

# THE GRINDLEFORD NEWS

April 2017



## Gallop **Raises Thousands for School**

Every year the Grindleford Primary School Parent Teacher Association organises the Grindleford Gallop, raising money for the local school children. This year was a great success.

The 21 mile walk/run is a beautiful local route passing through Eyam, The Monsal Trail, Bakewell, Chatsworth

and back along Frogatt Edge, We provide refreshments along the way and at the end. We have a wide range of participants, from groups of friends who have been walking it together for years to the keen fell runners who manage it in 2.5 hours!

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We raise thousands of pounds that buys school equipment and books, supports school trips, pays for a Christmas trip to a Panto and many more wonderful things. We are also able to give money to local Grindleford causes... you will soon see that we paid for the outdoor toilet in the new pavilion development, a practical resource the local children will be able to use. We also choose a local charity to contribute to, this year we will donate to the Thomas Theyer Foundation ([www.thomastheyerfoundation.org.uk](http://www.thomastheyerfoundation.org.uk)). This is an excellent cause celebrating the life of a local young runner; they provide access to outdoor activities for children and young people with additional needs, also children living with difficult life circumstances.



Thanks goes as ever to all the volunteers and marshals, the cake bakers (we make 600 slices of cake) the Preschool, Youth Club, staff of the school, the children who chopped all the veg for the soup, and Terry and Helen at the Sir William pub who cooked the soup. It's a real community affair.

We know that bringing all those people means

that they bring their cars with them. Thank you so much to the residents of Grindleford for being supportive and not grumbling about the cars parked. We work very hard, with the help of The Maynard and The Sir William who provide parking, to make sure as little inconvenience is caused as possible.

The final word comes from one of the participants who sent us this message:

‘Thank you for an absolutely fantastic day, the support of your community is absolutely overwhelming and the race itself was brilliant. It is one of the most challenging things I've ever done and hopefully will be back again next year. You should take pride or what you do you're in a fantastic supportive community which is hard to come by nowadays.’

*Sophie Heason*

*Grindleford*

# Goat



The Grindleford Goat is running again, this year on 9 September.

First, the Goat has a new chair, Sarah B, so all enquiries can come to her as a starting point. She will deftly farm everything out to the usual band of trusty people who work very hard to make this event happen. At the same time, we welcome some new enchanting faces.

They are taking over from some outgoing stalwarts, Simon, Helen, Alan and Sue, to whom we extend our very great thanks. Both in the run up to the ride and on the day, folk work flat out and it is a token of this that the event is so popular, successful and gets such great feedback. We have breakfast managers, site managers, course marker-outers, all the work which goes into getting the signs just right, those who look after our sponsors and exhibitors, carparking, the massive job of registering hundreds of people in very short order, the catering for the day and for the field stations, advertising, keeping everyone safe, and the monumental task of sorting out all the volunteers. We're also very grateful to our local landowner for giving us access for the Kid route. There is no such thing as too many hands on deck and we will be appealing a bit nearer the time for anyone who can help us, in a small way or a large one.

This is the fifth Goat, and the shop still needs the funds it generates. We have used Goat money for one off incidentals we simply couldn't otherwise afford, and looked to it for vital maintenance cover as well as other costs. But perhaps more importantly, it has allowed us to create a bit of a buffer in case profits drop off dramatically. There are a number of potentially serious risks to the shop lurking over every horizon, and we all feel pretty sure that if we were to have to close, it would be very hard indeed to get started again. So, having a few pounds in the bank to act as insurance, so that we could if necessary keep on trading while we got ourselves back onto our feet, is a wonderful boon.

We are actively considering, *a la* the Gallop, how we can support other worthwhile causes though, and will be making some decisions soon.

There will be more bulletins in future Grindleford News editions between now and September, please look out for our articles to see how you can pitch in.

*The Goat Committee*

# Grindleford Carnival



## *Update: Carnival 2016*

Firstly, we'd like to thank everybody for their involvement in helping to make last year's carnival so fantastic. Whether you helped sew a line of bunting or watched the dog show and enjoyed a cuppa... you all helped make it a success!

We managed to raise a tremendous £4991.89 which astounded us!

## *Fundraising*

The Carnival Committee has now been able to reinvest some of that money in the groups and organisations in the village which help to keep us all going. We donated £750 to the Grindleford Playing Field Committee to help with the plans for the new Pavilion area. We also gave £250 towards Grindleford Preschool.

We had a lovely start to this year as our friends at The Maynard raised an amazing £546 to kick us off, with their Christmas Raffle. Thank you!

Last year many families commented on how they enjoyed getting together to socialise at our Night at the Movies, so this year we held a Mardi Gras Party. The Maynard kindly gave us the use of

the ballroom and Charlie's Chooks donated eggs for our pancakes, which were a HUGE success!

Through ticket sales and raffle ticket sales we raised a tremendous £350 towards this year's carnival.

## *Theme for This Year*

This year we have decided to go with the theme 'Grindleford on Sea'. We are hoping to adorn the village with fish made by the Primary School, Pre School, Youth Club and Rainbows. Fancy dress and floats are to follow the seaside theme as well as dressing your front gardens. We have the RNLI coming to help us celebrate too!

## *Preparation for the Big Day!*

'Let's go all the way' is our strapline this year for our bunting. We would love to extend the bunting down the village towards Calver and possibly up in the Maynard direction too. Our next bunting-making session is taking place on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May, at The Maynard, 10am–2pm. Please let us know if you are able to come with scissors or a sewing machine!

Our raffle was a huge success last year raising over £1000. This was down to

our very kind businesses donating meals, hampers, days out etc. If you know a local business that's keen to get involved or have something to offer then we offer some publicity in the programme and on the list of raffle prizes on the day. See contact details below.

### *Leavers 2017*

Last year brought in a change to the traditional role of the Carnival Princess and saw a new role formed of 'Ambassador' to allow boys to be involved. This year has taken another change as we had ALL Y6 children apply! It's great to know they all are so keen to be involved.

