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Church Services

Note from Reverend Stephen McCaulay

All Church of England services
have now ceased until further notice.

Fewston and Blubberhouses churches are open for private prayer.

When in these churches please keep a safe distance from other people and please use appropriate hygiene measures.

The Washburn and Mid-Wharfe Benefice will have a weekly newsletter, this will give information about opening times of our other churches for prayer along with ideas about how you can continue to pray and worship from home and up to date information about the ongoing situation.

If you would like to receive this newsletter can you email Stephen on rec-tor@washburnmidwharfebenefice.org.uk



Christian Aid Week 2020

Christian Aid believes in life before death and works to support it. Obvious? Don't we all have it? I am here a living writer, you are a living reader. But one day we shall die and (I guess) neither write nor read. God offers fullness of life with Jesus beyond the grave. Christian Aid agrees, but seeks a better life now for the world's poorest, most downtrodden, people. In their place, we would surely want that!

Christian Aid Week is set for 10th-16th May. This year there is an emphasis on climate justice. Water has come in devastating quantities through great storms to some places, our own country included. In other places around the

world people are coming to the edge through the prolonged failure of rain. Money cannot produce water, but it can and does help people to access, and make the most use of, the water that there is.

Hopefully we shall be holding our House-to-house collection as usual, but as I write in early March the corona virus is spreading in this country and emergency action is being developed. If we can go ahead in May and you would be willing to help, please see me in church or give me a call on 01943 851234. Thank you.

Michael Cleverley
Voluntary Local Organiser

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The View from the Vicarage

It's all a bit worrying isn't it? First Brexit now this! I have heard all sorts of views about the Corona virus over the last few weeks and I am sure I will hear a lot more in the weeks and months to come. By the time you read this sometime in April, hopefully, loo rolls will be back on the shelves along with all the other bits and pieces that people seem to want to hoard. But who knows where it will all end?

Well, I believe that God. And I am pretty comfortable with that. Worrying about the future is something that we all do, but it doesn't change anything. Worry never does. What we can do is listen to 'official advice' rather than the 'experts' on social media and act on it.

Alongside that, we need to look out for each other. If we can't meet face to face then we are able, as never before, to keep in touch by other means. The phone, social media in all its forms, we can even write! So look out for friends and neighbours, keep in touch and make sure that no-one is struggling on their own.

And meanwhile, all around us, the world moves on. The weather has been awful but the days are longer now, new life is springing up in our gardens, in the hedgerows and in the fields and moors of our lovely part of God's creation. All around the Benefice lambs are growing fast. New life is all around us.

We live in a lovely part of the world. But what makes it lovely isn't just the scenery and nature, in all its glory, all around us. What makes it lovely is us, you and I. All of us living and working in our communities and looking out for each other.

In this Easter season when we rejoice that God's Son not only died for each of us but that he rose from the dead and opened for us the gates of glory, we can do no less than to love and care for each other, as God has loved and cared for us.

One of the images of the Risen Christ is that of a lamb, so as you watch the lambs in the fields over the next weeks, give thanks that we live in a wonderful place and think about how you can make it even better.

Wishing you all a blessed Easter.
Stephen



Stephen's Lent Appeal

Thank you so much to all of you who have sponsored me so far. As you know I am fasting during Lent to raise funds for the Farming Community Network (<https://fcn.org.uk/>). I am managing to stick to my 800 calories each day. So far I have lost 13 pounds (as of 10th March) since Ash Wednesday. I have also planned, in detail, what I will be eating on Easter Day!

If you would like to sponsor me you can use the sponsor forms in our churches or use this link:

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/gofundmecomfarmingcommunitynetwork-lent2020>

Thanks, once again, for all your support.
Stephen



From the Registers

Baptism

8th March Florence Annie Rose
Riley at Fewston

Wedding Blessing

21st February Des and
Pannapat Sammon at Fewston



Norwood Chapel

Services

ALL CHURCH SERVICES
in the CIRCUIT
have been suspended
until further notice

Washburn Valley Choir

Will be singing at the Benefice
service on March 29th at
St Oswalds Church, Leathley .

