

HUGE INVESTMENT BOOST FOR BENTHAM REGENERATION

By Bentham Development Trust

Bentham is one of the first six market towns, from across Yorkshire and Humber, to benefit from a £6 million regeneration funding package. This news was announced at Halifax Show on Saturday 12th August. The Mayor, Mrs. Jean West, and Pam Woof, Chairman of Bentham Development Trust, which has worked in close co-operation with Yorkshire Forward and the Countryside Agency on the Market Towns Initiative, were there to hear the good news. The selection of the towns was made on the basis of need, opportunity and commitment of local partners. The following is from the news release by Yorkshire Forward and the Countryside Commission.

"Market towns to receive funding for regeneration named"

The towns that will be initially supported by Yorkshire Forward and the Countryside Agency through the Market Towns Initiative, receiving an average of £340,000 each, are

- ◆ In North Yorkshire, the towns of Malton/Norton (selected as one) and Bentham.
- ◆ In Humber, the towns of Brigg and Hornsea.
- ◆ In South Yorkshire, the town of Thorne.
- ◆ In West Yorkshire, the town of Todmorden.

It is anticipated that each town will benefit from new investment totally £1 million, from organisations in the private, public and voluntary sectors.

The Market Towns Initiative is being led at national level by the Countryside Agency, and Yorkshire Forward has formed this early partnership piloting the scheme in Yorkshire and Humber, to provide regional input prior to its roll-out across the country.

Providing much needed assistance to the region's rural areas, the scheme is a result of the Agencies' commitment to the revitalisation of rural and urban communities throughout the region, and during the lifetime of the initiative, 18 towns will receive funding to enable the reinvigoration of their communities and wider rural areas.

The injection of capital is to cover the development of an action plan for the town, administration costs for a local partnership, project funding and a final evaluation scheme.

The first task of each town is to create a broad partnership structure that will be capable of delivering a regeneration initiative. The partnership will be responsible for the production of an action plan, which will detail how it will tackle the town's regeneration from social, economic, transport, environmental and community levels.

Market Towns have, for the purposes of the initiative, been classified as communities of between 2,000 and 30,000 population, which act as service centres for a wider rural area and the six towns have been selected by

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WOMENS' INSTITUTES

High Bentham

By Doreen Park

At the August meeting the President informed members and visitors of plans for the trading stall to be held at Bentham Show. There will be cakes, jams and chutneys for sale together with a display of W.I. books.

The speaker for the evening was Mrs. J. Wilson, from Grassington, a former president of the Yorkshire Federation, whose talk was entitled "Needle work, various skills", and what skills this lady had! Her experience as an embroiderer was breathtaking. The display of her craft which she brought with her covered nearly every needle stitch known. Members were given tips and encouraged to have a go. She was thanked by Mrs. Joan Jackson.

The competition winners for an embroidered tablecloth in joint first, Mrs. Hilda King and Mrs. Ruth Parker. Members were reminded that next month is time for nominations for the committee. The next meeting will be on 7th September when Mrs. A. Farnell will talk on "Tasty ways with cheese". The competition will be "A household tip". All are welcome.

Low Bentham

By Jennifer Watkinson

As the president was away on holiday, Mrs. Lydia Wilkinson chaired the meeting. Mrs. Sylvia Brennand, our delegate at the controversial Wembley gathering, reported on the day and read out Jean Myer's report

of it that had been sent to all institutes.

To encourage children to learn traditional craft skills members are going into Low Bentham Primary School periodically to assist them. Mrs. Joan Gilroy reported that she had enjoyed her first session.

Members were enthusiastic when a day trip to George Smith's house and garden near York was proposed for next year.

Mr. Bill Mitchell, former editor of the Dalesman, gave an interesting and humorous talk about Dales Folk. He spoke about the unique scenery and habitat of the Dales and of some of the characters he had met or heard about, including his visits to Hannah Hawkswell's farm, and his interviews with Alf White (James Herriot). He also recited poems and amusing letters that had been sent to the magazine.

Competition winners were:- Mrs. Mary Murphy, Mrs. Hilda Lister and Mrs. Joan Gilroy. The next meeting will be on 21st September when Mr. D. Allison will be talking about his experiences as a football referee.



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TOWN COUNCIL REPORT

By Dorothy Pidgeon

Picking up on last month's report, the situation regarding the Black Bull car-park remains the same. No date for a meeting has been fixed so it can continue to be used free of charge. Bentham Traders expressed their concern at what might happen to their businesses if a parking charge is made.

Another matter giving cause for concern was the presence of broken glass on the new School Hill site.

Town Hall Matters

Following the upset after the Young Farmers' dance, it was decided to re-vamp the Town Hall booking form so that everyone would know exactly who is responsible and what is expected. The clerk reported a decrease of £2,000 in booking income for the current year.

Highways

Highway matters received quite a lot of attention. Some repairs have been carried out but there are constant complaints about trees and hedges left untrimmed along with holes in the roads left unfilled.

Other Concerns

The "doggy" problem never quite goes away - a new Dog Warden is to be appointed by the District Council.

On the negative side, it appears there is no hope of a mobile dentist coming to Bentham.

Our County Councillor reported a large increase of funding for 3 year olds nursery places and North Yorkshire regeneration. Let us hope some of it finds its way to Bentham.

A suggestion that the War Memorial plaque be removed from the Town Hall to the new millennium site was discussed but seemed fraught with difficulties.

This report contains most, but not all, of the matters discussed. As always, the minutes of the Council meeting are available to the public at the Library.

