

The Bugle

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

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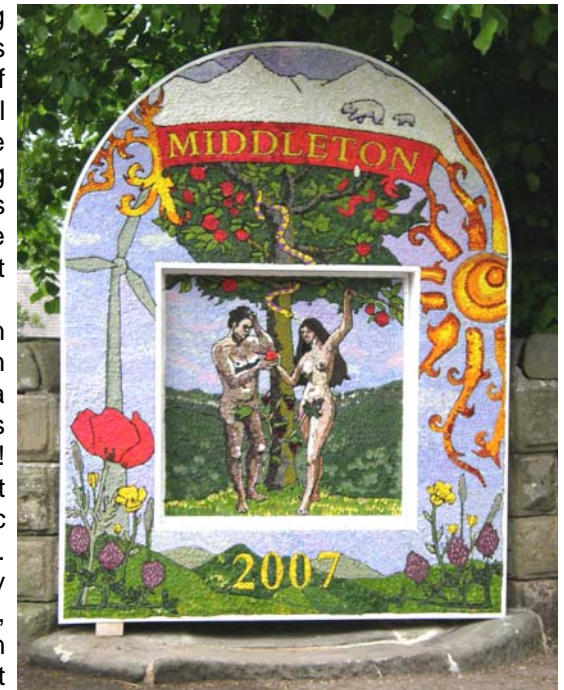
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Middleton Well Dressing goes back to Nature

This year's Middleton well dressing turned a few heads when it was finally revealed after a week of creative hard work. The central picture was of Adam and Eve surrounded by images of changing weather patterns, from polar bears to poppies. It seemed to say we know how it started, but where will it all end?

The hard work continued in preparation for the Village Market in the afternoon. This year we had a fabulous array of healthy plants which were bought by the carload! Book browsers were not disappointed, and the bric-a-brac stall drew an interested crowd. Skittles were aimed at relentlessly but proved stubborn. The cake stall, as usual, had sold out after half an hour and the lady bakers had to just stand there looking lovely.

There was a tempting array of refreshments – burgers from the grill, real ale from the beer tent, and yummy strawberry delights. My favourite stall, though, was the Treasure Hunt, a brain-teaser devised with style and panache by four very enterprising



young ladies of the village. I was certain the treasure was under the coconut tree – but they fooled me.

And what could be more pleasant, after all that, than to potter along to the Village Hall for a *nice cup of tea*?

Jill Tait

The Bugle is sponsored by Youlgrave Well Dressers

Rosemary Douglas (1940-2007)

Elizabeth Rosemary Douglas (nee Johnson) was born on Church Street, Youlgrave, just a few yards away from the church door. The clock striking and bells ringing were part of her daily life until she left home in 1964. As a young child, she went to Sunday School at the Wesleyan Methodist Church where she developed a love of singing which was a major enjoyment throughout her life. With several friends, she sang in a girls choir organised from the Primitive Chapel and in 1978 she was an original member of the Bakewell Choral Society, singing with them for over 20 years.

Rosemary was always involved in village life. She reportedly started Well Dressing at the early age of five or six, being taken to the Fountain Well by her Uncle Geoff, and she worked on that well for over 20 years. As a teenager, she loved to dance and together with her Youlgrave friends she was a regular on Mycock's Saturday coach trips to dances in nearby villages. She was



actively involved in the re-opening of the Village Hall and a keen performer in the early pantomimes. She was also a keen supporter of the Carnival joining the Fancy Dress. She was an attendant to one Queen and Carnival Queen herself a year later.

She met Michael in 1963 and they got married at All Saints, Youlgrave, a year later. Rosemary and Michael had two children, Rebecca and David, after which Rosemary became a full time wife and mother, but a soon as family commitments allowed she became involved in voluntary work in the

community. She delivered meals on wheels for almost 30 years until the service was disbanded and she and Michael worked hard for the League of Friends of Bakewell Hospital.

In 1986 their world was turned upside down when Rebecca was involved in a serious road accident. She was unconscious for over four months and in hospital for over eight, and it was here that the enormous strength and stamina of Rosemary's character showed through, sitting with Rebecca for up to eight hours a day and providing every possible stimulus to encourage her to wake up. Once Rebecca came home, caring for her dominated family life, but despite significant progress, a deterioration in her overall condition made caring for her at home impossible and she is currently a resident with the Leonard Cheshire organisation in Sheffield.

Despite being diagnosed with diabetes in 1993, Rosemary continued to pursue her hobbies, such as walking in the countryside and travelling. This included regular visits to Australia to visit David and his family.