Memorial Service

The Revd. Tony Kidd, who died on 25th January 2020, was remembered in a Memorial Service held in York Minster on 2nd March. A number of his friends from All Saints, Weston which he had supported for a number of years were present. One of the items read during, what was a notable service, was a piece of prose written by one of his granddaughters, Zannia Kidd and, with permission, this is reproduced below.

Prose

So here we are at the end of our days,
as we look behind and beyond us in an attempt to find words that do not exist,
we find ourselves at a meeting place.
Standing on all that has brought us to exactly where we need to be,
exactly where we are.

I cannot help but look beneath my own feet and see all that belongs to you,
all that you have given me in the very sinew of my soul.
Stories that have echoed through my mind and world,
to create a way of being,
that informs how I move through existence.

I hear a voice and it's your voice that brings me home.
A voice that reminds me of water,
of oak trees: strong and rooted.
A voice that reminds me of stories and songs;
laughter and love.
A voice that has taught me, that which I cannot forget,
of unending faith in connection.
A voice I feel rumbling beneath the rolling hills,
within the rising sun,
within the light of the moon,
within the movement of breath,
within the dew upon spiders silk.

I see the river upon which you have guided us.
I see the ocean and the stories that have been witness to our conversations.
How the brick buildings and cobbled streets felt
as we formed a bond that exceeds earthly ties.
The connections we make within creation hang suspended as mist from a lake.
We are here to witness,
without the weight of the world beneath these trees to notice the glory.
The people we meet,
the people that come to listen,
to be and to breathe remember also.

Humour whispered and understanding passed,
we have stumbled and risen once again with the help of learned wisdom.

I see you my teacher and am humbled.

Fewston Foxy Ladies



Unfortunately April's Fewston Foxy Ladies' meeting has had to be cancelled due to the Coronavirus nightmare!

However May's trip is merely postponed until later in the year. Take care everyone - further update in next month's magazine.

T&T – April!

April's T&T meeting is unfortunately cancelled but the May trip will take place later on in the year because we'll all need a great day out when we get through all this!
Update next month!
Take care!



"The organist isn't too sure about it, he says he can't play that fast."

Toilet Twinning

I am pleased to report that I have been successful in raising funds to twin our toilet at Denton with one in Malawi, many thanks for your support.

Hazel Pullan

An Easter Prayer

You have protected us, Jesus, from endless disaster.
You spread Your hands over us like wings.
You poured Your blood over the earth,
Because You loved us.
The anger which we deserved You turned away from us
And restored us to friendship with God.

The heavens may have Your spirit, paradise
Your soul,
But the earth has Your blood.
We celebrate the coming of your Spirit
always:
The Spirit leads the mystic dance throughout the year.
But Easter comes and goes.
Power came from heaven to raise You from death,
So that we and all creatures could see You.
All living things gather round You at Easter.
Thee is joy, honour, celebration, delight.

The darkness of death is driven away.
Life is restored everywhere.
The gates of heaven are thrown open.
In You, risen Jesus, God has shown us Himself,
So we can rise to Him as gods.
The gates of hell are shattered.
In you, risen Jesus, those already dead rise to life,
Affirming the good news of eternal life.
Now Your promise has been fulfilled.
Now the earth is singing and dancing.
Easter is our marriage ceremony.
At Easter, dear Jesus, You make us Your brides...

A Prayer of Hippolytus

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Cleaning and Flower Rotas

Churches are now closed so there are no rota's this month

Sudoku

The answers for this months puzzles will be in the May Issue.

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This month's speaker inspired us all. Matthew Beynon-Tullett is a volunteer with the Whiteknights Yorkshire Blood Bikers. Many of us had never heard of this charity and were rather ashamed when we discovered what an extremely worthwhile, essential, and potentially life-saving service they provide.

