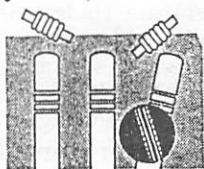


BENTHAM NEWS



CRICKET KNOCKOUT!

(literally)



Bank Holiday Sunday turned out sunny for the traditional end-of-season 7-a-side cricket knockout tournament played on the Sports Field. The nine teams competing for the "Angus Cup" came from all sections of Bentham society; Fire-Fighters, Drop Outs, Windies, Conservative Club, Young Ones, Dip Sticks, Black Bull, Caravanners and Gary's Team.

The event was played in a happy, relaxed atmosphere with the teams dressed in anything from cricket whites to bermuda shorts, and the umpires (with cigarettes and lager cans in their hands) quietly keeping the games in order. The Field was full of children playing and adults enjoying the late summer sun. Refreshments and an excellent barbecue were provided by a tireless team of cricket supporters, and the event could well have gone down as a complete success had not tempers flared during the final.

The final was between the Conservative Club and the Caravanners, certain players behaved so badly that it was not possible to finish the game and no winning team emerged. Gail and Raymond Lister, organisers, were extremely upset at the turn of events. They have asked BN to say how sorry they are that the day ended so badly, and they hope that the unfortunate ending will not deter local people from supporting future cricket club events. Clearly the stupid behaviour of certain individuals is beyond the control of even a well-organised event such as this.

Look out for posters advertising a match in September between a ladies team and the Bentham men's cricket team; "a FUN afternoon is guaranteed!"

DON'T FORGET!

BENTHAM NEWS OPEN MEETING

Meet the committee, share a cup of tea. Hear our financial report. Give us your comments about the paper. It's your community paper - help us to continue bringing you the sort of paper you enjoy reading.

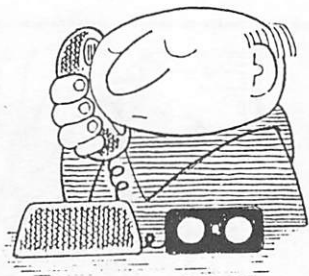
DATE:- Wednesday 11th September

PLACE:- Lower Town Hall

TIME:- 7.30pm

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PHONING LANCASTER Telephoning Lancaster from Bentham used to be quick and easy - you just dialled a 9 before the Lancaster number. Alas, no more! Now you must dial the full STD code - 0524 - before the Lancaster number.



The **TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRE** held an Open Night recently which was attended by several members of the local, District and County Councils. During the evening there was an opportunity to look round and listen to a very informative talk about the TIC by Doug Garlick. Mr Garlick explained how the centre began and how it nearly closed through lack of funding and how it came to be moved to its present location. Mr Colley the tourism officer from Craven District Council told us how he got involved in the fight to save Bentham TIC when the previous premises failed to satisfy the Tourist Board criteria.

The centre is now receiving more visitors each year and is one of the top centres in North Yorks and Humberside.

The Mayor, Sue Bloxham gave a vote of thanks to all who attended especially the ladies who put on the excellent refreshments. Special thanks were given to the volunteer force that keeps the centre open.

So remember - the centre is not only for visitors but is also a very useful source of ideas of what to do and where to do it, of what's on and where, not only locally but all over the country.



LOW BENTHAM GALA

Members of Low Bentham Gala committee would like to express their appreciation to everyone who donated raffle prizes and helped on Gala Day to make the day such a success. Many thanks to you all.

Future events for your diary:-

Pensioners Christmas Party Thursday 12th December.

Children's Christmas Party and Disco Saturday 4th January.

BENTHAM TRADERS ASSOCIATION

Bentham Traders Association would like to thank Mr. John Chamberlain who so diligently sets about street cleaning every morning. It is lovely to see clean streets in Bentham once again.

Bentham Horse Fair

Is the extra trade worthwhile?

From a recent survey of Bentham tradespeople it has become evident that the overall trading benefits of the Horse Fair are by no means a foregone conclusion. They are indeed a topic for debate.

The results of the survey are being compiled and the results will be published in next month's BN.



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TOWN COUNCIL

Councillors present: Bateson, Cowling, Davies (chairing with brisk efficiency), Dawber, Hewitt, Hurtle, Joel, Marshall, Preston and Telford. No District Councillors were present, but there were 8 members of the public including PC Kay.

It's the silly season. As the meeting lasted less than an hour, my report this month is correspondingly brief.

LIGHT AT THE END OF THE TUNNEL

The Conservative Club have agreed to a street lamp being fixed to the wall of their building to provide much needed light for the bottom of Tweed Street. It will cost £225 for the installation.

VISIT SUNNY BENTHAM

The County do not agree that an additional sign to Bentham is required on the A65. Council decided to give them a year to cool off and then to apply for a 'tourist' sign - which we will have to pay for!