Rosemary was always a people person. She had a positive, outward looking and optimistic personality which nothing life put her way could destroy. She had a natural understanding of people of all ages and was able to relate to them, their needs and aspirations. She was the centre of an enormous network of family, friends and acquaintances, and had a natural kindness and compassion which shone brightly and touched everyone she met.

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Bufs generosity helps Youlgrave School and Band

Following the donation of £200 to Youlgrave School for children's catering equipment, the Lathkill Lodge of the Royal Antediluvian Order of Buffaloes (RAOB or 'Bufs' for short) presented Youlgrave Silver Band with a cheque for £200 for the purchase of sheet music.

The Lathkill Lodge 1004 RAOB raises money for local causes and national charities. If you are interested in getting involved they meet at the Farmyard Inn on the second and fourth Monday of each month at 8pm.



John Roper and Brian Coleman are presented with a cheque at a recent meeting of the Bufs.

BANGBUTT SCHOOL: FIRST-HAND EVIDENCE OF PROGRESS

Members of the committee recently had a meeting with Suzanne Garnett of Village Aid in Bakewell, so that she could tell them first hand about her recent visit to Bangbutt where she saw the progress made on our school building. She says that it promises to be a very good example of a village project. She was in Sierra Leone to witness the work being done in the village literacy circles in that area. The main aim of these is for the villagers to gain life skills such as knowledge of modern methods of farming, so that they can improve their diets.

Another aim is to show them the possibilities which open up when they are able to establish small credit unions and so be eligible for loans to set up small businesses. All of these aspects are very important to their eventually becoming less dependent upon aid from the western world, and in particular us in Youlgrave.

We are sorry that because of a clash of events in the village it proved necessary for us to postpone the African Evening, but we hope to re-engage the same entertainer and hold it in the autumn.

Carol Sutcliffe

Saturday 23 June – Thursday 28 June 2007

Ask not what are we doing for our teenagers? Ask what are our teenagers are doing to us?

First, Ingrid and Mike would like to apologise for the noise and loutish behaviour on the evening of Tuesday 15 May in Youlgrave. After some soul searching, we agreed to let the Village Hall for Lady Manners final year leaving party. Last year, we had no significant trouble, but then they had a professional bouncer on the door and a policeman was present close by. This year was different: beer cans, smashed bottles, fire extinguishers discharged and thrown into neighbouring gardens; excessive disco noise, cars driven by

drunken louts... and much more.

We believe that our village does not do enough for teenagers; that's why we agreed to the letting. A village youth club fell apart because of the behaviour of some of its members. It seems that the bad element has so grown in number that the well behaved can no longer police them. As pensioners, we no longer wish to confront them. Either someone else manages the lettings, or the Village Hall will no longer be let to young people.

Ingrid and Mike Newman

Musical fundraiser at the Church

When Youlgrave's Phil Bartlett decided to raise money for worthy local causes he decided to strike a musical note. So, on the afternoon of Saturday 30 June, visitors to All Saints Church will be serenaded by a string quartet playing a medley of classical pieces.

'Phil Bartlett and friends' will play a selection from Mozart, Haydn, Mendelssohn and Schubert. Requests will be considered – if they have the sheet music!

As well as Phil on lead violin, there will be a violin, viola and cello. The four will play inside the Church from around midday until early evening. It will be deliberately informal, so that you can sit where you like and for as long as you like, and visitors can simply come and go as they please.

All funds raised will go towards Youlgrave School and the church roof appeal, so please drop by and support this worthy fundraising event.

INDEPENDENT DISTRICT COUNCILLOR RETURNED

Andrew McCloy was returned as the District Councillor for Lathkill and Bradford Ward in the local elections last month, with a majority of nearly 200.

The Ward covers Alport, Harthill, Middleton, Monyash and Youlgrave, and Andrew remains the only Independent in the entire Derbyshire Dales.

There were two candidates in Lathkill and Bradford Ward and the results were as follows:

Andy Howard (Con)	207
Andrew McCloy (Ind)	406
Turnout: 45%	

Fri 8 June: boards in the river (meet at Coldwell End, 6pm)

Long-serving Parish Councillor retires

Not many people can say that they have given over 30 years service to their village, but at the end of April **Tom Gladwin** stepped down after more than three decades on Youlgrave Parish Council.

Tom, of Coldwell End, joined the Council in the early 1970s (1974 he thinks!) and has served continuously ever since.

But he has also given unstinting support to the village and the wider community in many other ways – and continues to do so.

