

# BRIDGE

**July and August 2022**  
**Summer Edition**

**Newsletter of the parish of Middleham with Coverdale,  
East Witton & Thornton Steward**

*Bridge over River Cover with rope swing*

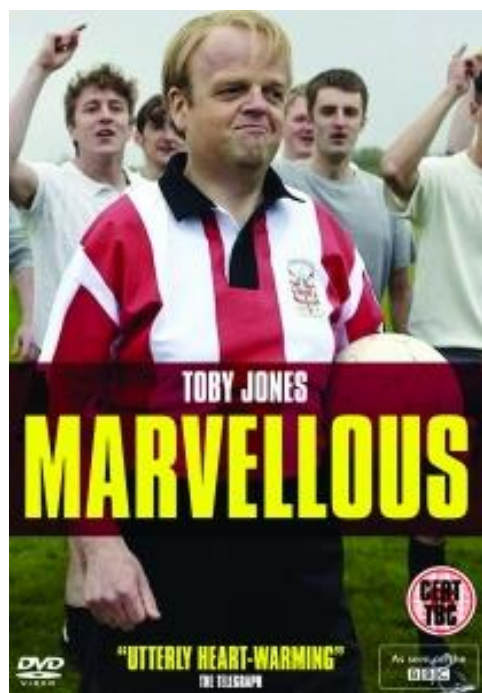
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if you would like to be added to the e-mailing list.

## Positive or negative? Rev'd Liz

I've been having a ponder about whether I'm a positive or negative person. This is a result of having a conversation with someone who was telling me that they felt there is so much



negativity in the world now.

To help me along, I did a little quiz online. My results were fairly mediocre. If it was a school report it would say, 'Could do better.'

What about you? Are you naturally positive or negative? Here's an example to get you started: If someone asks you if they can have a chat with you, do you immediately think it will be something to look forward to or not? Of course, it can also depend who is asking!

How do we end up as someone who is predominantly positive or negative? It can be complicated. The messages we receive as we grow up can have an impact, as can particular things that happen to us, or our general life experience. Sometimes, regardless of circumstances, we just feel 'down' and we can't help it. (We must never downplay the issues of mental health.)

But sometimes we make a decision about whether to be positive or negative. There is a fantastic film called 'Marvellous' starring Toby Jones as the main character, Neil Baldwin, who was diagnosed with having a mild learning disability as a child. During the film, Neil says, "I've always wanted to be happy so I decided to be." Wow.

I think I can learn a lot from Neil. Sometimes I need to make a decision to be happy not sad, positive not negative. We can get into unnecessary spirals of negativity which don't do us or anyone else any good.

So what's the remedy for all this? Jesus suggests a few things that are definitely worth a try:

When you are being negative about someone, try blessing them (either in prayer or just by purposefully looking for the positive in that person).

When you feel hard done by, thank God for all the good things (blessings) in your life. Or if you are not a person of faith, cultivate thankfulness in your life.

When you're afraid of change or the world feels doom-laden, remember God has a plan. He loves the world and won't give up on it. And don't underestimate the role you can play in making the world a better place. It's not too small to count. Neil Baldwin is never impeded by such thoughts. He took it upon himself to greet new students at Keele University and make them feel welcome – and made a big difference to new students with his friendliness.

God is relentlessly positive – always hoping for the best in us, readily forgiving us, never wavering in his love for us. The Bible says we're made in his image – time to give it a go?

**Verse of the month 'Love... hopes all things.' 1 Corinthians 13 v 7**

# OPEN PANTRY

## Emergency food supplies available:

Text/ phone 07796 988302 Or pm Lorna Skelton on Middleham Residents Facebook page. Confidential **Food Contributions:** There is a collection box in St Alkelda's, Middleham, if you are able to contribute

an item or items of food for those in food need. Please leave them in the box at the back on the left as you go in. The doors are open daylight hours.



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## HELPLINE: Citizens Advice Money & Benefits Advice Service, N Yorks

Call 0300 3031 598 Monday to Friday 9.00 to 4.00  
Email advice can be requested via the contact form on website [cany.org.uk](http://cany.org.uk)

**Citizens Advice Pop-up Desk at the Key Centre, Middleham:**  
4th Thursday of the month 1.00pm to 2.30pm: Next is 30th June

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**Extra Legal Help for North Yorkshire Residents ...** for those who need it to solve problems in their everyday lives, and support for those representing themselves in court. Help with issues around housing, family and discrimination.

