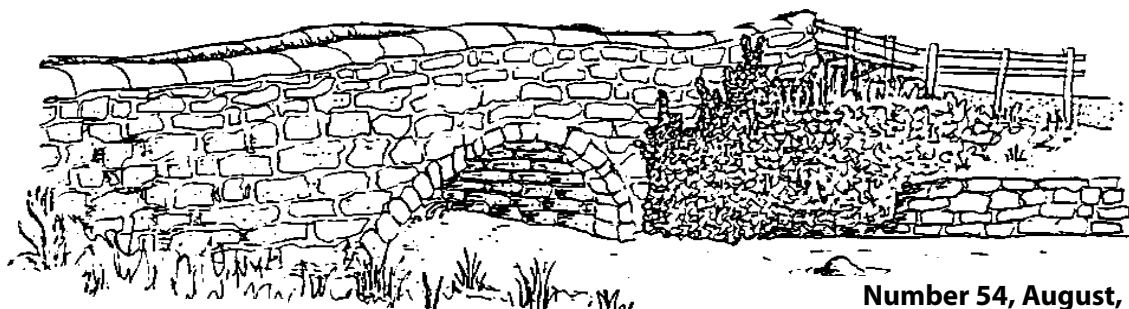


CLAPHAM & DISTRICT NEWSLETTER



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29 and still going strong

Isn't it refreshing that, with all our worries about the price of fuel and food, concerns about whether society is 'broken' or not and anxiety about the future of the planet, we can still enjoy a genuine community event such as Clapham Street Market!

After a summer of what has felt like doom and gloom so far (and that wasn't only the weather) we were able to celebrate the 29th Street Market in style. We had more stalls than ever – 29 in total – representing a range of community groups as well as Saint James' Church. These were raising money for all sorts of excellent causes, both local and farther afield. Between them they gave you ample opportunity to eat and drink (72 pounds of bacon were cooked for those 330 bacon butties – it gets more every year!). Once you had satisfied the 'inner person' you could try to change your life by taking part in one of the raffles, draws or guessing games (in fact more than 580 people bought a 'thoroughbred' duck). If that wasn't enough there were all those stalls to browse around providing you with an opportunity to purchase an astonishing range of goods. There were some beautiful crafts from Project Linus and

Lavender and Lemon and many others offering the chance to root around and find that little treasure or old master which one day will turn up on the Antiques Roadshow and make your fortune!

If you came along to gain knowledge there was the chance to find out about rare breeds of sheep, classic cars and the art of campanology (with those fantastic CCTV pictures). However, for those who simply wanted to be entertained you could listen to our local Clapham Buskers (aka Mhairi and Georgi), relax to the soothing notes of the JazzAire Trio or swing your hips to the Batala Samba Band.

And, over all of this the sun shone, old friends met up and new friends were made. What more could we ask for?

Sue Mann

THANKS – The Vicar, Wardens and Parochial Church Council of Saint James' Church, Clapham would like to thank everyone who supported the Street Market in any way – before during or after the event – helping to make it such a successful event.



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***Village People* – THE ANTIQUE TEAM**

When I saw Teddy and Eveline Dawson in Settle a few weeks ago I grabbed them before they could escape and asked if I could interview them for this article. It was only when I talked to them recently at the primary school play where we were both on grandparent duties that I discovered they no longer live at Newby. Since they now live in Ingleton they might be considered ineligible for an entry in our newsletter but they have been so closely connected with life here for such a long time that I am sure nobody will object.

Eveline, who was a Kelsall before she married, was born at Barnacre near Garstang in 1938 into a farming family. She worked on the farm with her parents and two brothers during her schooldays and afterwards, tending to the hens and pigs and doing the other jobs which will be so familiar to some of our readers. In 1960 her father bought Summerlands Farm in Cold Cotes, a purchase which was to have interesting consequences for her when the family moved here.

Teddy was born in 1930 into a family long established in the area; indeed one of his ancestors was Constable and Surveyor for the Township of Newby in 1803. A later Dawson, Teddy's great-grandfather, died in Newby in 1898 and was buried in Long Preston at a cost of £3 for the hearse and mourning coach.

Teddy was brought up with his two brothers at the farm with a Dickensian name, Bleak Bank, near Cold Cotes and he attended Newby Primary School until he transferred to Ingleton School at the age of eleven. When he was fourteen he left school as most youngsters did at that time and began work on the farm or rather he continued working because he had been used to milking, by hand of course, before going to school as well as doing other jobs in the evening and at weekends.