Football remains a passion for Tom. Not only is he is President of the Hope Valley League, but he also sits on the North West Derbyshire Disciplinary Committee and is one of their three representatives on Derbyshire County Football Association Executive. Meetings at Pride Park – now a Premiership venue, of course! – are commonplace.

Tom is also Chairman of both Youlgrave Bowls Club and the Matlock and District Thursday Bowls League.

He also continues to be closely involved with Youlgrave Methodist Chapel.

During his 30-plus years with Youlgrave Parish Council, Tom has seen it all happen – from the mundane to the memorable. He says that one of the highlights was being on the organising committee for the Queen's Silver Jubilee in 1977 and helping to set up various celebratory activities



Tom Gladwin (left) being presented with a decorative wooden bowl by Parish Council Chairman Andrew McCloy. The bowl was specially made by Youlgrave woodturner (and Parish Clerk) Matthew Lovell.

around the village.

So what does he think have been the greatest achievements or changes over the last three decades? "I'm particularly pleased to see that more and more people are using the Alport Lane playing field," he says, "and especially the young. When I started on the Parish Council there was football and cricket, but now we have a bowls club, tennis court and excellent play equipment for the children and youngsters."

He went on: "I'm proud that through the Parish Council I've been involved with this development, and it really is great to see so many people enjoying a wonderful public open space and playing field."

Mon 18 June: puddling (meet by river, Holywell Lane, 6pm)

FOURTH GENERATION JOINS DESIGNER OF READING ROOM WELLDRESSING

Youlgrave Welldressing 2007: Saturday 23–Thursday 28 June

Youlgrave's 178th annual Welldressing will be held from Saturday 23 June, when there will be a procession and Service of Blessing at 2.30pm. The six welldressings, including one at the school, will be on display from early on Saturday morning until Thursday 28 June and will be floodlit each evening.

This year, Lizzie McGrath joins her mother Ruth on the design of the Reading Room welldressing, becoming the fourth generation of the family to design this particular welldressing. Ruth's grandfather, Samuel Nuttall, was the first of the family to take on the task at the turn of the 20th century, then Nick Mercer, Ruth's father, took on the designing from 1957 to 1972. The longevity of welldressing in Youlgrave owes a lot to individual and family commitment, where until recently two of the screens had been designed by the same person for over 50 years.

The tradition of welldressing in Derbyshire has grown from just a few villages after World War II to over 80 now. However, as with many village activities, the challenge is to get enough people involved to keep the tradition alive. To produce these wonderful pictures takes a huge amount of work; over 1,600 volunteer hours are spent creating Youlgrave's welldressings.

Fred Baker, Chair of the Welldressing Committee said: "Last month saw our first welldressing workshop to encourage new people to come and learn how to well dress. Over 20 new people came along to learn the different stages that go into making a welldressing and practice their technique. We're looking forward to



Learning the craft: the Welldressing workshop last month.

welcoming more people to share in the fun and workload!"

During the week there will be a locally produced film showing the making of welldressing in the Village Hall Committee Room. Visitors can enjoy tea and cake in the Village Hall next door, where a Lottery funded display details the process and history of welldressing in Youlgrave. The film and set of photographs of the welldressings will be available to buy as souvenirs.

All the proceeds collected during the week go to supporting local causes and locally supported charities.

For further information contact Peter Pimm on 636341.

Tuesday 19 - Friday 22 June: Dressing of the wells

The Derbyshire Times, Friday 22 May 1970

Germans flock to see work of Youlgrave's 'Brunnenschmuecker'

The first Derbyshire welldressing ever to be staged in Germany went off without a hitch – almost. And the eight welldressers were back in Youlgrave on Monday with a tale of misunderstood measurements, unstickable clay and unobtainable parsley.

"Despite the minor set-backs, the visit was an outstanding success in every way" said Ald. N. Wilson, former Chairman of the County Council and currently Chairman of Youlgrave Welldressing Committee.

"Great interest was shown in the two wells, exhibited in the town square at Erbach, in the Odenwald, a few miles from Darmstadt, and sightseers crowded round to take photographs.

The wells were designed by two Youlgrave experts. Mrs Margaret Fell chose the subject "Flight into Egypt" and Mr Fred Shimwell's design was "Stilling the Storm". Each designer worked in a team of four. The wording on the designs was in German.

A measurement mix-up caused a last minute rush to construct the two base boards. To save time Ald. Wilson had sent rough plans in advance.

But the Germans never having seen a welldressing and having no idea of what was involved thought they must be mistaken when the instructions seemed to call for boards measuring

nearly 10 feet in height.