### Office Opening times

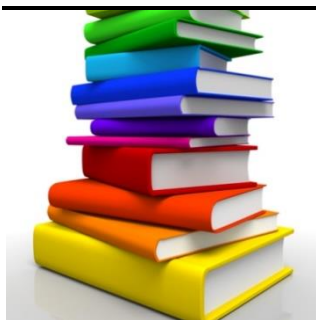
**Northallerton** Mon & Thur 10 – 2pm Hambleton: 277 High St DL7 8DW. Tel: 01609 776551

**Richmond** Tuesday 10.00 – 14.00 Richmondshire: 23 Newbiggin DL10 4DX. 01748 823862

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

## Warm & Well in North Yorkshire

Who is eligible for help? Anyone who is unable to afford their energy bills or worried about heating their home. People on low incomes or benefits Families with young children. Anyone with physical or mental health issues. **Phone 01609 767555**



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## Leyburn Community Library Services

Mondays 10am - 4pm

Tuesdays 10am - 6pm

Fridays 10am-3pm

Saturdays 10am-12noon.

Public computers available when library is open, no booking required

Technical advice Tuesdays 12.30pm - 2.30pm: 01609 535971 or call in to book a slot.

### Storytime

Stories and craft activities for 0-5 year-olds, alternate Saturdays 10.30am - 11.15am - look at the Library Facebook page to check

**Book Reservations** etc Books can be reserved and renewed online via your library account or by phoning 01609 535971 - direct to the library desk at Leyburn.

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# Middleham News

## Middleham Twinners Spectacular Relaunch Success

Following three years of inactivity during Covid, Middleham Twinners has relaunched itself in the wider community of Middleham. At the group's AGM in February, it had been suggested that there was no future for Twinning with France and that it should fold. However, the reality has been very different: with a new committee and a determination to succeed, the Twinners has been completely reinvigorated with a 75% increase in membership.

Experiencing terrific support from local businesses and together with a grant from 'The Two Ridings Community Fund', the group recently held an entertaining French Breakfast event in Middleham Key Centre.



New and old



members, were able to chat over croissants and coffee and learn more about the Twinners' plans for the future whilst the younger ones enjoyed playing with balloons and tucking into pancakes. ....whilst others enjoyed dressing up and taking picture frame selfies!

The group supports members to host French friends from Azincourt in France for a weekend and then the following year there is the opportunity to travel to France and spend a

similar weekend immersed in French family life.

The next event is the summer bbq on 9<sup>th</sup> July, more details and membership forms from the secretary, Catherine:

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# Fundraising Gnomes!



The queen is visiting Middleham. If you walk down Leyburn Road from the square to the Busks you'll see her, her guards, and yes, her corgis. They have joined the gnome parade in the front garden.

If the gnomes have made you smile and you'd like to take a picture then please don't hesitate. We're doing it as a Macmillan fundraiser and we can't thank you enough for all the donations towards Macmillan charity and 'Team Paul'.

The family explains: 'Our brother was diagnosed with terminal brain cancer in November 2021 at the age of just 43. This has shocked our family to the core. Unsure of where to turn to, what to do, Macmillan Cancer Support have been there for him right from the start.

We are now in training and ready for the Great North Run. The training for this marathon and the marathon itself is nothing compared to what Paul is going through but to have him there at the finish line to greet us is worth everything. Any donation no matter how small makes a difference (*you can donate by clicking below*). We hope we have shone a little light for a dark time, many thanks.'

[Tracy Bowe is fundraising for Macmillan Cancer Support \(justgiving.com\)](https://www.justgiving.com)

**MACMILLAN  
CANCER SUPPORT**

## Middleham and The Dales Local History Group



### ***Yorkshire Heroes at Waterloo by Paul Brunyee***

Tuesday 9 July at the Key Centre at 2pm  
Paul Brunyee is a writer, a Waterloo tour guide and the editor of The Waterloo Journal. His talk, with artefacts, will show what some of those with Yorkshire connections experienced over those momentous weeks.

**August** - no meeting

**Tuesday 20 September:**

**The Walls Clan of Coverdale.**

For more information contact Tony

Keates 01969 640436, [dotandtonyk@btinternet.com](mailto:dotandtonyk@btinternet.com)

Annual membership is still only £10; visitors are welcome at £3 per meeting.