There was a great deal of debate about how to ensure this was fair to all the children. The feedback from the children was that they all wanted to be part of something, but couldn't quite agree on how that should look. With some support from school and The Maynard (one of our ambassador sponsors last year) we agreed to remove the role completely and instead have one float for the Leavers 2017.

All the children will be involved with designing the float, the dress and contributing to the carnival for whatever

they are available to take part in. The theme of the carnival has to influence their designs but could be anything!

This is to be supported by school who are kindly going to arrange the hoodies which we introduced last year. On carnival day however the children may choose how to present themselves. This may be as a traditional princess, in fancy dress or just sporting the hoody.

The beauty of this system is that it's all inclusive and transferable to each new set of Y6 children, regardless of class size.

We wish Laura, Ruby, Bryn, Jesse, Millie, Keira and Logan all the best and can't wait to see what they come up with!

### *How You Can Help*

If you feel that you can offer anything at all to the organisation of the Carnival week (material for bunting, ideas, raffle prizes, helping on one of the stalls) or would just like to come along to the meetings (very informal and frequently with a pint!) and see how things are arranged, then please do contact us:

*Matilda Cooper* 07583 263783

*Kate Codd* 07967 527992

# *Grindleford*

# Pavilion Development

## *Planning Application*

We have now submitted our application for planning permission for the Pavilion Development. The pictures below show a visualisation of this scheme.



Proposed new front entrance



Phase 1 development

Bird's eye view as proposed

The scheme as proposed allows for 2 phases.

**Phase 1** development includes the following:

- youth club room
- storage rooms
- accessible toilet facilities
- new entrance & lobby
- outside access WC

**Phase 2** development includes refreshing and enhancement of the existing Pavilion building:

- building fabric repairs
- toilet and washroom refurbishment
- kitchen enhancements and possible extension
- window and door refurbishment / replacement

We think we almost have sufficient funds to proceed with phase 1 of the development, but of course we won't know for sure until we get quotations for the work, once planning permission is granted.

*Tim Reynolds*

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## Potato in a Bucket Competition

It's time to come and **collect your seed potato** so that you can grow it in a bucket and enter it at this summer's Horticultural Society Annual Show.

The idea is to grow a potato plant from one seed potato in a builders sized bucket. Bring the complete bucket along on show day, 19th. August 2017, and we will empty the buckets one by one during the afternoon to weigh each crop. Only then will we discover who has the heaviest crop. You get to take yours home afterwards to enjoy for dinner. Both children and adults can take part.

Any bucket up to 3 gallon size, maximum 12 inches in diameter, can be used; you will need to make some drainage holes in the bottom.

There will be no charge for the seed potatoes, but the usual entry fee will be payable on show entry night as per the schedule. No other variety of potato may be grown. Don't forget to put in an entry for the Potato in a Bucket class during show week!

The seed potatoes are sprouting and the time has come to make preparations.

If you would like to have a go, collect a seed potato and rules sheet from me during April – unless I run out of spuds sooner.

We look forward to lots of junior and adult competitors!

*Penny Reynolds* 1 St. Helens Croft (630023)

## *Grindleford*

# Horticultural Society

From October to April monthly illustrated talks are held at the Pavilion, Grindleford at 7:30pm, members free, visitors £2.00 and followed by refreshments.

Our next talk is on Tuesday April 25<sup>th</sup> when Irene Dugan, National Garden Scheme (NGS) county organiser, will share details of her favourite gardens to visit locally. These gardens are typically domestic gardens open for a few days a year for a small donation. These donations have led nationally to £3m being raised to support NGS beneficiaries. This year's NGS supported charity is the National Autistic Society.

GHS next visit is to 'Wild in the country' at Eyam on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July. 'Wild in Country' provides cut flowers com-

mercially and is an opportunity to find out how the professionals cope with the challenges of growing great flowers in the Peak District. Meet at the Pavilion at 1:45pm. Tickets to members are £5 and include on-site refreshments. Tickets should be purchased in advance from Judy Burdall [judyburdall@hotmail.com](mailto:judyburdall@hotmail.com).

Our two recent talks, the first by James Pogson, of Fairtrade Teas in Chesterfield, provided an insight not only into how the tea trade operates, but how Fairtrade can improve the lives of many people. Our second was given by Maureen Taylor, Heritage Consultant/Manager at Dronfield Barn Project, in full 17<sup>th</sup>-century riding dress, on the development of Tudor gardens. Her

insights into how these gardens were influenced by the growth in knowledge, wealth and changing values opened up for us a view of gardens seen from a different perspective.

Finally, it may seem a long way



off, but come August the annual horticultural shows will be upon us, so now is the time to be thinking about what you would like to show. Without your input the local shows will fade away, which we think would be a great loss. Entering costs very little, and whether

it's vegetables, flowers or baking, there is a category for you. How about a challenge within the competition, Dads vs Daughters, Mum vs Sons? Have a go!

*David Jackson*

## *Grindleford*

# Flood Group

We are a small group of people who meet and work with the relevant agencies to anticipate and resolve potential flood issues in Grindleford.

We have met twice in the past 6 months with the agencies - Environment Agency, Severn Trent, Derbyshire County Council and Derbyshire Dales. Both meetings were highly successful with helpful actions agreed. These actions include the Environment Agency agreeing to clear the island that has grown under the sewage pipe south of Grindleford Bridge. Debris collecting on the island was a significant contributor to the 2007 flood. Locally Stoke Quarry has kindly agreed to clear the gulleys on Eyam New Road and into the village as far as the first property.

We will build on this promising start and meet with the agencies again in July, when we hope to discuss surface water drainage and the height of the riverbanks, amongst other issues.

Grindleford Flood Action Group is compiling a list of volunteers who would be prepared to help others if the village is flooded. This would involve moving furniture, alerting people to move cars, helping vulnerable people to places of safety, calming traffic and in the worst case scenario offering hospitality. Volunteers would need to agree to have their names and contact numbers printed in "The Flood Action Plan".

Volunteers would be co-ordinated by a person appointed by GFAG.

If you are interested in the work we are doing and/or have comments and ideas for us, or if you would consider volunteering to help in case of a flood, please contact John Wood on 01433 631606 or [john.wood195@btinternet.com](mailto:john.wood195@btinternet.com).