So they waited until the Youlgrave party arrived... only to find that boards nearly 10 feet high were indeed required.

Clay Problems

Then there was the all-important clay. Advance instructions had emphasized the importance of soaking clay beforehand. This had been done... but the clay proved to be of a sandy nature and the welldressers decided after trying it on a small "test" board, that it would not be suitable.

An early morning conference of top officials was called to find a way round the problem... and at lunch time the welldressers were relieved to see the arrival of a lorry-load of high-quality clay from a local pottery. *Continued next page.*



Sat 23 June: Blessing of the wells and procession, 2.30pm

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“It worked very well,” said Ald. Wilson, “though the local potter insisted that, if we applied it to the board in the way we intended, it would fall off.”

Hydrangea petals formed an important part of the designs and the welldressers were glad to find plenty available. But parsley for green background was a different matter, and a substitute plant had to be found.

Forewarned that there was no grey moss in Germany, the team went prepared – with plastic bags full of moss from Youlgrave!

Castle workshop

With part of the Count of Erbach’s castle at their disposal as a workshop, the two teams were busy throughout the day and the evening on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

The two designs were put in place at 6am on Saturday, just in time to coincide with Erbach’s own Whitsun festival in which paper garlands are fitted in archways over the wells.

Youlgrave Waterworks AGM: “Successful year for village water company”

At its AGM on Monday 21 May, Chairman of Youlgrave Waterworks Ltd, Harry Holland, reported that it had been a successful and productive year for the village’s independent water company.

An ongoing programme of investment had seen repairs and improvements to the system, most notably the installation of valves at key locations which – in the event of burst pipes or essential work – will allow the water to be turned off for individual streets rather than the whole village. Regular testing by both the company and the District Council had shown that the water continues to be

Bugle letters: skip trouble



Over the last few days I have hired a skip, placed at the top of Bankside, to enable me to get rid of some household/building waste. The cost was £141. Two neighbours asked if they could place items in the skip and I was happy to help as I knew there was some space.

However, perhaps the person (maybe more than one?) who has placed large amounts of rubbish in the skip without the decency to ask would like to make a contribution to the Youlgrave-Bangbutt fund? I suggest a minimum of £20 as I have saved you the cost and effort of getting rid of the waste yourself. I have to say that I am shocked and saddened by this behaviour, which amounts to theft, and I hope the people responsible will have enough of a conscience to make amends.

Carol Morris
Bankside, Youlgrave

safe and fit to drink, with a consistent pH that is currently just under 7.

Nick Barnett was re-elected Director and two new Directors were appointed: Graham Elliott and Richard Roper.

On presenting the company’s financial statement, it was reported that there are still a small number of persistent debtors. These five domestic properties continue to be in arrears and it is hoped that payment will soon be forthcoming.

At the conclusion of public questions, Norman Wilson paid tribute to the hard work and dedication of the Waterworks Directors.

It seems that Youlgrave’s village magazine shares its name with a variety of places. During a recent holiday in Cornwall, Youlgrave resident John Youatt (right) came across this eye-catching sign; while the pub pictured below, at Twyford in Hampshire, has certainly seen better days.



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the Mawstone Mine and World War II Bugle special editions (pdf files)

STRAWBERRY CREAM TEAS



Granby House, Alport Lane
Youlgrave

Sat 7 July, 2.30 to 4.30pm

Stalls - Tombola, Cakes, etc

JACK-IN-A-BATH

Well Dressing Sunday 24 June, 12 noon-6pm, outside the George.

In aid of Ashgate Hospice and Parkinsons – Stanton Day Unit.

Please come and support these worthwhile causes. Donations and sponsor money can be given in person or left at the George Hotel.

Thank you for your support.

Jack Goodwin

Fri 29 June: dismantling of the wells and clear-up

More information from Peter Pimm, tel 636341

News from Youlgrave School Association

A big "thank you" to everyone who came and supported the school Coffee Morning. We raised £370 for school funds. The children all enjoyed watching the start of the balloon race. It was great to see the wind carry them all into the air. The winner was the balloon which travelled the furthest in two weeks and was won by Nick Asquith.

The blue bags in March raised £495, which is more per ton than last time. As we have already booked them to come again in September, please start saving your old clothes, bedding, shoes, etc.



The balloons are released from Youlgrave School – but how far will they travel?

Dates for your diary

15 June: Sports Day on the Playing Field. Come and watch the children participate in the annual sports day with obstacle courses and parents races. Refreshments will be available. (If wet, a reserve day of Monday 18 June has been set aside.)