## WIMS – Women in Middleham



**Tuesday 19th July** Annual Outing by coach to Thirsk and Sion Hill Hall.

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> August** 7pm Key centre, Lady Anne Neville room  
Rosemary Cook (left) speaking about the murder in 1920 of Florence Nightingale's Goddaughter.

**Thursday 18th August** a trip by car for lunch at The Wellington Heifer, Ainderby Steeple.

## Middleham Castle Richard III Festival 2022

**July 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 2022**  
**10:00 to 16:30**

Let Amicorum Living History Group transport you back to the life & times of King Richard III

You can buy tickets on the day and do not have to prebook.

For day to day visits:

Middleham Castle is free to Middleham residents. Please bring proof of address.



ENGLISH  
HERITAGE

# Summer Fair

FOMAS (Friends of Middleham and Spennithorne Schools)

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> July

12pm – 3pm

at Spennithorne School



Middleham Feast Committee and MSCWA

## Middleham Sports Day and Fancy Dress

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> August

12pm Middleham Playing Fields

Races, Bouncy Castles, Bar, Fancy Dress and DJ Wilko

*More details will be posted soon on Facebook.*



FREE gift boxes containing a variety of surprises to brighten up the holidays.  
You can collect them at either of the free and fun family sessions:



Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> August 12pm – 3pm at Leyburn Methodist Church Hall  
or Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> August 12pm – 3pm  
at West Burton Village Hall

More info: [kingsclubnydmc@outlook.com](mailto:kingsclubnydmc@outlook.com)

The **Methodist** Church 

## Barclay's Bank – in Middleham

Local Barclays' colleagues will be bringing a van to Middleham:



**Outside The Priory, West End,  
Middleham DL8 4QG on  
Wednesdays  
20th July 2022,  
10th August 2022 and fortnightly  
after that from  
10.30am – 2.30pm.**

The van offers financial mentoring, digital education and the chance to complete complex banking services on your doorstep – and is a service open to both customers and non-customers.

There's no cash or counter service, but we'll help you with your banking and can show you what you can do from your Barclays app.

Simply visit [barclays.co.uk/van](https://barclays.co.uk/van) to find out when the van will be nearby and to book an appointment.

Your Barclays Team

## East Witton News

### COFFEE DROP-IN

Pop in for coffee and chat at the Coffee Drop-Ins, in The Parish Room, East Witton, on Wednesdays 13th July, 3rd August, 24th August, 10.30 a.m. – 11.30 a.m.



### BRING & BUY

**Saturday August 6<sup>th</sup> @ 11.30am  
at The Old School, East Witton**

Please bring your unwanted treasures and spare pre-loved goods to the Old School, East Witton (**by 5 Aug**) to help us have a big old fashioned "Bring and Buy" in aid of St John's Church at East Witton.

We have glassware, ornaments, kitchen goods, garden "stuff" and much more!

(Cash Only!!)





## SERVICE AT JERVAULX ABBEY

Sunday, 31<sup>st</sup> July at 11am

Everyone welcome.

*Left: Ascension Day Service at Jervaulx Abbey in May*

*With thanks to Ian Burdon of Jervaulx Abbey for permitting the services to take place in such glorious surroundings.*

## SERVICE ON THE GREEN: Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> August, at 11 a.m.

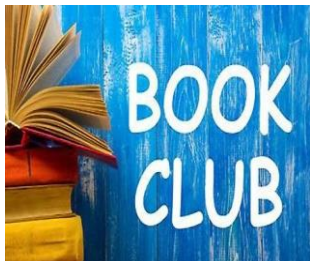
Join us for the annual Bank Holiday Weekend Service on East Witton Green.

The collection will be for The Yorkshire Air Ambulance.

## GRAND AUTUMN PRIZE DRAW

Please watch this space for details of St. John's annual Grand Autumn Prize Draw – our main fund raiser. Tickets will be available from early September.

## Coverdale News



### Coverdale Book Club

Our next meeting is on **Tuesday July 12th at 11am:**

A Short History of Tractors in Ukrainian by Marina Lewycka

Tuesday **August 9<sup>th</sup> at 11am** Unsettled Ground by Claire Fuller

All meetings are being held in The Foresters Arms, Carlton.

