

# Washburn Valley & Mid-Wharfe Churches



*Love can be found in all manner of compassion and caring for each other*

February 2015

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## 2 Church details

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The parishes and Anglican churches of the Washburn Valley and  
Mid-Wharfe United Benefice are

All Saints Weston, St Helen Denton, St Michael and St Laurence Fewston,  
St Andrew Blubberhouses, All Saints Farnley, St Oswald Leathley  
[www.fewstonwithblubberhouses.org.uk](http://www.fewstonwithblubberhouses.org.uk)

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February



2015

	1 February Epiphany 4	8 February Second Sunday Before Lent	15 February Sunday Next Before Lent	22 February Lent 1	1 March Lent 2
Weston	Holy Communion 9.30am (T-BCP) Rev M. Wilkinson		Morning Prayer 10am (T-BCP) Mr J. Charman		Holy Communion 8.30am (T-BCP) Rev T. Kidd Rev G. Shield
Denton		Family Service 11am Mrs J. Shield <i>H. Crawford</i>		Holy Communion 11am (M) Rev M. Cleverley <i>L. Beattie</i>	<i>L. Beattie</i>
Fewston	Holy Communion 11am Rev G. Shield <i>Claire Verity</i>	Holy Communion 2.30pm Rev G. Shield <i>Claire Verity</i>	Family Service 11am To be confirmed <i>Cheri Beaumont</i>	Morning Prayer 11am (T-BCP) Mr J. Charman <i>Cheri Beaumont</i>	Holy Communion 11am Rev S. Hartley
Blubberhouses		CLOSED	FOR	WINTER	
Farnley	Plough Service 9.30am Rev G. Shield	Holy Communion 9.30am Rev S. Hartley		Morning Prayer 9.30am (T-BCP) Mr H. Walker	Family Service 9.30am
Leathley	Holy Communion 10am (T-BCP) Rev M. Cleverley	Morning Prayer 10am (T-BCP) Mr J. Charman	Holy Communion 10am (M) Rev G. Shield	Family Service with Baptism 10am Rev G. Shield	Holy Communion 10am (T-BCP) Rev G. Shield
Norwood		2.30pm Mr N. Revis		2.30pm Mr L. Pettit	
Timble	10.30am Rev F. Spandler		10.30am Holy Communion Rev L. Taylor		<i>Information not available at the time of going to print</i>

### HAS IT BEEN THAT LONG?

Yes, it's been 2 years since I was Licensed and Installed as your Parish Priest and I'm still getting to know folk and the different communities that make up 'my area' – the Washburn and Mid Wharfe United Benefice – and still being introduced as 'the new Vicar'. It's great to have finally moved into Leathley Rectory, despite it happening in the run up to Christmas and scaffold planks blowing down onto Julie's car. Julie is currently practising with the Aga – and I'm tasting what hasn't been burnt!

Yes, it's been 10 months since Camilla and family moved to pastures new. The first advert for the next House for Duty priest didn't entice any of the applicants to put their names forward so it has been advertised again. Please keep praying for the right person.

Yes, it's been nearly 8 months (as of now 19 Jan) since Evie was born and she has come along very well since her difficult entry into the world and has enjoyed a few Teddy Church mornings (2nd Friday of the month at Fewston) and her first Christmas.

We can all look back, and many do at the beginning of a year, and reviewing does help (as I've said before) but the important part is how you move on. For some, getting through the day is a challenge, for others it's a new project for the year – like reading a new book every month or learning a new

language. For others it's learning more of what's about them – local history or geography, or who they are – family tree.

Christians should be continuing to know who they are in Christ. This is never ending but will go through peaks and troughs. Whether it's through books (physical or electronic), seasonal or other courses, conferences, retreats and quiet days (to name a few) we can know more about our faith and draw closer to God and know how to help others as well.

One thing that the churches will be improving this year is visiting. It was one of the points on the Parish Profile 2 years ago and one that we're starting to tackle now. Part of this is to improve the communication – letting me know sooner rather than later by having a central point of contact and a nominated person in each community – as well as having some people trained as Parish Visitors. I can't always visit at the right time and other people have the gifts for visiting on behalf of the church as well – all over the place people are keeping an eye on each other, which is the way of the countryside. If people need a visit at home or in hospital or wherever, whether it's a one off or regular, for a chat or home communion I'd like to help somehow. A Parish Priest in the Church of England has the Cure of Souls for that

area – a shepherd with lots of sheep – and I want to be a better shepherd than I have been. I don't want it being said 'has it been that long since you were visited?'

