



The

# Bugle



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

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## ALL SAINTS AWARDED REPAIR MONEY

Youlgrave Parish Church has been awarded over £50,000 by English Heritage towards the cost of repairing its roof and masonry. A total of £11,000 will go towards initial project development, such as architect's plans, while a further £41,000 will follow later for the actual repairs (primarily the chancel roof and parapet).



*L-R: Rev Ossie Post with David Camm and Joan Mallaband from the fundraising committee, and Church Wardens Andrew Parker and Brenda Harrop. (Photo courtesy of the Matlock Mercury.)*

All Saints Church is Youlgrave's only Grade I listed

building, and because of this the renovations have to be meticulously planned and carried out with the utmost care, so that work is unlikely to start until 2008. The Church itself has Norman origins, dating back to 1130-50. A series of alterations and extensions took place in the 15th century and again in the mid 19th century.

Earlier this year three new bells were installed at All Saints, making the peal

the second largest of any parish church in Derbyshire.

English Heritage, which awarded the grant, is the Government's advising body on the historic environment, including buildings, and last year it announced that collectively our historic places of worship are facing a repair bill of nearly one billion pounds in the next five years.

**Local Easter services – see page 9**

**The Bugle is sponsored by the Farmyard Inn Tel 636221**

## Youlgrave Waterworks thanks villagers for patience, understanding and a drop of the hard stuff

The members of Youlgrave Waterworks would like to thank everyone for their patience during the recent disruptions to the water supply. The mains failure at Grove Place was instantaneous, whereas the one at the Church Comer was a planned replacement of an old valve. It is our intention, in future, to try to make people more aware of the aims of the Waterworks, in the hope that everyone will understand the reasons behind any loss of supply. Our present aim is to replace all the old valves in the village, which will mean as more and more valves are replaced, should any work be required, we will be able to isolate the affected area, and keep the loss of supply more localized, minimizing the inconvenience caused.

The advantages of this was shown during the recent works – only half the village was affected, in both cases, due to the new mains valves near the telephone box.

When a planned work is undertaken, the water is not just turned off, since

there are several things to consider (mainly the school and the surgery). That is why, although it may seem a strange day, Saturday sometimes is favourable. And there is a bonus, since due to the lack of water the beer at the local hostelrys may, on these occasions, be a little stronger.

Finally, thanks to all the people at the 'Top End' during the repairs to the mains at Grove Place. During a long and exasperating day, there were polite enquiries, much hole-gazing, but most gratifying was that there was not one ill-tempered complaint. There were copious amounts of tea offered, and one lady even turned up at 7pm on a very cold night offering a dram of the hard stuff – sadly, but wisely, declined. The sacrifices we make!

Oh yes, and the hosepipe ban is now lifted. (*I suspect this last point is not to be taken seriously – Ed*)

Once again, thank you.

**'POMMY WATTER'**

## OFSTED OUSTED AS PLAYSCHOOL PASSES THE TEST

*Monday mornings are not usually my favourite – I was running a few minutes late, then there in the doorway appeared "Good morning!" The Ofsted Inspector. We had been promised a re-inspection within six months – we were now eight months down the line. Mondays and Tuesdays are our busiest days, our numbers having swollen since our last damning report! Her timing was perfect.*

*It felt like 'lambs to the slaughter'. I had no idea whether or not we'd done enough to quell their criticisms. It was a heady mix of fate and wit that would see us through. By Wednesday lunchtime we were deemed to be satisfactory – sighs of relief all round. Many thanks for the time and effort put in by the Committee and the vocal support from parents who queued to sing our praises. We should be free of inspectors, now, for up to three years!*

**AC**

[www.farmyardinn.co.uk](http://www.farmyardinn.co.uk)

## New tree for playing field

*When Adrian Rhodes of New Road was given a sapling by his employer as part of its commitment to the environment, he approached the Parish Council on a possible site in Youlgrave where he could plant the young silver birch. The result is that it has now found a home on Alport Lane playing fields, joining a small stand of similar trees towards the bottom of the field, so that it can be enjoyed for many years to come by everyone in the village. Adrian is pictured planting the tree last month.*



## Sponsored walk in support of local communities

The Bakewell Neighbourhood Policing Team (which covers the Youlgrave area) would like to further support the communities it serves by engaging in a non-competitive sponsored walk. The funds raised will be equally divided between the Helen's Trust, Bakewell and Eyam Community Transport and Mountain Rescue. The walk will take place on Saturday 5 May at 9.30am from the Show office near to the Agricultural Business Centre in Bakewell. The routes will be simple circular walks, one of approximately 9 miles via Chatsworth, and a shorter option of 6 miles towards Carlton Lees and back via Coombs Road. The team are looking for sponsorship and forms are available at Bakewell Police Station. However if you are reasonably fit why not join us on the day for a fun, casual walk in beautiful surroundings? For more information contact PC Sandra Wetton or any of the beat managers on 0845 1233333 or e-mail [sandra.wetton.2782@derbyshire.pnn.police](mailto:sandra.wetton.2782@derbyshire.pnn.police).