Everyone welcome. Please email: [dinah@travelcounsellors.com](mailto:dinah@travelcounsellors.com)



## Thank you!

Coverdale Churches Committee would like to say a very big Thank You to everyone who supported our recent Plant Sale. Around £800 was raised for church funds, with a further £100 from refreshments going towards the Disaster Emergency Committee's appeal for Ukraine. Very many thanks to all our loyal customers and helpers!

**Wild Flowers and Art Festival, Coverham – weekend of 7 – 9 October. Postponed.**

# Thornton Steward News:

Join us for our..

# PET Blessing SERVICE

Sunday  
10<sup>th</sup> July  
at  
9.30am

**ALL animals** are welcome – and their owners  
on Thornton Steward Green

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**Social Get-Togethers** on **1st Saturdays** in the month, in The Institute,  
at 7.30am.

For more details please visit the Thornton Steward Facebook page:  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/908155472988654/>

**Thank you** to everyone who made the Jubilee such a weekend – the beacon on was spectacular! *(Photo by M Colver)*

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> August at 9.30am at St Oswald's Church**  
Commemorating the patron saint of Thornton Steward, St Oswald.  
Everyone is welcome.





**The Parish of Middleham with Coverdale, East Witton and Thornton Steward  
'Jervaulx Churches'**

**Private Prayer in Church:** Our churches are open daily for private prayer.

**Parish e-services: Sundays** - a weekly email service of worship

**Wednesdays** - a weekly email reflection Please email [jervaulxliz@gmail.com](mailto:jervaulxliz@gmail.com) for details.

**Sunday Worship** – everyone is welcome to all of our services

<b>Sunday 3 July</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Middleham</b> Holy Communion
	<b>11am</b>	<b>East Witton</b> Morning Worship
<b>Sunday 10 July</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Thornton Steward Green</b> Pet Blessing Service
<b>Sunday 17 July</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Middleham Church</b> Morning Worship
	<b>11am</b>	<b>Horsehouse</b> Holy Communion
	<b>3pm</b>	<b>East Witton Church</b> BCP Evensong
<b>Sunday 24 July</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Middleham Church</b> Holy Communion
	<b>11am</b>	<b>East Witton Church</b> Holy Communion
<b>Sunday 31 July</b>	<b>11am</b>	<b>Jervaulx Abbey</b> Holy Communion
<b>Sunday 7 August</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Thornton Steward</b> St Oswald's Day. HC
<b>Sunday 14 August</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Middleham</b> Morning Worship
	<b>11am</b>	<b>East Witton</b> Morning Worship
<b>Sunday 21 August</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Middleham</b> Morning Worship
	<b>11am</b>	<b>Horsehouse</b> Holy Communion
	<b>3pm</b>	<b>East Witton</b> BCP Evensong
<b>Sunday 28 August</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Middleham</b> Holy Communion
	<b>11am</b>	<b>East Witton</b> Service on the Green
<b>Sunday 4 Sep</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Middleham</b> Holy Communion
	<b>11am</b>	<b>East Witton</b> Morning Worship

## Weddings/ Funerals/ Christenings/ Confirmation

For more information please get in touch with the rectors, Jeff or Liz: 01969 326069 – or via contact details at end of Bridge.

Christenings take place during the main Sunday services



### Methodist Services in Coverdale in April:

Sunday 3 July	10.30am	Carlton Chapel	Locally arranged
Sunday 10 July	6.30pm	Melmerby Chapel	Allen Dinsdale
Sunday 17 July	10.30am	Carlton Chapel	J Huddleston
Sunday 24 July	6.30pm	Melmerby Chapel	Locally arranged
Sunday 31 July	10.30am	Carlton Chapel	David Sills

Sunday 7 August	6.30pm	Melmerby Chapel	Howard Thomas
Sunday 14 August	6.30pm	Melmerby Chapel	Anniversary Songs of Praise Service John and Sheila Bainbridge
Sunday 21 August	10.30am	Leyburn Methodist Circuit Service	Rev Melanie Reed
Sunday 28 August	6.30pm	Melmerby Chapel	Rev Melanie Reed

*Walk with Jesus, witness to others, worship the Lord*



### Wensleydale Filling Station [Every second Friday - not August /Jan]

Thornborough Hall, Moor Road, Leyburn DL8 5AB 7.00 – 9.00pm

These are monthly meetings where we can celebrate our Christian faith in an informal manner and provide an opportunity to hear more about the love of God for our lives.