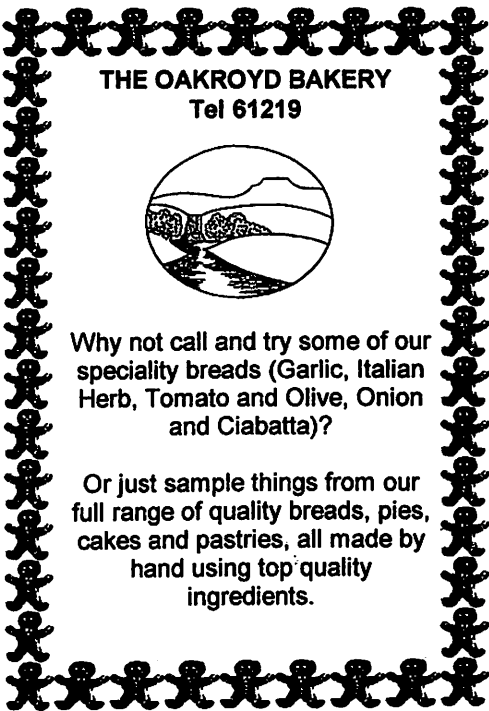
AGE CONCERN

By Ruth Bridgewood

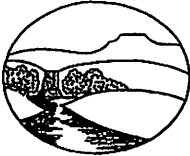
Age Concern is having a successful summer of talks at the Day Centre, regular weekly outings using the mini-bus, several coach trips and a small group who enjoy their Monday lunch at the Coach House. However, whilst the number of regular attendees on a Friday has increased - now over forty - the number of helpers has diminished and they are getting older! If you think that Age Concern is a worthwhile activity to keep going in Bentham, and you can spare 2-4 hours a month, please call into the Day Centre at the Town Hall any Friday between 10.00am and 2.30pm, or phone Edna Parnell, 63129.

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NATIONAL LOTTERY FOR ST. BONIFACE

By Ken Durkin

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If the win is below £500 extra tickets will be purchased and if the win is £500 and above there will be a cash payment. Membership of Club 49 costs £2.31 per week, paid monthly at £10 by standing order. There are a few numbers still available, so if anyone would like to join Club 49, they can contact the organizer on 0800 783 2819. St. Boniface is registered charity 249404.

HMS INDOMITABLE ASSOCIATION

By Pip Oldfield

Reunion 2000

The response to our Reunion at the Norbreck Castle Hotel, Blackpool, in October has been disappointing. If you have not booked, please do as soon as possible. Any readers who served in the Indomitable, or took passage in her from Australia, between 1941 and 1955, are cordially invited to attend. For details please apply to Neville Slattery, 6 Dorclyn Avenue, Urmston, Manchester M41 9BF or phone 0161 7483056. You will be most welcome. Shipmates, please make the effort!

I would also appreciate being contacted (on 61262) by anyone who served on or is interested in the HMS Indomitable.

YORKSHIRE DALES OPERA

By Floreen Cairns (Secretary)

The Skipton based Yorkshire Dales Opera, who gave a much appreciated performance of Donizetti's "Don Pasquale" in Benthams Town Hall last year, are to present a stage performance of "La Boheme" by Puccini in the Town Hall on Thursday 14th September, 2000 at 7.00pm. Sadly, the group's musical director died suddenly in July and this performance will be dedicated to his memory. Tickets, at £7 and £5 may be obtained from the Sports Shop, Station Road, Benthams, or at the door.

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CRAVEN DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS

By Councillor John Pilkington

Market Towns Initiative

The District Council has welcomed the great news that Bentham has been selected as one of the first towns to benefit from the Market Towns Initiative. There is more good news as the Council has agreed to support the initiative with £100,000 over a two-year period. The grant is likely to be used for employment initiatives; one of the major needs identified by the study carried out last year. With a total of £600,000 available this is a marvellous opportunity for some worthwhile projects to be completed. But as the projects have to be completed within 30 months or so there will a lot of hard work required during the next three months to agree on an action plan before the end of 2000. It is essential that all sections of the community be involved in this process. A public meeting will be held towards the end of September and further details will be given as soon as possible.

Public Toilets

Work to improve the access to the toilet for disabled people has been agreed and a contractor appointed. The work should be completed by the end of September.

Area Forums

Earlier this year the District Council set up a Review Committee. This Committee has a responsibility to examine all aspects of the work of the Council. The first review will be an examination of Area Forums to assess how effective they are and to make recommendations for improvements. During the next few weeks the Council will be looking at the best way of conducting the review to make sure that all sections of the community have the chance to make comments. Later in the year, it is likely that a series of meetings will be held to give an opportunity for anyone to make comments or suggestions. If you would like to be involved in this process please contact one of your District Councillors.

Dog Fouling

Instead of employing a second dog warden the District Council has decided to set up a "surveillance scheme". £5000 has been approved to pay for random surveillance of sites throughout Craven where dog fouling has been identified as a problem. Parish and Town Councils have been asked to highlight on a map all areas that are regularly used as "dog loos" so that they can be targeted.

Recent Planning Applications

08/2000/565 B & C.E. Armstrong, 17 Main Street, Bentham, LA2 7HQ. Replacement of derelict garage/store at King Street, Bentham.

08/2000/553 Mr & Mrs B E Smith, 2 Lairgill, High Bentham, LA2 7JZ. Private garage.

08/2000/601 Mr & Mrs Proctor, Barn House, Far Sunnybank, Mewith, Bentham, LA2 7AX. Single detached timber garage with pitched roof.

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SUMMIT WATCH VIGIL

By Stephen Dawson

During the brief heatwave at the end of July, 32 people of all ages met at School Hill to hold a "Summit Watch Vigil".

The vigil coincided with the annual meeting of the world leaders in Japan: the G8 Summit. Some thought that the giant Easter candle was chained to School Hill because of Bentham's crime rate, but the chains were a symbol of the burden of debt which tie many people in the Majority World to a life without clean water, immunisations and primary schools.

The vigil was arranged by Local Action for Justice and Peace. Although LAJP isn't a religious group it chose to follow the hour-long vigil of songs and readings published jointly by Jubilee 2000, Cafod (the Catholic Relief Fund), Christian Aid and the Mothers' Union.

TAKE CARE! VANDALS AT WORK

By Dorothy Pidgeon

Why is it that as soon as Bentham acquires something of which we can be justifiably proud, it immediately becomes the target of vandalism?

Recently, it was the toilets; now it's School Hill. With much expense and effort, what was formerly a dingy area has been transformed into a pleasant site, our tribute to the Millennium. Last week I took a visitor there to see what had been achieved, but was dismayed and ashamed to find the whole area covered in broken beer bottles. Not only a disgraceful mess but a real danger to anyone stepping on the site.

Those responsible know who they are, and hopefully the rest of us will soon know too, since the matter was discussed at the recent Town Council meeting, along with appropriate steps to catch the culprits. But we'd far rather this rash behaviour stopped without anyone needing to be caught. Please, young people, have a thought for others.

