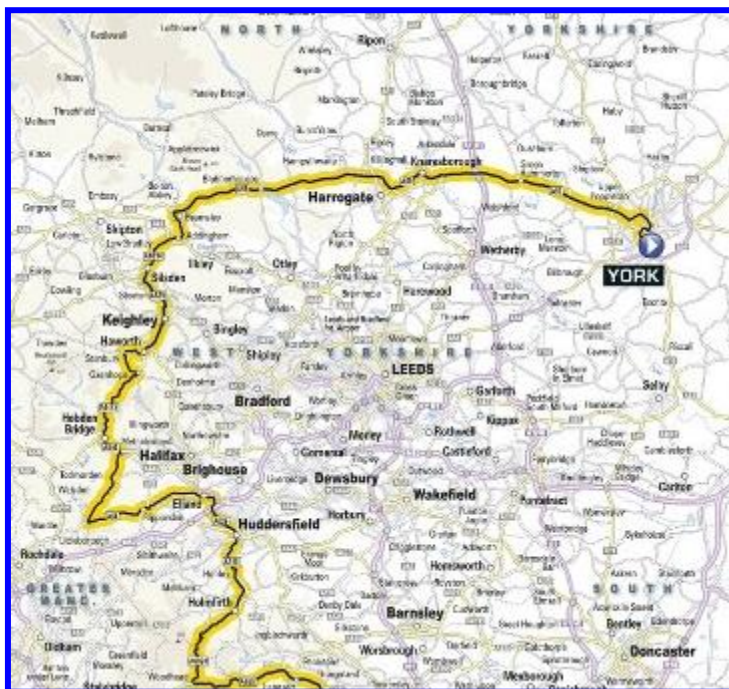


Cragg Vale Community Newsletter No 21

March 2013



Wow - Le Tour to Cragg



Spring - where are you?

Well we have had a good share of wintery weather so far, so it's lovely to see the first signs of Spring coming up with the daffs poking their heads through.

Despite the weather being eventful it has been great to hear that Yorkshire will be hosting the first 2 stages of the 101st edition of Le Tour. As ever plans have started to make this a memorable event in Cragg and this newsletter has a bit of a biking theme to it. Well even 'Sir Chris Hoy' says Cragg Road is one of his favourite hills. Read on for more information.

Spring is here so again we are looking for helpers with the Spring Clean and there is our annual Spaw, Sunday Celebration event as well as the grand opening of the new look Tennis Club, so check out the what's on guide for some more information.

I think it is worth congratulating the Cragg Vale History Group for moving into their 6th year. Well done to all the committee and members for making it a great meet - here's to many more.

We hope you enjoy this newsletter - thanks to our sponsors for their continued support. It's much appreciated ☺. Our next newsletter is due out in June, contributions welcome (mid May deadline).

Have a wonderful Easter and Springtide.



Allons-y!

Cragg Vale residents of all ages ready with their bikes, looking forward to the Tour de France:



(children from left to right: Cerys, Grace, Jacob, Ben and Sam)

Lots of interest is developing amongst residents, local businesses and community groups. Elva Wood, owner of the Robin Hood Inn said "We're very pleased to be on the route of the Tour de France. People have loads of ideas for getting everyone involved in this once in a lifetime event. We will definitely make it a day to remember with help from the local community association and all our local cyclists - of all ages!"

Marianne Hood OBE, Secretary of Cragg Vale Community Association, said "We are planning 'Tour de Cragg' events this year for families and children to get things going and have already been given lots of suggestions for next year, including having an 'Allo, Allo' themed event! The Community Association wants to involve the Robin Hood, the Hinchliffe Arms, local businesses and all our local groups and residents in the build up to the big day next year. A planning meeting is being held in the Robin Hood Inn at 7.30pm on Monday, 4th March - and everyone is welcome!"