**Next meeting: Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2022 7pm – 9pm**

**Speaker: Chris Bennett**

Chris has been a pastor of 3 different churches for a total of 38 years. In addition he lectured in subjects such as New Testament, Greek, Hebrew and homiletics for many years at London Seminary.

He is married to Esther and they have 3 grown up children. Presently he is the minister of Alexandra Road Congregational Church in Hemel Hempstead. He says that he likes playing the violin and walking in the Lake District.

Future Meetings: Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September. Speaker: Matt Hirst, Hawkshead, Cumbria  
Please note, there is no meeting in August.

<http://thefillingstation.org.uk/station/wensleydale/>

Contact: 07714 204024 [mikehirst3@gmail.com](mailto:mikehirst3@gmail.com)



# THE WENSLEYDALE SCHOOL & SIXTH FORM LEYBURN

Like the rest of the country, the Jubilee has been a major conversation topic and we celebrated by making a right royal afternoon tea. We created bunting and baked an assortment of scones to celebrate the Queen's 70th year on the throne.

## Moving Up!

The transition to secondary school

We have also been raising money for charity through Bags 2 School in which many students participated and raised money for much needed funds for the school.

Our head of KS3, Mr Hadfield and Our SENDCO, Miss Wallis have been visiting lots of primary

schools, meeting and preparing year 6s for their big transition to Wensleydale School. This upcoming school year we are going to welcome one of our biggest intakes of new students and we all are really excited to have them join our Wensleydale school community.

Later this month, about 70 students are coming to our school for a programme of French-themed events including drama, cooking and games. This is so they can get a taste of our foreign language curriculum.



We have also hosted a drama day in which Year 6s practised drama techniques that will be used when they arrive in Year 7, and our Science department hosted a murder mystery day where students went around the school trying to piece clues together while also practising different science experiments which will be useful to them later on.

We are inviting primary schools and families of students to our inaugural Holi-dales Festival which includes stalls made by our school's forms such as, giant games, a petting zoo, penalty shoot out and coconut shy. The festival will also include food vans, crazy crochet, a Cheeky Tiki mocktail bar, Just Dance and Karaoke. This was all put together by our festival team who have worked since January to pull this off.

Holi-dales Fest takes place on Monday the 18<sup>th</sup> July from 12:30 - 15:30.

On a sadder note we have said our goodbyes to Year 11 who have worked extremely hard through this exam season and the whole school is very proud of the work they have put in this year. We wish you all the very best for the future.

This is our last update until the next school year, see you all in September!



The Federation of Middleham (VA) and Spennithorne (VC)  
CE Primary Schools

Executive Headteacher – Mrs Marie Mann

Middleham: 01969 623592 Spennithorne: 01969 623474

The Christian value this term is SERVICE



Lots of exciting things have been happening at our schools this term.

As a lovely end to our topic “Amazing Animals”; local friend of our school, Raye Wilkinson, kindly brought some moths into school to show the children in Rabbits Class. Ray explained the techniques and equipment needed to safely catch the moths and the children were amazed at the size and colours of the beautiful moths found. The white/grey

one is a Puss moth and the other is an Elephant Hawk moth.



It's the season for Sports Days and competitions. Here are Sam (1<sup>st</sup> in long distance running), Jamie (1<sup>st</sup> in shot put and 1<sup>st</sup> in javelin) and Summer (1<sup>st</sup> in the welly hammer) from Owls Class showing their

winning certificates at an athletics tournament at Askrigg. As usual, we couldn't be prouder of all the children for their perseverance, resilience and good sportsmanship. Well done

everyone!



After all the hard work of this year, we hope that everyone has a wonderful summer. We wish our Year 6's all the very best at their new schools, Mrs Ramsay a happy retirement, and we look forward to seeing you all again

in September.

## Bird notes from Richard Wells



There is nothing that encapsulates for me the sound of summer than swifts. They don't spend long with us – arriving in early May and leaving in mid-August – but they do make a big impact. That can be swooping low over the village green here in East Witton on a coldish morning or screaming in groups as they catch insects on long, warm summer evenings.

We have four or five pairs in the village, nesting in holes under the eaves of our 19<sup>th</sup> century dwellings. David Lack wrote a book many years ago called *Swifts in a Tower*, the results of his research on the birds he studied in Oxford. I think it was that which first fired my enthusiasm for swifts.