BENTHAM FOOTPATH GROUP



By Maureen Ellis

The very interesting and striking stone sculpture of a head in profile, donated by Bob Sloane to the footpath group has now been sited adjacent to a footpath. It is worth a visit to have a look, and a three minutes walk from the Bentham Road will get you there. Go as far as Naylor Myers on the right hand side in the direction of Low Bentham. Just a little further on beyond the barn there is a signpost "Footpath to Burton Rd", go over the stile and the sculpture is next to the wall which skirts the adjoining garden; the head looks out towards Ingleborough.

The low rainfall of July has given some very pleasant walks with well thought out routes from the leaders.

At the quarterly meeting in July it was agreed that the maintenance of paths, especially their crossing places, remains a problem.

In September Adrian Leigh is arranging what has become an annual weekend trip to the Lake District, probably staying on Saturday evening 16th September at Seatoller. He proposes a high level walk on Saturday in the area of Honister, weather permitting, and on the Sunday a lakeside walk which is likely to be in the Bassenthwaite area. He should be contacted on 63037 as soon as possible if you intend to take up this opportunity.

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RECIPES

By Doreen Park

A young lady who used to live and work in Bentham, before returning to Scotland, sent me a recipe book entitled "John O' Groats Cook Book", sold in aid of the church in Camisbay. So here are two recipes from the book, which took my fancy.

Salmon, broccoli gratin (*Mr. & Mrs. Eden, Brough Tearooms*)

For microwave, 650-700 watts and grill medium to hot.

- 4 ozs broccoli cut into florets
- 2 ozs mushrooms, sliced
- 7 oz tin salmon drained and separated
- 14 oz tin tomatoes, chopped
- 1 teaspoon basil
- salt and pepper to taste
- 3 slices wholemeal bread, crumbled
- 2 ozs cheese, grated
- ½ teaspoon mixed herbs

Place broccoli florets and sliced mushrooms in a bowl. Cover and cook on 100% for 3½ minutes. Add chopped tomatoes, juice, salmon and seasoning. Cover and cook on microwave at 100% for 4-4½ minutes. Put mixture into a 1½ pint ovenproof dish (au-gratin dish). Mix together breadcrumbs, cheese (leaving a little to sprinkle on top) herbs and seasoning. Sprinkle the breadcrumb mixture over the salmon mixture and place under the grill for about

5 minutes or until golden brown. Serve with side salad or creamed potatoes.

Tuna and Cheese Medley (*Elizabeth Gates, Hillside Gills*)

- 7 oz tin tuna
- small packet frozen peas
- 2 ozs sliced mushrooms and/or tomatoes
- 3 eggs
- 4 ozs potato crisps
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- salt and pepper
- ½ pint milk
- 2 ozs extra cheese

Flake tuna into a mixing bowl. Crush crisps and mix in with tuna. Add peas, mushrooms, tomatoes, onion, cheese and seasoning and mix. Beat eggs lightly, add milk and pour into fish mix. Put into buttered ovenproof dish and sprinkle on the remaining cheese. Bake in oven 350F/ Gasmark 4 for 30-40 minutes. Serve hot. Can be served with side salad.

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Dear Sir,

I feel that I need to comment on the police file in the last issue of BN. Vandalism is a matter that irritates me, as it clearly does other people, and I agree that it is a matter that needs to be dealt with. Initially it is a matter of parental responsibility to educate children as to why this behaviour is unacceptable. Should we fail to achieve this, and our offspring do cause damage, I feel that it would be a lot more useful for an initial informal approach either from people who have witnessed this or from the police. Were my youngster involved, I would rather be aware of it in time to have another go at the education process rather than to suddenly find him being prosecuted.

The implication that parents who spend time in the pub are failing in their parental duties baffles me somewhat. Another skill of successful parenting is to develop trust and independence in young people. I hope that I am achieving this and most reports about my lad are positive. If I am wrong and he is going astray, please tell me and I will try to attend to the matter. Instead of innuendo let's have straight talking.

Yours Sincerely,

John Corrigan,

12 Lakeber Drive, Benthams.

Dear Sir,

There has been a marked improvement in the flow of traffic in many parts of our villages despite the few who are still willing to make expensive trips to the Spar shop. However we have still not resolved all our problems and I feel that maybe we have tackled the inconvenient spots rather than the dangerous ones.

The Highway Code certainly used to say that parking on a bend, by a junction or on the brow of a hill were not good ideas. Robin Lane, from just below the Catholic

Church, to the point where it finally flattens out, contains all of these hazards and yet there are cars parked there regularly either to attend services or outside people's homes. This is one of the principal routes into High Benthams and has a bus service running up and down. I have witnessed several uncomfortably close encounters between vehicles and feel that it is only a matter of time before we have a serious accident here. It is my belief that we need to restrict parking for the whole section that I have mentioned and also to restrict it to one side of the road only on the lower section.

Yours Sincerely,

John Corrigan.

12 Lakeber Drive, Benthams.

HORNBY DRAMA GROUP

*By Hilary Strickett
(Chairman, Hornby
Drama Society)*



Hornby Drama Group begins its new season on 6th September, followed by the Annual General Meeting on 13th. Meetings will be held at the Hornby Institute at 7.30pm.

Although we had a very successful year with a production of Noel Coward's "Blithe Spirit" last November, followed by the Annual Festival of One Act Plays in May, the group is now sadly suffering from lack of members, particularly in the younger age range, and is struggling to survive. Therefore anyone who is interested in any aspect of "putting on a play", whether it be directing, producing, acting, stage managing, set building, prompting, costume making etc, will be welcomed with open arms. If you believe in live drama in the local community and do not wish to see us just fade away as so many others have recently, please, please make the effort to support Hornby Drama Group by attending one of these meetings. We look forward to seeing you.

BIBBY'S OF INGLETON

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MILLENNIUM HARVEST CELEBRATIONS

By Alison Jones

Churches Together and Looking Well have joined forces to promote a special Millennium Harvest celebration for all the family at the Town Hall on Saturday 30th September. The festivities will start with a short service at 6.00pm followed by a Jacob's Join Supper (everyone bring something to eat) and finishing with an evening of dancing. Live music will be provided by the Tooti Fruiti Band - brand new line up of Benthams people of all ages led by Leo Nolan (of Bonfire Band fame) and Alison Service. Dances will include barn dances, rock and roll, waltzes and a conga. The event is free but there will be a donations box to raise funds. Please come and join us and enjoy a really good night out!