May God's blessing be on you.

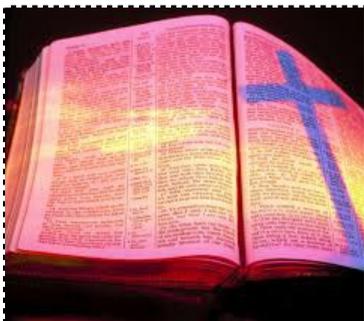
*Graham*

*Please note my new address, phone no. and email address*

Baptism of Isla Mae Shaw  
On 18 January 2015  
At Farnley

Funeral of Jill Beecroft  
On 12 January 2015  
At Fewston

Funeral of Norman Hollings  
On 14 January 2015  
At Fewston



Monthly Discussion Group  
Wednesday 18 February  
Fewston Parochial Hall  
10.30 to 11.45 am

We're continuing to look at John's Gospel, where we've reached Chapter 14  
All are very welcome for friendly discussion as we learn together

Confession to Alistair Wood  
*(with apologies to the Book of Common Prayer)*  
on behalf of the Benefice Choir

Almighty and most merciful conductor,  
We have erred and strayed from Thy beat like lost sheep.  
We have followed too much the intonations and tempi of our own hearts;  
We have offended against Thy dynamic marking;  
We have left unsung those notes which we ought to have sung  
And we have sung those notes which we ought not to have sung,  
And there is no support in us.  
But Thou, O conductor, have mercy on us miserable singers.  
Succour the chorally challenged;  
Restore Thou them that need extra note bashing.  
Spare Thou them that are without pencil.  
Pardon our mistakes and have faith that hereafter  
We follow Thy direction and sing together in perfect harmony.  
Amen

Dear Friends

The months from September to December 2014 have been extremely busy ones for the Circuit Leadership Team. So, I'd like to share with you some of the work we've been involved with.

### Stationing

In September 2015, Rev Andrew Atkins will join the Circuit working 50% of his time as airport chaplain at Leeds Bradford Airport and 50% of his time in the Aireborough partnership. Andrew is currently serving in the Leeds North and East Circuit. The Circuit Leadership Team made the brave decision not to rush into stationing to find a minister to replace Fiona. We have decided to wait until the next round of stationing in 2015-16 to allow us to take the time and space to think about how best the Circuit might be staffed and resourced from 2016 onwards.

We are aware that this decision will leave the Aireborough partnership with a reduction in ministerial staffing for 2015-16. But, please be assured that we are currently working hard to address this.

In February 2015, we will be welcoming Brenda Greetham as the new warden/rural missionary based at the Norwood Retreat Centre and Rev Derek Alan, a retired Baptist minister, who will be working part-time at Trinity, Rawdon.

Please do pray for Rev Fiona Spandler as she takes early retirement and seeks God's will as to her next steps. Please pray for Rev Nick Baker and his family as

Nick moves to the Angus, Dundee and Perthshire Circuit in September 2015 to be their Superintendent Minister.

### The way forward

As we've worked through the stationing process, our thoughts have also turned as to how best we might work together as a Circuit to fulfil our Circuit Mission Statement. As a Circuit Leadership Team, we have begun a process of discernment with the help of Rev Piers Lane from the Methodist Church's Discipleship, Learning and Ministry Network. As we are committed to enabling the ministry of the whole people of God, we will be asking all of the Circuit churches to share in this process, which will continue until the end of the Connexional year in 2016. We are hopeful that this process will also help us make the right decisions with regard to future staffing of the Circuit.

At the moment, this process is at a very early stage and I will share more with you at Circuit Meeting. It really is a case of "watch this space" as we begin what we believe will be a creative, dynamic and Spirit-filled piece of work, which will enable us to share the good news of Jesus in the towns and villages in which we live and worship.

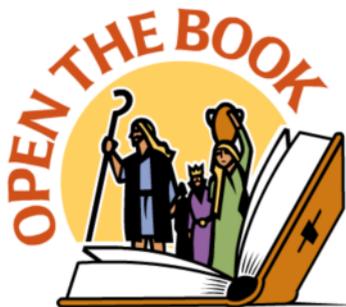
It looks like 2015 will be a busy year for us all. May it also be a very blessed one for us all.