The horse and cart were in daily use and Teddy recalls one occasion when the horse became frightened and the cart, full of sheaves of corn, tipped over. Farm life before the arrival of the Massey Ferguson was even harder than it is now because every job such as haymaking took longer as did other tasks such as milking and sheep shearing before the development of modern electrical equipment. Teddy remembers his father buying their first car, a Standard 10, from Walter Coultherd of Lodge Bank in 1939 and other pre-war memories include seeing elephants walking along the A65 as part of a travelling circus and watching with other astonished Newby pupils as a Zeppelin flew over. In the early days of the war there were regular air raid practices at school and since Newby had no shelters children

were allocated to different houses in the village where they crouched under the kitchen table. The war had less impact on Craven than on major industrial cities but he remembers a German plane flying along the old railway line from Clapham up through Ingleton. It was thought to be looking for viaducts as bombing targets but it was either shot down or took back inaccurate information because the only bomb that fell subsequently missed the railway and landed on the smithy at Eldroth.

They cannot remember exactly how they bumped into each other for the first time but in 1961, one year after they met in Cold Cotes, they were married in Newby Chapel. During the course of the next few years they had two boys, followed by two girls, followed by two boys, followed by two girls, followed by one boy. Teddy and Eveline described it to me as an interesting example of family planning. Sadly, one of their sons, Matthew, died at the age of 31.

After four years living in a cottage in Cold Cotes they moved to Bleak Bank when Mr and Mrs Dawson senior retired to live in Ingleton and Teddy ran the farm with his brother Bill. They have interesting recollections of life more than forty years ago. Their groceries were delivered from Charlie Knowles' shop in Clapham and since there was no road up to the farm they had to be carried up the field. Teddy would sell eggs to Teddy Harrison and Chris Hudson who delivered and he can picture them now walking back down the field throwing eggs to each other for fun. The postmen, one of whom had a wooden leg, would walk up to the farm even on days when there was nothing to deliver just in case the Dawsons had any letters to post. There were ten farms on the old road from Clapham to Ingleton, all of which had their milk collected from the churns at the roadside. Today there are four farms but only one of them sells milk. Two of the significant differences between then and now are the official obsession about health and safety and the ludicrous increase in paper work which demoralises farmers and people in other jobs. As if they did not have enough to do Teddy served on our parish council for many years and for part of that time he was chairman.

They handed over the running of the farm to their son John and his wife Judith a few years ago but both of them and Uncle Bill still go back regularly to help out. John describes them as The Antique Team and their regular invaluable stints on the farm prove how difficult it is for farmers to give up their way of life. The Dawson Antique Team Roadshow looks set to continue as long as the BBC version.

Stuart Marshall

CLAPHAM CUM NEWBY PARISH COUNCIL

Report of Meeting held 15th July, 2008

At the recent meeting of the Parish Council the police reported that crime in the area was low.

The main item for discussion on planning was a new proposal for the old Mercedes garage site. This consisted of 21 dwellings including six affordable units. This was thought to be a good layout but no early-years building was included. After discussion with the developer's representative the council recommended approval subject to the provision of an early-years unit being provided, access to remain of the gateway which enables maintenance of the school playing area, and provide for the enhancement of the existing play-park in the village. Other items recommended for approval were solar panels, wind turbine and water turbine at Ingleborough Cave, internal alterations at the New Inn, Clapham, and alterations to the design of conservatory at Little Rantree Cottage, Keasden. Planning applications which have already received approval are replacement windows, doors, facias, etc at Bishopswood, Clapham, and installation of solar panels at Deighton House, Clapham. It was reported that a copy of the Parish Plan would be delivered to each house in the parish in the very near future.

The Parish Council is to look into the possibility of changing the name of the Parish from Clapham cum Newby to Clapham, Newby & Keasden Parish. Parishioner's views on this will be most welcome.

The Parish Council are against B.T.'s proposal to remove the public payphone at Keasden. This is a vital facility in this isolated area.

The Council decided to have monthly meetings for a trial period of six months. These will normally be on the 4th Tuesday of each month.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, 26th August, 2008.

Wenningdale Home Repairs

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Street Market Cake Stall and Refreshments

Many, many thanks to all those who baked delicious cakes, loaves, buns, scones, slices, meringues, etc. for the stall and the Village Hall. A big thank-you to those who created 160 sandwiches with assorted fillings – no mean task! We are also very grateful to the team which helped to set up in the Village Hall, serve food and drinks, wash up and clear up. Thanks, also, to four trusty cashiers (including one who stepped in at the last minute) whose arithmetical skills helped to keep the hungry traffic flowing. Thanks, too, to those who prepared, encapsulated and erected our signage within the village and removed it all at the end.

CHURCH NEWS

The Vicar writes . . .

THE OLD RUGGED CROSS

Three years ago my father was in intensive care in Furness General Hospital. It took three weeks for him to regain a reasonable level of consciousness and a further three months before he could really communicate with us again. During those early weeks a small wooden cross placed in his hand became so precious to him.

The Old Rugged Cross is one of the most popular hymns sung at many funerals and memorial services. Since 1776, the British Army has sent out Chaplains under the authority of the Church to accompany the soldiers on the front line, to pray for and with them and meet their spiritual and pastoral needs. One of my closest friends has just gone to Afghanistan for three months. So what can the local Churches do when their soldiers, sailors and airmen and women go off into dangerous situations.