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GALA SUCCESS

By Pam Woof

This year's Gala was a great success the proceeds of which will help towards the alterations to the club house buildings taking place later this year. Sue Ray has organized the Gala for the last two years. It takes a lot of hard work and her efforts were much appreciated by the committee.

End of an Era

It has been decided that there will not be a Fell Race next year. Numbers of entrants have declined recently; due in part to another fell race being organized at Austwick on the same day.

The Fell Race has been a tradition at Bentham Gala for over 25 years. The committee would like to thank all those who have taken a major part in running and marshalling the event over the years. Colin Brown and Ken Robertson have looked after the administration, time keeping etc. Up on the fell away from the public eye there were Chris and Celia Wilcock, Michael Wright, Brian Preston, Dave Savage and Walter Emmott. They all helped to make the race run smoothly every year by marshalling or laying out the course, whatever the weather and conditions on the day.

Last but not least many thanks must go the competitors who took part in the race over the years. In particular we thank those who returned each year and supported us to the very end.

Cloud with a Silver Lining?

Many of you will be aware that the Texas Rangers Wild West show did not come due to a serious accident to one of their crew two days before the Gala. At very short notice the organizers had came up with an alternative event. The idea of running children's races may seem a most unlikely substitute for a Wild West show but they proved so popular that it has been decided to make the Gala more of a Sports Day next year! (They used to be part of the Gala many years ago.) More details will emerge nearer the time. Craven Wanderers also ran a very popular five a side competition.

There is a wealth of football talent in our midst!

Notice of A.G.M.

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MARKET FRUIT AND VEG STALL

By Jean West

Continuing our series of interviews with Benthams' market traders, I recently talked to John and Phyllis Riley who have been bringing their fruit and veg stall to Benthams since 1982. Although they used to attend other markets, they now just come to Benthams, although they also work in the fruit and vegetable wholesale trade. John has been in the trade for most of his life following in the footsteps of his parents, his grandparents and even his great grandparents, as the business started back in the 1890s. Phyllis has a son, Colin, who used to work in the business, but now he has a new career with the Automobile Association.

John and Phyllis live in the village of Stalmine near Poulton-le-Fylde, where Phyllis belongs to her local Women's Institute and is also a very active member of the Wyre in Bloom committee. She can often be found picking up litter and weeding and planting to keep the village looking tidy. In addition she also enjoys a part-time job in a nursing home. John also keeps very busy, and when he has the time he breeds and races pigeons, sometimes with great success as recently one of his birds won a race from France.

When John and Phyllis have a break from work they like to go somewhere warm and usually choose Spain or one of the islands. They always try and tell people in advance when their stall will not be coming to the market, and have only missed once



for adverse weather conditions. They like coming to Benthams and say that the town has been very good to them over the years and that they find Benthams folk very genuine. They would wish to see a few more stalls in the market and do try to encourage people to come. In their own quiet way they play a vital part in helping Benthams and its market to prosper.

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BOOK REVIEW

By Len Moody

John Wyatt, *"The Shining Levels"*, Arrow Books, 1973. *"Reflections on the Lakes"*, Cicerone Press, 1980. *"The Gentle art of Country Walking"*, Random House, 1983.

Many who pursue "the gentle art of country walking" are acquainted with these eloquent, classic texts, and the many who don't yet know them have a great treat in store. Although born and brought up in a Lancashire industrial town, and employed after leaving school in a newspaper office, John knew in his bones that he was a countryman, and made his way to the Lake District as a "forest worker", and this was the beginning of a lifetime committed to the great outdoors, leading to the post of Chief Ranger of the Lake District National Park. Although the author of many books, including guide books, he is not just a literary type, but a man of action and affairs who writes from the heart.

"The Shining Levels" is a record of his earlier years as a forester, with a widening range of experience and responsibility. It is left to the discerning reader to discover what John means by the title. One of the most popular parts of this book is his account of adopting Buck, an orphan fawn. In more general terms "The Lake District" he claims, "was not the soft, mild, benevolent, romantic place that the holiday maker knows...It was, as I remember, the smell of moist earth and newycut wood; an aching back; rain in my face...hard work and...deep and total satisfaction".

"Reflections on the Lakes" is a more comprehensive account of his professional years - "helping, advising, instructing - sometimes rescuing the public". He became a national, an international, figure and on his retirement in 1986 was awarded an M.B.E. in the New Year's Honours. Since his retirement he has continued to be active, operating in a wider field, as writer, lecturer, broadcaster, and thinker, and "The Gentle Art of Country Walking" is the culmination of a life well spent with the acquisition of much useful, practical knowledge, leading to the development of a philosophy which explains what it is all about.

The reason for this notice in the Bentham News is that John still lives in the North West, and is widely appreciated for his informal but vivid talks on his experiences, and we are honoured to know that he will be the guest speaker at the Annual General Meeting of Bentham Footpath Group on Friday 20th October at 7.30pm at Bentham Town Hall, an opportunity not to be missed.

Copies of the three publications mentioned above have been deposited for reference in Bentham Library

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LOCAL EVENTS IN
SEPTEMBER

- Fri 1st Bentham News published.
Age Concern - Ann Kippox
"Promise Box"
- Sat 2nd Bentham Show. See back page.
Craven Wanderers coffee 
morning at the Town
Hall, 10.00am-12.00noon.
- Sun 3rd Bentham Footpath Group walk,
Smardale variation, 10 miles,
leader T. Burnett 63481. Please
meet at Lairgill at 9.30am.
- Mon 4th Town Council meeting at the
Town Hall, 7.00pm.
Looking Well, 10.30am-12.30pm
Baby Buckets, parents and
babies group, and every
Monday.
- Tue 5th Bentham Child Health Clinic at
the Surgery, 2.00-4.00pm.
Bentham Toy Library at the
Youth Centre, 9.30-11.30am.
Looking Well 2.00-3.00pm
Womens support group, and
every Tuesday.
- Wed 6th Looking Well 1.00-3.30pm,
Mucky Buckets parents and
under 3's play session, and
every Wednesday.