## 'OPEN GARDENS' FOR YOULGRAVE?

The Committee of **Bankside Wildlife Garden** is considering the possibility of an 'Open Gardens' event in 2008 in aid of the Wildlife Garden. We would love to hear from gardeners and allotment-holders who might consider opening their gardens/allotments to the public for one afternoon next summer. Also, we would like to talk to anyone who has organisational knowledge of setting up such an event or would like to help us in any way. Please contact Maureen Parry on 630064 if you would like to be involved.

**Good food and quality wine and real ale served daily**

## COFFEE MORNING and BRING & BUY

GRANBY HOUSE  
YOULGRAVE

SATURDAY 21 APRIL

10am-12 noon

Stalls, Raffle etc

All Welcome.



Youlgrave - Bangbutt  
Village Link  
(England - Sierra Leone)  
Registered Charity No. 110183

**BREAKFAST  
BISTRO**  
IN THE READING ROOM  
Sunday 15 April  
10am – 2pm

## Getting ready for the new cricket season

Last month, Duckmanton Lodge Cricket Club took delivery of its new roller (pictured right), as well as locally-made covers for the Alport Lane wicket. Their first match in Youlgrave will be on Sunday 15 April against Sheffield Works 4th XI (1.30pm start). With four teams scheduled to play at weekends and midweek there is plenty of opportunity for everyone in Youlgrave to get involved, whatever your own ability or experience. Call Paul Durward (Club Secretary) on 01246 566706, or email [duckmantonlodge@beeb.net](mailto:duckmantonlodge@beeb.net). The club's 2007 fixtures can be found at [www.duckmantonlodge.members.beeb.net](http://www.duckmantonlodge.members.beeb.net).



T-Time menu now Monday–Friday, 5–7pm...

## NEWS IN BRIEF

### Doorstep arrest

4 March: Following several reports to the Police from residents in Youlgrave, Middleton-by-Youlgrave and Birchover regarding picture-sellers going door to door, a man was arrested for peddling without a licence. The Police ask people to be vigilant and continue to report suspicious activity. If you have any information that is non-emergency contact the Police on 0845 123 33 33.

### Handrail to be reinstated

The missing handrail on the Church steps is to be replaced, after an exasperated Youlgrave Parish Council turned to County Councillor Ray Caswell for assistance. Cllr Caswell kindly diverted some of his own funding to ensure that the work was not delayed any further, and according to Derbyshire County Council's Countryside Service the handrail will be installed "shortly". We will have to wait and see how DCC define the term "shortly" (currently 3 weeks and counting...).

## ATTIC SALE

Youlgrave Village Hall

Saturday 28 April

10am - 12 noon

To book a table ring Rita on 636663, £6 per table.

Refreshments available, also tombola and cake stall.

Proceeds for Village Hall funds.

Check out ALL the back issues of the Bugle:

[www.thebugle.org.uk](http://www.thebugle.org.uk)

## Fancy that!

Vanessa Byfield Niamh Cusack  
Toby Clifford James D'Arcy  
Joanna Clifford Cara Horgan  
Lady Youlgrave Sheila Hancock  
Doris Selina Griffiths  
Henry Appleton Peter Capaldi

For more cast see Sunday and Tuesday  
*Fallen Angel – behind the Scenes*

A 3-part series on ITV last month...

A couple of eagle-eyed Bugle readers contacted us after noticing that one of the characters in a recent, 3-part TV play called 'Fallen Angel' bore the name 'Lady Youlgrave'. Had the scriptwriter visited here on holiday, we wonder, or is there another connection? Answers to the address on the back page, please! Thanks to Philip Smith and Andrew Thorpe for spotting it.

T-Time meals still only £4.00!



## VISIT TO BIDDULPH GRANGE GARDENS

Youlgrave & District Horticultural Society has arranged a trip to Biddulph Grange Garden in Staffordshire. The visit will take place on Friday 25 May, departing from the top of Holywell Lane at 10am, and leaving the garden at 3.30pm.

The Horticultural Society has kindly agreed to pay for the coach, so the cost will be £1 for National Trust members and £5.50 for non-National Trust members (NT members – please remember to bring your cards!).

There are some seats still available, so if you would like to visit this very interesting garden with us please call Jane Gardner on 636721.



Happy 25th wedding anniversary to Youlgrave's Gill Spain and Mark Goodwin, pictured here on that fateful day in Nottingham in 1982.

**T-Time menu includes fresh beer battered haddock...**

## Your Village, Your Future...

About 50 people attended a lively meeting in the village hall on March 21st.

The purpose of the meeting was (as advertised in last month's Bugle) to encourage people to think about the future of the village.

Speakers from Derbyshire Rural Community Council and the Peak District National Park Authority spoke about the benefits of producing a Parish Plan.

The main benefits in producing a village plan are that it helps people who are interested in the same issues to join together to focus their efforts and it helps to influence local government (eg parish, district and county councils and the national park authority) by letting them know what the views of villagers are.

This was supported by Rob Bruce, a resident of Hathersage, where they produced a plan in 2005 and have since seen a significant number of benefits for their village.

