rhodes and Vivienne Fell  
Mother Goose 1970**

The fact that the Village Hall, forty years on, is in very good shape and solvent is due in no small measure to the proceeds from an annual pantomime that has gone from strength to strength. Norman Wilson's major contribution was not, as it turned out, to produce the first five editions of this, by now, celebrated district attraction but to produce a wife to sustain it. Jan's productions have been filling the Village Hall for a remarkable 24 years but, like the husband whose fourth production she came from south of the county to see, she considers the great strength of Youlgrave lies in the splendid team, both offstage and on. Faces change over 40 years, but the spirit of 1962 lives on and 'Puss in Boots' this year's production, written by Jan and set in the ancient Kingdom of lolagrove, will be a tribute to it.

## NEWS FROM YOULGRAVE SCHOOL

As the Children and teachers are busy in their preparations for Christmas, here are a couple of dates for your diary. The School Carol concert service will take place on Tuesday 11 December in All Saints' Church, Youlgrave at 2pm and again on Wednesday 12 December at 7pm. You can also join the children for Carols Around the Christmas



tree in Church on Friday 21 December at 2.30pm. The Nativity as seen here is the artwork of Laura Rose Wilson.

## Reading Room Latest

It's not news that the Reading Room has been in the throes of refurbishment for the last couple of years. Now the village can see the results this month: computer room with the first computers, several new windows, new suspended ceiling and lighting, new carpet, and a newly painted main room.

All this is Phase One. We are now

## To the Community of Youlgrave, Middleton and Alport

In the March edition of The Bugle, I entered a piece about the new initiative at Bakewell Police Station regarding the introduction of Village Constables.

However, I now have to report that this idea has been replaced by the introduction of Beat Managers. It is with regret that as much as I would have liked to have been selected for this post, I was not.

Therefore the new officer in your community is PC Macgregor. I would sincerely hope that you give PC Macgregor the same help and support that was shown to me in my brief role as Village Constable. I will be keeping in touch with PC Macgregor and will pass on my knowledge of the people and the area.

I would like to thank everyone in the community: especially Bridget Ardley (Neighbourhood Watch), all members of the Parish Council, Mr. Snow and fellow teachers at Youlgrave School.

**PC 1937 JOHN (JACK) ELLIOTT.**

seeking funding for Phase Two: the exterior refurbishing, new toilets, and wheelchair ramps.

So why not see for yourself? Come to a Bingo session on a Wednesday at 7 pm, or visit the WI Christmas Fair on Saturday, 15 December, between 10am and 12noon.

Some of the possible activities to look out for: Keep Fit; Art classes; Drop In Coffee Mornings; Music Evenings; Homework Club; Computer training; Foreign languages; Chess; Technical Society; Whist.

That's just a start. It's all really up to you!

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# Sites of Meaning First Stone Installed

Sites of Meaning is a community arts project that began as part of Middleton's Millennium celebration. The team aims to install a marker stone with words chosen by parishioners at each of the 17 sites where a right of way crosses the parish boundary.

## Progress Report

We are now well into the project and at last results are beginning to show. Two stones are now installed, a single stone near Arbor Low (Site 13) and a pair of gateposts at the Youlgrave end of the Friden road (Site 17).



**Celebration of the installation of Site 13**

Pictured here is the small celebration event for Site 13. This stone bears the words *Time you old gypsy man, will you not stay, put up your caravan just for one day?* This quotation, from a poem by Ralph Hodgson, was chosen by retired farmer and ex Chairman of Middleton and Smerrill Parish Council, Henry Brocklehurst.

Photographed are: Joan Mallaband, Chair of Middleton Village Hall Cttee.; Charles Monkhouse, Sites of Meaning team leader; Henry Brocklehurst; Celia Kilner, sculptor; Claire Twigg, Chair of Middleton and Smerrill PC; Michael Colin, Sites of Meaning team member; David Renwick, contractor; and Eileen Brocklehurst.

The Rowlow Brook clapper bridge (Site 6) has been tidied up and is awaiting its inscription, and a stone for the Green Lane crossing with the old Roman road (Site 12)

can be seen in front of Square House. We are hoping to order Longdale (Site 9) and Lowfield Drive (Site 7) stones soon. Negotiations with Haddon Estates are reaching a conclusion on a suitable placement near the small concrete bridge in Middleton Dale (Site 5). We have permission from the highways authority to replace concrete kerbstones with gritstone at Roughwood Hollow (Site 1).