*Sue Fairbrother 630160*



# The Grindleford Community Shop

## *Reflections of a Part-time Shopkeeper*

As I write this I am looking out of the shop window at sunshine. There are folk outside drinking tea and if I crane my neck just a little bit, I can see a daffodil. It has been such a dreary, long, wet winter that a bit of sunshine is very welcome, and the weather reflects itself with unerring accuracy in our daily profits. So, more of the same please. It is possible that as you read this it will once again be tipping it down. We draw comfort from knowing where we are with the weather again, but I am still hoping for a warm spring and a long hot summer.

A couple of folk have just come into the shop and, as is often, and very delightfully, the case, commented on its quaintness and the ideal location. I smiled and said, “we are celebrating our third birthday this year!”, again as I often do, followed by a brief reflection on the fact that it’s all not at all bad for a bunch of rank amateurs. However, once the coffee was served, smiles exchanged, and I am sitting down once again to type, it occurs to me with some force that actually, it is. Not a bad job. And we are not just a bunch of rank amateurs—over the years some of us have become pretty expert at our



various tasks and honed the processes down with military precision—those of us to whom I refer will know who I mean. But we are also a bunch of friends. I—and Andrew too—have met so many people I wouldn't otherwise know, and I think we both feel much more part of our village than ever we did before. Sometimes our volunteers voice the same thought, and that makes me glad.

The shop is much more, perhaps, than the sum of its parts.

We have just had our AGM and we're very grateful to the 37 of you who left your warm homes to make us quorate. We decided, in the end, not to reduce

our quorum as we thought it was important to keep a good number of folk involved in the decision making process so we'll be after you all again next year! Watch out!

We have some new committee members and a new Chairman, June Walker. We are very grateful to June and others for stepping up, and we also said a heartfelt thankyou to Lionel for his wonderful chairmanship over the past year or so.

Finally. We are sharing a photograph of Mr Paul Grindle, who came to visit the shop last year, and his partner. What's in a name!

*Sarah and Andrew*

## District Council Notice:

# Local Project Funding

Your DDDC Councillors, Vicky Massey-Bloodworth and Jean Monks, have access to a small fund for very local projects.

The funding is very flexible. It is expected that the grants will benefit a wide range of groups/activities. For example, vulnerable children or adults, young people, facilities for older people, community facilities, parish councils (but only for specific projects), local environment projects, and innovative events which may promote community spirit or bring economic benefit to the area.

The scheme may be used to facilitate match funding from other organisations, but match funding is in no way a requirement.

All information is available online and applications must be made online: [www.derbyshiredales.gov.uk/community-a-living/funding-and-grants/local-projects-fund](http://www.derbyshiredales.gov.uk/community-a-living/funding-and-grants/local-projects-fund).

*Vicky Massey-Bloodworth  
Jean Monks*



**COFFEE  
MORNING  
&**

**PLANT  
SALE**

**PAVILION**

**Saturday  
13th May  
9.30 to 12.30**

Raising money for our pavilion development scheme



The twice yearly litter picks—usually in March and October—each typically yield some 30 to 40 full-size black bin bags, plus larger items such as fly-tipped carpets, builders waste, tyres and more. More than 80 full black bin bags. That's a realistic and staggering measure of at least how much litter is left or dropped or thrown on a regular basis over the roads into our village in the National Park EACH YEAR.

The Parish Council have funded 25 sets of litter pick tools and bags. My young daughters attended last time as there are child-size litter tools and plenty of safe walks and paths that can combine an afternoon in the fresh air with a worthwhile socially-responsible lesson and activity for both children and their parents.

The Derbyshire Dales District Council collect and dispose of the accumulated litter each time. We should all note they are always prompt and available to collect any flytipping, which anyone report online. Those that feel that the litter pick should be the “council’s job anyway” are living in another era, long before the stretched resources which such councils face were prioritised well away from tidying our countryside.

It should be a matter of pride how Grindleford residents keep their neighbouring countryside tidy. A very great and deserved thanks and appreciation goes to the gang of village volunteers who show what difference a Community Spirited group can make to their neighbourhood over just a couple of hours in the fresh air on a Sunday afternoon.

The littering isn't likely to stop anytime soon, so the next one will be around October, keep an eye out for the notices around the village. In the meantime, everyone is welcome to pick up that piece of litter before them on the pavement or path, that includes you. Yes we'd all really rather be doing something else too—it's as much everyone's job as your twice yearly village litter pickers.

*Friends of Grindleford*

# Station



Last month fourteen enthusiastic people met to develop ideas to improve our station. We decided that we would start by tackling the overgrown grassy area behind Platform 1 to grow plants; we would look to develop a local history montage on the shelters and give visitors ideas for walks from the station.

We will shortly be holding planting days so please set aside any spare bulbs, perennials or bushes that you have going spare and watch out for notices both in the village and on [Grindleford.com](http://Grindleford.com) website. We would welcome people getting involved in small scale veg or fruit planting that could then be harvested to share.

Our next meeting is Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> April at 09:30 at the station. Anyone interested would be warmly welcomed, whether to become a regular, to lend support to specific projects or propose and help develop new ideas. For more information contact [kay.allinson1@btinternet.com](mailto:kay.allinson1@btinternet.com).



*Kay Allinson*



## **A TOUR DE FARCE!**

HADIT are at Hope Methodist Hall from Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> to Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> April nightly with *NOISES OFF*, the award-winning comedy by Michael Frayn. A third-rate repertory company is touring with a dreadful fourth-rate farce, aptly entitled 'Nothing On'. *Noises Off* is cunningly structured so that we see this farce at various stages of its doomed tour, both from the audience side and back stage. Can stressed-out director Lloyd hold things together? Will elderly actor Selsdon stay sober long enough to make his entrance on time? Does leading lady Dotty know whether she is coming or going? The show must go on...

Tickets (£8 including refreshments) from Watson's Farm Shop or through Carolyn on 01433 620665 / [carolyn.garwes@tinyworld.co.uk](mailto:carolyn.garwes@tinyworld.co.uk).