Listing for Local Events

Day

Date

Event

Venue

Please complete and return to Bill Kennedy,
62492, or hand in at Bentham Sports.

- Wed 6th NSPCC monthly meeting at
Oxenforth Green at 7.30pm.
Citizens' Advice Bureau at the
Surgery, 1.30-3.15pm.
Enrolment evening at Craven
College for part-time courses.
Meet the tutors 6.00-9.00pm.
Enquiries to 61474.
- Thu 7th High Bentham W.I. in the Town
Hall, 7.30pm. See page 2.
- Fri 8th Age Concern-Rodney and Ann
Smith, "Salvaide Project".
Charity workers in Eastern
Europe, Please bring soap or
toothpaste for refugee parcels.
Looking Well, 6.00-9.30pm,
Black Library Wargaming Club,
over 11's, and every Friday.
- Sat 9th St. John's coffee morning 
in the Lower Town Hall,
10.00-11.45am.
Horticultural Society Show in
the Town Hall Ballroom.
- Sun 10th Bentham Footpath Group walk,
Wennington area, 6-7 miles,
leader D.Mangan, 62615. Please
meet at Lairgill 10.00am.
Horticultural Society Show in
the Town Hall Ballroom.
- Mon 11th Looking Well, 12.30-2.00pm,
Cancer support group shared
lunch.
Looking Well 7.30-8.30pm Tai
Chi Qigong, gentle exercise
session, and each Monday from
this week.
- Tue 12th Copy deadline for October
Bentham News.
Looking Well, 12.30-1.30pm
relaxation session and every
Tuesday from this week.
Worker's Educational
Association evening classes.
7pm in Clapham School. The
Impressionist Painters, 6
lessons. Clapham 51324.

- Wed 13th Looking Well, Alzheimer's Support Group, 7.30-9.00pm.
- Thu 14th Low Bentham Chapel, friendly hour at 2.30pm.
Looking Well, 2.00-3.00pm, Tai Chi Qigong gentle exercise session and every Thursday from this week.
Yorkshire Dales Opera in the Town Hall, 7.00pm. Tickets £7 & £5 from the Sports Shop or at the door. See page 4.
- Fri 15th Waste paper collection at the Legion Hut, 8.30-11.0am. Proceeds to NSPCC.
St. Margaret's Church Beetle Drive, Lower Town Hall, 7.30pm. Admission, including supper, £2.
Age Concern, "The Terrible Knitters from Dent".
- Sat 16th Church of the Good Shepherd coffee morning in the Town Hall, 10.00am-12.00noon. ☕
- Sat 16th And Sunday 17th, Bentham Footpath Group weekend in the Lake District, contact A. Leigh 63037.
- Sun 17th Blood Donors at the Town Hall, all day.
- Tue 19th Bentham Child Health Clinic at the Surgery, 2.00-4.00pm.
Bentham Toy Library at the Youth Centre, 9.30-11.30am.
- Wed 20th Citizens' Advice Bureau at the Surgery, 1.30-3.15pm.
- Thu 21st Low Bentham W.I. 7.30pm at Victoria Inst. See page 2.
- Fri 22nd Age Concern, "Broadway Dinner".
- Sat 23rd Christian Aid Harvest coffee morning in the Town Hall, 10.00-11.30am. ☕ All welcome.
- Sun 24th Low Bentham Chapel Harvest Festival, at 2.00pm.
- Mon 25th Low Bentham Chapel Harvest Festival 7.30pm. Visit by the Lunesdale Choir.
- Wed 27th Playing Fields Association AGM at the Club House, 7.30pm. See page 11.
- Thu 28th Bentham Footpath Group walk, Big Stone, 4-5 miles, leader D. Fisher 61449. Please meet at Bentham Bridge 1.30pm.
- Fri 29th October edition of Bentham News published.
- Sat 30th Millennium coffee morning, Town Hall Ballroom, 10.00am-12.00 noon. ☕
Churches Together and Looking Well Harvest Celebration, at the Town Hall, 6.00-9.30pm. Jacob's Join supper, admission free.

Local Events in Early October

- Sun 1st High Bentham Methodist Church Harvest Festival Services. 10.30am-Rev.N.Price. 6.30pm Harvest Supper, table speaker Rev. N. Patterson.
- Mon 2nd Town Council meeting in the Town Hall, 7.30pm.
Indoor Bowls at the Town Hall.
- Tue 3rd Bentham Child Health Clinic at the Surgery, 2.00-4.00pm.

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EWECROSS HISTORICAL SOCIETY

By Jean Butler (Secretary)

During the summer months, members have enjoyed three different outings. On a warm sunny Sunday afternoon in May we went to Coniston Cold, where Mrs. Bannister, one of our winter speakers, gave us a historical tour of the village, the church, features of the estate, the ice house and an exhibition in the refurbished hall. Next, on a moist and midgey June evening, Mr. Phil Hudson took a group of us up into Roeburndale to show us remaining evidence of coal mining in the area, old tracks, old buildings and piles of old stones that were not just piles of old stones! Finally, on a fine bright Saturday in August we went on our return visit to Skipton and Craven History Society where, in the morning, we heard about the textile industry in 19C Skipton, and after lunch had the choice of two guided walks. One was round the old textile mills, bringing life to what we had been told earlier and showing the development over the years, e.g. the former Wilkinson Mill which had undergone sympathetic restoration and change of use into apartments, and a school originally built by a mill owner for 12 year old "half timers". The second walk was to show the architectural history of the town.

Dates for your diary....16th and 17th September are Heritage Open Days 2000 when special events and activities, guided tours, talks and admission to places that are not normally accessible to the public are available free. In Lancaster for instance, free access to such notable sites as the Castle, Judges' Lodgings, Castle Hill Museum, The Penny Alms Houses and at the University, the Ruskin Library. There are guided tours of the town's old cinema sites, of Williamson Park and the Ashton Memorial. At the Grand Theatre, with its resident ghost, there will be a special programme of music, dance and drama and special events at the Maritime Museum. More details are in the leaflet available from the Tourist Office or on the Civic Society web site on www.civictrust.org.uk. Also on Sunday 17th September, collectors please note, there is a

second hand book fair at Ingleton Community Centre.