## Residency

Bringing the project closer to the village has been a priority. And what could be closer than a stone carved in the village!?

Next year there will be a sculpture residency in the playground area, coinciding with the village Well Dressing in June. A selected artist will develop a stone to be added to the Sites of Meaning collection.

The residency will be sponsored by the Regional Arts Lottery Programme, through East Midlands Arts, and Derbyshire Dales District Council. It will include workshops and other activities for local schools, colleges and residents.

## Team

As Michael Colin leaves the village, we bid him a fond farewell and thank him for all his work. We are also pleased to welcome Heidi Maher to the Sites of Meaning team.

The whole team is: Doug Aston, Sallyann Carlin, Heidi Maher, Charles Monkhouse, John Warren, Emma Youatt and John Youatt. Those wanting further information about the project should speak to team members or visit [www.sitesofmeaning.co.uk](http://www.sitesofmeaning.co.uk)

# YOULGRAVE VILLAGE HALL

Many thanks to those people who got in touch regarding the relaunch of Youlgrave Picture House. Your names have all been passed on to Andrew McCloy who has volunteered to operate as co-ordinator for the time being (tel. 636125 [andrew.mccloy@btopenworld.com](mailto:andrew.mccloy@btopenworld.com)).

The Quiz Night run recently by Dianne Harrison raised £100 for the school PTA. Apart from a brief skirmish while the headmaster, quiz buffs, and the intelligentsia discussed the true meaning of 'dodecahedron', Mick Partridge over-ruled and the consensus of opinion, and order, was restored! Thanks to all concerned.

Panto is running on course. Please don't forget the new booking number:

636611. As we will be hopefully using our new decking system for the seating, seat numbers may be different to what they have been in the past. Please be aware of this when you are making your reservations. The Box Office opens 1 December. AC




**The Bowls  
Club Christmas  
Concert**

**Youlgrave Silver Band**

**Youlgrave Village Hall**

**Friday 14 December at 7.30pm.**

Raffle, coffee and mince pies.

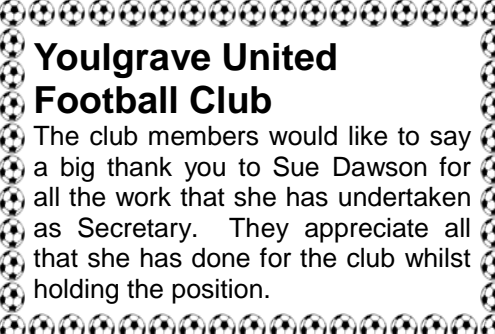


**Youlgrave WI  
Christmas Fair**

**15 December**  
10am – 12noon.

**Reading Room.**

Entrance fee 50p to include coffee/tea  
and biscuits.



**Youlgrave United  
Football Club**

The club members would like to say a big thank you to Sue Dawson for all the work that she has undertaken as Secretary. They appreciate all that she has done for the club whilst holding the position.

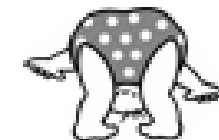
## Recycling Opportunity



Many of you, like me, recycle as much of your waste as possible. What better way than by using a scheme that helps raise funds for a national charity?

Now you can parcel up your empty inkjet cartridges and send them to: Tommy's the Baby Charity Recycling Appeal, (EBPL Cartridge Processing Centre), FREEPOST LON 19554, LONDON, NW1 7ZZ (tel. 0800 435576).

Money raised will help fund a national programme of research, education and information aimed at understanding and preventing premature birth, miscarriage, and stillbirth. Since the scheme began in 1997, over £100,000 has been raised. More information can be seen at [www.tommys.org](http://www.tommys.org)



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# Youlgrave WI

The November meeting is our AGM and this year our WI Advisor, Mrs Sylvia Jennings of Fairfield WI, was welcomed by our President Mrs Jennifer Easton. We opened with the singing of Jerusalem, accompanied by Ruth Littlewood. A record of the last meeting was read and approved, followed by some items of business before we settled down the Annual General Meeting.

1. On 28 November we meet at Jennifer's to wrap packages for and prepare for the Christmas Fair.
2. On 15 December at 10am – 12noon, the Christmas Fair is to be held in the refurbished Reading Room. Entrance fee is 50p and includes coffee/tea and biscuits.
3. We are hosting the Group Christmas Carol Service on 10 December at the Methodist Chapel at 7.30 pm for which a list for donors of mince pies was circulated (and soon filled).
4. Into the New Year, our Christmas lunch is to be held at Biggin Hall on 3 January 2002.