The Church in Norfolk last year made 200 small wooden crosses for soldiers deployed from their communities to Afghanistan. The crosses were given to more than 180 Light Dragoons on their mission to the front line war against the Taliban. The crosses were intended as a reminder to the soldiers that their families, Jesus, and the people of Norfolk had not forgotten them. Also a holding cross was kept at Churches in Norfolk to remind people to pray for the soldiers whilst on deployment. The Commanding Officer said, "It will be comforting to know that the community of which the regiment is a strong part will be praying for us".

As Christians, the cross is our symbol of hope, our symbol of strength, our symbol of eternal life. Please pray for our servicemen and women today, for their families, and supremely pray for peace in our world.

May God bless you all and may the cross be precious to you.

*Your friend and Vicar
Ian*

A very special visitor . . .

It was delightful to see Jean Claughton at the Street Market. Having been the driving force behind this activity for so many years it hasn't been the same over the last two not to have her about. However, thanks to Bob Tyrrell, Jean was able to join us (and even win a prize in the raffle!). We all hope that Jean thought that this year's Street Market was up to her standards and that she feels that we are doing it justice as we move on to the 30th anniversary.

EVENTS AND SERVICES

Sunday, August 17th 9.30 am – Confirmation at Austwick with Rt. Rev. David Hope

Please contact the vicar if you are interested in Confirmation

Sunday, August 31st – United Service at Keasden 11.00 am

Saturday, September 6th – Parish Walking Group meet at Keasden Church 9.30am. Everyone welcome

Saturday, September 13th – Quiz Night at Settle Social Club for the Tower Project Fund. Tickets £6 from David and Jeanne Parry or P.C.C. members

Saturday, September 20th – Keasden Harvest Supper and Domino Drive at Eldroth Village Hall 7.30 pm. Everyone Welcome

Sunday, September 21st – Harvest Thanksgiving at Keasden 6.45pm

Saturday, September 27th – Concert given by Harrogate Gilbert and Sullivan Society in Clapham Church at 7.30pm Tickets £6

Saturday, October 4th – Celidh in Village Hall 7.30pm. Tickets £6 from Clapham and Keasden P.C.C.

Sunday, October 5th – Harvest Thanksgiving in Clapham. 11.00am

October 5th is Back to Church Sunday. More details to come.

Forthcoming Event: Friday, October 17th – Karaoke Night at the New Inn, kindly hosted by Martin and Rene. Tickets £5 including supper.

Date for your Diary: Saturday, 25th July, 2009 – 30th Anniversary Street Market.

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Sue Manson receiving her membership of the Yorkshire Association of Changeringers from Rev Ian Greenhalgh







Flowers 'n' Fotos

Newby Methodist Chapel was very well supported for its recent "Flowers n Fotos" event. Saturday and Sunday the 21st and 22nd June saw the Chapel filled with flower displays depicting various aspects of local community life together with a display of photographs, some historical, relating to Newby and Newby folk. The weekend culminated in a "Songs of Praise" led by Rev. Roger Fox & Mrs Liz Whitfield. After covering the cost of the flowers, the members were able to send £257 to the Yorkshire Air Ambulance. A big thank you to all who took the time to visit and gave so generously.

Two Dates for the Diary. . . .

- You are invited to a BBQ on Saturday, 9th August at Bleak Bank.
- The Chapel will host its Harvest Supper on Saturday 20th September at 7.30pm. After the supper, local retired Vet, Anthony Smith will present a slideshow entitled Power & Might. Anthony and his wife, Wendy, spend some time taking photo's of mother nature at her best and this will be a very informative and entertaining evening.

Everyone is very welcome to both events, please ring John or Judith on 51350 for more info.

Open Gardens

St. Matthew's Church, Keasden, will be holding an 'Open Gardens and Views of Keasden' on Saturday, 9th August.

The event runs from 1.30 to 5 pm. Afternoon teas will be served in the church.

Participants should meet at the church to pick up a map and directions. The charge is £3 per head, and all the proceeds go to church funds.



The wedding of Martin Whitaker and Jennifer Lawrenson took place at Bethel Chapel on Saturday, 4th July, followed by a reception at the Grange Hotel at Grange-over-Sands.

Bethel Chapel

Bethel Chapel and St James have planned to hold a soccer school for boys and girls aged 7–14. This will be from Wed 13th to Sat 16th August from 9.30 am each day. Please contact Mark Hutchinson on 51228 for more details and an application form.

The winter programme of activities will recommence in September.

Mums 'n' tots, Wednesday & Friday youth clubs will begin from the 10th September.

The senior citizens meet at 2.30pm on the first Thursday each month.

The ladies' meetings meet on the 3rd and 4th Thursdays.