We are now at the beginning of a new season and our first meeting takes place on Monday 25th September in the Town Hall, Bentham, beginning at 7.30pm. Our speaker will be Mr. Ben Edwards, a former Lancashire County Archivist. His subject will be "Vikings in North West England", and his talk will be illustrated with slides.

We have more interesting evenings planned throughout the winter. The meetings consist of a talk, often illustrated with slides, then there is time for questions, discussion and finally a cup of tea, biscuit and chat. Full membership is £5; visitors pay £1 per visit. Meetings are held at the Town Hall on the last Monday of the months of September through to March and during the summer months we have excursions and outdoor activities often associated with the talks we have enjoyed previously.

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BENTHAM & DISTRICT PET RESCUE

By Val Marshall



It is now two months since our last report. Many of the kittens have now been rehomed, including the babies born here. They were such lively little souls that I was glad when they went! The big black long-haired old boy has also been homed. He went to an elderly lady of 87 who adores him and his health has improved enormously since having a happy settled home. What lovely companions they are for each other.

We have had a succession of feral kittens brought in. The tiny ones have all been homed, but we still have four lovely very pretty silver tabbies and a ginger and white one left. These will tame down in time, but would be ideal outside cats for anyone with an outbuilding who needs the rodent population kept under control. Also

waiting for a home is a particularly affectionate eleven month old grey and white male cat that has been tested, neutered and vaccinated. He has been here a long time and gets overlooked due to the kittens! Finally, we have a tabby female about 14 months old, very friendly, also tested, spayed and vaccinated.

Lastly, we would like to thank everyone for their support at our Book Sale and other fund-raising events, especially the Town Hall Coffee Morning where we raised £244.

The Quiz this year has been a great success and everyone seems to have had a lot of fun doing it. These are still on sale (the closing date is 15th September) and we will have them available at Low Bentham Street Market and Bentham Agricultural Show. Don't forget to send in your entries as, in addition to the first prize of £20, there is a lucky draw worth £5 - regardless of how many incorrect answers are on the sheet!



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WARM WELCOME TO OUR NEW DOCTORS

By Shirley Brown

Bentham News would like to warmly welcome Dr Mairi McKirdy and Dr Nick Howlett, who have recently joined the Bentham Practice. We thought our readers would like to know more about them, and they each kindly agreed to be photographed and to tell us a little about themselves.

Dr. Mairi McKirdy



Mairi was born in Glasgow in 1969. When she was 10 years old her family moved to Cardiff, where her father worked as a GP. Following in her father's footsteps, she has always wanted to be a doctor. She did her training at the medical school in Southampton from 1987 to 1992, and after house jobs in Cardiff and Bath she started a surgical rotation in Nottingham in 1993. However she soon realised that surgery was not what she really wanted to do, and so then spent 2 years doing anaesthetics, where she grew to really miss contact with awake patients!

She then spent 6 months in general practice training in Nottingham before, 2 years ago, moving up to Cumbria with her then fiancée's job. She spent 6 months as a registrar at Bentham, which she thoroughly

enjoyed and so she was delighted when a job came up here, and is very happy working in Bentham.

She met her husband, Geoff, on a mountain biking weekend, and they married a year ago. He's a chartered mineral surveyor based at Carnforth. Together they enjoy hill walking, cinema, entertaining, cooking and good food. Although currently living in Beetham, near Milnthorpe, they are moving to Cold Cotes in September.

Dr. Nick Howlett



Though originally a southerner, Nick has been based in the north west of England for the last 8 years. He went to the Sheffield Medical School and did his GP training in Lancaster and Kendal. He has done a lot of travelling and has worked in four continents, including jobs in Nepal, Chile and Tasmania.

His interests outside work are basically anything outdoors. His main sport is orienteering, for which he runs for one of the Lake District clubs, but he also enjoys fell running, mountain marathons, climbing and sea kayaking (when he finds the time!).

His family consists of his partner, Sarah, and Noah, who has just had his second birthday. They have recently moved to Burton-in-Lonsdale.

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T'AI CHI QIGONG AT THE LOOKING WELL

By Marie Rayner

T'ai Chi Qigong is a system of meditational and therapeutic "exercises" which has been popular in China for thousands of years. It is a series of gentle, graceful movements – you may have seen images of it on your TV screen, often groups of people practising in the open air, and it has been described as movement as meditation. T'ai Chi Qigong is a way of working with our natural energy, enabling us to become more fully alive, increasing physical stamina, bringing balance and improving energy flow – and allowing us to find peace and stillness within. It can improve health and can help to prevent illness. It works on many different levels – important because we are multidimensional beings, far more than just a physical body. It is easy to learn and easy to practice.

Sound too good to be true?

Want to know more? Monday evening classes start again at the Looking Well on 11th September at 7.30 and last for about one hour. The Thursday afternoon class (2.00 – 3.00) supported by the Young at Heart Group has run through the summer and is continuing.

All are welcome – both beginners and those with more experience. If you would like to know more, please ring me (Marie) on 61882, or call in to see Ali at the Looking Well.

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By Dot. Hughes

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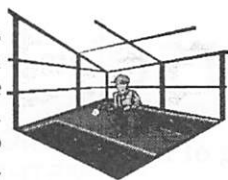


By Barbara Harrison

Polytunnels have been around for a number of years now but it is only recently that I have considered them for any other growing aid than that of the market gardener.

Having read a publication "Gardening under Plastic" I now realise that the enthusiastic gardener with enough space could accommodate one of these and enjoy a much longer growing season. These structures do not replace greenhouses and it is preferable to have both, but if you can imagine how useful the ordinary cloche can be then consider the benefits of a "Large" one. They come in different sizes and types to suit individual preferences and pockets. The main disadvantage is aesthetic and of course siting has to be a major consideration. A polytunnel will cover four times the area of a greenhouse for a quarter of the price, the covers are tough and a good one will last for six years or more. Protecting plants and the gardener from winter elements can only be beneficial all round.

A polytunnel is due for construction soon at the Red House in Gas Lane, Bentham. This will have a two fold benefit. Firstly, for use by the residents who like to potter about the garden in the more inclement months, providing an area to sit in and secondly, for its primary function of an extended growing season.