Then there was a discussion about what people like about Youlgrave, what they don't like, what they would like to change or make happen and what they would like to keep the same. Lots of good ideas were put forward.

People were invited to volunteer to help with producing a plan and a significant number responded. Next month's Bugle will contain much more information about what will happen next.

If you were unable to be at the meeting but would like to get involved in any way please call me on 636586 or email [info@patcoleman.co.uk](mailto:info@patcoleman.co.uk) with your contact details. Thanks.

## Youlgrave–Bangbutt Village Link AGM, March 2007

About 30 people attended the meeting to hear Maggie Ford, Chairperson, making her annual report on the projects we are carrying out in a tiny village in Sierra Leone, West Africa.

Maggie provided a running commentary on a PowerPoint presentation of this work, put together by Brian Mallalieu. The audience said how they appreciated this visual way of showing progress made in Bangbutt during the past year and the fundraising events we have held here in Youlgrave and Bakewell.

We saw pictures of adults attending the literacy circle in the village run by the Methodist Rural and Development Fund, to which we contribute. This is a scheme based on an internationally-used programme and is taking place in four other local villages during the next four years. The tutors are local people who have received training and been provided with bicycles to enable them to get around easily. We have provided solar lanterns so the groups can study after dark (we are the first group to provide such lanterns for study purposes in Sierra Leone).

The scheme aims to build the confidence of the people by helping them gain the skills they need to use in everyday situations. For example, Youlgrave has sent money to buy sewing machines and materials and paid for a tutor to teach a group of women tailoring skills. They have written letters to say how delighted they are and how empowered they feel to have a useful skill in life. We have also provided money for goats to begin a village goat herd. The literacy scheme therefore included education in animal keeping and encouragement to widen the local tradition of keeping goats for meat by introducing the notion of using goats for milk to enrich their diet.



*Sammy lays the foundation stone at the school.*

A major new scheme that has long been in our minds is now underway – to build a primary school in the village. We showed pictures of villagers making building blocks from locally-gathered materials. Manufactured building materials such as cement and steel rods have been purchased from local suppliers. The villagers will provide the labour working under a skilled contractor who has been appointed by Sammy Stober-Taylor, who oversees our projects for us and keeps us in touch by sending photos and reports using the laptop we have bought for the purpose. Once the school building is in place, the state government will help provide materials and appoint and pay teachers. We ask for your help as we are still raising money to complete this project.

We have arranged a number of events to take place in Youlgrave during the next few months to raise funds to enable us to continue our work: a **Breakfast Bistro on Sunday 15 April** (Reading Room) and an **African Evening on Saturday 19 May** (Village Hall). If you would like to help us publicise or run them, please phone Carol on 636570 or Barbara on 636601.

**roast dinner, liver and onions – all home-made**

## Youlgrave Village Hall Annual General Meeting

To be held in the Social Room on Monday 30 April at 7.30pm.

### Agenda

1. Welcome of new representatives to the Management Council.
2. Chairman's Report; Financial Statement for the year ending 31 March 2007.
3. Election of President, Chairman, Vice-chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer.
4. Appointment of auditors for forthcoming year.
5. Other Business

Please note: Everyone is invited to attend. Every club, society, or informal group in Youlgrave, Middleton, and Alport is entitled to nominate a member to the Management Council, whether or not they use the hall. There are places for individuals too. It is always a struggle to find volunteer trustees, especially for the offices of Chairman, Vice-chairman, Secretary and Treasurer. This year, we are desperate for volunteers to the posts of Vice-chairman and Treasurer. Please give your village hall your support (contact Jan Wilson on 636284 for information).

*The meeting will be followed at approximately 8pm by the April meeting of the Management Council.*

### COACH TRIP TO CAMBRIDGE, TUESDAY 15 MAY

Picking up 8am at Middleton, then Grove Place, Holywell Lane, the George, Bakewell and Baslow. Price guide: £18 (may be less, depending on number of bookings). To book your place ring Jane Whitehead on 636770 and leave a message on the answer phone.

### Birthday 'thank you'

Barbara Scrivener would like to thank all those who made her 70th birthday Ceilidh in March such a happy and memorable occasion, which included the well planned lunar eclipse! Donations given at that event towards Bangbutt School came to over £1,000 (which will include income tax rebate from gift aided donations). Thank you all very much. And many thanks too from Bangbutt School!



**Completely new wine list available**

## GUIDES GO GREEN!

RIGHT: Lily Smith of 1st Youlgrave Guides learns how to make recycled paper at an environmental awareness evening that the Guides enjoyed last month. It was led by Georgina Cass (also pictured), Environmental Education Officer with Derbyshire Dales District Council. In addition to making paper, the Guides learnt about global footprints, played 'waste bingo' and shared ideas about recycling and re-using household items.