CHRISTMAS (only 136 days to go) DECORATIONS

The reconstituted Traders' Association is to be asked to take over organising street decorations, with a possible contribution from the Council.

BURTON FOOTPATH CONTROVERSY

The fight goes on. Councillors will make a site visit before deciding what action to take.

ODDS AND ENDS -

The school warning light will be moved from outside the chemist to outside the White Rose. - Grave markers will be purchased to assist with the organising of who goes where. - The Legion Hut is up for sale as a going concern - still without Planning Permission. Craven to be informed. - The visible presence of patrolling bobbies was welcomed. Councillor Marshall reported that they can run too - but he wasn't caught. At least not this time.

The next Council meeting is on Monday 2nd September.

Kate Steele

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Back by popular demand.



Bentham's local cabaret club. Autumn season starts October 5th: later dates November 2nd and December 14th. Watch out for details of our guest chefs, new bands and entertainers.

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Age Concern special low cost insurance for people over 60 - and how your premiums go to help older people in need.

Since 2nd July this year, Age Concern has started a new side to its work in the North Craven area by taking part in the nationally organised Age Concern Insurance Service. The policies are specially designed for the needs of older people and one must be over 60 to take advantage of the scheme.

There are two types of Home and Contents policy - Standard and Jubilee. A particular feature of the Standard contents policy is that it has a minimum sum insured of only £4,000 - much lower than the majority of conventional insurance policies. With premiums starting at £10 per annum, Age Concern can provide vital protection at the lowest possible cost. Furthermore, the buildings' insurance rate of £1.35 per £1000 is much lower than bank and building society rates.

For clients who want wider cover, ACIS introduced the Jubilee policy in Age Concern's Jubilee year. This plan offers 'New for Old' and insurance for spectacles, hearing aids, dentures and medical appliances at special premiums. There is wide cover for sporting equipment, pedal cycles, money and credit cards. In addition, there is free cover on freezer contents if household goods are also insured - even mobile homes and caravans can be insured.

An important feature of the Jubilee policy is that clients can spread the cost of their insurance by paying in instalments - at no extra cost.

Clients also benefit from the many Helplines that ACIS policies provide. The Domestic Helpline will provide prompt attention from competent and authorised local repairers, while the Legal and Motor Helplines will provide free and confidential advice on any personal or motoring legal problem. In addition, the Jubilee policy

4 offers, for a very competitive rate, Family Legal Protection which will pay any necessary legal fees once the problem has been discussed with and accepted by the Helpline.

And the reason for running this scheme in North Craven? We can claim 10% commission on each policy sold and this money will go to help fund other new initiatives in the area planned for 1991/2.

So why not call in to the Drop In Centre in Station Road, Bentham on any Friday between 11.00am and 3.00pm or phone 07292 62358, when our trained Insurance volunteer Mr. Laurie Blundell will be glad to give you more information and help. Alternatively, you could phone Lissa Smith on 0729 825111 at other times.

Douglas Garlick



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BENTHAM PEOPLE

After a slow beginning, the editorial committee are delighted that the **Bentham People** page has now become so well-used. It's great to have your news, requests, thanks and small ads. And it helps **Bentham News** with a little extra income each month, too! We would love to publish news of all 'hatches, matches and dispatches', in **Bentham** on this page but we rely on you to tell us your news and to indicate your willingness to let us publish it. **Bentham News** has recently carried several obituaries of prominent local people (after consulting with their families), but as our news gathering ability is limited, we would like any family that has a major occasion to tell us about it so that we can publish their news in **Bentham People**. We think that our small ads and other entries on this page are unbeatable value at 20 words for £1.00 and our research indicates that most advertised items, even the more unusual ones go very quickly.

PERSONAL THANKS

Winifred Gill would like to thank everyone for their overwhelming kindness, cards, flowers and gifts received during her recent stay in RLI. Special thanks to Dr. Story.

Many thanks to all friends and neighbours for the cards & presents they gave to us on our wedding day Saturday 20th July 1991. Many thanks also to Alex Mather, Charlie Wilson and Bentham Taxi for all the help they gave us moving into our new home. Sylvia and Bob.

Betty, Angela and Michael of the White Rose wish to thank all the kind people of Bentham who sent cards, flowers and good wishes to them on their recent bereavement. An extra special thank you to Marian who was a tower of strength at this sad time. God Bless you all.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Margaret Maudsley who will be 80 on the 7th September 1991.

FOR SALE

Girls 5 gear drop handle bar bike. Suitable for age 8 - 9 years. Little used. £60 ONO. Tel 62254.

ENJOY CRYPTIC CROSSWORDS? Try the Fruit & Veg quiz and help Clapham Village Hall and maybe win a good prize. Phone Jill on Clapham(5)201 for details.

WANTED

OFF THE WALL is looking for an old 8 or 16mm projector, in working order. Tel 62277.