We invite all to join us for the **Harvest Supper** on Friday 26th September when the speaker will be the Rev Paul Baxendale, vicar of Burton in Kendal Church. The services continue on Sunday 28th at 11 am and 6.30 pm.

Coach Trip

This year's Bethel Chapel coach trip has been organised for Friday, 8th August, when they will visit Houghton Hall Garden Centre for coffee then Hexham for lunch, the cost of the coach will be £8 per person and they will be leaving Bethel at 9am. Contact Denise on 51256 by August 1st to reserve a place.

The chapel are planning to run another soccer school with St James' Church for boys and girls aged 7–14. This will take place at Ingleborough Hall from Wednesday, August 13 – Saturday, August 16 with an awards service at Bethel Chapel on Sunday, 17th. Contact Mark Hutchinson on 51228 for an application form that should be returned as soon as possible.



The Ingleborough Pony

The new Ingleborough Pony bus service opens up fantastic new opportunities to walk across Ingleborough's dramatic summit or to visit Ingleton, the Ingleton Waterfalls Walk, Clapham or White Scar Caves.

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Clapham Rail Station	-	-	1210 ⁺	-	-
Clapham Village Car Park	0945	-	1220	1430	1710
Ingleton Community Centre	1000	-	1235	1445	1725
White Scar Caves	1005	-	1240	1450	1730
Chapel-le-Dale Hill Inn	1015	-	1250	1500	1740
Ribblehead Quarry Nature Reserve	1020	-	1255	1505	1745
Ribblehead Station	1025	-	1300	1510	1750
Ribblehead Station	1040	-	1340	1620	1755
Ribblehead Quarry Nature Reserve	1042	-	-	-	1757
Chapel-le-Dale Hill Inn	1047	-	-	-	1802
White Scar Caves	1055	-	-	-	1810
Ingleton	1100	-	-	-	1813
Selside	-	-	1350	1630	-
Horton-in-Ribblesdale	-	-	1400	1640	-
Helwith Bridge	-	-	1410	1650	-
Austwick	-	-	1420	1700	-
Clapham Village Car Park	1115	1155 ⁺	1430	1710	1825
Clapham Station	-	1200 ⁺	-	-	1830 ^R
Settle Market Place	-	-	-	-	1850

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An environmentally-friendly form of public transport has been launched which aims to help reduce the number of cars in the Yorkshire Dales.

The Ingleborough Pony is an experimental new Sunday bus service which will run until September 28th, including August Bank Holiday.

It is aimed at helping visitors minimise their impact on the environment and provides a service for people wanting to leave the car at home as it links up with Ribblesdale on the scenic Settle to Carlisle railway line and Clapham Station on the Morecambe line.

The 16-seat bus follows a 30-mile route with stops including White Scar Caves, Clapham village and Helwith Bridge.

Fares have been priced to encourage people out of their cars. A single journey will cost just £1, with children at half price, elderly people with a travel pass can travel free.

What's more, there is no need to book a seat, just wait at the Ingleborough Pony bus stop or hail the driver at a safe place and you will be welcomed on board. Buses run four times a day and are timed to link up with trains along the route. Further details can be had from dalesbus.org

CLAPHAM RESCUE ORGANISATION

A **Coffee Morning** will be held at Clapham Village Hall on Saturday, 9th August from 10.00 am to 12 noon in aid of Clapham C.R.O.

There will be refreshments including bacon butties, along with many stalls including: Tombola, Cakes, Books, Cards and Raffle etc.

Any donations of cakes etc. will be gratefully received along with any items for the stalls or raffle please contact Sheila (51566), Valerie (51628) or Rosie (51492).

Listed below are just a few of the recent occasions when they have been called out:

June 2, Monday, 20.34, Pillar Holes – Animal Rescue. A lamb was brought to the surface and reunited with its mother after becoming trapped 6m down one of the open entrance shafts on Newby Moss.

June 4, Wednesday, 20.32, Pot Scar – Mountain Rescue. A rock climber (f, 40) fell about 5m whilst leading 'Pusher' route, VS, landing on boulders at ground level. Following treatment to her head, shoulder, and hand injuries, the casualty was stretchered down to a road ambulance in Feizor.

June 9, Monday, 13.50, Waterfalls Walk, Ingleton, – Mountain Rescue. A walker (f, 79) tripped and fell onto the rocky path near Thornton Force, sustaining chest and head injuries. Following treatment by paramedics the casualty was stretchered up to Raven Ray and airlifted to hospital by air ambulance.

June 13, Friday, 18.00, Fife Pot – Animal Rescue. A lamb was rescued from the foot of the 7m deep western shaft of Fife Pot on Newby Moss.

June 14, Saturday, 16.05 Pikedaw Hill – Mountain Rescue. A walker (f, 56) slipped descending the path below Hoover Edge and sustained a suspected

broken ankle. Following treatment by CRO, she was stretchered down to the Land Rover and on to a road ambulance waiting in Malham.