### Easter Services (at All Saints unless indicated otherwise)

#### APRIL

- 1st Palm Sunday: 11am Family Worship; 6.30pm Evening Prayer (BCP)
- 2nd Monday in Holy Week: 11am Morning Prayer (CW)
- 3rd Tuesday in Holy Week: 11am Morning Prayer (CW), Middleton
- 4th Wednesday in Holy Week: 11am Morning Prayer (CW)
- 5th Maundy Thursday: 7pm United Holy Communion, Methodist Church
- 6th Good Friday: 9.45am Children's Activity Time; 11am Family Worship; 7pm United Service – 'Love Unlimited' (sung by the Choir of St Thomas Becket Church, Chapel-en-le-Frith)
- 7th Easter Eve: 10am United Holy Communion, Granby House
- 8th Easter Day: 8am Holy Communion (CW2); 11am Family Communion (CW1); 6.45pm Holy Communion (BCP), Middleton
- 15th 11am Holy Communion (CW1); 6.30pm Evening Prayer (BCP)
- 22nd 11am Morning Prayer (CW); 6.30pm Holy Communion (BCP)
- 29th 6.30pm Evening Prayer (CW)

**Coming soon – a superb range of quality bottled beers**





## Youlgrave Parish Council

As Derbyshire parish councils go, Youlgrave's is one of the larger and busier ones, reflecting the size and activity of the village. We have ten councillors who (with the exception of December) meet monthly, plus a part-time parish clerk who recently passed his formal CiLCA qualification. There's a Finance and Personnel Committee which meets quarterly to scrutinise specific aspects of our work. All these meetings are open to the public and advertised in advance on the council's noticeboards on Church Street and Grove Place. The main Council meetings are usually on the last Tuesday of every month at the Village Hall – everyone is welcome to attend.

### Work programme

The scope of the Parish Council's work over the last 12 months is once again a reflection of its commitment to our community. Like most parish councils, we are not cash-rich and have to manage our spending and reserves carefully. We have ongoing maintenance programmes that include the mowing and strimming of the Alport Lane playing fields, Coldwell End car park area and back field, plus the Parish Piece at the bottom of Bradford. In addition, we arrange the weekly cleaning of the public toilets on the playing fields and at the Coldwell End car park. The Council also manages two allotment sites at Coldwell End, and is hopeful that by this summer nearly every plot will be in use.

However, to embark on any significant capital projects is a challenge and a drain on our limited resources, and unlike one or two other local councils we have not taken the

easy option of a hike in the precept (the parish council levy that you pay through your Council Tax bill). Instead, we have explored external sources of funding in order to bring public money into the village for everyone's benefit.

### Funding success

In the last year, the junior play area at the bottom of Alport Lane playing fields has been completed with the installation of a climbing tower. The Parish Council committed £3,000 towards this project, which was matched by a similar amount from Derbyshire Dales District Council. We also made a successful bid to Central Networks for £2,400 to replace dilapidated fencing at our Coldwell End toddlers play area; and recently we heard that our application for £10,000 funding from Awards for All to renovate and repair the Alport Lane pavilion was approved.

In its own unique way, the pavilion is probably one of the most eye-catching buildings in Youlgrave. It was originally built by the village cricket club and is a fitting tribute to their proud history. The Parish Council is currently carrying out a programme of wholesale and necessary repairs (including urgent structural work) which will begin with a complete re-roofing, work to the rear walls and the construction of a ramp for disabled users. Further renovation will be undertaken as funds permit, but we have been greatly assisted by the efforts of Duckmanton Lodge Cricket Club, who later this month will begin their opening season on the Alport Lane grounds. Youlgrave cricketers old and new are welcome to play and it is hoped that village cricket will once again become a regular fixture in Youlgrave.

## Chairman's annual report 2006-07

Cricket is not the only sport played on the playing fields, of course. The Parish Council would like to reaffirm its commitment and support for Youlgrave United Football Club and wishes them well for next season. Together with the ongoing success of Youlgrave Crown Green Bowls Club and the regular use of the nearby tennis courts, it is gratifying that our precious public playing fields look set to be the scene of ongoing sport and recreation throughout the calendar year.

Still with Alport Lane playing fields, thanks are also due to the efforts of Ian Weatherley and other volunteers who have been managing the small wildlife area behind the thicket at the bottom of the playing field. It continues to prosper, with several new plant species recorded. There will be reports and news in forthcoming issues of the Bugle, and any help with the project will be gratefully received.

### Railings, donations and parking

Other work that the Parish Council has carried out over the last year includes repairing the iron railings that separate the allotments from the back field at Coldwell End; installing a bench behind the Fountain in Fountain Square – not just to provide a place to sit and relax but also to try and deter obstructive parking that hinders access for emergency and farm vehicles, in particular. We have donated money towards new emergency fire doors at Youlgrave Village Hall, and assisted Youlgrave Playgroup and Youlgrave School Association, amongst others. The Parish Council continues to contribute towards the cost of mowing in the Churchyard; and arranges the usual extra parking and signage for Well Dressing.

### Planning for the future

Looking ahead, during the next 12 months we hope to repair the eroded surface at the entrance of the Coldwell End car park, and are also liaising with Derbyshire County Council and Derbyshire Dales District Council over our intention to replace the old and dilapidated bus stop on Grove Place with a clean and attractive modern version. We have already received outline permission and a pledge of funding, which will ultimately be shared between County, District and Parish councils.