Thanks to the ladies at the Golf Club especially, Mrs Ann Jeffries, for all their help in raising £88 towards my Operation Raliegth fund.
Robert Cowling.

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The Ingleborough Poetry Festival 1991

Now in its forth year, the festival aims to be a celebration of poetry and an inspiration to writers of all ages and experience. It runs from September 1st to October 18th, and this year's programme will include a competition, workshops and events for all age groups. Details will be available from the organising committee at the address below, and will be publicised locally during the festival.

How to enter the competition

There are five entry sections: Age 5 to 8, age 9 to 10, age 11 to 13, age 14 to 16 and adult. there will be an entry fee of 20p per poem for all young people's sections and £2.00 per poem for adults. Winning poems and runners up will be published in the Festival Anthology and there will be five first prizes of a £10.00 book token in the adult section and five first prizes of a £5.00 book token in each of the young people's sections. There will also be a celebratory reading of poems by the winners and some of the judges in December.

The Rules

All poems must be original, unpublished and not accepted for any future publication. Each poem must not exceed 50 lines.

There are no restrictions on subject matter and any number of poems may be entered.

Entrants must supply two copies of each poem clearly written or typed on one side of A4 white paper.

A nom-de-plume must be used and must appear clearly on each poem. A sealed envelope containing your real name and address must accompany your poem(s). The envelope should be labelled with your nom-de-plume and the title(s) of your poem(s).

You retain the copyright of your poem but the Festival Committee reserve the right to publish or publicise poems in connection with the Festival 1991.

6 The judges' decision will be final. The Festival committee will not enter into any correspondence with unsuccessful entrants. Poems will not be returned so be sure to keep your own copy.

Winners will be notified personally, and their names will be published in the local press by the first week of December 1991.

The Judges

Adult Section: DAVID CRAIG teaches in the creative writing course at Lancaster University. His most recent book is his novel 'King Cameron' (published by Cascanet.)

11 - 13 and 14 - 16 Sections: MEG PEACOCKE keeps a smallholding and writes poetry. She runs workshops and is a tutor on the Creative Writing course at the Open College of Arts. Her most recent book 'Marginal Land' was published by Peterloo Poets.

5 - 8 and 9 - 10 Sections: IRENE RAWNSLEY has written two poetry books for children 'Ask a Silly Question' and 'Dog's Dinner', both published by Mammoth Paperback, and her most recent book of poetry for adults 'Shall We Gather At The River Place' was published by Littlewood last year.

Contact

Send your entries and appropriate fee to Marianne Mitchell, Ingleborough Poetry Festival, 4 South View, High Bentham, Lancaster LA2 7HJ. Please make cheques payable to Ingleborough Poetry Festival A/C. Closing date for entries **18TH OCTOBER 1991**



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DISTRICT AFFAIRS



Ralph Atkinson, one of our two Liberal Democrat District Councillors reviews the month's issues at Craven District Council.

HOUSING

At long last we're getting movement on the Low Bentham Housing Scheme. It's been almost 4 years, since we did our initial survey! Terms have been agreed with the land owner and planning permission has been applied for for 9 dwellings on the plot at the end of Hillside Road. Hopefully there'll be 4 bungalows for the elderly on either shared equity, ie. shared ownership with the Housing Association, or rent, and five small family homes for rent.

We can only build 15 houses in 1991/92 out of our own funds. You will remember that we can only spend 25% of the return from council houses which are sold under the 'right to buy' rules. The return is small in any case as they are sold at the so-called historical value, ie. the original cost of building, less a subsidy for the years of tenancy. So a £40,000 house may be sold to its tenant for as little as £12,000 who are then able to dispose of it after three years.

The Government have done it again! Days after the dead-line for getting in our housing financial plans they've changed the rules on capital expenditure to relate it to working with Housing Associations and tenants' groups, ie. degree of carrying out central policy rather than needs for housing.

In the year April, 1991 to March, 1991 the Council accepted responsibility for 86 homeless families or over 200 people. Temporary accommodation was found for 28 families.

THE 'HIPPIY' FESTIVAL

By the time you are reading this we'll know whether the attempts of our local graziers associations to exclude the 'hippy' festival this year have been successful. Injunctions against trespass on all our local commons

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were taken out by the farmers who've grazing rights on them. This will cost about £2,000 but English Nature have agreed to pay half because of the potential damage to the Sites of Special Scientific Interest. This, of course, is without the extra costs of policing and garbage collection, etc. It's a pity we've had to take this step. Most people don't object to the 'hippies' as such but to their anti-social behaviour. Unfortunately, steps taken to exclude the 'hippies' also affect the gypsies keeping them out of some of their traditional stopping sites.