Masham has an enthusiastic group of people who promote that town's swifts. They have installed cameras in some of the artificial boxes they have erected to encourage swifts to breed. Google 'Masham swifts' or go on Facebook ([20+](#) [Save Our Swifts, Masham North Yorkshire](#) | [Facebook](#)) and you can see in real time what the swifts are up to, from the laying of the eggs right up to the young taking to the wing. A more inspiring watch than mainstream television at this time of year, I promise.



In other news, two hobbies were seen over Jervaulx Ings in mid-June and what great news that Coverhead Farm has won a conservation award for its work in enhancing habitat for black grouse. Not so good news – the pair of spotted flycatchers I mentioned last month nest prospecting in our garden didn't hang around for long. I guess they have found a better place to rear young.

Your sightings are always welcome at [rmwellsew14@gmail.com](mailto:rmwellsew14@gmail.com).

*'Perched - taking a break from catching dragonflies.'*

*Photo by Andy Morffew*



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## Biodiversity in the Churchyard

### Elder(*Sambucus nigra*)

In days gone by, it was said that an elder planted near to your house would keep the devil



away as for some reason the devil feared the elder. It is also known as the 'Judas tree' as there is a story (*not in the Bible*) that Judas Iscariot hanged himself from an elder tree after he betrayed Jesus. It's common in hedgerows, on railway embankments, and in churchyards.

Elder produces beautiful frothy blossom, and if you are a forager, you may have been

picking it to make delicious elderflower cordial.

It's also an important source of nectar for a variety of insects,. The flowers then develop small, purple-black, sour berries, which ripen from late-summer to autumn. The berries are eaten by birds and mammals. Small mammals, such as dormice and bank voles, eat both the berries and the flowers.



Many moth caterpillars feed on elder foliage, including the white-spotted pug, swallowtail, buff ermine and dot moth (above right) a



For human consumption, the flowers and berries are the only edible part of the plant. They are mildly toxic though cooking destroys the toxic chemicals.

Other interesting facts:

~It is thought the name elder comes from the Anglo-Saxon 'aeld', which means fire, because the hollow stems were used as bellows to blow air into the middle of a fire.

~Elder wood is hard and yellow-white.

Mature wood is good for whittling and carving, while smaller stems can be hollowed out to make craft items.

~Elder foliage was once used to keep flies away and branches were often hung around dairies.

~Elder is also a great source for a variety of coloured dyes and historically it was used to make lushly patterned Harris Tweed. Blue and purple dye was obtained from the berries, yellow and green from the leaves, and grey and black dye was made from the bark.





## Future of Bridge

The Bridge has been a wonderful communication tool for the churches and communities in our parish for many years, containing invaluable local information and a showcase for local events and news stories.

With the pandemic in 2019, a change in format from paper to

email version was the only way the information could continue to be distributed and Liz has worked very hard in editing and circulating the email version to an ever-growing list of community members. Liz decided in April that it was time to step away from this role with effect from the end of the year, and so we are in **NEED OF A NEW EDITOR**.

If you are interested in this (voluntary) role, please contact Liz (details at the end of Bridge) and she will be able to tell you more about what it entails. Briefly, you need to be able to have a PC, be able to use Word or Publisher, have 15 – 20 hours a month available, have a creative eye for layout, and be able to work to a deadline. We will need to hear from you by the end of August so that a transition period can begin in September, with the new editor taking on the role fully from January 2023. Should we be unable to find a new editor, we regret to say that the December 2022/ January 2023 issue will be the last edition.

Should an editor come forward, and we are able to continue, we have also been considering the viability of reinstating a hard copy version of the Bridge to be delivered to each household. The costs and logistics of producing Bridge in paper format are enormous and rely on many hours of volunteers' time. Costs of production are rising all the time and volunteers are becoming increasingly hard to come by, so the workload for the handful left is just too onerous. After much research and discussion, it has finally been decided that, if Bridge continues, as from the February 2023 edition, Bridge will be distributed solely in an online version.

We realise that this will come as a blow to those who would prefer to have a hard copy, but we will ensure that the printing facility of the email version is straight forward so that it can easily be printed at home. For those who do not have a printer at home or access to a computer, we would urge to you to ask a friend or neighbour to print it for you.