Youlgrave Parish Council is also aware of the larger issues facing our community, such as the pressures on our village shops and services, as well as the need for affordable houses to allow our young people to remain living in the village. We continue to explore various options and maintain an ongoing dialogue with officers from Derbyshire Dales District Council and the Peak National Park, Derbyshire Rural Community Council and Derbyshire Association of Local Councils. Youlgrave Parish Councillors continue to attend the Peak Parishes Forum, sharing ideas and information with other village communities and trying to identify new opportunities and ways forward.

I hope this gives you a flavour of what the Parish Council does and why. It's imperative that our community continues to have a strong, inclusive and forward-looking representation at a local level, and on behalf of the village I would like to thank all the Councillors for their commitment and hard work.

*Andrew McCloy*  
*Chairman*

*Youlgrave Parish Council*

## Mawstone Mine Disaster, 23 May 1932

Next month is the 75th anniversary of the Mawstone Mine tragedy, in which eight men lost their lives following an accident in a local lead mine.

The Bugle is marking the occasion by publishing a special, extra edition that will look at the whole story – what Youlgrave was like in 1932, the actual people and personalities involved, how the events unfolded that day and the reaction and aftermath.

The Mawstone Mine Disaster was described in the Derbyshire Times of 28 May 1932 as “heroism unsurpassed in the history of mining.” Five men were killed by an underground explosion in the mine, just to the south of Youlgrave, while three more died trying to rescue their friends and comrades, overcome by deadly gas.

The special edition is being researched and written by Andrew McCloy and Norman Wilson, who also collaborated on ‘Youlgrave Remembers’ in 2005, commemorating the 60th anniversary of the end of the Second World War and how it touched Youlgrave and its people.

If you have any information, anecdotes, photographs, memories – in fact, anything connected to the Mawstone Mine Disaster or Youlgrave in the 1930s, then Andrew and Norman would like to

hear from you. They are trying to speak to as many people as possible who either remember the terrible events taking place (albeit 75 years ago) or else have stories or mementoes handed down through family and friends. In particular, they are looking for old photos of the miners – both the victims and the survivors – and any shots of Youlgrave in the 1930s. All loaned items will be carefully looked after and returned promptly.

**Please contact Andrew on 636125 or Norman on 636284 if you can help.**

The special Mawstone Mine edition of the Bugle will be published towards the end of May and will be delivered free of charge to every household in Youlgrave. It is hoped to be financed through local donations and sponsorship – if you would like to make a contribution please contact the Bugle Editor at the address on the back page.

### May issue of the Bugle

**Deadline for copy: 15 April**

**By hand, letter, phone or email to the address on the back page, or leave a note with Roger at Youlgrave Post Office.**

**Outside bar available for functions and special occasions**

## All Saints School, Youlgrave: Year 3 & 4 Literacy (using IT)

### The Jabberwocky by Bronwen

"Be careful my son for there is a terrible monster called the Jabberwocky in the forest. I will give you my lucky sword so you can defend yourself," my father told me as I went through the door. I mounted my horse (Benny) and rode off into the forest. Then I heard a piercing screeching sound. Then Benny reared up and threw me off his back. I stumbled back up and pulled the lucky sword out of my belt. Then came the piercing screeching sound again, Benny ran into the depth of the forest leaving me alone.

The Jabberwocky showed itself. I fought it for a long time and then I managed to chop it's head off. I ran home to my father.

One day the terrorising monster, the Jabberwocky came back!



Don't break that vase  
said mum by Lucy Shimwell



**VASE DESTRUCTION!!!**  
By Thomas

I went into the sitting room and  
slammed the door.

The vase broke  
I did not know what to do  
Should I tell mum  
I'll blame my brother  
I wont really  
I'll glue it back together  
Yes I'll do that  
I glued it back together  
But it came apart  
I herd the door open  
OH NO !



Don't you dare knock that vase  
over  
said Dad.

I threw a ball and it hit the  
vase and  
it wobbled over.

I feel really sad now.

Now I know I'm in for it.

Quickly I swept it up.



*I'll be in for it*

**Varied main menu with home-made desserts**

## YOULGRAVE DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD GROUP

- 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 **Monday 23 April at Youlgrave Scout & Community Hall at 7.30pm.**

We have had one group from the Youlgrave Group finish their Bronze award with several moving on to Silver. A second group is well on the way to completing its Bronze level and we are ready to start another group on Bronze. We would, however, welcome anyone wanting to start at any level.

Contact Penny McCloy on 636125 for further details.

## News from Youlgrave School Association

Last month's Pie and Pea supper raised almost £300 for the School Association. A big thank you to Sandra and George Marsh for kindly donating the pies and peas.

We have been busy spending money this month! As well as new equipment for the school, we have paid for the Babbling Vagabonds theatre company to come into school for the day to run a series of drama workshops.

As the purse is now lighter, we are turning our attention to more fund raising as we would like to buy some more books for school, as well as some new science

equipment. We are having a coffee morning on Saturday 21 April from 10am-12 noon in the Scout & Community Hall. There will be cakes, raffle and tombola, and also a balloon race. Balloons are available for purchase at £1.50 per balloon. These will all be released at the coffee morning and there is a £25 prize for the balloon which has travelled the furthest after two weeks.