+++++

Cragg Vale J&I Brass Evening

We are having a 'Brass Evening' on 8th March in school at 7-30pm. There will be a bar and nibbles. Tickets are £5 from FOCUS (Parents' Association) or school office: Tel: 01422 883747 - we will reserve them to pick up on the door. Musicians are a Quartet and music will be mixed - classical, show tunes, modern.

All welcome.



Are you ready for our new look Tennis Club?



It has been a very busy time for us hidden away in the grounds of Cragg Hall. We have removed the old club house and built the new clubhouse, installed a septic tank allowing us to have an indoor flushing loo and are currently in the process of painting, installing a small kitchen, some landscaping and tree felling before we re-surface, re-fence, re-net and re-line the courts. So we are about half way through our transformation plan and are very pleased so far with the progress.

We do wish to apologise to those who live and walk past the club for any inconvenience caused and we hope you think it will be all worth it very, very soon.

Thank you for your patience and continued support. Here are a few photos of the before and current state to whet your appetite. And some details as to the open day which we hope as many of you can attend and come and see us in all our finished glory.





GRAND OPENING 2013

Cragg Vale Tennis Club would like to invite you to our Grand Opening Saturday 20th April.

Starting 10:30am through to 3pm, from the general public to members past and present you are welcome to come join us to see and try our new facilities.

Opening ceremony for the courts and clubhouse to commence 11am with drinks and food available.

Free Junior and Adult Coaching throughout the day

Made possible by:



LOTTERY FUNDED



Calderdale
Council



Thanks to bridge Timber for all their help and a wonderful new clubhouse

If you want to know more about the club or the changes then please contact Emma Parkin at emma.parkin@brigmil.co.uk or check out our new website:

www.cvtc.co.uk



Together We're Stronger!

Own transport and references essential. Contact Emily

01422 881123 | 07846 975453

littlevalleycleaners.com

Calder Valley



SKIPS

FROM £50 + VAT

Full Range of Skips

Same Day Service

Licensed Recycling Centre

Open to Trade

TELEPHONE
(01422) 833333



ALL MAJOR CREDIT CARDS
ACCEPTED







Physiotherapy & Massage

Treating muscle and joint problems

Sports injuries

Running analysis and rehabilitation

Suite 8B, Top Land Country Business Park,
Cragg Road, Cragg Vale, HX7 5RW

For an appointment, please call
0800 0751 641

enquiries@backtofitnessphysio.com
www.backtofitnessphysio.com

Bob Wild

Grass Machinery Ltd



10% off any purchase with this advert

- Chainsaws • Leaf Blowers & Vacuums
- Lawn Scarifiers • Sales and Hire Available
- Large selection of used equipment



We stock a wide range of John Deere toys, clothing and merchandise



Tel: **01422 883322** Fax: **01422 886999**

Unit 7 & 8 White Lee, Mytholmroyd, Hebden Bridge HX7 5AD

Web: **www.bobwild.co.uk** Email: **sales@bobwild.co.uk**



Industrial Cleaning

Domestic Cleaning

Garage/Loft Clearance

littlevalleycleaners.com

07846 975453

01422 881123



Craggy Dogs

Dog Walking and Pet Care Services

Katie Wilkinson

Registered Veterinary Nurse

07515 528 026

www.craggydogs.com

the ark

Established 2002

Ofsted
Outstanding
2009/2010

Private Day Nursery

- Rated 'OUTSTANDING' by Ofsted
- Highest quality, purpose built facilities
- Wonderful countryside location
- 15 hrs/week of 3-4 yr old free places
- Sensory room & library
- 5* kitchen with varied, healthy menu

Space
at the ark

**Out of School &
Holiday Club**

- Fantastic outdoor playing field with traversing wall
- Computer suite and internet
- Sports hall with indoor traversing wall
- Extensive & varied play opportunities
- Playstations, Nintendo Wii, Xbox



Come and join us at our
Forest School for lots of
outdoor, seasonal fun!

The Ark, Dean Hey Farm, Mytholmroyd

Open 7am – 6.30pm 51 weeks

www.thearkexperience.co.uk

T 01422 882010

Fitter, Stronger, Leaner, Faster, Toned...Healthier!