Yours in Christ

Lesley Taylor

*Superintendent Minister*

Open the Book needs YOU!



As has been said before, Open the Book is a very good and easy way of bringing Bible stories into schools and is recognised by the schools, (and OfSTED) as such. The team at Askwith School generally go in on the third Wednesday at about 8.45 am for a quick practise whilst the team for Farnley School take the Collective Worship (Assembly) on the second and fourth Tuesday at about 9.05. They rehearse the half

term's sessions the term before and then run through it on the morning.

The sessions are 10-15 minutes and are enjoyed by the children and teachers – who all join in in different ways each time. Usually we dress up, sometimes it's a straight read of Bob Hartman's story, now and again it's via a Powerpoint presentation but the children always take part.

Sometimes the script needs 2 people, sometimes 4, and one or two of the team members have stepped back, or will be stepping back, from regular commitment.

To enable this wonderful piece of Children's Ministry to continue, we are looking for helpers to join the team either for each session or as and when they're available.

Please contact Mary and Michael Booth for Askwith School (01943 461281) or for Farnley School Yvonne Dale-Winder (01943 880225) or Rita Swallow (0113 2842434) or myself for more details.

*Graham 0113 203 7754*

**ADVANCE NOTICE FOR YOUR DIARY  
FEWSTON CHURCH**

**Pinsuti Singers**

**Saturday 21 March at 7.30pm**

**A programme of spiritual and secular music by this renowned choir  
Tickets available from Churchwardens, Pat and Cheri and PCC members**

Walking and praying with Christians of  
the Middle East from Churches  
Together in Britain and Ireland

The Christian churches of the Middle East are facing a crisis unparalleled in recent history. As a result of a set of complex religious and political factors, the number of Christians in the region has fallen dramatically as many have sought refuge in other parts of the world, especially the West. However these are ancient communities that trace their origins back to the very beginnings of Christianity. The present conflicts and political instabilities in countries such as Egypt, Iraq, Syria, Lebanon, Israel and the Palestinian Territories have had a profound impact upon these Christian communities. Many Church leaders in the region believe that without a Christian presence, the future of the Middle East looks bleak indeed.

Yet at the same time knowledge in the Western churches of these Christian communities remains minimal and often we are unaware of who Middle Eastern Christians are and what issues they face in today's world. In popular perceptions of the Middle East, Arab equals Muslim and rarely Christian. Our knowledge of our Christian sisters and Brothers in the region is an important

factor in their survival. [www.ctbi.org.uk](http://www.ctbi.org.uk)

During this season of Lent Rick and I are inviting you to join with us in walking with them and to pray for and with them. Lent is a crucial time to remember the lands in which Christianity has its roots - Syria, Lebanon, Egypt, Israel, Palestine and above all Jerusalem are names that remind us of crucial events in the Bible, but also names that dominate our news today.

As before, the venues are around the Benefice on a Wednesday morning. There will be Morning Prayer at 9.45 am, refreshments at 10.15 am and the course at 10.30 am. The first Morning Prayer (18/2) will include Imposition of Ashes and the last (25/3) will be said Holy Communion.

Feb 18 – Fewston Parochial Hall

Feb 25 – Denton Church

Mar 04 – Leathley Rectory

Mar 11 – Timble Chapel

Mar 18 - Fewston Parochial Hall

Mar 25 – Norwood Chapel

Please let me know if you'd like to go so that I can have sufficient course material.

*Graham*  
0113 203 7754

Morning Prayers ~ 9.45am

Wednesday 11 February  
Timble Chapel

Wednesday 25 February  
St Helen Church, Denton



Everyone is welcome to drop in and the start the day in prayer with fellowship afterwards over coffee



## SEEING AND UNDERSTANDING

Many people had seen the steam lift the lid of a kettle, but it took a James Watt to see it and go on to think of that power becoming a steam engine. It is all a matter of how we see things. We could see something a thousand times and not make the connection.

Jesus explained why he taught with parables, stories that explain some-thing in simple ways to do with everyday life that people of the time would recognise. He explained that it was because people look without seeing, and listen without understanding (Matthew chapter 13, verses 13-14).

We all do this, and that is why we need other people to help us learn more about what the stories in the Bible mean. People who can explain and help us to see with 'new eyes'.