Bentham Show is almost upon us and there is much discussion in our household over what produce from our garden we can or cannot show! Although the taste is there, our potatoes are not smooth enough, the carrots are not straight enough and the lettuces are full of holes! Our onions are looking good - Robinson's Mammoth are certainly living up to their name - and our garlic is already harvested, but we have no idea how to prepare them for showing.

Weatherwise we had a good August with a welcome mix of sunshine and rain. There has been an excellent crop of soft fruit and we now have plenty of raspberry, strawberry and blackcurrant jam. The blackberries in the lane will be the next fruits to pick, followed by damsons and plums.

With new growth sprouting from all the shrubs we have been busy taking cuttings, to ensure continuity of our favourite plants, as well as doing some summer pruning of the fruit trees. This ensures that the fruit left on the trees grows strongly and gets the maximum benefit of light and air.

With all that fresh growth we should not have been surprised to find the deer also enjoying these tender shoots; but we were and a number of the young trees have been damaged. Protected at the base from rabbits, we have now had to protect them further with canes, netting and plastic bottles. It's called shutting the stable door after the....., or something like that!

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PRINCE'S TRUST

By Julie Botham (Craven YMCA)

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You will also achieve a City & Guilds Profile of Achievement and NVQ skills.

You don't need any qualifications or money, all that is needed is hard work, dedication and a good sense of humour! Benefits are not affected and help is available with travel and childcare. To find out more about this exciting programme, where you can learn new skills, have fun, and make new friends, contact Julie on 01756 799575 or the Careers Centre, Skipton, 01756 792948.

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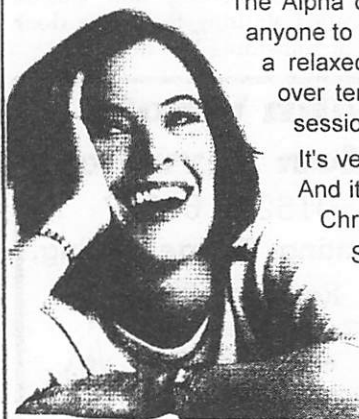
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Personal Thanks



Sharon and Alex Ellershaw and family would like to thank everybody for their kind wishes and prayers after the death of her mother, Kathleen Hill.

Jean Taylor and family. We thank so many dear friends in Bentham. Our Methodist Church, Norman, Dr. Story and nurses, Joe and Jean, for prayers, sympathy, concern and kindness in our sorrow.

Thanks.

Thanks to all who supported the "Sally House" coffee morning held on 29th July. It should of course, have appeared as Alzheimer's Disease Coffee Morning, but this certainly created a topic of conversation for the morning! The sum of £135 was raised for the support group.

Sue Briggs wishes to thank everyone who came to assist her after her car accident on the 1st July.

Thanks

Bill Eglin wishes to thank family, friends and neighbours for their gifts and best wishes on his 80th birthday. But remember that the race is not for the swift but for those that endure to the end.

BENTHAM BEAVER SCOUTS

Numbers of Beaver Scouts are increasing but we are always keen to have new members. Places are limited at present so please phone for details from Andrea on Bentham 62637.

BENTHAM SKI TRIP 2001

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THYNC: MOVING ON

By Sharon Haslam

For those of you who haven't heard of us yet - Training and Housing for Youth in North Craven (THYNC) is a charitable organisation based in Settle. Our aim is to support young people who are aged 16-25 who are homeless or in housing need and have a link to the North Craven area.

A recent lottery bid has enabled us to appoint two new members of staff to share the workload of a project that is constantly growing - allowing us to meet the needs of more young people in our area.

At the moment THYNC is housed in an office at Settle Town Hall - not the kind of place you'd immediately think young people would drop into. Although it has served us well in the last 18 months we are now looking for new premises. Our vision is to provide a place for our tenants to visit us for support, training, information and contact with other young people.

We hope that our new home will allow us to offer a range of services to our young people by involving other local agencies. Workshops on cooking and budgeting skills, assertiveness, art and craft, health and basic skills are some of the options we would like to make available. We are keen to involve the local community in this project so if you feel you have a skill or interest that you think may be useful for young people then we'd like to hear from you.

It seems to be a common misconception that it is the larger towns and cities, which hold the monopoly on housing problems for young people and that somehow people in rural areas are sheltered from this issue. Just recently we have met people who had no idea that people could be in housing need in places like Bentham, Settle or Hellifield. THYNC is a project which acknowledges that housing need does exist in our idyllic surroundings.

We often hear such a lot of negativity about young people. THYNC is a positive response to the needs of those who, for whatever reason, find themselves in housing need. By involving the

communities of Bentham and Settle we hope to enable our young people to reach and exceed their potential, gain self esteem and engender a sense of responsibility; visibly benefitting the local communities in which they live. For more information contact Sharon or Laura on: 01729 824383.

HONOUR YOUR UNSUNG HEROES

By Sue Clements

The Carers' Resource is once again asking for nominations for its "Carer Award" for the Craven area. The award gives you the opportunity to recognize those unsung heroes and heroines who have given you particular support in your caring role. This support might be a particular act beyond the call of duty or a remarkable standard of service. Nominations can be for a group or individual e.g. a local surgery team, a residential home, a good neighbour or a home-care assistant - the list is endless. No one from Carers' Resource can be nominated. The award is to be presented at Coniston Hall Hotel by Cllr. Peter Wallbank, Chairman of Craven District Council, on Tuesday 26th September (2.00-4.00pm). All nominees and carers will be invited to attend.

The deadline for entries has been extended to 8th September, so nominations should be telephoned as soon as possible to the Carers' Resource Office, Skipton General Hospital, 01756-700888. Please ask to speak to Margaret Allen, Kath Beer or Sue Clements.



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BENTHAM BONFIRE NEWS

By Pam Woof

This year the lantern procession and Bonfire will be on Saturday 28th October.

If you would like to join in the procession with a spectacular lantern Alison Clough at the Looking Well can help you get the project off the ground. How about a model to represent your business or association? We challenge your creativity to make something amazing for the Millennium Bonfire! More details about the event will be given in next month's edition.

BENTHAM, INGLETON & BURTON MENCAP

The sale outside Tooby's on 9th August raised £60.00. Raffle prizes were won by M. Butterfield; T. Guy; M. Lawson; J. Chinn and M. Donaldson. Many thanks to all who supported this event.