June 27, Friday, 14.30, Waterfalls Walk, Ingleton – Mountain Rescue. An 11 year old boy fell a small distance onto rocks upstream of Snow Falls and injured his back. Following examination by paramedics he was able to walk up to the CRO and ambulance vehicles near Beezleys Farm.

July 4, Friday, 15.00, Ribbleshead – Animal Rescue. A lamb was rescued from the foot of a 3m deep blind pot near Runscar Caves.

July 10, Thursday, 22.05, Swinsto Hole - Cave Rescue. A party of three cavers (m, 40, 30; f, 32) were reported overdue in Kingsdale, with their car being located near Valley Entrance. A search of Simpson's Pot, Swinsto Hole, and Kingsdale Master Cave found them sheltering in Swinsto Final Chamber, having turned back from the KMC streamway due to high water levels. The three were escorted to the surface via Valley Entrance.

July 21, Monday, 16.11, Flinter Gill, Dent – Mountain Rescue. Assisted Kendal MRT in the evacuation of a walker (m, 62) who had slipped descending the rocky track alongside Flinter Gill and injured his knee. Following treatment by paramedics the casualty was stretchered a short distance down to a road ambulance in Dent village.

Newsletter Printing

Before the last issue, we have always had the Newsletter printed in Peterborough. Although far away, the service and quality has been good. But we are now having it printed locally at iPrint in Auswick. Not only is the quality very good, it is also being folded collated and stapled together!

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Due to the tremendous support for the scheme and smooth running of deliveries we are now in a much stronger position to use our collective power to drive a harder bargain with suppliers.

It is anticipated we will be looking at deliveries of three – four times a year, dependent on the demand totalling a full tanker. At that stage those oil suppliers who regularly deliver to Clapham will be contacted to see who can offer us the best deal. Residents who have requested a delivery of oil will be billed individually by the supplier and responsible for their own payment.

Telephone Glenys' 51403 when you need oil, and please telephone her in good time to be put on the list for the next delivery, which we expect to be around October/November time. Followed by another in February.

If you are interested in joining the scheme and have not yet done so please contact Glenys.

Parents Teacher Association

Clapham School P.T.A. has agreed to fund the cost of a rabbit hutch for school after Miss Haynes received permission to get a school rabbit, the cost will be approximately £100. They are looking into funding of garden equipment for the school Gardening Club. Possibly even a greenhouse, parents will be asked to donate any suitable gardening equipment.

The P.T.A. has decided to try raising some funds with a company called 'Fone Club' who recycle old mobile phones giving £2.50 per phone donated to school. Ruthie Woodhouse agreed to set this up.

At the last P.T.A. meeting it was agreed to pay for a cupboard for the hall to be used by the Early Years Group, this has now been put on hold while other types of storage facilities are considered. The meeting heard that the sandpit, which they bought for school, has proved a huge success.

The Body Shop party held at the beginning of the month raised about £45 for funds.

CHILDREN from BELARUS

A recent spring-clean revealed several board games stored for the children from Belarus (in case of rain). The games have now been sold at the Street market as Clapham's involvement with the CCP(UK) seems to be over.

The third Craven District organiser struggled to get host families. Rosie Hull is still fund-raising for the children by baking cakes and selling knitted garments, and the proceeds are going to the Settle branch of the Friends of Chernobyl children group.

Since 1999 we have entertained a large number of wonderful children from Belarus, equally wonderful were all the people of Clapham who were pleased to help out – thank you all once again. Joan Farrer was right in what she said in the last Newsletter – 'Clapham is a caring village'.

My "Chernobyl days" may be over (no more balloons on gates, searching for the Village Hall key or watching for the rain or even the sun!) Though my Russian connections go on as there is now a new generation in St. Petersburg. I hope to continue my support through the good work of the Settle group.

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ROYAL GARDEN PARTY

Clapham resident Lesley Crutchley – the head teacher of Austwick CE Primary School and Nursery was invited to attend a Royal Garden Party at Buckingham Palace – here is her story

I received a letter in March from Lord Crathorne, the Lord Lieutenant of North Yorkshire asking if I would be prepared to accept an invitation to attend a Royal Garden Party at Buckingham Palace .

My name had been put forward by someone in the community, possibly to mark the fact that I have been head teacher of Austwick School for 20 years and recently been awarded Outstanding status following an Ofsted inspection.

I accepted the initial invitation, which was followed several weeks later, by a letter from the Lord Chamberlin's office at Buckingham Palace containing the actual invitation.

I took my mother with me as my invited guest (Sylvia Ellis) as it was her 77th birthday on the day of the Garden Party and I knew it would make a very special day for her.

We were shown into the Palace by "Gentlemen at Arms" and escorted, via a red carpet, through long corridors hung with portraits and out onto the terrace leading to the garden.