# Quaker Community at Bamford

## Hun Yuan Qigong Weekend

28 April – 1 May

This 3 day retreat teaches the set of Hun Yuan level 1 Qigong exercises which are suitable for beginners and intermediate practitioners. The exercises derive from a collaboration between Master Ma Bao Guo of Beijing and Master Chris Chappell of The Institute of Contemporary Qigong ([www.realtaoism.com](http://www.realtaoism.com)).

The movements of Hun Yuan Qigong train body and mind to release soft tissue adhesions and habitual tensions and so achieve relaxed natural alignments of the body structures.

They produce balance, coordination, strength and flexibility through the joints of the spinal column and of the limbs. This reduces risk of injury and leads to comfort and long life of the joints.

Hun Yuan Qigong has a special effect in energising the enteric nervous system. We know from the work of Robert Schleip that a relaxed but dynamic belly stimulates many non-voluntary functions including the endocrine system. 90% of the body's serotonin (a crucial mind moderating hormone) is produced there.

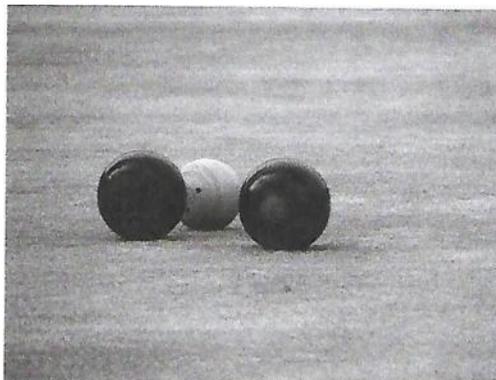
Each exercise is based on a shrink and grow principle within the natural alignments of the body, balancing oppositional forces to produce a 'tensegrity'—a

springiness that enhances the joy of movement throughout an individual's life.

The set is taught by Mark Adams a certified teacher of Hun Yuan Level 1 since 2013 and a Qigong and Bagua practitioner since 1999.

*Daniel Wimberley*





**CAN YOU GET A BOWL  
THIS CLOSE TO THE JACK?**

**YOU WILL NEVER KNOW  
UNTIL YOU TRY.**

Bowl = large dark colour  
Jack = smaller light colour

# Hathersage Bowling Club

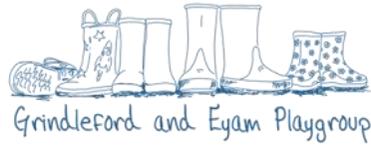
Where the emphasis is on fun and enjoyment.

‘Sumer is icumen in’ we hope. Shorts and t-shirts have shrunk during the winter? Or is the extra helping of Christmas pudding still hanging around? Perhaps the fifth mince pie? In need of a little gentle exercise? Want room for the crème eggs at Easter?

Hathersage Bowling Club can help. No cross trainers, no rowing machines, no treadmills, just a few leisurely strolls across the perfectly manicured grass of the bowling green next to the outdoor swimming pool and childrens’ play park. You only need to have shoes with flat soles and some interest—we are confident enthusiasm will come later.

If you have never played Crown Green Bowls before we can offer one-to-one help at a day and time convenient for you. It can also be at a quiet time on the green, but always remember all our members were beginners once and we have all the facilities you need for an enjoyable hour or two. Go on, give it a try, you have nothing to lose and might eventually need smaller size summer clothes.

Contact Eileen on 650543



The Spring term has been particularly exciting this year, including an Ofsted inspection in January. We are incredibly proud to have been judged **OUTSTANDING**. In his summary, the Inspector noted:

*“Staff are very caring and vigilant. They ensure children are safe, secure and confident as they take part in the exciting activities available. Children settle in quickly when they first start and develop firm friendships with each other. They are very happy, inquisitive and well behaved.”*

Since we introduced the outdoor based sessions such as forest school and woodland adventure we have seen the positive impact this has had for each child’s development and we are really pleased that Ofsted agree.

*“Children are eager to learn and rapidly gain the skills they need to support their future learning”.*





These photos show our woodland adventurers out and about in the nearby fields and woods. The high adult:child ratio allows the children the freedom to investigate and experiment.

*“Children rapidly develop the confidence to act independently and explore the world around them”.*

We will be allocating places for September 2017 soon, if you would like to join our waiting list please complete an application form available from playgroup or online at [www.grindlefordandeyamplaygroup.org.uk](http://www.grindlefordandeyamplaygroup.org.uk)

Or drop in to visit during our **Friday mud kitchen** sessions 10.00am to 11.30am, £2.50 per child.



For a chance to join in the forest school fun, see where the exploring takes place and help with the building of a new den – come along to our **Family Forest School**

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> May 10-12.30pm.

£5 per family plus donations towards hot drinks

We would like to wish everyone a very Happy Easter from the team at Grindleford and Eyam Playgroup.



\*\*\*\*\* COMEDY NIGHT RETURNS \*\*\*\*\*

Put this date in your diary now – Rob Rouse will present another Comedy Night on Tuesday July 18<sup>th</sup>. Rob and friends will be helping to raise funds for playgroup for the 4<sup>th</sup> year running – superstars indeed!!!

# St Helen's Church

## *News*

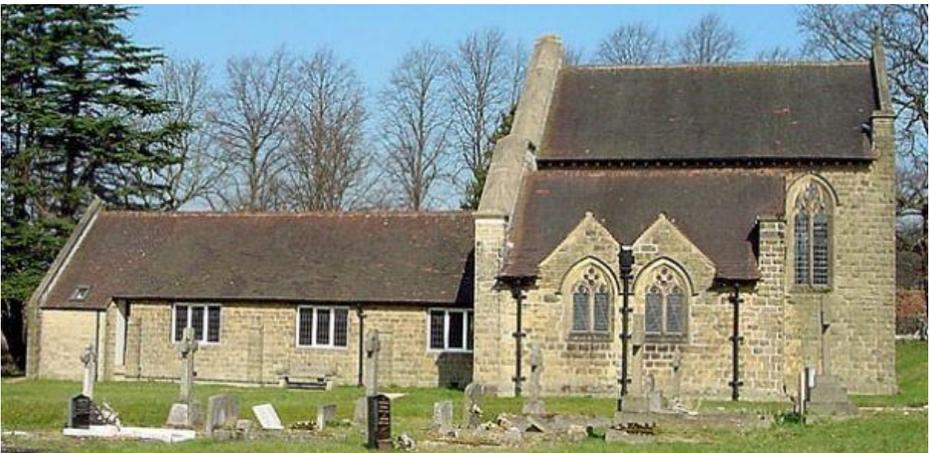
Several members of our congregation enjoyed a coffee morning recently to raise funds for the Ashgate Hospice Care for a Cuppa event. We were able to send a donation of £110.