Personalized 1-to-1 fitness training (for men, women, and children)
that's challenging yet fun!

Well-equipped private studio in scenic moorland location (Dean Hey
Country Park, Cragg Vale, Mytholmroyd – next to The Ark)

Contact Marc - 07984460572 MarcChrys@hotmail.co.uk www.f4fitnessffff.com



Annibutt Lee
BOARDING KENNELS & CATTERY

Experienced, loving, round-the-clock care
Spacious, heated accommodation in stunning countryside location
Calm, stress-free, happy environment

01422 885487
www.annibuttle.co.uk

Annibutt Lee Farm, Cragg Vale, Hebden Bridge, HX7 5TT

Kindly supported by:



Brewing Knowledge, Love and Passion



Available in Bottle, Mini-Cask, 10L and 20L
Polypins and 9 gallon Casks

Gift Packs available

Turkey Lodge Farm, New Road, Cragg Vale
Tel: 01422 883 888
www.littlevalleybrewery.co.uk

CALVAG



Established 25 years



Your Local "One Stop Shop"

- Agricultural Supplies
- Gardening Supplies & Tools
- Hardwood & Softwood Gates
- Pet Food & Animal Health
- Building / D.I.Y Materials & Tools

Wood Preservers, Decking Treatments & Creosote



Work Boots, Wellingtons, Socks, Hats,
Gloves, Waterproof Pants & Jackets

*You will be surprised at what
you might find, call in and see!*

UNIT 5 BRIER HEY, MYTHOLMROYD

01422884600

CALVAG@BTCONNECT.COM

WWW.CALVAGSERVICES.CO.UK



**THORNBUR
PROPERTIES
&
4 Js Country Workspace**

**INDUSTRIAL UNITS &
OFFICES TO LET**

- All Sizes – 600 to 50,000 sq ft
- Self-contained with all services
- Customised to suit your needs
- Stunning countryside location
- Ample parking
- Competitive rates, flexible terms
- Mytholmroyd and Cragg Vale

T 07831148723 or 07932 454016
www.thornber.com

Craggs Cakes

Quality, not compromise

*cakes for all occasions, flapjacks
and brownies too, made to order.*

Order via our new website

www.craggscakes.co.uk

Call to discuss your requirements

07788 600 810

Or see us at

Hebden Bridge Producers'

Market on the

1st and 3rd Sunday of the month

May Day Fete at Cragg Vale

Cragg Vale Junior & Infant School will again hold its Annual May Day Fete on Monday 6 May 2013 at St John's Church, Cragg Vale between 11am and 1pm. The event will offer stalls, games, entertainment and refreshments. Children will take part in traditional Maypole dancing and don't forget to sponsor a duck to enter another exciting duck race. Everyone welcome — come and enjoy the fun!

Open Day – All Welcome

Calder Valley Steiner School is holding an Open Day on March 12th, from 2:30-4:30 pm. Prospective parents and local residents are invited to visit our lovingly restored home in the old Sunday school at St John's in the Wilderness, Cragg Vale. Staff and parents of current pupils will be on hand to show you around our two kindergartens and school, and answer your questions about Steiner education. Examples of children's work will be on display, and there will also be activities to join in with and refreshments.



For more information phone 01422 882071 or email info@caldersteiner.org.uk or check our website www.caldersteiner.org.uk

Quarterly Recipe – Bacon and Eggs Kedegeree Style



Back to basics
with this good
old favourite -
Should feed 4

Ingredients:

- 4 eggs - fresh and preferably from one of local producers!
- 1 tbsp olive oil
- 1 onion, finely chopped
- $\frac{1}{4}$ tsp cayenne pepper
- 2 x 250g pack microwave long grain rice (or just over 1lb ordinary long grain rice)
- 6oz smoked bacon, cut into bite sized pieces some fresh parsley, chopped

Method:

- Cook the eggs for 6-8 mins in a pan of boiling water
- Drain, cool in running water, then peel and quarter.
- Cook the rice following the instructions on the packet.
- Meanwhile, heat the oil in a frying pan over a medium heat and cook the bacon and onions until they're becoming golden.
- Stir in the Cayenne pepper and cook for a minute.
- Stir through the cooked rice and serve topped with the quartered eggs and the parsley.