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SPRINGFIELD BOWLING CLUB

The finals of the club competitions were held on Saturday 12th August. The results were:- Ladies Rose Bowl, winner Annie Butterfield, runner-up Dorothy Rose; Jim Bush Cup, winner Mary Johnson, runner-up Annie Butterfield; Gents Challenge Cup, winner Terry Bates, runner-up Jacky Dawber; Butterfield Cup, winner Terry Bates, runner-up Cliff Rosier.

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LOOKING WELL IN SEPTEMBER

By Alison Jones

All our regular sessions are back to normal after the holidays; details on the diary page.

Celebrating good food!

We have been eating beans, potatoes, courgettes and strawberries from the Harvest garden and are baking special Millennium Bread at the Bentham Show (come and see our purpose built outdoor bread oven, have a go with dough and bake a Millennium Loaf of your own!). We are creating good food banners and decorations for the Millennium Harvest Celebration at the Town Hall on 30th September and are busy making jam for Harvest Lanterns in October. (Any mini jam-jars and donations of fruit would be gratefully received).

Music making

Leo Nolan is back in town working with the Tooti Fruiti Band for the Millennium Harvest Celebrations and preparing to start rehearsals for the Bonfire Band. If you want to join the Bonfire Band, let us know so we can contact you directly.

Celebrating Health Pioneers

A fascinating display celebrating health pioneers of the past and present will open on 18th September at Looking Well before touring further afield. Pioneers will include Marie Stopes, Eve Balfour, (who started the soil association), and Scott Williamson (who started the Pioneer Health Centre in the 1930's and whose ideas influenced the development of the Looking Well).

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JUNIOR GOLFERS ON A ROLL

By Duncan Stephenson

Bentham Junior golfers are again showing off their talents around the region.

On Thursday 14th August the Junior team consisting of Robert Coates, James Preston, Mark and Tom Earnshaw, Ian Robinson and Lisa Stephenson won the Lunesdale League Junior team event at Silverdale G.C.

Lisa is also now the under 12 Junior Champion of Lancashire, winning the title at Knott End a few weeks ago. Esther Coates put up a fine performance in the Northern Ladies Championship at Slaley Hall. She eventually lost in the semi finals to the eventual winner.

We have also had a full schedule at home with the following results.

Dukes Cup for non/high handicappers chipping and putting - 1st M.Ellershaw (after chip-off with T. Warburton). Girls 1st - R. Davis. Best morning, A. Wood. Best Afternoon A. Rigg. Boys - Best morning, D. Easterby. Best afternoon, J. Mainwaring. Best Gross, N. Capstick.

The results in the Junior/Senior competition, sponsored by Grove Hill Garage are as follows:- 1st C. Hodgkinson/A. Robinson. 2nd A. Chappell/M. Earnshaw. 3rd D. Burns/T. Burns. Thanks to Phil Wright for his continued and generous support of this event.

The Junior Summer Special, sponsored by T. Cowgill & Sons, Plumbers. 1st Lisa Stephenson, 89/28/61. 2nd Mark Earnshaw, 86/19/67. 3rd, Tom Earnshaw, 97/23/74. Best gross/Daily Telegraph winner, Robert Coates 83. Thanks to Martin for this new sponsorship deal. It is greatly appreciated by all concerned.

Oakroyd Bakery Golfer of the Year. Lisa Stephenson, 54, - Tom Earnshaw, 45, - James Preston, 29, - Robert Coates, 28.



A GREAT DAY AT BENTHAM GOLF CLUB



By Mick West

Thanks to the kind and valued sponsorship by H & L Gorner, Dalesview, Clapham and Reebok UK, well over 100 contestants enjoyed the very popular A.M. A.M Team Competition on Friday,

An excellent array of prizes was well displayed and enjoyed by the contesting teams. Free drinks and food were all part of a most enjoyable day. The winning team was Reebok UK (Lancaster), Cath Halstead, Walter Gregg, W. Martin and D. Fagan. The photo above shows the winning ladies team with their prizes. Left to right:- Gill Taylor, P. Barren, Captain of Bentham Golf Club, Debbie Woods, Gill Crosdale, Wendy West and Club President, Nigel Bamford.

Another good day was enjoyed by all who took part in the August Open. This popular event, kindly sponsored, with some excellent golf prizes, by Brown & Whittaker of Ingleton, attracted a full field. The Club wishes to express its appreciation to all these sponsors, who play an important role in the successful promotion of the club activities.

I would also like to thank the Bentham News team for their excellent work in producing such a fine local newspaper.

LOW BENTHAM BADMINTON CLUB

By Julie

The new season starts on 7th September. Times and other details are listed below. New members are very welcome. For further information please contact Julie on 62276.

Time

7.00-7.30pm

7.30-8.00pm

8.00-8.30pm

8.30pm

8.30-9.30pm

Age Group

Primary aged children

Priority and coaching to secondary aged children

Secondary aged children and Seniors together

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Yorkshire Forward and the Countryside Agency in consultation with other partners. Over the life of the initiative, the Agencies hope to work with a wide range of communities across the region, reflecting the variety and diverse character of the region's small towns.

This will raise a number of questions locally about how the money will be used, how will it be administered, who will be involved etc. There will be a public meeting, probably towards the end of September, which will be addressed by Yorkshire Forward and the Countryside Agency personnel. It is expected that a regeneration partnership will be formed, and the aim is to have a wide range of interest groups in the partnership. The meeting will be well publicised. This is an exciting development with tremendous potential for Bentham, and gives anyone interested the opportunity to attend the meeting and become involved. More information will be available from time to time from the Town Council and from the Trust Office on Main Street.



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12.30pm	Shire Horse judging
1.00pm	Dog Exemption Show
1.00pm	ATV Bike Competition
1.30pm	Vale of Lune Hunt display
1.30pm	Mounted Fancy Dress Competition
2.00pm	Judging of Children's Pets
2.00pm	Kirkby Lonsdale and District Dog Club Display
3.00pm	Grand Parade of prize winning animals
3.00pm	President's Address and Presentation of Cups and Trophies
3.30pm	Parade of Vintage Machinery

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