There is no limit to the number of balloons you can buy. If you are interested please contact either Mel on 636605 or Lisa on 636151.



Sustainable Youlgrave presents

## An Inconvenient Truth (cert U)

Al Gore's 2006 Oscar-winning documentary on climate change... a must-see film.

Saturday 28 April, Youlgrave Village Hall, 7.30pm, Refreshments.

**FREE ENTRANCE!**

*"What gets us into trouble is not what we don't know. It's what we know for sure that just ain't so." (Mark Twain)*



### SITUATION VACANT

**Sustainable Youlgrave** is seeking someone with:

- Enthusiasm
- Time
- A computer

to work as a Committee support person.

The job will be mostly grant-funded and will be partly to find grants to drive the whole project forwards.

If you are a self-starter and have a sense of adventure this could be a great opportunity.

Sustainable Youlgrave is growing into a promising future – be a part of it.

Enquiries in the first instance to John Youatt, Sustainable Youlgrave Chairman, on 626241.

### Interested in a car share?

Now I am retired, my car often sits doing nothing for three or four days a week. It seems a shame. If anyone would be interested in exploring a car share, please contact me on 636550. Jeni Edwards.

### Darley Dale Maternity Unit and Community Midwives to be axed?

The Maintain Our Maternity Services (MOMS) campaign is working to protect maternity services in North Derbyshire.

[www.momscampaign.com](http://www.momscampaign.com)

**T-Time menu now Monday–Friday, 5–7pm...**

**T-Time meals still only £4.00!**



## UNUSUAL PLANTS FOR SALE

Salvia sclarea var.turkestanica – a biennial/perennial, quite lovely plant, lavender/blue colour, 40p each

Campanula pyramidalis, sky blue flowers, 30p each

These are quite small plants grown from seed last September, in a cold greenhouse and need to be hardened off later in April.

Ring David Robinson on 636456 or Joy Frost on 636868 for more details.

Proceeds to Church Roof Fund.

## Celebrate

### ST GEORGE'S DAY

with us at the Farmyard Inn  
on Saturday 21 April

Celery and Stilton Soup  
Wensleydale Tart  
Crab in a cream sauce

#### Oxtail Stew

Steak and Kidney Pudding  
Roasted Rack of Lamb with  
Cumberland Gravy

Venison Sausages in red wine  
with bacon and juniper  
Cod, simply pan fried

Ipswich Almond Pudding  
Apple and Rhubarb Cobbler  
Queen of Puddings  
English cheese selection

£15.00 per person  
Tel 636221



## POSTCARD FROM SPAIN

Last month I had the good fortune, or as it turned out, the misfortune to be invited to a meeting of the Foreign Residents Society. I was shown to my seat next to a middle-aged English woman, we exchanged the usual pleasantries, but as the night continued she turned into what can only be described as Hylda Baker-like. I couldn't understand half of what she was saying – the only way I describe it is 'Mrs. Malaprop'.

Then I remembered a certain chap who lived in Youlgrave who had a similar affliction. I'll mention no names, I'll call him 'our hero' – older readers will know who I mean and can perhaps add to this collection of anecdotes.

Our Hero walked into the Farmyard one day and asked me if I had been watching a chap on the television doing exercises on a beach in Spain: "You know the one I mean," he said, "Mister Rotivator".

He was asked about his nephew, who had just broken his leg and was in hospital: "Is he in traction?" "No," came the reply, "in Calow".

Once, when asked about his political leanings, he surprised a few of the regulars with: "Tories? Stuff the Tories, this year I'm voting Conservative".

Perhaps his best known Malapropism came in the year that Michael Fish denied any knowledge of an impending typhoon sweeping the country. Our Hero charged into the George Hotel to rescue his Mother saying: "Come on Mother, I've got to take you home, there is a Torpedo on the way".

When I first arrived in Youlgrave, Bill Shimwell told me to commit some of Our Hero's sayings to paper. "Future generations will never believe you when you tell them, and village characters are getting a bit thin on the ground".

And the Foreign Residents meeting! Next time I'll pick my own seat, thank you.

GROUCHO



## Help shape future National Park policy

- Where is the best place to build new housing for local people in the Peak District National Park?
- Where is the best place for tourism and recreation development?
- Should domestic-scale wind turbines and solar panels be encouraged in a national park?
- How much more quarrying should be permitted?
- What is the best way to manage traffic in a national park?
- Should industrial land be protected or released for housing?

The Peak District National Park planning service wants to know local people's views on these issues and more, to help draw up new policies governing the National Park for decades to come. Residents and business owners can find out more at a public exhibition on **Monday 16 April** at the **Medway Centre, Bakewell, 7- 9pm**. For further details or assistance with transport please ring Ian Fullilove on 01629 816374.

## ROYAL BRITISH LEGION SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The Royal British Legion, in partnership with the British Korean Veterans Association, is launching its 2008 Scholarship. This offers the unique opportunity for a post-graduate student from any discipline to live and study in South Korea for one or two years. The scholarship covers university fees, accommodation grants, a language course and return ticket. The scholarship fund was established in memory of those members of HM Forces that gave their lives during the Korean War (1950-53) and is designed to strengthen the relationship between the UK and South Korea. The only criteria for eligibility is that you must be related to someone who is serving or who has served in HM Forces (including parents or grandparents). For further details call 020 7973 7256.