We next moved to the AGM business. The Treasurer's report was read by the Present as Mrs Deeming was not able to be with us, however we all felt that Margaret had done an excellent job, congratulations to her. The Financial Statement was adopted.

Mrs M Shimwell, Minutes Secretary, read the Committee's Annual Report and Mrs J Easton gave the President's address. Mrs S Jennings gave a talk and impressed upon us how necessary it is for us all to do our best to help our Committee to 'run a good ship'.

The current President and Committee were re-elected unanimously. The entertainment for the evening was a demonstration by Mrs Dorothy Jerman on a very simple and yet very effective way to display our Christmas cards, and after refreshments there was a video full of good ideas for Christmas decorations. Thank you Dorothy.

Our next meeting will be the Christmas Party on 11 December, to which we are each asked to bring a small raffle prize. The Committee will provide the food.

A Happy Christmas to all.

KMB



# Christmas Church Services



## Church of England

**Saturday 1 December** A Concert for Advent with The Derby Cathedral Choir. Tickets £4 in support of the Cathedral Plus Project & All Saints' Church Organ Fund. All Saints' Church, Youlgrave, 7.30pm.

**Advent Sunday 2 December** Family Communion (CW1). All Saints' Church, Youlgrave, 11am. Advent Carol Service. Middleton Parish Church, 6.45pm.

**Second Sunday of Advent 9 December** Holy Communion (BCP). All Saints' Church, Youlgrave, 8am. Holy Communion (CW2). All Saints' Church, Youlgrave 11am. Evening Prayer (BCP). All Saints' Church, Youlgrave – 6.30pm.

**Tuesday 11 December** Youlgrave C of E Primary School Carol Concert. All Saints' Church, Youlgrave, 2pm

**Wednesday 12 December** Youlgrave C of E Primary School Carol Concert. All Saints' Church, Youlgrave, 7pm.

**Saturday 15 December** Bakewell Choral Society Concert. All Saints' Church, Youlgrave, 7.30pm.

**Third Sunday of Advent 16 December** Christingle Service. All Saints' Church, Youlgrave, 11am. Carol Service. All Saints' Church, Youlgrave, 6.30pm.

**Monday 17 December** United Carol Singing round the brazier. Holywell Lane, 7pm.. Coffee and mince pies will be served in Wesleyan Reform Schoolroom, **Thursday 20 December** Women's Fellowship Bring and Share Supper. Youlgrave Vicarage, 7.30pm.

**Friday 21 December** Youlgrave C of E Primary School Carols Around the Christmas tree. All Saints' Church, Youlgrave, 2.30pm.

**Saturday 22 December** Christmas Communion. Granby House, 10am.

## Fourth Sunday of Advent 23 December

Holy Communion (CW1). All Saints' Church, Youlgrave, 8am. Christmas Praise. All Saints' Church, Youlgrave, 11am. Carol Service. Middleton Parish Church, 2.45pm.

**Christmas Eve** Crib Service. All Saints' Church, Youlgrave, 5pm. Holy Communion (BCP). All Saints' Church, Youlgrave, 11.30pm.

**Christmas Day** Holy Communion (BCP). Middleton Parish Church, 9.45am. Family Communion (CW1). All Saints' Church, Youlgrave, 11am.

**First Sunday of Christmas 30 December** Morning Prayer (BCP). All Saints' Church, Youlgrave, 11am. United Benefice Service Holy Communion (CW1). Middleton Parish Church, 6.45pm.

**Epiphany Sunday 6 January 2002** Family Communion (CW1). All Saints' Church, Youlgrave, 11am. Evening Prayer (BCP). Middleton Parish Church, 6.45pm.

## Methodist Church

**Sunday 23 December** Carol Service . Youlgrave Methodist Church, Coldwell End, 2.30pm.

**Sunday 30 December** End of Year Communion. Youlgrave Methodist Church, Coldwell End, 10.30am.

## Wesleyan Reform Chapel

**Sunday 16 December** Carol Concert, with soloist Shirley Gregory and Sunday School Prize Giving. Youlgrave Wesleyan Reform Chapel, 2.30pm.