For those who do have printers we would ask you to please consider printing out a copy for anyone you know who finds accessing technology difficult as some people find it hard to ask. Or if you already print the online version at home, perhaps you could pass it on to someone else after you have finished with it? That way we can spread the task of distributing the Bridge among the whole community. Of course, we don't want anyone to be out of touch and so if you do not have anyone you can ask to help or print it for you, then please do get in touch. (Contact Karen Newsam on 01969 622395)

We thank you for your understanding and cooperation and hope to be producing the Bridge for many more years to come! We would also like to thank the team of volunteers who over years have helped to produce and distribute the paper version and hopefully this vital publication can continue, albeit in a different format.

PCC of Middleham with Coverdale, East Witton & Thornton Steward

## Middleham Key Centre

Park Lane, Middleham DL8 4RA 01969 624002

Email: [office@middleham-key.co.uk](mailto:office@middleham-key.co.uk)

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

July and August 2022



We are an information point & have a selection of brochures of the surrounding area including bus timetables. We have recycling boxes, paper/cardboard bags available and green gardening bags for sale.

**Middleham Antiques at the Cubby Hole:** open on Wednesdays & Thursdays 1.00pm – 2.30pm. Ring Angela for further details 07917 571180

**Yoga Class:** Tuesdays at 6.30pm – 8.00pm. For further details or to book a place, contact with Karen on 07825 554284. Summer break – dates to be confirmed.

**'T' in the Afternoon:** Wednesdays 2.00pm – 3.30pm in the Garden room. All welcome and bring a craft if you wish. Everyone welcome.

**Coffee Mornings:** On Saturdays in The Garden room 10.30am – 12noon. Everyone welcome.

**Middleham Quilters:** Every Monday 11.00am – 2.30pm. Welcomes new members. Taking a break during August.

**Over 60s Luncheon Club:** Every Thursday at 12noon. Ring 01969 624002 to book or inform us you can't attend. No Lunch club on 14<sup>th</sup> July and taking 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> August off for Summer break. Returning on 1<sup>st</sup> September.

**Citizens Advice Pop-up Desk:** usually here 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month - 12.30pm to 2.00pm.

**Women in Middleham:** Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> August at 7.00pm in Lady Anne Neville room. Lecture: "The Nightingale shore Murder" speaker Rosemary Cook.

For further details ring Liz Stocker on 01969 625260

**Middleham & Dales Local History group:** Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July at 2.00pm. Lecture "Yorkshire Heros at Waterloo" speaker Paul Brunyee. For further information ring Tony Keates on 01969 640436

**Antique & Collectors' Fair:** Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> July & Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> August from 10.00am – 4.00pm Refreshments available.

**Our Book Swap** is working well and has a lot of choice, but we can only accept *paperbacks* in reasonable condition. Thank you.

**Middleham Town Council:** Provisional Council meeting Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> July in Richard III



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Tel: 07531 580499 during office hours.

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

**Community Police:** If you need to contact our local PCSO ring 101 or we can contact them.

### **MTC Summer Trip to Whitby**

**Wednesday 13th July for residents over 65's.  
Names being take at The Key Centre office.**

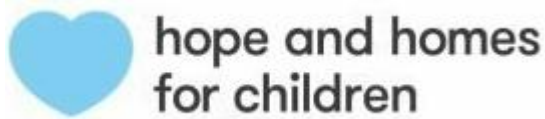
# THE WENSLEY CAMERATA

Leader – Alistair McLachlan      Director – Martin Budgett  
and Richard Selwyn Sharpe (Organ)      with Violet Beaumont (Soprano)  
present

## An Evening of Baroque Music for Organ, Orchestra and Voice

Holy Trinity Church, Wensley

SATURDAY 30<sup>th</sup> July 2022 7.30-9.30pm



In aid of  
Hope and Homes for Children  
Ukraine Appeal  
and Holy Trinity Church



**Tickets:** Concert £10  
Concert & Reception After the Performance (in Wensley Village Hall) £15

**RSVP** to: Donald Farquharson, The Old School, East Witton, Leyburn, North Yorkshire, DL8 4SN 07710 499200. Please enclose a cheque payable to Hope and Homes for Children. Alternatively, please email: [dhfarquharson@gmail.com](mailto:dhfarquharson@gmail.com) and pay direct to our 'Hope and Homes Vale of York Support Group' bank account Sort Code: 20-37-13 ; Account No: 90374355 ref: Wensley Cantata. Gift Aid is possible – contact Donald Farquharson for details.