Started in 2008, they're a group of 60 unpaid volunteer advanced bikers who transport amongst other things blood, pathology, and tissue samples, plasma, and donor baby milk, between hospitals, hospices and other health organisations around our region. Although each volunteer, many of whom also have full-time jobs, is on call for a set number of nights on a rota basis, collectively they're available between the hours of 7pm and 7am 365 days a year. By providing this out of hours service they save the NHS huge amounts of money which would otherwise be spent on expensive private-hire or courier costs.

The generosity of the public, local businesses, and charities has enabled them to buy and equip a small fleet of motorbikes which are then available to each volunteer when they are on call.

With the help of a few short and excellent films Matthew was able to illustrate how the service works and just how important it is to our Yorkshire hospitals and health organisations. It was a truly impressive presentation and he not only received a fee from our WI but many of our members generously donated themselves. We urge you to take a look at their Facebook page to find out more.

With the current coronavirus scare future events are looking a little uncertain at the moment but a number of us hope to attend our Federation Spring Council meeting (our Federation AGM) in Harrogate at the end of the month, and also we're hoping to visit Shibden Hall and the Piece Hall in Halifax in May.

Our speaker on Thursday 9th April is Hazel Stephenson who turned to writing novels after bringing up her family, and her talk's entitled 'Land Girls and Lovers'. We have a monthly lunch club, and a walking group, and always welcome visitors and new members from around the area.

We're a very friendly group of women and meet on the second Thursday of the month, 7.30pm, at Askwith Village Hall. If you'd like to know more why not call Andrea on (01943) 462163 or Sue on (01943) 839292.

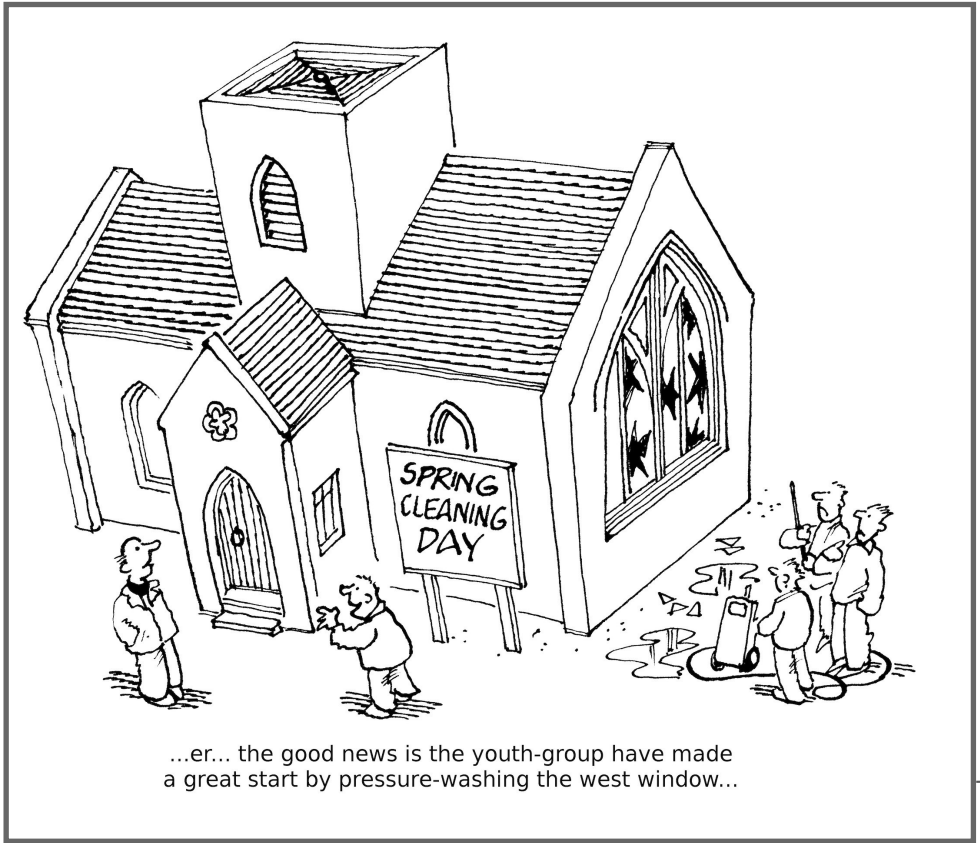
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For the safety of our 50 members we've cancelled our April and May meetings.