## SEEING THE WORDS

All the words hidden in this word-search are things you see with or look at:

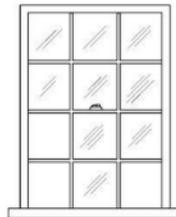
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G A M E N E U G O V

\* clock \* eyes \* game \* glasses \*  
goggles \* lens \* picture \* scene  
\* spectacles \* television \* video \*  
view \* watch



**What gadget do we use to see through a wall?**

A window.



**Optician:** What can you see out of the window?

**Patient:** Only the sun.

**Optician:** How far do you want to see, then?

**Optician:** You need glasses.

**Patient:** But I'm wearing glasses.

**Optician:** Then I need glasses.





























An Ordinary meeting of MWPC was held at Askwith Village Hall on 20 November 2014. Langbar, Nesfield, Denton, Askwith and Weston parishes were all represented. Cllr Fort from NYCC PC Scott from NYCC Police, clerk and members of the public were also in attendance. Items that were discussed included road safety outside Askwith School, Cold Calling zones in Middleton and Denton which should be in place early in 2015. The Clerk had received further quotes for kerbing around Denton grass triangle. It was agreed to pay for a Verge Crossing. Application to NYCC who would then provide a full specification to enable the contractors to confirm quotations before a final decision was made. Cllr Stewart asked if Denton Hall Estates would allow local residents to maintain the Estate's small parcel of land opposite the Denton Grass triangle as this is over grown and unsightly. Clerk to follow this up. Middleton was now without a councillor after the resignation of Susan Missin. Election notices had been posted and a new councillor can be co-opted from late December. All the council's policies

and regulations were updated. Budgets for 2015/16 were discussed with the precept to rise by £30 which is the first increase in 5 years. Under Highway matters the increased traffic over Denton suspension bridge was highlighted with a suggestion of priority arrows posted at each end of the bridge. Accounts were presented and invoices paid. Under planning matters the recent planning application for a footbridge crossing the river Wharfe into Burley was discussed and it was confirmed that the council opposed this. Members of the public were reminded that if they have an opposition to a planning application then they should write with their comments to the planners as this will have just as much impact as any council comments.

The next meeting is 19 February 2015 at Askwith Village Hall starting at 7.45pm.

*Nick Pullan Clerk to MWPC*  
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*Please visit our new website:*  
*[www.midwharfedaleparishcouncil.btck.co.uk](http://www.midwharfedaleparishcouncil.btck.co.uk)*

The Lower Washburn Parish Council met on 8 January. The parish members discussed the budget for 2015/2016 and agreed that the precept would be increased from £6500 to £6750.

There is concern that the current 40 mph speed limit through Leathley may be being abused and we will be asking North Yorkshire County Council to carry out a speed survey in Leathley to see if the current speed limit needs amending.

I am happy to report that crime figures published by NYCC police show that no crimes have been reported in the area of the parish for November and December 2014.

PC Marie Scott (collar number 187) has been appointed to be responsible for our area and can be contacted by dialling 101, press option 2 and asking for her by name or collar number.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Thursday 12 March 2015 commencing at 8.00pm in the Leathley Village Hall.

*M. Elam  
Clerk to the Council*

At the first meeting of the year Washburn Parish Council welcomed Mr John King as the new parish care-taker; he replaces Mike Walsh who

recently retired. We thank Mike for the excellent work he provided, his motivation and commitment to any task.

From April North Yorkshire County Council is reducing their grass cutting budget by only cutting grass, on main roads, for safety and visibility rather than aesthetic reasons. If this is deemed not to be sufficient in the valley the Council will consider making further arrangements.

In June there will be two cycle events passing through the Parish. Ilkley Cycling Club hosts the White Rose Classic on Sunday 28 which goes along the B6451 and then on through Blubberhouses. Harrogate Nova CC hosts their road race based around Norwood and Pennypot Lane. To alleviate the impact of car parking on the community the organiser, Dave Morris, has asked for suggestions or help with facilities on the day. If you have any suggestions please get in touch with Dave on 07969731887.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Monday 2 March at Norwood Social Hall, items for the agenda should be passed to the clerk by 18 February.

*Karen Coram  
Clerk to the Council*

## 12 Norwood Charities

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In December Norwood Charities annual Christmas lunch was held at The Millstones restaurant. This was the 10th occasion for this popular event which was attended by 43 people.