16 June: Fun Day in the School grounds (2pm). We have balloons, bouncy castles and a bowling alley, as well as other favourites. Please come along and support the school.



Playschool brainteaster

Following on from the success at Christmas, get ready to challenge your brain cells with the Youlgrave Playschool Summer Quiz available in the village shops and pubs during Welldressing week. There will be a cash prize of £25 for the winning entry (deadline for completed sheets is Monday 2 July). As usual, if there is a tie break, the winner will be drawn at random and all decisions of the committee are final!

If your child is now 2 years old, and you haven't already registered them at Playschool, please contact Karen or Tanya on 636536/636108. We still have funded places (for 3 and 4-year-olds) available from September as well; and hooray to the team for passing the Ofsted inspection this year!

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Youlgrave School: Class 1 work

The stories were written at the end of our unit of work on fantasy stories. The children had made their settings and made puppets of their main characters and told the stories before writing them.

One summer there was a girl called Miss Lomas. One day she asked her Mummy if she could go somewhere. Her Mummy said she could go to the jungle (which was right next to the house) so off they set to the jungle. Her Mummy took her deck chair and she fell asleep. Then Miss Lomas walked and walked, there was a monkey in the tree that was eating bananas and he was dropping the skins on the ground. Miss Lomas didn't notice the banana skins and she slipped on them and had to go to hospital!
By Adam Frost, aged 6.

One spooky, misty night, Bethany approached a haunted house. "Oooooo I think I might go in there" she said, so she opened a door, which came off its hinges and went in. It was full of dirt and cobwebs. She went upstairs and almost fell through a step. But when she got to the top step she was face to face with a monster. "Arrggghhh a ghost, oh my goodness a goony ghost! Help me!" She screamed and dashed down the stairs out of the door and she never went there again.
By Isabel Lovell, aged 6.

On stormy night there was a beaming light all around. A monkey was swinging in the trees. The monkey was running for hunger. The monkey ran up a tree and found a hole and went in to it. The monkey got out of the hole and saw a banana tree. The monkey ate a banana and dropped the skin on the floor. After a while he got down from the banana tree and he saw a girl. He said "What is your name?" She said "My name is Grace" And the monkey said "My name is Captain Jack, can I marry you?"
By Tom Wilkin, aged 6.

In a farm in Africa a boy lived and he was called Joe. He decided that he would go on holiday, so he did go on holiday. "Hmm" he said "Where shall I go? I know I'll go to Ireland". He went on a helicopter. Suddenly the helicopter blew up. Joe died. He went to the hospital but it was not enough. He would not wake up. The hospital called his Mum.
By George Marsh, aged 6.

One day when the sun was shining, Poppy and her dog went to the park to take her dog called Bob the Dog. They went for a walk, they played fetch. "Oh no!" said Poppy, the ball went in the bush. Poppy went to the shop to get a brand-new ball, they played fetch!
By Heather Ebbage, aged 5.

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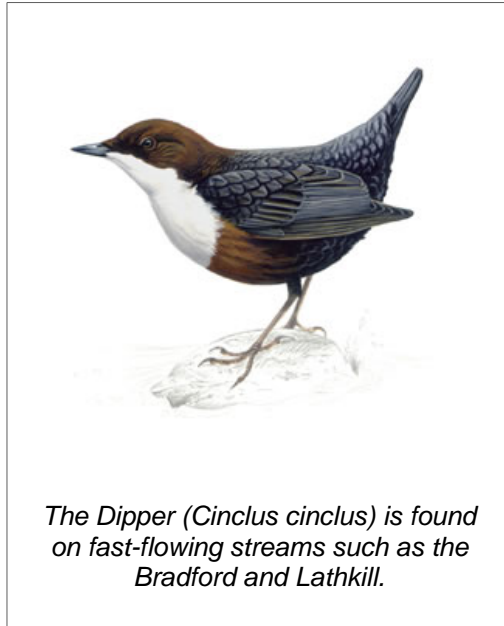
Dippers disturbed by over-eager photographers

Earlier this year a pair of dippers in Bradford Dale was disturbed by amateur photographers, resulting in them twice abandoning their nest on the river.

The photographers sat in the river for prolonged periods of time. One was there for three days and ended up moving stones in the river and finally moving stones around the nest itself. On being asked to move, the photographer's response was that the dipper were not bothered because they were still building the nest. The dippers were not seen building the nest again.