If there's a dramatic improvement in the coronavirus situation by the end of April, and following government guidance, we might re-instate the May meeting.

Members can use the Facebook page for updates.



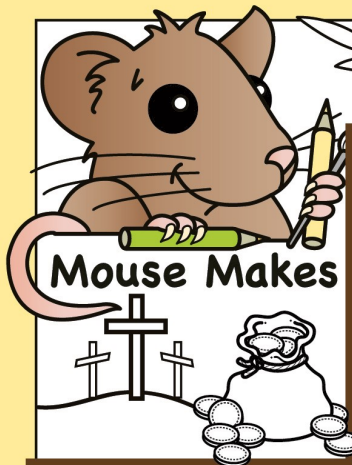


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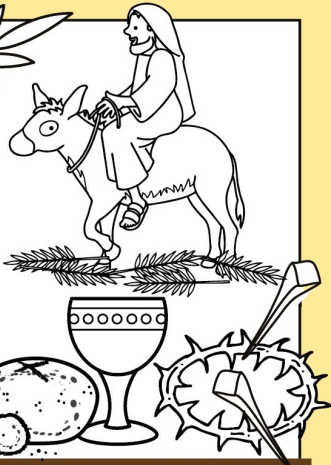
To all the budding writers, poets, cooks, comedians, artists photographers or puzzle or quiz setters who are at home during this period of "Social Distancing".

Please send in items for the magazine that will uplift the mood of your fellow readers by the 7th April. 2020





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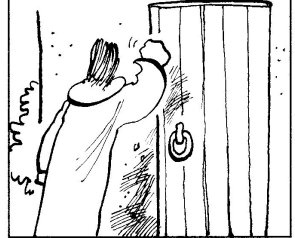
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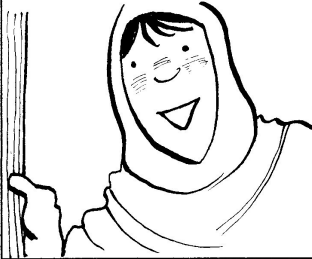
JESUS HAD MANY FRIENDS - AND HE OFTEN WENT WALKING WITH THEM.



ONCE, ON A JOURNEY, JESUS CALLED AT THE HOME OF MARTHA AND MARY



MARTHA WAS VERY PLEASED TO MEET WITH JESUS, AND SHE MADE HIM WELCOME



MARY WAS VERY EXCITED TOO AND WANTED TO LISTEN TO EVERYTHING JESUS HAD TO SAY



BUT MARTHA, WAS NOT VERY IMPRESSED WITH MARY! SHE THOUGHT HER SISTER SHOULD BE HARD AT WORK. NOT SITTING AROUND - JUST LISTENING



LORD, DON'T YOU CARE THAT MARY HAS LEFT ME TO DO ALL THE WORK BY MYSELF?!



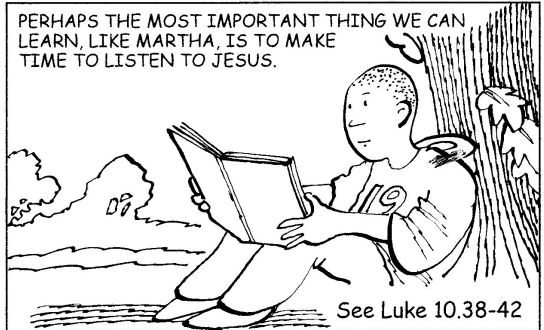
MARTHA, YOU ARE WORRIED AND TROUBLED OVER SO MANY THINGS



JESUS TOLD MARTHA THAT THERE ARE FAR MORE IMPORTANT THINGS IN LIFE THAN JUST FUSSING OVER A CLEAN HOUSE!