On Mothering Sunday we were joined by the Grindleford Rainbows and family members. The Rainbows distributed posies to all the ladies present and were encouraged to take an extra posy with them to give to a neighbour or relative who might appreciate the small gift. The posies were made in school and were assisted by some of our church members. It is fair to say that some of the older children have done this many times before, so no longer need any assistance!

Our afternoon tea group are still meeting on a monthly basis. This usually takes place in church on the third Wednesday of the month. However, the next afternoon tea will be held on April 26<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm. Please join us.

Our APCM (Annual Parish Church Meeting) will be held on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April at 7:00pm. All welcome.

*Churchwarden*



## *Grindleford*

# Singers

### *Raising Money for Refugee and Starving Children*

The number of refugees in Europe has reached a level not exceeded since WW2. They are people trying to escape war and terrorism, persecution and destruction of their homes. Many thousands of children are travelling alone, as orphans or separated from their families. In East Africa, drought, war and lack of food mean millions of children and their families are facing starvation. This autumn in Grindleford there will be two events, a concert and an exhibition, to raise money for UNICEF to help these children.

### *Concert*

The Grindleford Singers and friends present

### **Songs for an autumn evening**

Saturday 23 September 2017 in St Helen's Church, Grindleford

*Music from many times and many places*

*Songs you know well*

*Songs that will be a new treat*

The Grindleford Singers meet weekly on Sunday afternoons to sing music which ranges from 16th century choral pieces to present-day pop. They formed as a group in January of last year and this will be their first concert. The programme will reflect the broad range of the Singer's interests, with a focus on classic songs from Broadway shows and film musicals of the 1930s.

### *Exhibition*

### **The Wolstenholme Collection: Traditional Ceremonial Costumes from Eastern Europe**

Friday 27th October to Sunday 29th October 2017 in St Helen's Church, Grindleford

For nearly 50 years Marina Wolstenhome has collected dresses worn for the singing and dancing of rural village celebrations.

In scope and quality her collection surpasses all but those in the great national museums. There are rare original costumes, which show how much has been lost as village life declined during the last century, and examples of exquisite needlework in different styles and techniques.

*Peter Tregenza*



# Exploring Longshaw

## *Longshaw News*

**Spring is here!** – Buds are opening, migrating birds are returning and later in spring the bluebells will be out. Please share any lovely spring photos with us on our facebook page. Our rangers will be surveying wildlife activity from haymeadows to dragonflies, un-bunging nest-boxes for the pied flycatchers, and making sure the boundaries are keeping livestock safe in their grazing places.

**Sheep** – Sheep have returned to graze at Longshaw after their winter vacation, and cows will be arriving later in spring, not to mention ground-nesting birds are busy nest-building, so please keep dogs on leads again.

**Woodland Path** - Our rangers, estate team and contractors have been busy creating a new woodland path through the woods near to the car park, making a circular route to the café and back via the stream and the ice house. Two beautiful bridges have been built using handrails made of oak planks from the estate, and we've even uncovered previously unknown archaeological feature relating to the water system from the lodge in years gone by. We've been working hard to make this path as accessible as possible. It should be open to the public by the summer so please let us know what you think!

**Boardwalk Path in Froggatt Wood** – We've been working to build a boardwalk path in Froggatt Wood with Derbyshire Dales rambles, made of a plastic that looks like wood, so it won't rot! This has also unearthed an old stone path that connects with the public footpath there. The stone path dates from the 1700s and goes to the water powered Lead Smelter that was there.

**Moorland Discovery Centre** – We've been running school visits during National Science Week in March on the theme of moorlands, including a visit by Grindleford School. We've got lots of groups coming up to use the space as a base for their adventures, from pre-school groups, to groups of refugees working to help our rangers with conservation work, to local businesses holding their meetings at the centre. The Easter Egg Trails will also start from the Moorland Discovery Centre this year.

*Longshaw Calendar*

Sat 8 – Thu 13 Apr 10.30–15.30

**Spring Discovery Trail** - £1

Sun 9 April 9:00–13:00

**Beginners Climbing Session** - £25 B

Sun 9 April 13.15–16.45

**Abseiling and Weaselling** - £25 B

Sun 9 April 10:00–12.30

**Muck in Day** - Free

Fri 14 – Mon 17 Apr 10.30–15.30

**Cadbury Easter Egg Hunt** - £3

Tue 18 April 9:00–13:00; 13.15–16.45

**Zipwire, Climbing and Abseiling** -  
£35 B

Tue 18 – Sun 23 Apr 10.30–15.30

**Spring Discovery Trail** - £1

Sun 23 April register 8.15am

**Trust10** - Free

Sat 6 May 10:00–12:00

**Nordic Walk**

Sun 14 May 10:00–12.30

**Muck in Day** - Free

Sun 28 May register 8.15am

**Trust10** - Free

Thu 1 – Sun June 10.30–15.30

**Magnifying Glass Trail.**

Zoom into Longshaw. Trail £1, buy a magnifier for an extra £2

Thu 1 June 9:00–13:00

**Beginners Climbing Session** £25 B

Thu 1 June 13.15–16.45

**More Advanced Climbing Session**  
£25 B

Sat 3 June 10:30–12:30

**Nordic Walk**

Sun 11 June 10:00–12.30

**Muck in Day** - Free

Sun 18 June 10:00–12:00

**Wildflower Wander** - £5 B

Sun 25 June register 8.15am

**Trust10** - Free

Sat 1 July 10:00–12:00

**Nordic Walk**

Sat 1 July 10.30 – 15.30

**National Meadows Day**

Bumblebee safaris and more. Free

Sun 9 July 10:00–12.30

**Muck in Day** Free

Sat 22 July (daily to 3 Sep) 10.30–16:00

**Summer Trail** £1

Sun 23 July register 8.15am

**Trust10** - Free

Fri 28 July 9:00–13:00

**Beginners Climbing Session** £25 B

Fri 28 July 13:15–16:45

**Abseiling and Weaselling** £25 B

Wed 16 August, 10:30 – 15:30

**Bogtastic!**

Learn all about the bogs at the Moorland Discovery centre, including a safari to the Eastern Moors £4 all