RAILWAY CUTS

We've now got two groups active in the fight against railway cuts. The original group, which made a very effective start last year, is still going strong. But we thought this should be supplemented by a group of interested organisations on the lines (sorry!) of the Settle/ Carlisle Action Group. This is called the Lancaster/Skipton Railway Joint Action Group (LASJAG). Jack Warbrick, the chairman of LASRUG is also on the committee of LASJAG. LASJAG which has been joined by Lancashire and North Yorkshire County Councils, Craven District Council, Lancaster City Council, our Town Council and most of the Parish Councils on the route, has started work by organising a user survey. At the moment this is still being analysed but the results look promising. If you are concerned join LASRUG and come along to the joint meeting at the Town Hall on the 29th September when Roger Cobbe, the manager of North East Regional Railways will be addressing us.

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The assessment covers the following:

- 1, Presentation, this includes neatness, tidiness, information availability, presentation of displays etc.
- 2, Customer Handling, this includes professional image, first impression, customer care, technique etc.
- 3, Information Retrieval, including the ability to search for information, to provide directions etc.
- 4, Telephone enquiry handling, this includes attitude, politeness, accuracy of response to questions etc.

We have just been advised that the assessments (which includes many others in the Craven District) have now been completed and details of the report have been received.

This shows that the Bentham TIC has emerged very satisfactorily indeed and figures amongst the top ten of all Centres in the Yorkshire and Humberside region and in fact heads those in the Craven District. We feel this is something Bentham can be proud of.



Please remember the purpose of the Tourist Information Centre is to promote Bentham and hopefully make it a more prosperous place by attracting visitors. We could not however survive without the support of the local population, which we are pleased to say is now very much on the increase. The Centre is run entirely by volunteers and we would welcome a few new helpers for the 1992 season. Why not come and talk it over with Douglas Garlick or telephone 62541 or 62549.

Have you ever been on a foreign holiday and come home with foreign coins and notes, and not known what to do with them? Well!, these can now be exchanged into sterling for the N.S.P.C.C.. There is a collecting box in Armstrong's shop in Bentham, so why not pop your unwanted foreign coins in or fetch them to the next WASTE PAPER COLLECTION or telephone 62254 or 61784.



As an avid reader of Bentham News, I like to read all the adverts and peoples views,

There seems to be one thing missing for some time,

Your well known Barber hasn't written his rhyme,

Perhaps it's because he's working late, Cutting folks hair and selling the odd 'mate, So come on Tom and shape the 'sel

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R.A. Burns.



Above is a request from a reader for the return of Tom's poems.



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FROM COUNTY HALL



By County Councillor Ralph Atkinson

LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVIEW

The latest! - The Conservative Chairman of the Association of County Councils recently called on all concerned to agree on what the functions of local government should be before the very expensive exercise of re-organisation. "There has been no real debate about the place of local government in the overall system of government...nor about the functions which local authorities should undertake. Until that issue has been resolved there is little point in discussing how local government should be financed, how it should be structured or how it should be managed." This is the first sound sense I've heard in this debate. I hope the ACC succeeds in getting a more rational approach introduced.

Even the prestigious Policy and Resources Committee of the County Council is questioning the feasibility of the Council Tax - in view of the extent of the preparatory work needed.

COUNCIL FINANCING

As a result of the present heavy involvement of Central Govt. in local government financing, any differences between the Council's projected financing and the Govt. standards will fall very heavily on the local tax-payer. To quote from the minutes of the last Council meeting "if the Govt. only allows 5% increase in (grants) and the County and District precepts increase by 7% the resultant Community Charge will need to increase by approximately 13%" With the very high labour intensity of council work we shall have to pray that this year's pay award is in line with Govt. standards.

9 LOCAL MANAGEMENT OF SCHOOLS

The latest circular from the Department of Education requires that all schools should go over to local management by 1994. Also, there's a new minimum of 80% for school expenditure related to pupil numbers. So our small schools, excluded up to now, will have to prepare to take over these new responsibilities.

RECYCLING

District Councils in North Yorkshire recycled more than twice the estimate last year, the first year the scheme was run. The County Council, which paid them £2.40 a tonne made a provisional estimate of 2,500 tonnes but in fact 5,700 tonnes were recovered. So the Council is going to increase its payment to £2.65 a tonne and the estimate of recovery for the current year is between 9,000 and 10,000 tonnes. What it would be if the Council paid nearer the actual cost of disposal (about £6.50 a tonne), as I've tried to argue, goodness only knows.

After a hiccup, because of the withdrawal of the original contractor, the recovery of CFCs came well up to expectations and will be continued this year.

TRADING STANDARDS

Quoted from the Public Protection Committee report: "During a normal sampling programme for domestic electrical appliances...retailers were asked to provide suitable plugs. Of the 14 appliances purchased 62% were supplied with incorrectly fused plugs." Well! 14% of 14 is 8.68, and what 0.68 of an appliance is you may be able to guess better than me! Although the statistics are dubious it is still reassuring that the Trading Standards Department does keep an eye on these things and tries to make our lives a little safer.