During the year The Charity was able to support Kettlesing & Felliscliffe school with the purchase of two cookers for use in teaching food studies to the children. Farnley school is to receive assistance for the purchase of two iPads for children with special needs. The Charity was once again able to support Norwood Show by providing financial help for books and prizes. Grants were made to a number of Norwood residents for assistance with heating.

For the first time The Charity was able to support Farnley young farmers club by providing help with the purchasing of equipment for team building exercises and a replacement trophy for stock judging.

Norwood Charities was founded over 150 years ago for educational purposes and the relief of hardship and suffering within Norwood.

If anyone knows of persons requiring assistance for educational, health or financial reasons please in the first instance contact the Clerk Mrs Gladys Spence 01943 880604.

*Martyn Ainsley*  
*Chairman*







Katie, family and friends would like to thank everyone for their kind donations and support on Boxing night at Norwood Social Hall. Even the snow failed to spoil our event and a total of £990 was forwarded to Air Ambulance.



Norwood Social Hall

Dances 2015

8.00pm until midnight



Friday 13 February	"Dancing to Jim"
Friday 27 March	Bill Johnson
Friday 15 May	Bon-Accords (Buffet Supper)
Friday 23 October	Alan's Band
Friday 20 November	Bill Johnson
Friday 4 December	"Dancing to Jim" <i>(Christmas Dance)</i>

Tickets and Enquiries: (01943) 880604 or (01943) 880411

*Churchyard Secrets exhibition & tea room Before the Reservoirs walk*

Open every Sunday, 11am–4pm and the last Friday of each month from 10.30-12noon.

*Events* You can pick up a programme leaflets from the Centre and also view events on [www.washburnvalley.org](http://www.washburnvalley.org). Advance booking and payment is required to secure a place. Contact Rachel on [centre@washburnvalley.org](mailto:centre@washburnvalley.org) or 01943 880794.

*Friendly Fire*

Friday 6 February, 7.30-9.30pm

Short script-in-hand production with songs offers thought-provoking take on a death in WW1. Cash bar, nibbles for sale. No charge but booking essential. Donations to British Legion.

*Valentine's Supper*

Saturday 14 February,

7-10pm, come with a

loved one, with a friend,

on your own to enjoy a delightful

5-course supper. Cash bar. £24 per person, £19.50 members.

*Before the Reservoirs talk*

Wednesday 18 February, 7-9.30pm

Diana Parsons gives an overview of the Valley's rich social & industrial history. £7.50 per person, £6 Washburn Society members. Refreshments included.

Friday 20 February, 9am meet

Medium grade walk of about 5.5 miles, past Scow Hall and Jack Hill Lane to Dob Park Bridge, and then follow the Washburn back to the Centre for lunch. No dogs. £12.50 per person, £10 Washburn Society members.

*A muddy history of Britain*

Tuesday 24 February, 9.30-12.30

Study morning exploring the archaeology of Washburn Valley through the ages with Gillian Hovell, local historian and archaeologist. Light refreshments. £12.50 per person, £10 members.

*An evening with Peter King CBE, executive director of British Cycling*

Friday 6 March, 7-10pm

An informal Q & A with Peter who has been a key figure in the sport's rise to prominence. Followed by 2 course supper. £24 per person, £19.50 members.



On 14 January Louise Hanen from The Acorn Charity gave us an important insight into Dementia. Louise is such an inspiring speaker who has devoted much of her recent life to The Acorn Charity of which she is a founder member. The Acorn Charity is devoted to helping not only people with dementia but their family and friends in the Harrogate area. Louise was truly an inspiration to us and we will remember her talk and hope we can help in the future.

On Wednesday 11 February at 7.30pm at a Leathley Village Hall Sir Thomas Ingleby will entertain us to "Castle Life in the 21st Century". Hostesses are Rita Swallow and myself.

Our next meeting is on 11 March when we welcome the Skipton Ukulele Club for a musical evening. Hostesses are Pat Schwarzenbach and Anne Robinson.

I always end my report inviting any woman living locally to come and meet us at our friendly WI which meets on the second Wednesday of the month at Leathley Village Hall, Leathley at 7.30pm. You will be made very welcome. If you would like transport or any other information please don't hesitate to ring either our president, Gillian Lishman, 01423 734275 or myself 01423 734543.