PERHAPS THE MOST IMPORTANT THING WE CAN LEARN, LIKE MARTHA, IS TO MAKE TIME TO LISTEN TO JESUS.



See Luke 10.38-42

Bible Bite

A short story from the Bible

It can be read in the Bible in
Luke 22:24, John 13:3-17

Jesus and his disciples were celebrating the Passover with the special meal. The disciples were bickering again.

I'm most important because I've known him the longest

But I'm the oldest!

I've given up the most to follow him!



There was a reason why no-one wanted to be the least important - the roads were mud and everyone's feet got very dirty.

It was the job of the least important servant to wash everyone's feet...



The disciples didn't have a servant, and none of them wanted to do the feet washing...



Jesus took off his outer robe and tied a towel around his waist.



He filled a large bowl with water and started washing the disciples' feet.

Peter couldn't believe what he was seeing!



Are you really going to wash my feet?

You will understand later why I am doing this.



I can't ever let you serve me like this!

If you don't let me, you will no longer be my disciple



Then wash all of me!

If you've had a bath, then you only need your feet washing!



Once Jesus had washed all their feet, he put his robe back on and sat down.



Do you understand why, your teacher, did this? I am setting you the example of how you are to serve each other. Do it, and God will bless you.

April Crossword Puzzle

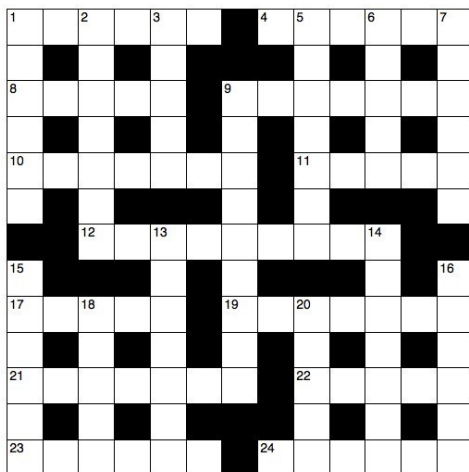
The answers will be in the next issue.

Across

- 1 Relating to the whole universe (6)
- 4 The disciple who made the remark in 8 Across (John 20:24) (6)
- 8 'Unless I see the nail marks — — hands, I will not believe it' (John 20:25) (2,3)
- 9 He urged King Jehoiakim not to burn the scroll containing Jeremiah's message (Jeremiah 36:25) (7)
- 10 Baptist minister and controversial founder of America's Moral Majority, Jerry — (7)
- 11 'Look, here is — . Why shouldn't I be baptized?' (Acts 8:36) (5)
- 12 Repossessed (Genesis 14:16) (9)
- 17 Port from which Paul sailed on his last journey to Rome (Acts 27:3-4) (5)
- 19 'Moses was not aware that his face was — because he had spoken with the Lord' (Exodus 34:29) (7)
- 21 Roonwit, C.S. Lewis's half-man, half horse (7)
- 22 Grill (Luke 24:42) (5)
- 23 The lot fell to Matthias; so he was added to the — apostles' (Acts 1:26) (6)
- 24 'I was sick and you looked after me, I was in — and you came to visit me' (Matthew 25:36) (6)

Down

- 1 Coastal rockfaces (Psalm 141:6) (6)

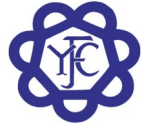


- 2 Academic (1 Corinthians 1:20) (7)
- 3 Publish (Daniel 6:26) (5)
- 5 For example, the Crusades (4,3)
- 6 11 Across is certainly this (5)
- 7 He reps (anag.) (6)
- 9 Liberator (Psalm 18:2) (9)
- 13 Man who asked the question in 11 Across was in charge of all her treasury (Acts 8:27) (7)
- 14 They must be 'worthy of respect, sincere, not indulging in much wine' (1 Timothy 3:8) (7)
- 15 The human mind or soul (6)
- 16 'O Lord, while precious children starve, the tools of war increase; their bread is — ' (Graham Kendrick) (6)
- 18 'We played the flute for you, and you did not — ' (Matthew 11:17) (5)
- 20 Bared (anag.) (5)