BUSES

The Council's subsidy of the Lancaster/Settle bus service this year is nearly £27,000! How much this works out per passenger I hate to think!



LOCAL EVENTS IN SEPTEMBER

10 Fri 20th

- Mon 2nd Bentham Footpath Group's guided walk. "The Dumb Tom Square mile walk. Meet at Lairgill car park at 1.30pm, Leader Jude Pereles.
- Thurs 5th N.S.P.C.C. Monthly meeting at 3, Springfield Terrace at 1.30pm.
- Sun 8th Bentham Footpath group's walk "Bowland Knotts and Stocks Reservoir" in conjunction with Forest of Bowland Countryside Management Service. Leader Frank Yates, please meet at Lairgill car park at 9.30am.
- Mon 9th St. John's Womens Fellowship opening meeting at Tenby at 2pm. Speaker Mrs Sheila Hunter
- Wed 11th "Takes Two" at the Coach House
- Sat 14th Harvest Coffee Morning in aid of Christian Aid in the Town Hall 10 -11.30am.
- Thurs 19th Low Bentham W.I. "Pottery Painting" by Mrs N. Overend. Competition 'A piece of pottery'

AGE CONCERN AGM meeting to be held in the Lower Town Hall at 1.45pm. Everyone invited.

The Countryside Society at Hornby Institute "Mountain Flowers" by Miss K. Littlewood.

WASTE PAPER COLLECTION at Bentham Leisure Centre (Legion Hall), Grasmere Drive. 8.30 - 11.30am. Proceeds to N.S.P.C.C.

Sat 21st & Sun 22nd Bentham Horticultural Society's Open Chrysanthemum and Dahlia Show at Bentham Town Hall, open 1pm to 5pm both days. Classes for vegetables. Raffle and refreshments. Admission adults 30p children 10p.

Sun 22nd Low Bentham Chapel Harvest Festival 2pm and 6.30 pm speaker Mr E. Park

Mon 23rd Low Bentham Chapel - Holden Singers.

Sat 28th **TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRE** Coffee morning 9.45 - 11.30am. Stalls and raffle.

Ingleborough Womens Institute Group Show at the Community Centre, Ingleton. Produce, handicrafts and floral arrangements.

Bentham Footpath Group's guided walk Wenning Valley to Turnerford Bridge. Leader John Pilkington, please meet at Lairgill car park at 10.30am.

Sun 29th **SECONDHAND BOOK FAIR** at Ingleton Community Centre 10am.

Mon 30th Ewecross Historical Society meeting at 7.30pm in the Lower Town Hall. 'Four Castles of Kendal' by John Marsh.

Listing for Local Events

Day.....

Date.....

Event.....

Venue.....

Please complete and return to Lesley Barker or hand in at Churchill's

REGULAR EVENTS

AGE CONCERN DAY CENTRE Fridays in the Lower Town Hall from 10am.

EWECROSS HISTORICAL SOCIETY in the Town Hall last Monday each month.

TUESDAY CLUB in the Lower Town Hall First Tuesday each month 1.30-4pm.

TUESDAY CLUB in the Lower Town Hall 2nd Monday in the month 7-10pm.

MOTHERS UNION 2nd Tuesday in the Month in the Lower Town Hall 1.30pm

INDOOR BOWLS Every Monday 1.30pm.

KARATE Tuesdays and Thursdays 6-9pm in the Lower Town Hall.

ANGUS FIRE ARMOUR OAP's 3rd Tuesday each month 1-4pm in the Lower Town Hall.

BEAVER SCOUTS Thursday 5-6pm.

CUB SCOUTS Thursday 6-7.15pm.

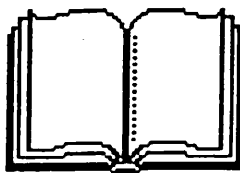
BURTON IN LONSDALE W.I. 1st Thursday in the month. Phone 61544 (Mrs Burke) for details.

ORGANIC GARDENING Every Tuesday at 7.15pm in the Town Hall.

NORTH CRAVEN LABOUR PARTY Meetings on 2nd Wednesday each month at 7.45pm. (tel 61402 for details)

NETBALL practice Monday evenings at 6.30pm.

Correct details, for the above and any new activities, are now required for this column which we try to include as often as space permits.