**Sunday 23 December** Evening Service. Youlgrave Wesleyan Reform Chapel, 2.30pm.

**Sunday 30 December** Evening Service. Youlgrave Wesleyan Reform Chapel, 2.30pm.

# Youlgrave Silver Band

The Band gave a successful concert in the Primitive Methodist Church on Friday 9 November, enjoyed by an audience of about 100. Some £250 was raised in aid of the refurbishment of the Schoolroom, which is also the Band's practice room.

The 22 strong Band - resplendent in its new uniform of bottle-green jackets with gold badges incorporating a picture of the Fountain, and scarlet ties - presented a varied programme of brass band music including newer pieces such as 'The Great Escape' and 'One Moment in Time'. The

duet from the 'Pearl Fishers' was played on euphoniums by Ian Fletcher and Peter Knowles. Trombonist Graham Robinson got the audience involved with his solo 'Cherry Pink and Apple Blossom White' backed by six rhythmic ladies on assorted percussion. Conductor John Roper compèred and Mary Froggat sang four songs ably accompanied by Margaret Gladwin on organ. An excellent village event.

The Band's next performances in the village will be the Bowls Club Christmas Concert in Youlgrave Village Hall at 7.30pm on Friday 14 December.

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## From the Cookhouse Door

### Chocolate Supercake

#### Ingredients

6oz butter, softened; 6oz sugar; 4 eggs, separated; 1 tablespoon ginger marmalade; 6oz plain flour; 2 teaspoons baking powder; 2oz ground almonds; 4oz cooking chocolate, melted.

#### Method

Cream the butter and sugar and add the marmalade. Beat in the egg yolks and melted chocolate. Fold in the flour, baking powder and ground almonds. In a separate bowl, whisk the egg whites until stiff and then fold into the cake mixture. Bake in a greased and lined 8" cake tin for 1hr 25mins, Gas Mark 3.

For the topping: Cream together 4 oz unsalted butter, 6oz icing sugar and 2oz drinking chocolate powder. Moisten with 3 pudding spoons of liquid, either water or brandy or a mixture of both! Spread over the cake and grate a little chocolate on top or ginger pieces.



Happy Christmas!

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## Forthcoming Events



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- 1 December – 23 December** Pots from France Winter Exhibition 10am-6pm. Bankside Cottage (tel 636689). Join us for a Glass of wine
- Saturday 1 December** Concert for advent. Derby Cathedral Choir. Tickets £4 raising funds for the Cathedral Plus Project and All Saints' Church Organ Fund. All Saints' Church, Youlgrave, 7pm.
- Saturday 8 December** Youlgrave United Football Club's Race Night. Admission £1. Youlgrave Village Hall, 7.30pm.
- Friday 14 December** The Bowls Club Christmas Concert featuring Youlgrave Silver Band. Youlgrave Village Hall, 7.30pm. Raffle, coffee and mince pies.
- Saturday 15 December** Bakewell Choral Society Carol Concert. Admission free with collection. All Saints' Church Youlgrave 7.30pm. Please note that this is a change of date.
- Saturday 15 December** WI Christmas Fair. The refurbished Reading Room, Church Corner, 10am – 12 noon.
- Thursday 20 December** Middleton Village Christmas Get-together. Middleton Village Hall, Details to follow.
- 22 January to 2 February** Youlgrave Pantomime 'Puss in Boots'. Box Office by Bridget Ardley (tel. 636611). Opening hours are 10am to 9pm only from 1 December. Adults £3.50, Children £2. Matinee performance Saturday 26 January. Special offer tickets on opening night.

## Regular Events

- Tuesdays** Yoga with Iris Pimm (tel. 636341). Greenfields Farm Barn, 7pm.
- Tuesdays & Wednesdays** Youlgrave Playschool. Youlgrave Village Hall, 9.15 – 11.45am. Please contact Vivien Tabbenor for details (tel. 636861).
- Wednesdays** Diane Kettle's life drawing classes. Middleton Village Hall, 7.30pm.
- Wednesdays** Beginners Yoga with Iris Pimm, 7pm.
- Thursdays** Beginners Yoga with Iris Pimm, 7pm.
- Fridays** Gentle Yoga. The Scout and Community Hut, 3.30pm.
- Fridays** Yoga with Iris Pimm, 9.30am.
- Fridays** Parent and Toddler Group. Youlgrave Village Hall, 9.30 – 11am. Please contact Vivien Tabbenor for details (tel. 636861).
- 2nd Tuesdays** Youlgrave WI meetings. Youlgrave Village Hall, 7.30pm.

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