## Learn to Well Dress!

*You used to well dress years ago, you've got annoyed with the traffic in well dressing week but never got your hands dirty, you've just moved here and don't know what we're on about...well now's your chance to get involved before we're desperate for your help in mid-June.*

*On Saturday 12 May 2-5pm, at the Village Hall you are invited to a workshop to refresh your memory or see what it's all about.*

*Youlgrave is renowned for its expertise in Well Dressing and as the older team members retire we need to pass on the knowledge to the **people of Youlgrave** to keep this wonderful tradition going for the future.*

**To book your place, or register interest (how many biscuits do we buy?) please contact Fred Baker on 636768.**

Now taking bookings for St George's Day menu (see above)

Come and join us on Saturday 21 April



## GO WILD IN THE GARDEN

Coots are tentatively moving nest material around and a dipper was spotted recently building a nest high up in a cave! Rooks and jackdaws are noisily sorting out their territories. A slightly untidy garden is an excellent source of nesting materials such as dry grass, leaves and lawn moss. Frog spawn is being laid in ponds but toads and newts will spawn later. Toad spawn has long double strands of eggs.

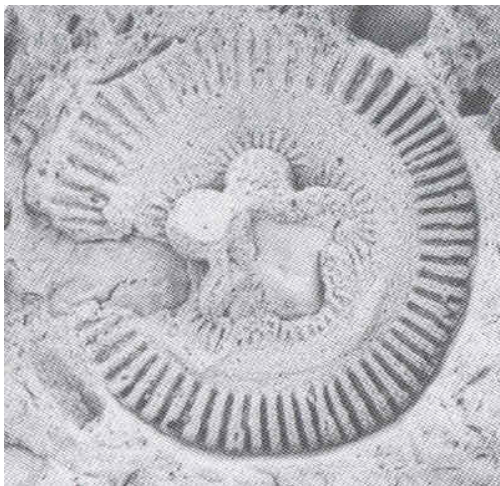


## WILDLIFE PROJECT

The pond at Bankside Wildlife Garden is already attracting frogs and newts. A pond is the most useful wildlife resource in the garden, providing not only a breeding ground but possibilities for drinking and bathing. Plus it is a fascinating feature to just sit and watch. A new pond is best sited in a sunny level spot away from overhanging trees. Make it as large as space will allow - as it fills in with vegetation it will look smaller. Also it is tricky to create a natural balance of plants and pond life in a tiny pond. A central depth of about 2.5 ft will help to prevent freezing. It is useful to plan the outline with a hosepipe, rope or canes.

Maureen Parry can be contacted for Garden Design on 630064.

## Fiona – found in the Dale



She was actually found in 2005, but the news has only just been published in a paper written by Dr Stephen Donovan. At first, he didn't recognise her. In fact, she had no name – which made her rather special. It turns out she's a **crinoid**, with rather beautiful wavy bits never before seen. To a geologist, this is very exciting (for the rest of us it's enough to know she's not going to invade the planet!). Fiona was found by Dr Donovan right here in Bradford Dale, which has secured for Youlgrave a very small but permanent record in the annals of world geology.

If you would like to know more about *Gilbertsocrinus fionae* (to give her the correct name) then you can contact Dr Donovan at [donovan@naturalis.nm.nl](mailto:donovan@naturalis.nm.nl) (he works for the National Natural History Museum in the Netherlands). The Editor has a couple of spare copies of Steve's 4-page paper – contact the address on the back of the Bugle if you are interested. **AC**

## REGULAR LOCAL EVENTS

<b>Mondays</b>	Monday Club (Day Centre), Youlgrave Village Hall, 10am-3pm	<b>Fridays</b>	Yoga with Iris Pimm, 9.30-11.30am
<b>Tuesdays</b>	Yoga with Iris Pimm (636341), The Barn, Greenfields Farm, 7-9pm	<b>Fridays</b>	Gentle Yoga, Scout & Community Hall, 3.30pm
<b>Tuesdays</b>	Youlgrave Bell Ringers practice night, All Saints Church, 7.30-9pm	<b>Fridays</b>	Parent and Toddlers Group, Reading Room, 1.15-3.15pm
<b>Mon-Fri</b>	Youlgrave Playschool, Scout & Community Hall, 9.15-11.45am	<b>2nd Mon</b>	Mobile Library, Greenfields Farm, 9.30am; Alport, 9.45am; Abbeyfield, 10am; Bradford, 10.20am; Rock Farm, Middleton, 10.40am
<b>Weds</b>	Drawing and painting classes, Youlgrave Reading Room, 10am	<b>2nd Tues</b>	Youlgrave WI meetings, Youlgrave Village Hall, 7.30pm
<b>Weds</b>	Darby & Joan Club, Youlgrave Village Hall, 1.30pm	<b>4th Wed</b>	Confidential Advice Sessions with Matlock & District Citizens Advice Bureau, Youlgrave Medical Centre, 9.30am-12.30pm
<b>Weds</b>	Bingo, Youlgrave Reading Room, 7.30pm	<b>Alternate Thurs</b>	Mobile Library, Grove Place, 2-4.30pm, Holywell La 5-6.30pm
<b>Weds</b>	Youlgrave Youth Club, Scout & Community Hall, evenings, 7pm	<b>2nd Fri of month</b>	Mobile Police Station, Holywell Lane, 12.30-4pm
<b>Thurs</b>	Ecumenical women's Bible study and fellowship, Youlgrave Reading Room, from 10am	<b>Last Tues of month</b>	Youlgrave Parish Council meeting, Youlgrave Village Hall Committee Room, 7.15pm
<b>Thurs</b>	Beginners Yoga with Iris Pimm, 7-8.30pm (636341)		
<b>Thurs</b>	Youlgrave Silver Band, Methodist School Room, 8pm		