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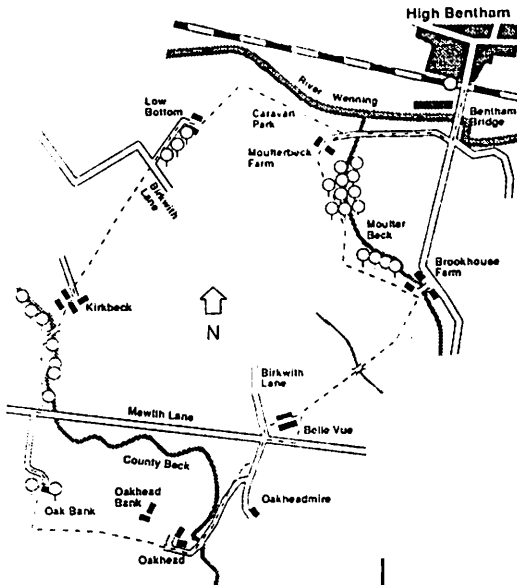
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BENTHAM'S FOUR FOUR-SQUARE-MILE WALKS (alternatives)

No 4 SOUTH WEST: Moulterbeck - Brookhouse - Belle View - Oak Head - Oak Bank - Kirkbeck - Low Bottom (4 1/2 miles)

This walk includes sections of woodland and open fields with panoramic views over the Wenning Valley, the Yorkshire Peaks, the Lakeland Hills and Bowland. It also passes through some of the historic farms to the south of Bentham, a number of which include 'oak' in their names.

1, To Moulterbeck Farm.

From the centre of Bentham go down Station Road, crossing the railway and river bridges. On the far side of Bentham Bridge, turn right along the farm track and follow it along to Moulterbeck, now a private residence.

2, To Brookhouse Farm.

Pass between the farmhouse and the barns, destined soon for redevelopment, and go through the gate with waymark signs. Turn half left and cross the corner of the meadow to the wooden stile marked by a white post

on the edge of the wood. In the wood turn right and follow the well trodden path, as it rises and falls, keeping well above the beck and the waterfall below. The stile at the end of the wood is again distinguished by a white post. Once over this, move gradually to the right away from the beck towards a field gate which opens on to a bridle way alongside a strip of woodland. This soon turns to the left and brings you into the back of Brookhouse farmyard, alongside an old Nissen hut.

3, To Belle View.

Pass through the gate on the right, as directed by the waymark, and up the stony track to another gate at the

top on the right. Look through this half left and notice another gate in the next wire fence. The right of way passes between the two gates, and then on over rising ground in a straight line to the far corner of the field. Here it continues, over a stone footbridge and through an unusual wrought-iron kissing gate, gradually climbing on the same line towards a fieldgate in the hedge at the top of the field. Don't forget to look back at the views behind. If the gate is locked, use the stile beside it to cross into the next field with the buildings of Belle View a short way ahead, through a small wooden door. At present the right of way passes through the farmyard and comes out at the top of Birkwith Lane. However, it is understood that a legal diversion will shortly be coming into effect, after which the right of way will run along the side wall on the left, to the new stone stile coming out on to Mewith Lane.

4, To Oak Head Farm.

Opposite the junction of Birkwith Lane (coming up from Low Bentham) and Mewith Lane, a footpath sign shows the right of way continuing up the farm track towards open fell beyond Oakheadmire.

About 200 yards along the track, look for a low stone stile on the right and cross into the field, converging on the farm track leading towards Oak Head. Just before you reach the farm, the track crosses County Beck, and passes from North Yorkshire into Lancashire for a while. Follow the lane round the left of the farm buildings, up to a gate at the top.

5. To Oak Bank Farm.

From this gate make for another gate in the far right corner, with Oakhead Bank Farm on the right. Passing through this second gate, continue onwards along the left of the hedge until you pass under some power lines. About 25 yards after that cross a wooden stile in the hedge on the right. In this field aim for the left of the second power line posts and in this direction you will soon see Oak Bank farmhouse. Look for the small gate at the left of the farmhouse, and pass round in front of the house, observing the historic dates over the front and side doors..

6. To Kirkbeck Farm.

Follow the farm track down to Mewith Lane, noting the extensive views ahead. A few yards to the right in the left hand wall, find the stone stile into the field opposite. Here aim for the lower right hand corner - you now have the wooded County Beck running down on the right - then over a wooden stile and across a narrow field to another stone stile into the wood in front. The path leads down through this attractive bit of woodland to a wooden footbridge, where you return from Lancashire into North Yorks. Kirkbeck Farm is just up at the top of the next short field. Aim for the stone stile at the right of the nearest barn. Cross the side farmyard and right into the main farmyard, again noting the historic date stone.

7. To Low Bottom.

On leaving Kirkbeck farmyard, look for the field gate on the right, pass through and follow the line of the hedge down to a wooden stile at the bottom. Continue in the same line over a further wooden stile, and on to a signposted stile in the hedge ahead, which brings you out into Birkwith Lane. Just opposite is the gateway down through

the rather grand (though partly dilapidated) avenue of trees to Low Bottom Farm, which has been unoccupied for some time.

8. Back to Bentham Bridge.

At the end of the farm yard, turn left between the buildings over a rather rough fence into the field with High Bentham beyond. Keep along the hedge on your left, turn right at the end down some stone/concrete steps to a wooden kissing gate, beside an open gateway. Here turn right and cross the field to a stone stile in the middle of the wall enclosing Riverside Caravan Park. The right of way continues through the Park but not over the bridge on the left which is private, out through a stone squeeze stile at the end, and converges on the track from Moulterbeck back towards Bentham Bridge.