On contacting Natural England (previously English Nature) to find out what course of action I could take if I witnessed similar behaviour by photographers again, I was told that they had had a number of problems with amateur photographers disturbing nesting dippers in Lathkill Dale National Nature Reserve this Spring.

The Senior Wildlife Crime Officer for Derbyshire Police is Sgt Darren Belfield. He assures me that it is illegal to disturb any bird in the course of building a nest, even if it is not a Schedule 1 listed bird. If such activity is observed again, he suggested, the correct course of action should be to ring the Police on 0845 123 3333. You will be put through to the Call Centre,



The Dipper (Cinclus cinclus) is found on fast-flowing streams such as the Bradford and Lathkill.

where you should ask for PC 718 Dave Rowbotham (Bakewell), PC 1921 Karl Webster (Matlock) or any other Wildlife Crime Officer. If you do not receive a response, contact Sgt Belfield on 01773 572 669.

Natural England is considering mounting a campaign aimed at amateur photographers and would like to know of any similar incidents. Call Debbie at Natural England's Bakewell office on 816653 – or alternatively myself.

Jayne Northcott (636523)

Nesting ravens in Lathkill Dale

A much more happier tale of local wildlife concerns ravens in Lathkill Dale. Natural England says that a pair of ravens nested within the dale and were able to raise two chicks which successfully fledged. "Our hope that these chicks will survive and expand the White Peak population," said Phil Bowler of the Derbyshire Dales National Nature Reserve.

Fri 8 June: boards in the river (meet at Coldwell End, 6pm)

Neighbourhood Watch – helping to keep you safe

I would like to thank all who came along to our first Youlgrave Neighbourhood Watch (NHW) social event.

There was a modest, but pleasing, turnout for the evening. There was plenty of food and drink and I am sure that everyone went home happy.

As promised, the event was kept very informal and was mainly to allow people to put a face to a name, and be able to recognise the local NHW co-ordinators – Stella, Barbara and Irene. PC Sandra Wetton joined us for the night to discuss any matters of concern and give advice on security issues.

A range of free safety products was available and there was plenty of interest in these. There are still various products and information booklets available, including personal safety alarms for the elderly or more vulnerable residents. Anyone who was unable to attend the evening but wishes to have a safety pack, please contact me on 636022. I am quite willing to drop off a pack to anyone who wishes to have one.

One thing that became apparent was a general confusion over who was a NHW member. My answer is that anyone who lives in the village or surrounding areas is automatically a member of Neighbourhood Watch. There are no membership fees and no application forms. All that is required of you is to keep your eyes open and report any

suspicious activity to either the police on 0845 1233333 or myself (my number appears on the back page of every Bugle under 'Youlgrave Neighbourhood Watch'). If we are all vigilant and keep an eye on not only our own property but that of our neighbours, then Youlgrave will remain a safe environment for us all to live in.

There is also the 'Ringmaster' email service that you are encouraged to join. You fill in a simple form, which is supplied with a stamped return envelope.

Your email address will then be added to the Ringmaster list and you will receive firsthand any police public warning alerts that are issued for this area. It is a very handy service to be a part of. Do contact me for a form if you wish to join.

At the end of the evening we had the prize draw for the raffle. Sandra drew the winning ticket

and I am happy to say that the winner, a smiling and very deserving, Miss Margaret Foley (our Church warden) was still present to collect her prize. When presented with her basket of goodies she smiled and said: "Now I have something else with which to keep John busy!"

Once again I would like to say thank you to all who attended and don't forget to do your bit to keep Youlgrave safe!. Hopefully we will see you again at another event.

Stella Sparrow, tel 636022



PC Sandra Wetton presents Margaret Foley with her raffle prize.

Mon 18 June: puddling (meet by river, Holywell Lane, 6pm)

Saturday Waste Collection schedule 2007

Alport & Youlgrave

9 & 30 June
14 & 28 July
11 & 25 August
8 & 29 September
13 & 27 October
10 & 24 November
8 December

Middleton-by-Youlgrave

9 June
July: none
4 August
September: none
6 October
November: none
1 December

Did you know...?

According to the national 2001 Census, Middleton & Smerrill Parish has 56 households with a population of 125 (down 35 since 1991). In comparison, the parishes of Youlgrave and Harthill have 517 households with a total population of 1,223 (down 37 on the 1991 figure).



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YOULGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL: CASUAL VACANCY

Following the recent elections, the Parish Council has **ONE** VACANCY for a councillor needing to be filled. In accordance with section 21 of the Representation of the People Act 1995, the Council intends to fill this seat by Co-Option. Would anyone interested in filling this valuable role in the community please contact the Clerk as above for further details. Closing date for the receipt of requests is 15 June 2007.