*Pat Headley*

### HERE ARE SOME W I FACTS

There are 212,355 W I members belonging to 6371 W I groups in the UK. This year 17,221 new members joined and 75 new W I groups opened, making the W I the fastest growing women's organisation in the country.

The W I brings women of all ages and from many different walks of life together to gain friendship, knowledge, skills and try new experiences they may not otherwise be able to do. Some of the topics include, current affairs, culture, gardening, crafts and campaigning on issues such as needing more midwives, climate change, organ donation and saving our high streets to name but a few. One of the famous W I issues was the keep Britain tidy campaign.

The W I also has its own college in Oxford, called Denman College where courses covering all manner of interests are held.

As the W I enters its centenary year in 2015 we at Farnley Estate W I would be delighted to welcome new members to join us.



theWI  
INSPIRING WOMEN

As 2014 came to a close we held our AGM in November. After four years our joint Presidents Sue Appleyard and Vicky Hardwick had decided to stand down and we were delighted to welcome one of our long-standing members, Margaret Creek, as our new President.

In late November a group of us went to Chatsworth to see the house magically decorated on a theme of Alice in Wonderland, it was truly spectacular. Our visit coincided with the annual Chatsworth Christmas Fair which seems to grow bigger every year. A great opportunity for Christmas shopping and, in spite of the crowds, it was a lovely day out. We even managed to squeeze in a wander around the gardens as well.

We don't hold a monthly meeting in December but instead some of us got together for Christmas lunch at the Askwith Arms, and others for dinner at the Wheatley. All thoroughly enjoyable and, together with our annual carol service hosted this year by Follifoot WI, we had plenty of opportunity to meet up before Christmas.

2015 is the centenary of the WI and we go from strength to strength. Last year alone saw 17,221 new members join across the country and 75 new WI's formed. Long before Facebook and Twitter we were the original social network!

At Askwith with Weston we have a great programme of speakers for our meetings this year including North Yorkshire Police, Leeds Donkey Sanctuary, Betty's, Maria Glot from Saltaire, a talk on hypnosis, plus interesting visits and lots of workshops.

To start off our very first meeting for 2015, Sue Appleyard, our former President, gave us a very entertaining talk about some of her memorable experiences during a long career working for Yorkshire TV and later ITV. Sue was in charge of sorting out the music which were needed to complete the programmes, eventually becoming Head of Music, (not bad for someone who doesn't play a musical instrument). Sue remembered well sorting out the music for Heartbeat which, as we all know, was partly filmed at Askwith, and eventually became number 2 in the Charts with Nick Berry. A very interesting career, and one where we all remembered lots of the music, and in the WI's case especially Heartbeat.