**Bellerby Open Gardens,  
Sunday 3rd July**

**10.30am – 4.30pm**

With gardens open throughout the village, renowned catering in the Memorial Hall, scarecrows to see, live music, free parking etc all for £5 per person (children free). We hope to see you then.



**Leyburn Group:** u3a Group: at the Arts and Community Centre, Leyburn

Fri July 15<sup>th</sup>: **William Wilberforce** –

Mary Wilberforce talks about her ancestor.

Fri August 19<sup>th</sup>: **From Scalpel to Spade - Helen Neave.**

Meetings: 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of every month at 10am

## LEYBURN ARTS & COMMUNITY CENTRE

Tickets / Info: **01969 624510** [leyburnartscentre.com](http://leyburnartscentre.com)

All tickets must be bought in advance – phone the office Mon-Fri 1-4pm)



**CINEMA** (£6 or 60+/U18 £5)

**FRI 1 JULY 6pm Parallel Mothers (15) 2hrs 3m**

**FRI 8 JULY 6pm The Duke (12) 1hr 36m**

**FRI 15 JULY 6pm Free Solo (12A) 1hr 40m**

**FRI 22 JULY 6pm Mrs Miniver (1942) (U) 2hrs 14m**

**FRI 29 JULY 6pm The Road Dance (15) 1hr 56m**

## OTHER EVENTS

**THU 21 JULY 7pm Prima Facie £12**

Live event cinema starring Jodie Comer. Recorded Live at London's West End.

**SAT 23 JULY 12 to 4pm Jayne Darling & LADS FREE ENTRY**

1940's entertainment with live singing & Dad's Army mini play.

**SAT 23 JULY 7pm Jayne Darling £12 (includes supper)**

1940's entertainment with a singalong supper. Always a popular event so book early.

**SAT 6 AUG 2pm Lucy Adlington £12 (incl. tea/coffee & biscuits)**

Historian Lucy discussing her bestselling new book: The Dressmakers of Auschwitz.

**Leyburn Arts & Community Centre** – would like to **THANK** all who came to be entertained on our recent Platinum Jubilee Weekend Festival of Performing Arts and for supporting our talented local artists. And thanks to all our artists too.



**North Yorkshire Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner Zoë Metcalfe is on the road** to hear views on proposals for North Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Service:

**Richmond Market Place**

• Saturday 16 July 10:00am – 4:00pm

**Northallerton High Street**

• Wednesday 20 July 10:00am – 4:00pm

Zoë is also encouraging people to share their views online by completing the consultation at [www.TellCommissionerZoe.co.uk](http://www.TellCommissionerZoe.co.uk)

Do you want to be involved in shaping local community mental health services?

## Join the discussion café



Find out more about local community mental health service transformation



Share your experience and ideas



Help influence the future of your local services

**Monday 11 July**

12pm - 3pm

Bedale Hall  
(DL8 1AA)

## Book your place:

**By email:**

[tewv.transformationnyy@nhs.net](mailto:tewv.transformationnyy@nhs.net)

**By phone:** 07717 806497

Please book by 6 July. The venue is accessible and refreshments and travel costs will be provided.

Community Mental Health  
Transformation  
North Yorkshire & York

*Working together to improve local mental health services*

Other opportunities are at:

Colborn Village Hall DL9 4LZ

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July  
12.30pm – 3.30pm

or

Thirsk and Sowerby  
Town Hall YO7 1QR

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July  
1pm – 4pm

## Which bridge?

*Answer at the end of 'Bridge'.*



## Next Bridge:

Please send any items to: [jervaulxliz@gmail.com](mailto:jervaulxliz@gmail.com)

by the **deadline: Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> August.**

It may sometimes be necessary to edit articles. Sometimes space is limited so not all articles can be included. Please note: The views expressed in the articles are those of the author.



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**Music of Ripon Cathedral over the last 1350 years**

**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> July at 7.30pm**

Featuring the Choristers and Lay Clerks of Ripon Cathedral and the St Cecilia Ensemble. An opportunity to step back in time and enjoy how religious music sung in Ripon Cathedral has developed through the ages – performed by a mix of accompanied and unaccompanied voices

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