Total distance about 4 1/2 miles: the walk can be completed comfortably in 2 1/2 hours.

Route by Ken & Jean Walton; map by George Pickett.

Richard Bradshaw

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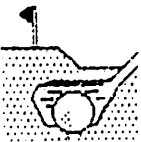
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 Pennington

James Cup

1 Miss J Metcalfe & Mr W. Dixon 2 Mrs C
 Dytham & Mr D Dytham

Ladies Invitation

J Chandler & A Armistead A Jefferies (nee
 Fisher) & N. Clayton (nee Magoolagan)

Ladies Captain's Day

1 J Chandler 2 C Halstead 3 H Davies 4 W
 West 5 E Harris

Best Score 4 short holes

M Fern

Chipping

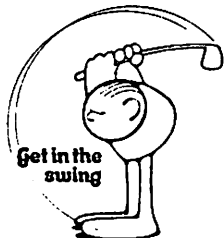
H Davies

Putting

K Brownsword

9 Hole Competition

M Taylor & L Smith



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SPRINGFIELD

BOWLING

CLUB

The finals of the Club competitions were
 held on Saturday 17th August.

The results were as follows:

Ladies Crabtree Rose Bowl

Winner Mrs E Garlick

Runner-up Mrs D Rose

Ladies Challenge Cup

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Runner-up Miss L Taylor

Mens Challenge Cup

Winner M Taylor

Runner-up D Garlick

Mens Butterfield Cup

Winner G Hague

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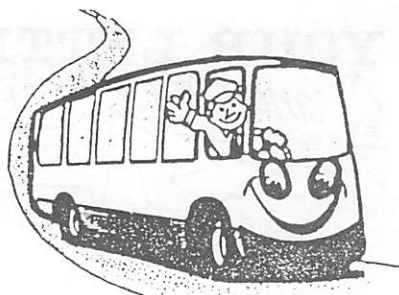
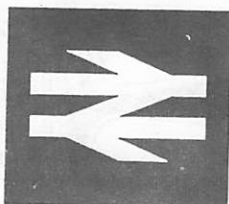
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1705	1830	1901

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1146	1219	1353
1525	1554	1728
1845	1915	2045

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	1530 1610 1713 1913
L. Ben	0750 0945 1115 1215 1330 1515
	1535 1615 1718 1918
Lanc	0830 1024 1154 1254 1409 1554
	1615 1700 1758 1958

LANCASTER - BENTHAM

MON - SAT

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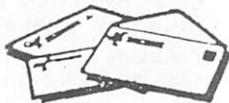
Dear Editor,

About the little comments that Mr. John Corrigan keeps putting in your paper. Well I think Mr. Corrigan should hold a meeting down at Low Bentham School and tell all us mums and dads, teachers and governors at the school just what he means instead of writing to BN all the time. Why not shout out loud Mr. Corrigan to our faces, myself and most of the parents are fed up of this. I would not mind if you had children at the school. But you took yours out about three years ago to put them in High Bentham School. So why don't you give it a rest and leave the school alone. If it closes at any time I and others would not let our children travel to school. Are you that fed up that you have nothing better to do but poke your nose in to our school. Why don't you see if High Bentham School has something to keep you occupied.

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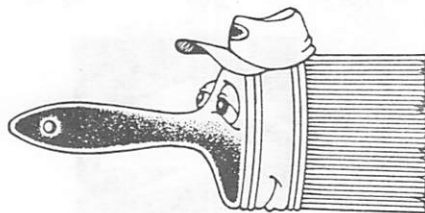
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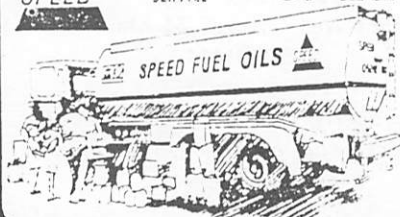
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NETBALL

MATCHMAKERS v. WENNING
WANDERERS Result: 47-27

Matchmakers got off to a good start with good passing and shooting. Wenning tried hard to keep up to no avail. However, the score wasn't bad considering Matchmakers won the Craven League this season.

WENNING WANDERERS v. KEIGHLEY
LEISURE Result: 26-37

It was a dark dismal night, with both teams getting off to a shaky start. Keighley went into the lead in the second half but Wenning fought hard with excellent play from Laura Widdop and Jackie Walker. We closed the gap but not quite enough. It was an enjoyable match.

The netball season has once again come to an end, but we are carrying on with the practice night - Mondays 6.30pm until the nights draw in.