Farnley Estate Young Farmers Club

By Emma Goulding



Judging, Ice Skating and Public Speaking

On the 12th February we went to Stephen and James Ryder's farm to judge dairy cows. This was a great night with a good turnout. Thank you to the Ryders for providing excellent cows to judge and for providing supper. We would also like to thank George Stapleton for being our judge and giving us some good tips. The results were:

Juniors

1st Eleanor Ashby,
2nd Anna Bunton,
3rd John Bellerby,
4th Ellie Inman,
5th Emma Goulding
6th Isabella Owers.

Intermediates

1st Billie Towers,
2nd Joe Groves
3rd James Driffield

Seniors

1st Emily Bradley.

The District ice skating was held at Stockeld Park on the 19th February. We all had a great night so thank you to Stockeld Park for hosting us. There wasn't even a visit to A&E!

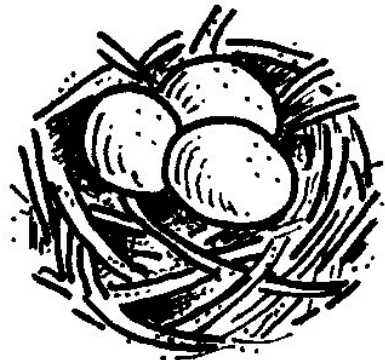
Visit to Elite Meat butchers in Starbeck, on the 26th February. Gordon Atkinson gave us a tour of his shop and told us about how he set it up and gradually expanded it when the building next door came up for

sale. He gave a very interesting talk about their quality products so thank you to Gordon for showing us around and giving us an interesting night.

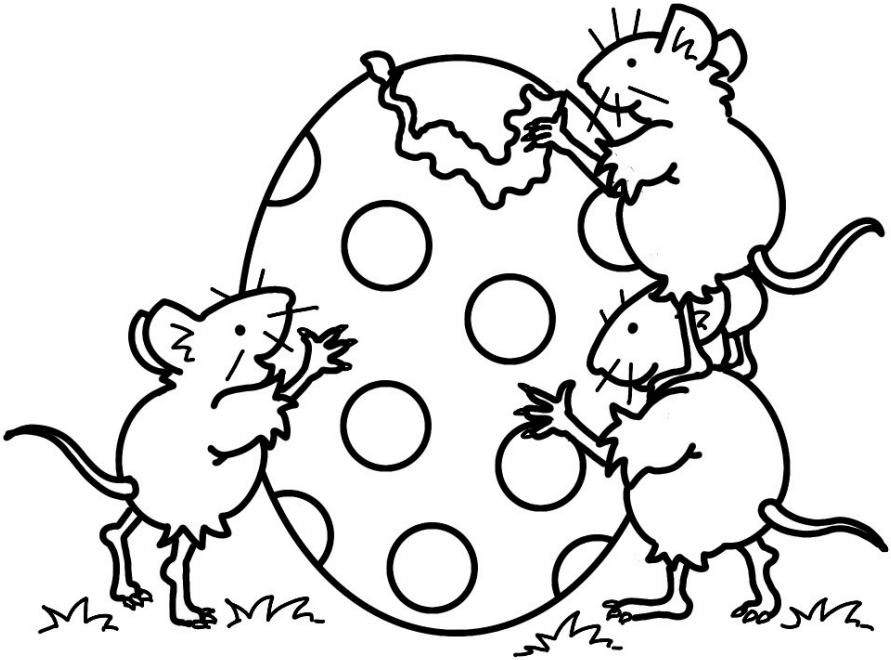
We attended the Northern Area Public Speaking and Sports competition in Preston on the 29th February. Well done to everyone who went and competed and especially the Kwik Cricket team who won and will go through to national in a July.

At Almscliffe Village Hall on the 4th March we prepared for the District rally in May, deciding on which competitions everyone will be entering.

As always if you would like to join are aged 10-26 please call Jacob Ryder on 07497 828065.