### Purchasing a burglar alarm? Don't be pressurised by hard sell!

The Police say that they are aware that several companies have been cold-calling (by telephone) members of the public in the Derbyshire Dales, offering to install burglar alarms at a discounted rate. 'B' Division Crime Reduction Unit advises anyone considering purchasing an alarm system for their house to obtain several quotes for the installation, and to ensure that the company is registered with either the SSAIB or the NSI. If you want free advice on purchasing an alarm system please contact 'B' Division Crime Reduction Officers on 0845 123 33 33.

### Saturday Waste Collection

#### ALPORT & YOULGRAVE: 28 April (only)

Alport: 7.45-8am, Youlgrave School:

8.05-9.30am, Bradford & Mawstone Lane: 9.35-10.10am, Grove Place Police House: 10.15-10.30am, Grove Place other end: 10.30-10.45am

#### MIDDLETON-BY-YOULGRAVE: 28 April

The Square: 9.45-10.45am

## ANNUAL SPONSORS

Bakewell Bridge Car Park (M & D Rhodes)	636453	Iris Pimm, The Barn, Greenfields, Alport	636341
L.T. Birds, Joinery & Home Maintenance, 23 Northwood Lane, Darley Dale	07786 434376	Pots from France – Exhibitions of functional and artistic ceramics from France, contact Jack Blackburn	636689
Brightmore & Shimwell, Plumbing & Heating Services	07989 984826 & 07971 839515	RAOB Lathkill Lodge	636221
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<a href="mailto:ray.caswell@derbyshire.gov.uk">ray.caswell@derbyshire.gov.uk</a> , 01335 344750		Barbara Scrivener, Massage and reflexology	636601
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Derbyshire Aggregates Ltd	636500	Phil Smith, Hairdressing for that special occasion	630018 & 07790 940909
Derbyshire Dales Council for Voluntary Service, offering support for local community groups	812154	Trevor & Val Smith, Dubai <a href="mailto:trevor_s@emirates.net.ae">trevor_s@emirates.net.ae</a>	
Derwent Valley Roofing, free quotes and repairs undertaken	733305 & 07817 133459	Jean Stacey, Cake-making & decorative icing	636485
Equity Estates, Commercial and Affordable Residential Properties	636815	Sustainable Youlgrave: Think global, act local!	636241
Farmyard Inn	636221	Carol & John Sutcliffe, self-catering holiday accomm at The Cottage, Crimbles Lane	636570
Harry Holland, Anniscroft Farm, Youlgrave	636246	Thimble Cottages, self-catering holiday cottages in Youlgrave	07817 900841
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Hollands Butchers	636234	John Youatt, Planner, <a href="mailto:john@youatt.co.uk">john@youatt.co.uk</a>	636241
Hopping Farm Caravan Park	636302	Youlgrave Bell Ringers, contact David Camm	636576
James Bacon, JDB Plumbing & Heating	636637 & 07866 365610	Youlgrave Bowls Club	636344
Peter Knowles, Architect	636362	Youlgrave Day Centre (Monday Club) at the Village Hall, contact Daphne Jackson	636392
Lathkill House, Bed & Breakfast	636604	Youlgrave & District Horticultural Association, contact Leslie Toyne, Treasurer	636484
<a href="http://www.lightingforgardens.com">www.lightingforgardens.com</a>	01462 486777	Youlgrave Garage	636943
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Matthew Lovell, Christmas Cottage, Church Street – wood-turned crafts and gifts	636151	Youlgrave Neighbourhood Watch	636022
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Patrick McLoughlin MP, House of Commons		Youlgrave Parish Council	636151
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Maureen Parry, Garden design & planting plans	630064	Youlgrave Post Office	636201
Middleton & Smerrill Parish Council – contact John Warren, Clerk, <a href="mailto:john@hillcrest-online.co.uk">john@hillcrest-online.co.uk</a>	636037	Youlgrave Scout & Community Hall, available for parties and small events	636692
The Old Bakery, B&B and self-catering accom	636887	Youlgrave Silver Band	636362
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		Youlgrave Wesleyan Reform Church	636603
		Youlgrave Women's Institute	636479
		Youlgrave Youth Hostel	636518

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