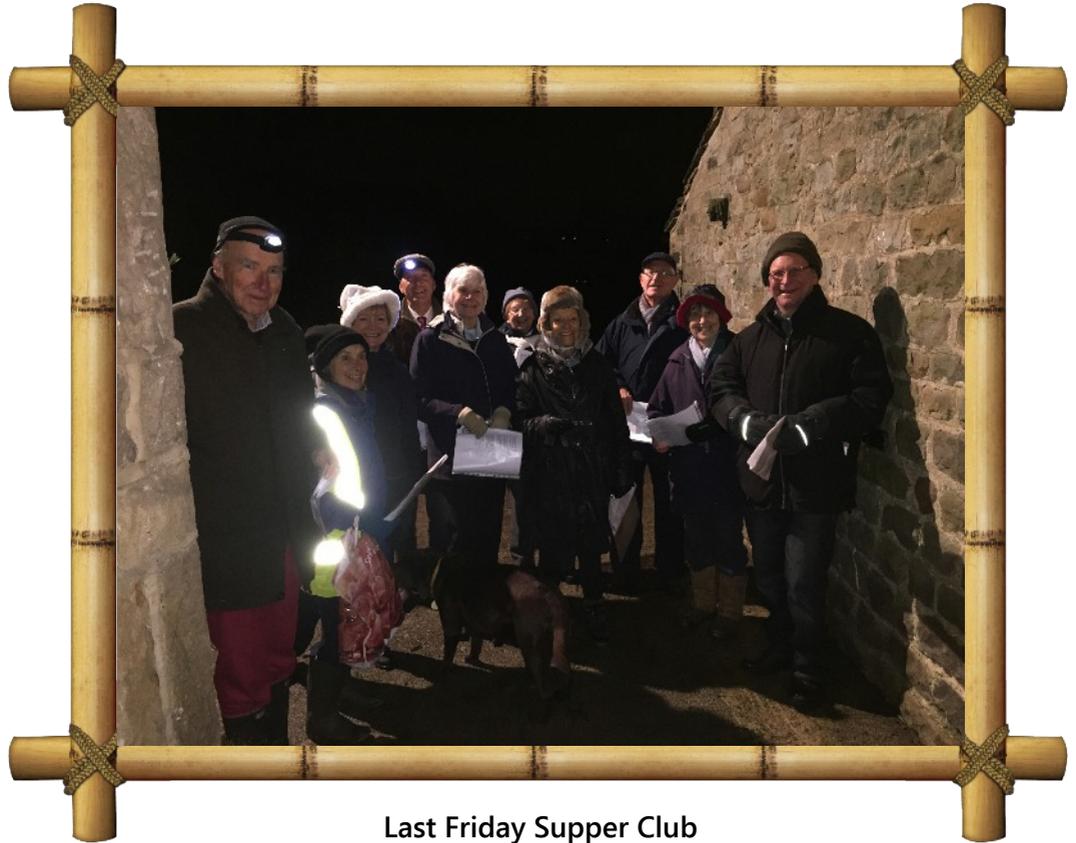
Our next meeting takes place on Thursday 12th February at 7.30 pm when we welcome Derek Stansfield who'll demonstrate the art of painting with watercolours and coffee! We meet on the second Thursday of each month at Askwith Village Hall and welcome visitors and new members from anywhere in the locality to our meetings. If you'd like more information ring Sue Appleyard on 01943 839292.

## Leathley Carol Singing

A big thank you to all those who gave so generously towards Leathley Church and for the warm welcome, and to all who supplied us with refreshments as we sang our way around the villages, it was very much appreciated. Thank you to the merry band of carol singers, who gave their time, sang their hearts out and braved the weather.

Thank you to the young soloist in Leathley who sang to us and the young saxophonist in Stainburn for his accomplished accompaniment.

*Margaret Ainsley*



**Last Friday Supper Club**

**Friday 27 February**

**Leathley Village Hall**

**£10 per head for a 2 course supper**

**Bring your own bottle, or we have decent wine to buy on the night**

**Booking essential**

**Please contact Paul Howarth 01943 465076 by the preceding Wednesday**

**All proceeds to the Leathley Village Hall Development Project**

## St Oswald Leathley PCC

Thanks to all who braved the gale and sleet to come to the planning meeting in January and this is what we propose for 2015:-

4 May	Teas on the Green
20 June	Buttercross Stall in Otley
11 July	Summer BBQ & 60's Music (Sixties dress optional!)
2 August	Gift Day(No Teas)
31 August	Teas on the Green
11 October	Harvest Festival Faith Lunch
13,15 & 16. Dec	Carol Singing



Last year we raised £3796 for Yorkshire Cancer Research. Thank you to everyone who supported us and as always thanks to my brilliant staff. As I am writing this, we are still deciding on this year's charity from a shortlist of 5 so watch this space. Many thanks and all the best for 2015 from Sue and all at Cock Pit Farm Tea Rooms.



## EVENTS in ASKWITH, WESTON and DENTON

Saturday 21 Feb	Beetle Drive and Supper 7pm in Askwith Village Hall Adults £8.50, Under 15s £5 Details and tickets from Mary 461281 or Rhona 462121
6 April	Easter Monday Village Walk/Easter Egg Hunt/Hot X Buns in Village Hall
16 May	Village Refreshments, 12noon - 4pm
13 June	Askwith Show Stall
Saturday 27 & Sunday 28 June	Open Gardens, 2-6pm We would be very grateful for gardens in Weston, Askwith and Denton to be open for this weekend. Tea and stalls in Askwith Village Hall. Details from Mary 461281
31 Aug	Fewston Teas?
12 Oct	Harvest Supper
21 Nov	Domino Supper

Teas and refreshments  
Fewston Parochial Hall  
Saturday 21 February  
&  
Sunday 22 February  
From 11am till 4.30pm  
All proceeds to the hall  
committee



Come and join Fewston Ladies!

Join Us!