Chocolate Krispie Chick For the Egg:

- 175g milk chocolate, broken into pieces plus extra for decorating
- 50g Rice Krispies cereal

To decorate

- 2 x small white chocolate buttons
- 50g golden marzipan
- 25g white chocolate, broken into pieces, plus extra for decorating, melted and cooled a little (or a white icing pen)



Method

- Break the chocolate into pieces and gently melt in a heatproof bowl over a pan of simmering water, making sure the bowl doesn't touch the water. Stir until smooth, then take off the heat and stir in the Rice Krispies, mixing well to coat. Mould the rice Krispies into egg shapes with your hands and put in the fridge for 5 mins.
- To make the eyes, paint blobs of melted milk chocolate onto the white chocolate buttons. Fix onto the egg using a little more chocolate. Spoon the white chocolate into a small piping bag or use a white icing pen to pipe a beak and wings onto the egg and allow to set.
- For the feet, roll out the marzipan on a sheet of greaseproof paper to about $\frac{1}{4}$ cm thick. Using a knife, cut out two feet, making them large enough for the egg to sit on. Once the egg has completely set, place the chick on its feet, pressing down so that it stays upright.

Enjoy

Broadhead Clough - March **update**



Yorkshire
Wildlife Trust

As I write, the winter is still here with frosted ground and little sign of any new growth. The birds are preparing for Spring however. I heard a Great Spotted Woodpecker drumming for the first time this week, and there are two male robins marking out their territories on either side of my bird table, whilst grudgingly sharing the peanuts and seed mix.

During the winter YWT work parties had one day coppicing holly where it was getting too thick, old and prickly. This was historic practice when Erringden was a deer park to provide new shoots for grazing. However, most of the work done over the winter has been replacing the steep flight of steps connecting the stone flagged section through the marsh up to the drier area below the meadows. Repairs have taken many man hours: lugging half railway sleepers into the wood, leveling each step, hammering in the pegs to stop them sliding down and finishing the surfaces with wire mesh to give more grip. We have almost finished and hope this makes the climb easier for users. However, the repairs are constructed "suitable to the route and on a scale appropriate for the intended use" which is as a footpath, not a bridleway or byway.

Unfortunately in the muddy conditions since the wet summer there has been an increase in visible bike tyre marks along the path. Now the steps have been reinstated some riders have also started to create new routes around them, through the SSSI fragile habitat. In England and Wales footpaths are off-limits to bikes unless permission has been specifically granted and this is definitely not the case in Broadhead Clough. The track is narrow with poor sight lines: slow walkers and fast riders don't mix. If anyone does know who is cycling through the wood, sometimes at night, I'd be grateful if they showed them these notes or referred them to the CTC website where an article on trail erosion gives some good practice points and quotes by experts which I've related to our reserve.

1. "Stay on the existing trail to stop creep ... walkers usually do"- as was clearly seen after the Long Distance Walkers Association event in January, whereas these bikers are trying to find a new line around. Please don't cycle over ferns, mosses and bluebells.
2. "Avoid areas when wet and muddy"- Broadhead is valuable because it is a wet wood even in summer. Braking and skidding do tear it up.
3. "Mountain bikers do not cause exceptional levels of erosion compared with people on foot, *as long as they demonstrate some care and common sense*" - I would hope that stiles at the top entrances, steps at the bottom and notices about the SSSI status should be sufficient signals for common sense to prevail.

With the Tour de France coming up our valley we want to welcome cyclists, and encourage them to use the old packhorse and drovers trails over the moors e.g. the permissive Bridleway to Cragg via Withens Clough. However you travel, by foot, hoof or bike as appropriate, enjoy Spring in and around Cragg Vale's off road routes.