For bookable events please visit the website [www.nationaltrust.org.uk/longshaw](http://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/longshaw)

*Jenny Gerrans*

# Eyam Surgery

Church Street, Eyam, Hope Valley S32 5QH  
 Telephone: 01433 630836 Fax: 01433 631832

Consultation times updated 6th October 2016  
 Eyam Surgery is open from 8.00am until 6.30pm

*If you need an emergency appointment please inform the receptionist*

Monday	9.00am until 11.30am	<b>Dr Evans</b>
	3.00pm until 5.30pm	<b>Dr Evans</b>
	5.50pm until 7.10pm	<b>Dr Goodwin</b>
Tuesday	9.00am until 11.20am	<b>Dr Evans</b>
	9.40am until 12.00pm	<b>Dr Pelc</b>
	12.10pm until 5.30pm	Physiotherapist
	3.00pm until 5.30pm	<b>Dr Evans</b>
Wednesday	9.00am until 11.30am	<b>Dr Checkland</b>
	3.30pm until 6.00pm	<b>Dr Checkland</b>
Thursday	8.30am until 11.00am	<b>Dr Goodwin</b>
	9.00am until 11.00am	<b>Dr Pelc</b>
	9.30am until 12.30pm	Citizens Advice Bureau (Alternate weeks)
	9.00am until 12.20pm	Midwife (Alternate weeks)
	2.00pm until 5.00pm	Wellbeing Worker (Except 1 <sup>st</sup> Thurs in the month)
Friday	1.00pm until 6.00pm	Counsellor
	8.30am until 10.30am	<b>Dr Goodwin</b>
	9.00am until 11.30am	<b>Dr Pelc</b>
	9.20am until 13.00pm	Podiatrist
	3.00pm until 17.30pm	<b>Dr Pelc</b>

**Practice Nurse, HCA, Telephone call and Triage appointments are available every day.**

**Bakewell & Eyam Community Transport operates on alternate Tuesdays and Wednesdays every week, 11.30am – 12.30pm. Please ring Reception to make an appointment for the Mini-Bus clinic.**

## Grindleford Patients

Monday	12.00pm until 13.00pm	<b>Dr Goodwin</b>
	Mini bus collection from home to be brought to Eyam Surgery and then back home.	
Thursday	12.00pm until 13.00pm	<b>Dr Goodwin</b>
	Mini bus collection from home to be brought to Eyam Surgery and then back home.	

# Medication Information

**Eyam Surgery is open for medication collection between 8.00am and 6.30pm every day.**

Dispensary is open from 8.30am until 6.30pm.

*Remember, reception can be extremely busy in the mornings therefore you may have to wait.*

**Bradwell Surgery is open for medication collection:**

**Mondays 9.00am – 12.00pm**

**Tuesdays 8.30am-11.30am**

**Wednesdays 8.30am – 12.00pm**

**Thursdays 9am – 12.00pm & 2.30pm - 6.30pm**

**Fridays 9.00am – 12.00pm & 4.30pm - 5.00pm**

**Grindleford**

**Medication can be collected from The Sir William Hotel, Grindleford:  
12.00pm -12.30pm Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays.**

If you require medication urgently when we are closed please take your prescription to the nearest pharmacist (a list of late/weekend opening pharmacists are detailed in the local paper). If you have no prescription, then call 111 for their advice or present yourself to the nearest A&E department.

For repeat prescriptions please ring 01433 631628 any day (Monday to Friday) between 10.00am and 12.00pm or 2.00pm and 4.00pm or fax your request to 01433 631832. You can also email us on [prescriptions.eyamsurgery@nhs.net](mailto:prescriptions.eyamsurgery@nhs.net); drop the white slip in the post to us at the above address or bring it along to any of the surgeries. There is also a link on our website ([www.eyamsurgery.co.uk](http://www.eyamsurgery.co.uk)) to the prescription e-mail account.

*We require a full 48 hours to process all prescription requests. Any orders placed after 4pm will not be ready for 48 hours from the following day. This includes e-mail requests.*

**We now have the facility for patients to directly order their repeat medication and make appointments online with “Patient Access”. Please bring photo ID to reception and we’ll issue you with password and instructions.**



# New Woodlands in the High Peak

Over 100,000 new native trees have been planted on the steep valleys of the High Peak over the last three winters, in one of the UK's largest native broad-leaf woodland creation projects.

“The Peak District naturally should have more woodland,” said Tom Harman, National Trust project officer for the High Peak. “It’s a huge area of land with very few trees in it, and we want to change that.”

Over seventy people, including contractors and volunteers have been working with the National Trust planting oak, birch, holly, hawthorn, rowan, aspen and alder trees along the steep valleys (‘cloughs’) above the Howden and Derwent reservoirs and around Kinder Scout. These new ‘clough woodlands’ will soon grow into a landscape very different to the conifer plantations around the dams, or the bare grass below the moors grazed by generations of Derbyshire sheep.

“If you’ve got sheep grazing in the uplands you’re not going to get trees growing without doing something about it,” said Tom, “So we’ve fenced areas off to allow trees to grow naturally, and we’ve planted trees in guards where we still get some sheep.”



Visitors are asked to help preserve the young trees by closing gates in planted areas after passing through, as stray sheep can quickly knock over guarded trees and eat the saplings.