It has been a very disrupted season as two of the league teams pulled out mid-season. However, we as a team have not played badly this season. Thanks to the new blood in the team: Jackie, Mandy, Deborah, Jerry and Marie. The season has not passed by without injury as Chris chipped a bone in her hand whilst playing against Ingletton. She has now fully recovered. Hopefully, we have finished fourth in the league and Jackie Walker, our centre, has won the league trophy for Players' Player of the Match.

Many thanks to the rest of the players who have worked hard for the team. We hope next season will be as good or even better.

Ingrid Ellershaw, Secretary



Kendal League Men's Division I

NORTH LONSDALE (Cartmel) v. BENTHAM

The outcome of this match was to determine this season's Division I title. Bentham needed seven points out of a possible eight from their last two matches. North Lonsdale were similarly placed. Both sides fielded their first choice teams, although one of the Bentham players had to be prised from a wedding reception. After three long, hard sets on Cartmel school's slow courts, Bentham's first couple were defeated by their opposite numbers. This turned out to be the critical result. The visiting team's second couple won in three sets. The reverse matches followed form of the last five years and the match was drawn. Result: 2-2.

Team: John Bell, Alan Warde, Colin Brown and Ken Robertson.

BENTHAM v. VICKERS (Barrow)

The last match of the season was literally a non-event. Vickers were unable to raise a full team. Their talented youngsters were required by Cumbria for County Week, which started the following day. Bentham had a walkover. Result: 4-0.

Team (or would have been): Alan Warde, Simon Hicks, Colin Brown and Ken Robertson.

Post Scriptum

Below is a league table recently published in a local paper. North Lonsdale are shown as having played all their matches, with Bentham having one match left - a possible four points. The innocent reader might think Bentham could still win the league. In fact, Bentham ended up in second place, 1½ points behind North Lonsdale.

MENS DIV.1	P	W	Pts
N.Lonsdale	12	6	32
Bentham	11	6	29
Wanderers	12	4	26
Kendal A	12	3	22
Kendal	12	3	21
Milnthorpe	11	1	18
Vickers	10	0	11



JOHNNY ONE-NOTE : RECORD REVIEWS

Sadly this is my last set of reviews. If there are any budding music hacks out there, I'm sure Bentham News would be pleased to hear from you. Dr. MELL-O, too, bids you farewell. He has gone on a long journey.

BONNIE RAITT / Luck of the Draw (LP/CASS/CD) I have only recently discovered Bonnie Raitt. She uses an individual blend of musical styles - blues, country and rock - and is backed by some excellent session men. This, and Don Was's production, results in an enjoyable album. Highlights include One Part Be My Lover and Luck of the Draw. (8/10)

VANGELIS / Themes (LP/CASS/CD) This isn't exactly a new release but I thought I would include it anyway. It is a compilation of movie themes. Many tracks have not been released before (including the excellent Bladerunner theme). Even for those who have not seen the films, Vangelis's music brings powerful images to mind. A well recommended album. (9/10)

TOM PETTY and the HEARTBREAKERS / Into the Great Wide Open (LP/CASS/CD) This is the follow up to the superb Full Moon Fever. It is very similar sounding to its predecessor, with its short 4 minute songs, all done with a sense of humour and some great guitar playing. Whereas many of his contemporaries seem to have lost their bite, Tom Petty remains true to rock'n'roll. This is cruising music at its best, including the single Learning to Fly. (8/10)

BILL HOULDSWORTH

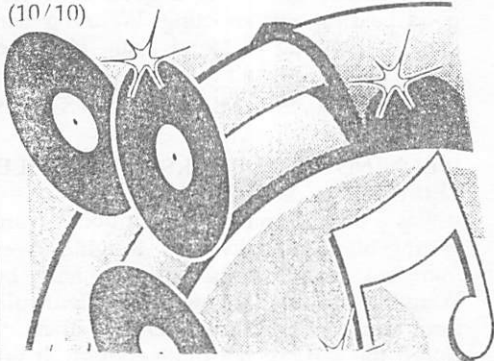
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Here are two recipes brought back from the USA by a Benthams News reader.



PICCADILLO

(a Cuban dish)

- 1 lb mince
- 1 green pepper diced
- 1 16oz can tomatoes
- 1 tblsp vinegar
- 2 tblsp capers
- 2 onions diced
- 2 cloves garlic chopped
- 1/4 cup stuffed olives
- 1/4 cup sultanas
- 3/4 tsp cumin
- salt and pepper to taste

Cook the mince with the onions and garlic until the meat is brown and veg tender, add the remaining ingredients and simmer for 20 minutes.

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1 1/2 cups of mayonnaise

Layer in order given and spread mayonnaise on top sealing to the edge of the bowl.

Put plastic wrap on top and keep in the refrigerator overnight.

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EDITOR'S APOLOGIES:- to Shirley of Ingleton, her LEMON CAKE recipe should have read SELF RAISING FLOUR and contained two beaten eggs.

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