Spring workdays are :

10am on March 14th, April 16th and May 22nd

Helen Pedley, 886195

www.ywt.org.uk

Love Yorkshire, Love Wildlife

EASTER JOKES

1. Did you hear the one about the Easter Bunny who sat on a bee?
2. How did the soggy Easter Bunny dry himself?
3. How does the Easter Bunny paint all of those eggs?

Check out the back page for the punch lines.



C V PEST CONTROL

Is your home or business being invaded by pests?

C V Pest Control is your fully insured, local expert in pest control from fleas to foxes fur or feather. We have the experience and knowledge to deal with most pests. Moles & wasps are our speciality.

For a free quote please call Albert on

Tel: 01422 882731

Mob: 07885 325100

Or email:

albert@cvpestcontrol.co.uk



Turley Holes Bed & Breakfast

**EN-SUITE ROOMS WITH TV, WI-FI &
DRINK MAKING FACILITIES**

Cragg Vale, Hebden Bridge, HX7 5TA

01422 886771

info@turleyholesbedandbreakfast.co.uk

www.turleyholesbedandbreakfast.co.uk



Cragg

Velo



Cragg Velo Mobile cycle maintenance
in the Calder Valley



www.craggvelo.co.uk
craggvelo@gmail.com
07792900971



Jonathan Emberton *Half man, half bicycle*

A new service based in Cragg Vale. Check our website and get in touch to see how we can help you to enjoy your bike

Cragg Velo Fettling your bike when you want...Where you want

Feeling **sheepish** about the state of your garage?



Would 'ewe' like a safe, secure place to store your belongings?

Short and long term storage available
FROM ONLY **£10** PER WEEK

CRAGGS Storage

The Craggs Country Business Park
New Road, Cragg Vale
Hebden Bridge, HX7 5TT
Tel 01422 888444
or visit www.CraggStorage.com

Higher Clough Foot Barn Self Catering Holiday Cottages

*A period barn conversion
set in the Heart of the
Pennines*

Contact David & Susan Midgley

Tel: 01422882577



Cragg Vale, Mytholmroyd, W. Yorkshire, HX7 5RU

Email cloughfootbarn@tiscali.co.uk

www.cloughfootbarn.co.uk

Deep and simple *massage*



**At The Hope Centre,
Hebden or Cragg Vale**

£30/£40/£50 per session
Introductory offer £25

Jan Nina Taylor ITEC

No Hands Massage Practitioner

ITHMA trained – The Institute of Traditional Herbal Medicine &
Aromatherapy

Gift vouchers available
Introductory Massage workshops

Tel: 01422 882190

PeekMe
STUDIOS



01422 408408
WWW.PEEKMESTUDIOS.CO.UK



Family Portraits | Model Portfolios | Commercial
Newborn Photos | Automotive | Weddings & Events
Tailor Made Shoots

DOES YOUR HOME USE HEATING OIL?