Easter Colouring in!



All in the month of April

It was:

500 years ago, on 6th April 1520 that Raphael, Italian Renaissance artist and architect, died, aged 37. (Unknown illness.)

456 years ago on the 23rd April St George's day, William Shakespeare was born (possibly, he was Christened on the 26th according to church records), and he died on the same day in 1616.

250 years ago, on 7th April 1770 that William Wordsworth, British Romantic poet, was born. He was Poet Laureate 1843-50, and is the author of the poem Daffodils.

On the 28th April in the same year, the English naval explorer James Cook arrived in Botany Bay, Australia, the first European to do so.

200 years ago, on 8th April 1820 that the famous Ancient Greek statue of the Venus de Milo was discovered on the island of Milos in the Aegean.

150 years ago, on 22nd April 1870 that Vladimir Lenin, Russian communist politician and revolutionary was born. First head of state of the Soviet Union, founder of the Russian Communist party and leader of the Bolshevik Revolution.

75 years ago, in April the following concentration camps and prison were liberated: Buchenwald (11th April); Bergen-Belsen (15th April); Colditz Castle (16th April); Dachau (29th April). They were liberated by either US, British or Canadian forces.

65 years ago, on 15th April 1955 that American fast-food pioneer Ray Kroc opened his first McDonald's franchise in Des Plaines, Illinois.

50 years ago, 18th April 1970 the day after their safe return to Earth following a near disaster in space, the three Apollo 13 astronauts were presented the Presidential Medal of Freedom by U.S. President Nixon. Jim Lovell, Fred Haise and Jack Swigert were told by Nixon, "You did not reach the Moon but you reached the hearts of millions of people on Earth by what you did".

40 years ago, on 29th April 1980 that Alfred Hitchcock, British-born American film director and producer (*Rear Window*, *Vertigo*, *Psycho*, and many more) died.

30 years ago, on 24th April 1990 that the Hubble Space Telescope was launched.

10 years ago, from 15th April to 21st April, that Iceland's Eyjafjallajökull volcano erupted explosively, sending a plume of volcanic ash across NW Europe. Air travel was disrupted for six days.



By now, the nesting season is well into its swing, and if you keep your eyes peeled throughout late March and April, you may well be able to see evidence of (some!) birds' remarkable workmanship taking place around you.

Most birds only take a few days to build a nest, and instinctively build them to a design that is unique to their species. Few garden birds are ground nesting, just using a scrape.

Rooks, have been building for a while, and you may have seen their untidy nests at the top of various still-bare trees. They start by collecting sticks and dropping them on the branches they have chosen as their home, often the remains of a previous nest. To begin with some twigs will drop through, so look out below, but gradually they lodge in the tree and a rather unruly nest begins to form. Being on the large side, they can afford to nest where they can be seen, but most birds are much more secretive about it.

Most birds are quite cautious when approaching their nest site, and you may see them stopping to check they are not being watched before they plunge into a hedge, bird box or shrub. However, there is

a limit to how subtle a bird with grass and moss in its beak can be!

Blackbirds, Robins and Song Thrushes build nests in the 'classic design' – neat cups of woven grasses and small twigs, camouflaged with moss and lined with mud.

Chaffinches nest in tree forks and use cobwebs to stick it in place. You may see them flitting around fences and window frames, picking off webs. Spiders are of great importance to birds in spring, not only are they food for adults and chicks, but their webs are an essential ingredient of many nests.

Long-tailed tits make the most intricate and delicate of all our garden birds' nests – which they couldn't do without spiders. They spend three weeks creating their pouch-shaped luxury home,





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beginning with a cup and dome of moss stuck together with cobwebs; next comes lichen on the outside for camouflage, and finally a filling of feathers for insulation. Studies have shown that they can use up to 2,000 feathers in a nest, and in collecting all their materials, need to fly some 600 miles!

All this nest building requires a lot of time and

energy, so providing nesting material can help, as well as giving you a chance to see them collecting it. You may be surprised when you see which species choose your garden to nest in.