The weather was glorious, bands played on the lawn and the afternoon tea was delicious. At 4pm, escorted by Beefeaters, the royal Party arrived and mingled with the crowd. The Queen was escorted by Prince Phillip and attended by the Duke of York, Duke and Duchess of Gloucester and Princess Alexandra.

The afternoon continued into evening. We left the



palace grounds at 7pm. The whole day was delightful and we felt proud to have been part of the traditional spectacle.

The photograph was taken after the event as cameras were not allowed at the Palace.



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VISITING REFUGEES

A group of sixteen refugees was brought to Clapham recently by Judy Rogers, of the Millennium Trust. This was under the auspices of the Blackburn & Darwen Refugee Support Group, and Judy asked the Vicar if he would ask some of his congregation to give them tea. Accordingly, they came to Bridge Cottage after a walk to the cave and back in best British summer weather. They were cold and wet but in high spirits in spite of it and we all had a hilarious afternoon. We found that they came from Somalia, Eritrea, The Congo, Zimbabwe and Georgia where they must have met with unimaginable horror and

persecution to drive them from their home countries. They were quite indomitable – we were sorry to say goodbye to them and their lively helpers, and we look forward to the chance of meeting them again.

We asked if there was anything we could do to help them and it seems that one of the social workers who came with them would appreciate any curtains, towels, etc. which people could spare – as would Sam Randall in Bradford who is looking after refugees in Manningham. If you have any such things to spare, please let the Vicar or Valerie Potter know.

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SCHOOL NEWS

Georgie Lockett, Amy Marshall, Jake Blondel and Sam Marshall all represented Clapham School at the Orienteering Championship in Gisburn Forest recently and came first out of seven schools with an impressive time of 1 hour 13 minutes. The school recently hosted the visit from a very different type of school from Saltaire. The children enjoyed showing their school and Clapham Village to the visiting children and everyone learned a lot from this very busy day.

The school sports had to be cancelled due to bad weather.

On Wednesday, 16th July the leavers service took place in St James' church and the school said goodbye to Bretton Lord, Rebecca Nelson, Amy Lodge, Amy Marshall, Jake Blondel, Georgie Lockett and Sam Marshall, each child was presented with a Bible by Judith Dawson on behalf of the Clapham Charities. The school leavers' party took place the following day and the week concluded with the school walk and picnic.

The school is looking at achieving Healthy Schools Status next term. Many of the required aspects are already in place, but staff would welcome support to complete the process. This will include completing questionnaires and being involved in consultations.

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In your replies to the Parish Plan questionnaire you told us that you wanted more information to be easily available about local events and organisations, as well as local transport links. This forms part of item 6 in the Parish Action Plan.

We therefore offer a new section on the following two pages entitled Parish Post for you to consult and perhaps cut out and keep. This first edition contains details about the mobile library, transport timetables, the village hall, local councillors, local organisations and forthcoming events. Further information will be available in future editions.

If you have any views on the first edition, wish to pass on contact details for other organisations (we know that there are others out there) or give dates for future events (please not commercial ones), please contact:

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Fridays	Whist	Margaret Coultherd	51357

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS:

6th August	Age Concern Monthly Meeting	Village Hall	10-12
9th August	Cave Rescue Coffee Morning	Village Hall	10-12
26th August	Parish Council Meeting	Village Hall	7.30 p.m.
3rd September	Age Concern Monthly Meeting	Village Hall	10-12
13th September	Quiz Evening	Village Hall	7.30 p.m.
23rd September	Parish Council Meeting	Village Hall	7.30 p.m.
1st October	Age Concern Monthly Meeting	Village Hall	10-12
4th October	Ceilidh with "Buttered Peas"	Village Hall	7.30 p.m.

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Morecambe			10 22	12 21	16 13	18 57
	Monday to Friday ONLY	Saturday ONLY		*11 28 on Saturday		

Sunday				
Clapham	10 03	12 06	16 09	18 32
Lancaster	10 39	12 43	16 46	19 11
Morecambe	10 55	13 02	17 01	19 24

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Skipton	08 27	09 28	12 12	14 27	18 03	20 37
Leeds	09 04	10 08	12 50	15 06		21 15
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Sunday						
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Skipton	13 59	16 08	19 18	19 18	21 26	21 28
Leeds	14 39	16 47	19 56	19 56	22 03	22 05
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The Newsletter stall at the Street Market raised £172, many thanks to everyone who donated the videos, CDs and DVDs.

We have also received an anonymous donation of £20 – thank you.

The deadline for copy for the October issue is September 28th.

Any notices of forthcoming events can be placed in the Newsletter at no cost.