A brand new independent local fuel oil
company bringing you **FAIR FUEL FAST**



- ✓ Low prices
- ✓ 24 hour service
- ✓ Next day delivery
- ✓ No hidden charges

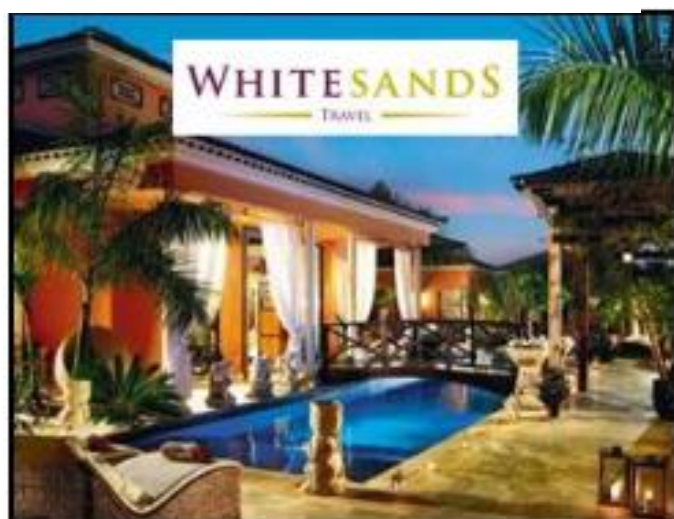


CRAGGS
energy

Suppliers of
Gas Oil, Kerosene,
Diesel and other
related products

01422 882500
www.craggsenergy.co.uk

The Craggs Country Business Park, New Road, Cragg Vale,
Hebden Bridge, West Yorkshire HX7 5TT



Flights - Hotels - City Breaks - Cruise
Honeymoons - Ski - Escorted Tours
Cottages - Tailormade Trips - Late Deals
Arrow Coach Day Trips and Short Breaks

01422 847847
www.whitesandstravel.co.uk

Due to the floods we are now located at...Unit 4D
Top Land Country Business Park, HX7 5RW...call us
or come and see us today!

Kindly supported by:



Calder Valley Steiner School **open day**

Tuesday 12th March, 2:30-4:30pm

St. John's Centre, Cragg Vale

**There will be refreshments &
children's activities**

Come and visit our beautiful school near
the Hinchliffe Arms, Cragg Vale (HX7 5TF)

Kindergarten 3 to 6 years, School from age 6

Early-years funding for 3 to 5 year-olds

For more information phone 01422 885249

www.caldersteiner.org.uk



Calder Valley Steiner School
OFSTED registered

Reg. Charity: 1090119

STAFF REQUIRED

The Hinchliffe are looking for
a cleaner (weekends only).
They are also looking for a
front of house assistant -
Flexible hours, experience
helps, would include some
weekends.

Fancy a few extra pennies?

Please call Miles on 883256

ROOM TO HIRE IN CRAGG

Did you know that the St
John's centre has rooms that
are available to hire, for group
functions.

Contact Jan for details:

01422 882190

Eternal Beauty Studio Ltd
4c Topland Country Business Park
Cragg Vale
Tel- 886686
Email- eternal-beauty@hotmail.co.uk
Web-www.eternalbeautystudio.co.uk

A premier Decleor beauty salon situated within
the stunning countryside with private parking.
With over 19 years salon experience and
BABTAC registered.

We specialise in facials, massages,
IPL laser hair removal, skin rejuvenation,
Thread vein removal and much more.

Call or email us for any

Questions or
Appointments.



News from St. Johns Church

On the last Sunday in February, Doris Hirst was presented with a Long Service Award from the Royal School of Church Music by the Bishop of Pontefract. Doris



joined the Church Choir in 1939 as a very young lady, since that day she has sung continuously at Sunday services and for the last few decades from the same place in the choir stalls. It is a well deserved award and credits Doris for the 3000 odd times that she has sung in Church.

The appointment of a new Vicar is still some way off. Progress is being made and we expect to begin interviewing candidates over the next few weeks. When there is a candidate who is suitable and is approved by the representatives of this Parish and those from St. Michaels Mytholmroyd and the Vicar of Halifax, who is the patron of the Parish, then the selection must be ratified by the Bishop and an appointment can be made.

There has been some good news in the quest to re-order the Church. The Diocesan Advisory Committee have, with some conditions, recommended the approval of the scheme. All the plans, documentation and objections, if any are forthcoming, will go to the Chancellor of the Diocese, who alone will make a judgement on the application.

Ed Talbot

Annual Spring Clean.

Spring is almost here and it's that time of year again! Time to get out in force for the Big Spring Clean and turn that litter in to cash!

Hebden Royd Town Council's annual spring clean will take place on the weekend of 23rd and 24th March (with all litter collected and removed on Monday 25th). It's a perfect opportunity to help to make a difference in your community, whilst earning extra funds a community project.

St John's Church is entering 2 teams, clearing from Coppy Nook Lane to George Sunderland's, then down Cragg Road.