You can leave nesting material out for birds in many ways: maybe using a peanut or suet feeder, or leave it in piles around the garden, or hang it from trees. Try several

different methods to find the best for your garden. Avoid using any material whose source you are not sure of, or anything that has been treated with pesticides or fertilisers. Be careful too with pet hair – don't use after flea or worm treatments. Moss raked from your lawn is good too, as long as you have not treated it first. If you put out wool or cotton, cut it into lengths no more than a couple of inches long, to avoid entanglement. Never put out any plastic materials, they can harm both birds and the environment in many ways.

House Martins, Song Thrushes and Blackbirds use mud in the construction of their nests, so a small, wet, muddy patch in your garden, may make it easier for them, particularly if it has been dry.

If you find the lives of our garden birds to be of interest, and would like to join in and count the feathered occupants of your garden, please contact me or visit the BTO Garden BirdWatch website www.bto.org/gbw.

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Recent meetings and events.

8 January -Social evening and Quiz – outline of the 2020 programme, cuppa, chat and a quiz and payment of membership fees for coming year. Members voted on the National Resolutions. 2 new members welcomed.

12 February –planned speaker was unable to attend due to illness so a picture quiz of local places was organised and a talk by Lesley Fidler on what is involved in becoming a WI Judge. Well done to the committee for an enjoyable meeting organised at such notice.

Our meetings are held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm at Leathley Parish Rooms. Anyone interested in joining is welcome to come and try out one of our meetings. We have a varied programme as can be seen from this report.

We have a walking group and a book group both meeting monthly. Federation workshops on various topics include Patchwork, Gardens and Bees, Soap making, felt wreaths, Willow projects, Stained glass tea lights and are held at Alma House in Ripon. There are various Federation Trips.

We cover not only Farnley village but also Huby, Weeton Castley, Leathley and Lindley and have members from Otley and Pool as well.

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Editors Note

Please be aware that the date in the magazine were accurate at the time of publication. But please check with the organiser or organisation before travelling.

Please take care of your selves and I hope you enjoy this edition of the magazine.

Answers
to this months crossword
and sudoku's will be in
the next issue

Aprils front cover (the story behind the photograph)



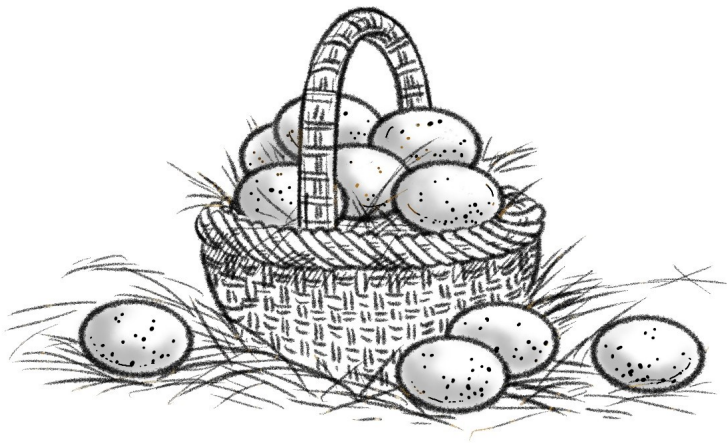
The goose nest on the cover is from African geese which are the largest of domestic breeds. They lay from March to June. Our ducks and traditional breed hens stop laying in September for a winter rest. In our family we only use eggs from our own poultry so we look forward to the renewed supply which March brings. The goose nest on the cover is witness to this renewal. One of many joys as spring reluctantly gets underway.

Pancakes, quiches and sponges all come on to the menu, Mothering Sunday and Simnal Cakes are made

along with Christmas and fruit cakes to store for next winter. Last week (18th) it was off to the shops to buy sugar and flour to make a start. The shelves were bare so for the moment we have to make do with smoked salmon (which was available) and scrambled egg alternated by Spanish omelette and poached egg on toast. Every cloud has a silver lining.



Two of our African Geese.



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