An election to fill the vacancy will be arranged if ten electors give notice in writing to the Returning Officer requesting that an election is held. The name and address of the returning officer is: David Wheatcroft, Returning Officer, Derbyshire Dales District Council, Town Hall, Matlock, Derbyshire DE4 3NN. The closing date for receipt of requests for an election is 15 June 2007.

Tuesday 19 - Friday 22 June: Dressing of the wells

Free training sessions for anyone working with a community group

Preparing an audit trail: Providing a practical approach to setting up and maintaining an audit trail which will meet the requirement of your auditor, grant provider and the law. A must for everyone who is responsible for the financial health of their organisation. Thursday 13 June (10am–12.30pm) at the Methodist Church Hall, Darley Dale

Web research - an introduction for beginners: A starting point for learning how to research using the internet. The group will be small so that each person has access to a computer and the internet and the session will be very task oriented. The course is aimed at total beginners. There will be the opportunity to bring a subject to research within the workshop. Tuesday 19 June (10am–12.30pm) at DDCVS Office, 3 Bath Street, Bakewell.

When is a charity not a business? How can the voluntary sector address and challenge its image and values and begin to overcome the fear and obstacles of following sound business principles ie 'delivering the goods' in a cost-effective, sustainable and professional manner. It will be of interest to all the managers and trustees who are faced with the demands of the new 'business' culture. Thursday 28 June 28 (10am – 12.30pm) at the Methodist Church Hall, Darley Dale.

These courses are all free and run by Derbyshire Dales Council for Voluntary Services. To book, email enquiries@ddcvs.org.uk or call 01629 812154.

Any country dancers out there?

Since moving to Youlgrave from Essex, the thing that I miss most is a local Scottish country dance group. This is a marvellous, noisy, informal and enjoyable way of getting some exercise during the darker months. Dances can even be walked by those not up to high leaps! If anyone would be interested in joining forces to form such a group (or even, given enough Scots, a Caledonian Society?), I'd love to hear from them. And perhaps we could pool resources of memory, music, dances, etc? There's nothing like a jig or a reel to warm up a cold winter's night, enhanced by the wild shrieks of those enjoying themselves!

And of course, then there's Lassies' Night, Hogmanay, Burns's Night, St Andrew's Night...

Thanks
Jane Whitehead, tel 636770



The Mawstone Mine Disaster



Every household should by now have received ONE free copy of the special Bugle marking the 75th anniversary of the Mawstone Mine Disaster. If you have not, call 636125 or ask for one at Youlgrave Post Office – stating your address, please. Extra copies are on sale at £2 each from the Post Office, Hollands and Parkers. Thank you to all the Bugle deliverers for this extra delivery!

Sat 23 June: Blessing of the wells and procession, 2.30pm

Bugle truisms of the month

Light travels faster than sound. This is why some people appear bright until you hear them speak.

He who laughs last, thinks slowest.

A day without sunshine is like, well, night.

Nothing is foolproof to a sufficiently talented fool.

The 50-50-90 rule: anytime you have a 50-50 chance of getting something right, there's a 90% probability you'll get it wrong.

If the shoe fits, get another one just like it.

The things that come to those that wait may be the things left by those who got there first.

Give a man a fish and he will eat for a day. Teach a man to fish and he will sit in a boat all day drinking beer.

The shin bone is a device for finding furniture.

A fine is a tax for doing wrong. A tax is a fine for doing well.

Surf's up...

<http://granbyhouse.googlepages.com/>
www.bullsheadyoulgrave.co.uk
www.youlgrave.com
www.farmyardinn.co.uk
www.thebugle.org.uk
www.darleydalesurgery.co.uk/youlgreave.html

Are there any other local websites that should be mentioned? Email the Editor – address on page 19.

RECYCLING REMINDERS

Just a reminder (and maybe new information to newcomers in the village) about our recycling containers in All Saints church. At the back, on and under the last pew, there are plastic boxes for **silver paper** and **tin foil** (for Guide Dogs for the Blind), **spectacles** (for overseas), **stamps** (for the Leprosy Mission), unwanted **CDs** and **DVDs** (recycled to help save the planet!) **mobile phones** (for overseas and recycling), **ink cartridges** (these recently raised £30 for the church Roof Appeal – the most valuable ones are Hewlett Packard, but keep them all coming!) and **religious** books (for Book Aid for overseas).