THE LAUNCH OF THE BELLTOWER PROJECT

Sunday, 6th July saw the launch of the long-planned tower project in Church, where a large congregation had gathered. Churchwarden Liz Mason explained how the clock was to be automated and Valerie Potter said how welcome would be the long-awaited kitchen and toilet inside the building. David Parry told the congregation how we were going to raise the floor of the belltower. This would finally accommodate six bells – the three already there plus one kindly donated by Deborah Thorley, who was present in the congregation for the occasion, one bought very reasonably and one donated by the Keltek Trust.

Cllr David Ireton concluded by saying how much the bells would mean to Clapham and was sure the village would raise the necessary funds for them, challenging though this was.

The children in the congregation joined in with their usual enthusiasm, reading their own prayers from the chancel steps and answering the Vicar's questions. Georgie Lockett played her violin and Rosalind Walton her flute both delightfully.

After the service people stopped for coffee and cakes (including a slice of a huge bell-shaped cake baked by Jeanne Parry!) They then had the chance to see the extensive display the bellringers had

devised, plus the TV kindly installed by Peter Ings, which would be used to show the bells in action as they rang. There was, too, a table of commemorative wares such as mugs and cloth bags inscribed with the church name.



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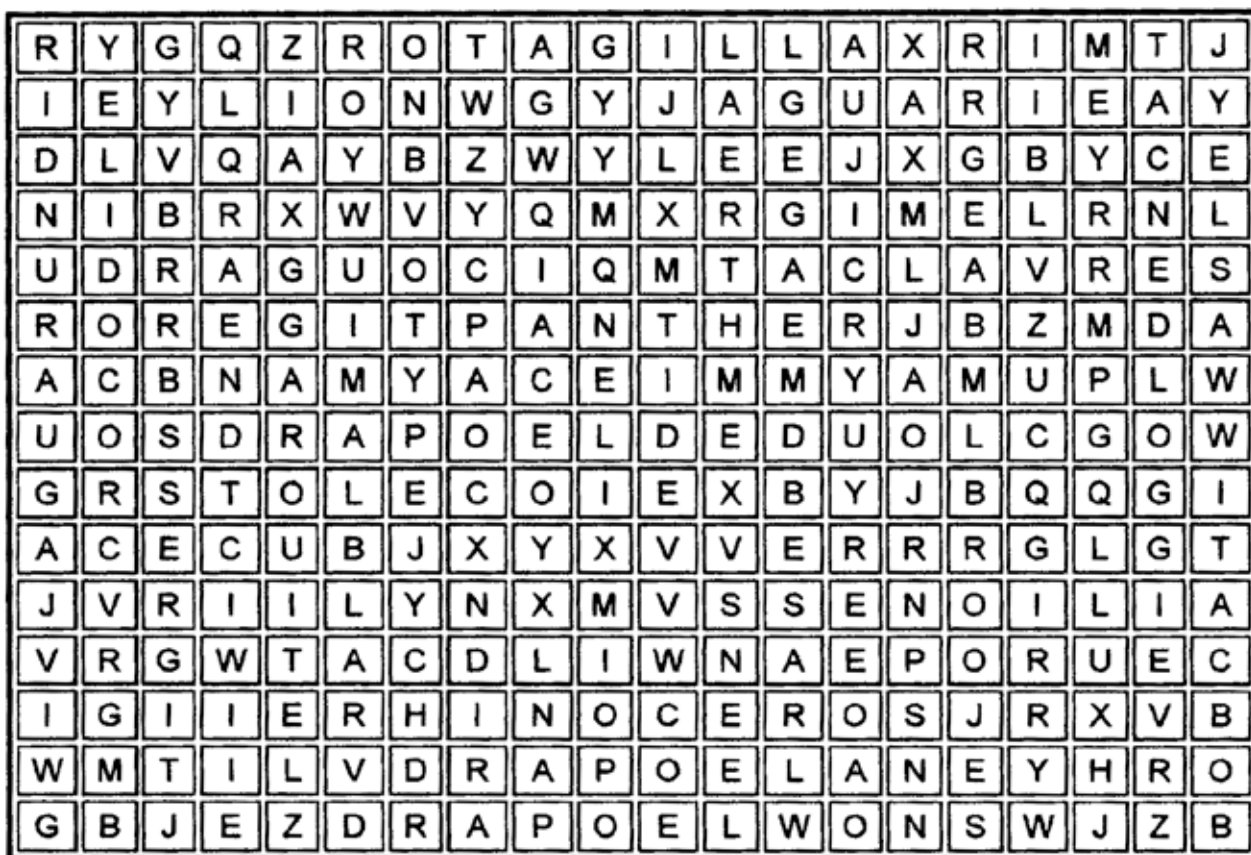
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The Hot Seat . . .

With the recent Street Market it seemed appropriate to interview two young members of Clapham community who have grabbed at this opportunity of fundraising. Both Mhairi and Georgie, after realising the extent of homelessness not only in big cities but also in nearby towns, wanted to do something in order to support the charity Shelter. Their 'bric and brac' stall on the street market came about because of their wish to make people more aware of the issue of homelessness. Both Mhairi and Georgie feel somewhat helpless and saddened by the matter and so thought it important that they raised money for a cause they both feel moved and concerned about.