The fencing allows natural regeneration with access for walkers via gates and stiles, said Tom. A small fenced woodland above Howden is now full of local oak and birch trees

Tree planting above Howden reservoir: Assistant ranger Hannah Cantrell and volunteer ranger Matt Hilton-Webb checking a holly tree before planting



Tree planting above Howden reservoir: Assistant ranger Hannah Cantrell and volunteer ranger Matt Hilton-Webb checking the newly-planted trees .

alongside planted varieties from the 1980s. “This wood wouldn't be here unless someone had put a fence round it 30 years ago,” Tom said.

Partner organisations supporting the project include the National Park, Moors for the Future, the Forestry Commission and the Woodland Trust, who recently pointed out that the UK is nowhere near its target of planting 11 million new trees between 2015 and 2020, and that planting needs to increase even more to bring England's paltry 10% tree cover closer to the 38% average in Europe.

“A lot of tree planting we see at the moment is on a much smaller scale, the size of a tennis court for example, so it's really important to see a 'landscape scale' project like this in a National Park, particularly when the country is not meeting its tree planting targets,” said Doug Edmondson of the Woodland Trust.

Tom Harman, said the new woodlands will stop peat eroding and releasing carbon, and reduce flood risks by soaking up water and slowing down river flow.

“We hope in a few years time today's children can bring their own kids and find woodlands that look like they've always been here, with butterflies, wood warblers, redstarts, buzzards and all kinds of animals, from lizards to deer,” said Tom.

*David Bocking* for the NT

## *Grindleford*

# Gaiters



On one of the recent Gaiters walks, we set out to find the stone circle at Wet Withens on Eyam Moor. Many of us have known about this stone circle for years but have never actually found it. With some local knowledge from our leader, after having walked from Grindleford to Eyam then up Sir William Hill, we set forth from the road corner near the top of Sir William Hill. After about 20 minutes walking we first noticed a green sign, close by is the actual stone circle.



The green sign actually relates to an adjoining stone barrow.

The circle is heavily disguised by heather, it is about 30 metres in diameter and about half a dozen stones are visible—barely projecting above the circular bank. Only one has any prominence, it is shaped like a chair.

The stone circle is the largest embanked stone circle in Derbyshire. No doubt the site was chosen for its magnificent 360 degrees view of the surrounding landscape. Apparently the sun rises from behind Higger Tor at midsummer.

If you want to join us, the Gaiters walk every other Thursday, generally meeting at the Pavilion car park at 9:30am. Most walks are typically about 5 miles; so you will need to be fit enough to walk this distance over Peak District terrain, such as moorland and rocky paths. You should also be suitably equipped and bring a hot drink or water. At the end of our walks we enjoy a good lunch at a local hostelry.

Keep walking!

*Tim Reynolds 630023*

## *Grindleford*

# News

### **A BIG thank you to all our volunteer distributors!**

If you are enjoying reading this latest issue of GN, it is probably due to the efforts of a small, dedicated group who tramp around the village in all weathers delivering you your copy!

We deliver 380 copies 4 times a year to almost every household in the village. The few exceptions are properties that are gated or do not have a letter box.

So, on your behalf, we should thank the following volunteers for their sterling good work getting the News out:

Frank & Carol Galbraith – Nether Padley.

Mick & Sue Green – Sir William Hill.

Alan & Heather Jacques – Main Road, Mount Pleasant & Stoke.

Steve & Janet Slingsby – Upper Padley.

John & Ellie Wood – Padley, Maynard and Tedgness Roads.

Thanks to you all – keep up the good work!

*Alan Jacques and Ed.*



## Support Dementia UK at the London Marathon

Thank you to everyone who has given money already. We have so far managed to raise over £1000 but you can still donate at

[uk.virginmoneygiving.com/  
JeremyandPat](http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/JeremyandPat).

As you know we are raising money for Dementia UK who provide support for families who have a member with the condition. Meanwhile training continues:)

Thanks again

*Jeremy Braysshaw*

## Dear Grindlefordians...

I grew up in the village and hopefully will be moving back to Grindleford. I am looking for a one bedroom flat/apartment/granny flat to rent from August. Also open to house share but would prefer my own living space. I have family in Grindleford and I am in my 30s, working mainly in Sheffield. I love the area, walking, dancing and reading.

If you know of anywhere please contact Ziggy on 077953 65577 or [ziggyslins-by@gmail.com](mailto:ziggyslins-by@gmail.com).



# Tilly's New Role

Did you go to the Grindleford Community Shop AGM? I did and was voted onto the Management Team as Chairman—wow, how did that happen? Seriously though, if you have any ideas about how we can improve what we do in the shop, don't hesitate to contact me, after all it is your shop.

## *Bon Appetit*

One Sunday a few weeks ago a young couple came into the shop with a small boy in tow—he would be about 4 years old I guess. We got chatting, as you do, and they said that they had just been walking in Longshaw and that the little lad had enjoyed feeding the ducks. Suddenly a little voice piped up, “how do you catch a duck daddy?” “Why do you want to catch a duck?” says daddy. “To eat it,” piped up the little lad. There was a stunned silence and then daddy explained that you can't just eat the ducks. The family beat a hasty retreat from the shop. Never a dull moment!

## *Show Stopper*

I enjoy chatting to the customers in the shop and the first question I ask is whether they are local or on holiday, and have found that the shop has become rather cosmopolitan of late with people coming from the USA, Australia and all points in the UK—this makes for some very interesting conversations. However, the conversation I had with a young lady called Ziggy, just before Christmas, beat all of the others into a cocked hat.