We meet at 7.30pm at Fewston Parochial Hall  
and enjoy a variety of talks, visits and meals out!

For further information, ring Gillian Knox 880362, Margaret Ainsley 462261,  
Mary Donovan 464507, Sheila Herbert 468741, Joan Knight 466789  
or Shirley Dawson on 01423 770281

A great welcome and an enjoyable evening awaits you!

Tuesday 17 February	History of Otley Courthouse - Hazel Costello
Tuesday 17 March	Cooking Fantastic - demo
Tuesday 21 April	Plate Painting + Decoration
Tuesday 19 May	Trip Kiplin Hall
Tuesday 16 June	Lady Randy – Pat Osborne
Tuesday 21 July	Hooray for Hats! – Claire Spooner
Tuesday 18 August	Horticap to be entertained at Robinson Library
Tuesday 15 September	Lies, Damned Lies & Registrations – Barbara Dixon
Tuesday 20 October	Life Changing Trip – Mary Donovan
Tuesday 17 November	Cartoons from Past to Present – Alex Purves
Tuesday 8 December	Christmas Dinner – venue TBA

All the carol singers would like to thank all those people who very kindly donated to their fund-raising over the weeks before Christmas in Fewston, Norwood, Timble and Blubberhouses. We would also like to say a very big thank you to all the people who so kindly offered sustenance to a, sometimes wet, and windblown group. This year, although it was slightly warmer than normal, it was certainly wetter and windier! So I would like to thank all of you who turned out, in spite of the weather – it was a noble effort. The final result was £1,210.78p.

*Cheri Beaumont*

Community Lunch

At Washburn Heritage Centre

Wednesday 25 February

12.30pm

Booking essential ~ Pat 01943 880284 or Cheri 465977

New friends most welcome

Fourth Wednesday of each month ~ 25 March, 22 April, 27 May

and every fourth Wednesday except August

Timble coffee morning

At the Robinson Library

Wednesday 11 February

10.30 am to 12 noon

Note from Editor,

The deadline for submitting material for the March issue is Monday 16 February.

If you'd like to see the photos and very attractive picture on the front in colour, please do have a look at [www.fewstonwithblubberhouses.org.uk](http://www.fewstonwithblubberhouses.org.uk).

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*Rachel Batchelor*

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## 22 February's diary

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Sunday 1 February	Washburn Heritage Centre & tea room open
Every Tuesday	Weekly Bible Study (contact Peter Wiggins, see page 2)
Friday 6	'Friendly Fire' production at Washburn Heritage Centre
Sunday 8	Washburn Heritage Centre & tea room open
Wednesday 11	Morning Prayers, Timble Chapel
Wednesday 11	Timble coffee morning
Wednesday 11	Farnley Estate WI meeting
Thursday 12	Weston with Askwith WI meeting
Friday 13	Dance at Norwood Social Hall
Saturday 14	Valentine's Supper at Washburn Heritage Centre
Sunday 15	Washburn Heritage Centre & tea room open
Tuesday 17	Fewston Ladies at Fewston Parochial Hall
Wednesday 18	Lent Course ~ Session 1 at Fewston Parochial Hall
Wednesday 18	Monthly discussion group, Fewston Parochial Hall
Wednesday 18	Talk by Diana Parsons at Washburn Heritage Centre
Thursday 19	Mid Wharfedale Parish Council at Askwith Village Hall
Friday 20	Walk with the Washburn Heritage Centre
Saturday 21	Teas at Fewston Parochial Hall
Saturday 21	Askwith Beetle Drive and Supper
Sunday 22	Teas at Fewston Parochial Hall
Sunday 22	Washburn Heritage Centre & tea room open
Tuesday 24	Archaeology study morning at Washburn Heritage Centre
Wednesday 25	Morning Prayers, St Helen Church, Denton
Wednesday 25	Lent Course ~ Session 2 at Denton Church
Wednesday 25	Community Lunch, Washburn Heritage Centre
Friday 27	Washburn Heritage Centre & tea room open
Friday 27	Leathley Last Friday Supper Club
Sunday 1 March	Washburn Heritage Centre & tea room open
Monday 2	Washburn Parish Council at Norwood Social Hall
Friday 6	Evening with Peter King at Washburn Heritage Centre
Thursday 12	Lower Washburn Parish Council at Leathley Village Hall