Georgie is ten years old and has just finished her final year at the primary school. She is looking forward to her new school and, although nervous about the size of the place, is excited by the thought of new teachers, new friends and a new structure to her day. In her free time, she enjoys playing her violin and is the youngest member of the local orchestra. She would like to learn the piano as well, however, would only like to keep these skills as a hobby rather than a job for the future. She also likes baking, as well as playing in the village, swimming in the river and biking with Mhairi and her friends. Her favourite animals are rabbits; however she still hasn't got one as a pet.

Mhairi is twelve years old and is an avid reader and writer. She is often creating stories about orphans and homeless children; maybe this is why she is so interested in helping out with Shelter. Mhairi also loves playing the cello and singing. At school this year, she has been able to perform numerous times, such as in the talent show when she sang 'Somewhere over the Rainbow', as well as 'Tomorrow' at the end of term. She and Georgie are best friends as well as sisters. And they both believe that the way to get

through life is to "Treat others as you would like to be treated."

In the future, Georgie would like to be a nurse as she wants to be able to help people and this seems to be a job that offers such opportunities, be it by working in a nursing home, with babies or with children. Georgie's brilliant smile and laugh would allow anybody to feel more cheery and positive; whatever Georgie ends up doing she will affect those she meets and brighten up anybody's day.

Mhairi would prefer to have a job that focuses more on the arts, being a part-time actress and writer, possibly even performing in her own plays! Not only that but Mhairi would like to build straw bale houses, giving something back to the environment, which both she and Georgie are keen to improve for their future and the generations after. Mhairi's imaginative and innovative mind would enable her to go far, perhaps even building a whole straw bale theatre!

Fay Lockett

Anyone for Games?

It has been suggested that a games club would be an interesting innovation for Clapham. The idea would be to play games such as chess, bridge, Scrabble, Mah Jong, or any other game that members enjoy. Tuition would be available for bridge, but we would be interested to know if there is anyone around who knows about Mah Jong. Depending on the numbers involved we could meet in members' homes, or in the supper room in the Village Hall. Daytime meetings have been suggested, as during the winter many evenings are occupied with other activities. If you would be interested please ring Jim on 51232, Norman on 51728 or Brenda on 51816.

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Prose and Poetry Evening

At the time of the Prose and Poetry evening our friends Rachel and Geoffrey Harding from the Vale of Glamorgan were staying with us. Geoff wrote a poem for the occasion, which was so well-received that we thought it would be nice to share it with people who were not there that evening.

Brenda Pearce

Clapham by Geoffrey Harding

I've never lived in London but, all the same, I know
The place called Clapham Common is not where I would go.
It has a reputation, a shadowed claim to fame.
It's somewhat sad that such a place should bear the Clapham name.

There's Clapham North. There's Clapham South, both undergroundish places,
Where, I am told, one can behold commuters' frigid faces.
We searched the map of Britain for Claphams. Where there more?
Yes! One is close to Bedford. One by the Sussex shore.
But what have they to offer? I Haven't got a clue!
We don't intend to go there. We'd rather be with you.

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When couch-potato culture is a curse; a social pillage,
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With the lack of butterflies around, I still managed to find a new species of butterfly for the local area, which was a Ringlet Butterfly on Clapham Moor near the railway station on the 12th July. This butterfly will fly in poor weather and they are colonising new areas to the north and west of the country.

Lots of young birds have been seen around the local area during the last month. The first juvenile Swallows were seen at Crina Bottom Farm – 22nd June and the young House Martins at Smithy Cottage left the nest around the 29th June, within a couple of weeks the pair of House Martins at Smithy Cottage were starting a second brood.

During July waders were migrating through the local area. A flock of twenty four Oystercatchers and twenty Lapwings were seen at Meldingscale Farm – 12th July. Curlews can be heard calling during the night as they migrate over the local area.

One Long Eared Owl was found by Pete Woodruff on Newby Moor on the 9th July and it was still there on the 12th July.

One juvenile Whitethroat was seen on the old



Ringlet butterfly

railway line near Clapham Station – 12th July. Six Sedge Warblers and one Grasshopper Warbler were seen and heard calling on Hardacre Moss and Newby Moor – 12th July.

On the 15th June a Great Spotted Woodpecker was seen attacking a Blue Tit box at Ingleborough Hall and trying to get at the young Blue Tits. After several minutes and a lot of harassment by the adult Blue Tits the Woodpecker gave up. The young Blue Tits fledged and left the nest a week or so later.

Tim Hutchinson, Smithy Cottage

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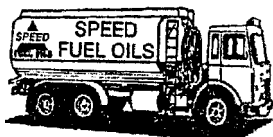
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