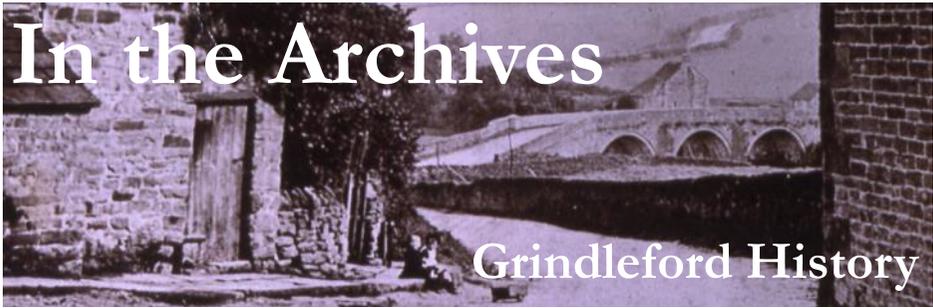
As usual I asked if she was local and it transpired that she used to live in the village, is now living in Bristol but would love to come back here to live. I asked what she did for a living and she casually explained that she was an aerial performance artist and also trained people to become high wire performers. Wow, that was totally amazing!

Note: see photo of Ziggy on facing page.

*Tilly's Notes:* I'm feeling a bit lonely in the shop on my own and was wondering if there are any families, or individuals, out there who fancy working with me for a couple of hours on the occasional Sunday. We also need volunteers during the week. If you are new to the village this is a great way of getting to know everybody. Give it a go; you won't be disappointed. If you don't fancy working in the shop we also need cake bakers and jam makers.

Please get in touch with June Walker ([june@hillsett.co.uk](mailto:june@hillsett.co.uk)).

Bye for now!



*Grindleford News from the Archives*

**10 Years ago – 2007.** The River Derwent bursts its banks in June, and there is flooding on the Bridge Field affecting nearby properties and the new allotments.

*See photo.*

**20 Years Ago – 1997.** The funeral is held of Major Norman Duffield, the former Chairman of Nether Padley Parish Council and Trustee of Grindleford Playing Fields. Other village residents who passed away during the year included Jack Morton and Alec Hoskin.

**30 Years Ago – 1987.** Grindleford Parish Council is formed, amalgamating the former Parishes of Stoke, Nether Padley and the Upper Padley part of Hathersage.

**35 Years Ago – 1982.** An appeal is launched to raise £10,000 to complete the Bridge Field Pavilion. The *Sheffield Star* reports: “So much has been achieved by the villagers in such a short time, but they have set themselves an ambitious target.”

*(And we are doing it all over again in 2017!)*

**40 Years Ago – 1977.** Grindleford celebrates the Queen’s Silver Jubilee; all children at school receive a commemorative coin, events include sports for adults and children on the Bridge Field and a Senior Citizens’ Tea at the Sir William Hotel.

Headlines in The Derbyshire Times state: ‘Village to fight for survival against plan for old tip.’ A fierce campaign is launched against proposals by Northern Strip Mining to excavate and reclaim waste from the tip at Grindleford Station.

**50 Years Ago – 1967.** Parcels of land at the Parish Piece on Sandy Lane and The Sheepwash (now Jubilee Garden) are registered as Common Land.

**60 Years Ago – 1957.** The Royal Christmas Message is broadcast on television with the Queen on camera for the first time.

**70 Years Ago – 1947.** Grindleford War Memorial is re-dedicated on 9<sup>th</sup> November in honour of those village men who gave their lives for their Country in WW2.

**80 Years Ago – 1937.** The coronation of King George VI and Queen Elizabeth takes place at Westminster Abbey, London. Celebrations in Grindleford include a Grand Procession and a dance at the Maynard Arms.

**100 Years Ago – 1917.** Tragedy strikes for village families as five Grindleford servicemen lose their lives in the First World War.



Grindleford Bridge and Jubilee Garden flooding on 25th June 2007.

# Parish Council Notes

**Parking at Longshaw.** The Council is pressing Derbyshire County Council Highways to provide new and improved signage and road markings to alleviate congestion caused by illegally parked vehicles at the top of Padley Gorge.

**Speed Checks.** Following concerns about speeding vehicles in the village, a request has been made via the Derbyshire Constabulary to CREST (Casualty Reduction Enforcement Team) to assess the needs for speeding checks.

So it is probably a timely reminder to all motorists to observe the 30mph speed limit throughout the village.

**Funds.** The Council has a small amount of funding available to local groups, clubs and societies in Grindleford for any projects that will be of mutual benefit to the community.

Please submit any requests for funding to the Clerk, on the contact details below.

**Station Yard.** Following complaints from residents of Upper Padley about excessive noise and disruption made by contractors using the yard, a meeting was held with Network Rail to discuss the issues. Network Rail has agreed a series of moves to help resolve the complaints.

**Elections.** County Council elections will be held on Thursday 4th May this year. Do make sure that you are registered to vote by visiting [www.derbyshiredales.gov.uk/your-council/elections](http://www.derbyshiredales.gov.uk/your-council/elections)

**Website.** There is now a page on the [Grindleford.com](http://Grindleford.com) website where the public can freely access Parish Council documents, including minutes of meetings, agendas and financial information. This makes the Council compliant with current legislation.

The Parish Council meets every second Thursday of the month at 7:30pm in the Bishop Pavilion. Residents wishing to raise any matters are given the opportunity to speak at the start of the meeting. Anyone wishing to do so should please contact either the Chairman, John Morton on 01433 631245 or the Clerk, Alan Jacques 01433 631586 [apjacques@sky.com](mailto:apjacques@sky.com) prior to the meeting.

*Alan Jacques*  
Clerk to the Council.

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## Useful Websites:

Grindleford Community Shop: [www.grindlefordvillageshop.co.uk](http://www.grindlefordvillageshop.co.uk)

Check out all the activities going on in our pre-school and primary school:  
[www.grindlefordandeyamplaygroup.org.uk](http://www.grindlefordandeyamplaygroup.org.uk) and  
[www.grindlefordprimaryschool.co.uk](http://www.grindlefordprimaryschool.co.uk)

Finally, don't forget the village has its own website where you can find out about what is going on locally and post details of your own events:  
[www.grindleford.com](http://www.grindleford.com)

## Any News?

If there's anything you feel should be covered in the next issue, please don't hesitate to contact the editor, Tim Shephard, on 639449 or (even better) [grindlefordnews@gmail.com](mailto:grindlefordnews@gmail.com). You could either write an item yourself, or suggest someone else who might be able to write one.

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