In the **silver paper** collection, please do NOT put in crinkly looking biscuit, crisp packets wrappers, etc, or bubble pill wrap – only silver paper and tin foil that stays crunched up once folded.

In the **stamps** collection, please cut neatly around the stamp.

Barbara Scrivener

Farm wind, not wind farms...

Sustainable Youlgrave study looks at potential of capturing local wind power

Regular Bugle readers will recall that one of Sustainable Youlgrave's aspirations is to generate electricity from the wind. On 21 May, in fine weather, SY committee members John and Brian took three specialists from renewable energy consultants Dulas* around our area, focusing on high ground.

Beforehand, Dulas had been busy with a desk study of our area, using the power of digital mapping; national data from the Ordnance Survey; and wind statistics, to identify potential sites for turbines. Meanwhile, we had our own ideas for possible sites and knew of three interested landowners.

Starting on Smerrill Moor Dulas scanned, photographed and checked Gratton Moor and Kenslow Knoll in the distance, moving on to the DSF works at Newhaven for a quick assessment and then on to Middleton Common and Arbor Low. At each location Dulas were forming quick impressions of several criteria: wind resource, extent of exposure and visibility, obstacles,

proximity of electrical supply lines, access for construction and maintenance, and the ability of a turbine to blend into the local environment. We then moved on to Derbyshire Aggregates and Long Rake Spar works.

After lunch at the George in Youlgrave, it was back to Middleton Common (Mere Farm), Kenslow Knoll, Hillcrest and 'Windy Gap' and the ridge on Harthill Moor, above Gratton. Dulas went home via the site locations they considered were of most significance and needing further data and assessment. They returned to their office to digest the data and impressions, and further desk study.

We expect their report and its recommendations before the end of June. Meanwhile, two members of Sustainable Youlgrave are due to meet the Peak National Park executive to explore their thoughts on the use of wind energy in our valley, balancing the need for renewable energy and income with the impact on homes and landscape.

* *Rachel, project manager, Dan, engineer and Corrie, cartographer.*
www.dulas.org.uk



Fri 29 June: dismantling of the wells and clear-up

More information from Peter Pimm, tel 636341



GO WILD IN THE GARDEN

Recently we found some slow worms in the garden, lovely bronze creatures with a lizard's head and a snake's body. Reptiles are the forgotten wildlife of the garden, apart from frogs, toads and newts. Slow worms and grass snakes will breed in an undisturbed compost heap in the summer so take care when sorting out a compost heap or pile of weeds, or overgrown grass. They also appreciate undisturbed piles of rotting logs and pieces of corrugated metal to hide beneath.

Frogs, toads and newts should be introduced to a new pond as spawn and not as adults, possibly from an overstocked established pond.



WILDLIFE PROJECT

It is great fun establishing a food border for butterflies, bees and other insects. This can be anything from a hanging basket to a full sized bed. Any daisy type of flower is excellent and native wild flowers can also be added to the mix. Tobacco plants are important for night-flying moths. Violas, petunias, snapdragon, french marigold and heliotrope are good for attracting insects.

Maureen Parry

Maureen can be contacted for Garden Design on 630064.

Peak Serenity

At long last the conversion here, at Cliff Farm, near Bakewell, is complete. A place of peace has been created here, where you can relax, unwind and feel the peace. Workshops in T'ai Chi, Qi Gong, yoga, relaxation, etc, and also in pottery, stained glass textiles, photography and art are held in a beautiful, calm space.

A superb apartment is available to rent, as is my barn space, for community groups, businesses and small charity events. Do come and spend time here, and renew your inner spirit, ease your body and maybe learn a new skill.

For information and brochure call Christine for information on 01629 650386, email relax@peakserenity.co.uk or visit the website at www.peakserenity-derbyshiredales.co.uk

FORTHCOMING EVENTS:

3 June: Craft taster day for charity
8 and 21 June: Qi Gong
9 June: Yoga
10 June: Textiles
12 June: Pottery
30 June: Pamper day

Lots more in July!



The Youlgrave Exchange

Flat packed double wardrobe, antique pine effect. Call 636159.

Toybox/bench, seats two little ones, or possibly one adult in some discomfort. Free. Call 636159.

Gledhill, insulated, indirect, copper water cylinder, 115 L, with Immersion heater. Call 636068.

REGULAR LOCAL EVENTS

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

Saturday Waste Collection

ALPORT & YOULGRAVE: 9 and 30 June

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: 9 June (next: 4 Aug)

The Square: 9.45-10.45am



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Tea and cake in Village Hall during Welldressing week

Welldressing film in Village Hall Committee Room

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