Cragg Vale Community Association is also co-ordinating 2 teams, one working from the Church up Rudd Lane, Withens Reservoir and car park area, and the second thanks to Elaine and The Robin Hood - will clear an area around the Robin and the field across the road.



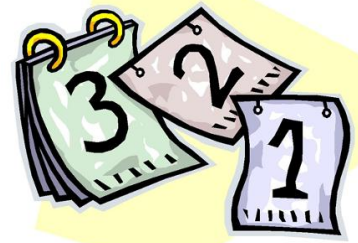
If you would like to support either of these or volunteer to cover another area, please contact Beryl Horsfall (church co-ordinator) 884460, or email cvca@jsd.me.uk to join the CVCA team and help us raise £60 per team towards a community project.

+++++

We are currently looking for alternative ways to print this newsletter.

If you have any ideas or thoughts on how you could support us then please let us know.

info@craggvalecommunity.co.uk Thanks



What's on Guide Spring.

Monday 4th March - Le Tour planning meeting, 7:30 Robin Hood Inn.

Fri 8th March - Brass Evening 7:30pm - CV J&I School

Monday 11th March - Yorkshire Countrywomens' meeting - Speaker - Lorna Muir on Stitches of the Desert plus workshop. St. Johns at 7.30pm all are welcome.

Tues 12th March - Calder Valley Steiner School Open Day - 2:30-4:30 pm

Thursday 14th March - Broadhead Clough Spring working party. Meet at 10 am at the reserve entrance.

Thursday 21st March - CV History Group - Another entertaining evening with Ian Dewhirst - "The Second World War on the Home Front". Top Room, The Robin Hood at 7:30

Sat 23rd & Sun 24th March - Cragg Vale Spring Clean.

Mon 8th April - Yorkshire Countrywomens' meeting - Speaker John Billingsley 'Legends of Calderdale' St. Johns at 7.30pm all welcome.

Tuesday 16th April - Broadhead Clough Spring working party. Meet at 10 am at the reserve entrance.

Thursday 18th April - CV History Group AGM. Top Room, The Robin Hood at 7:30

Sunday 5th May - Spaw Sunday event to welcome in the Spring and celebrate the end of a long Winter. More details to follow.

Monday 6th May - Cragg Vale J&I School May Day Fete. St John's Church 11 - 3. Stalls, games, refreshments, duck race, etc

Mon 13th May - Yorkshire Countrywomens' meeting - Speaker - Alan Brooks - Hope Village & Kerala revisited. St. Johns @ 7.30pm all welcome.

Wednesday 22nd May - Broadhead Clough Spring working party. Meet at 10 am at the reserve entrance.

The Cycling Connection at Little Valley Brewery

Some of you may know this already but for those of you who don't ... read on!

Had Sue Cooper and Wim van der Spek not first met in Kathmandu in December 1999 Little Valley Brewery may have never come into being. Their connection to bikes and cycling is part of the story. The fact that the brewery is situated just off England's longest continuous gradient might be fate or just pure co-incidence..... you decide!

Sue had been working in Nepal on an action research project with a small community development organisation in the far North West of the country. She had already decided that when her two year contract was complete she would cycle the 8,000 miles back to England rather than catch a flight home. For Sue, the bike was merely a means of transport, and an opportunity to experience more of the world before getting back to the UK.

Four days before Sue set off on her journey, on a third hand Giant mountain bike, she met the 6ft 6inch Dutchman, Wim van der Spek. A friend of Sue's introduced her to Wim telling her that "this guy has just cycled from Holland to Nepal via Tibet; he'll no doubt be able to give you a bit of advice".

Wim, son of a dairy farmer, had spent quite a few years working in the food industry in research and development and in quality assurance. Wim's two passions in life are beer and cycling. So after qualifying as Master Brewer at Doemens World Brew Academy in Munich, Wim decided to have some time out and set off to find the world's highest brewery in Tibet on his trusty hand built Dutch bicycle of course. He did reach Tibet but he never found the brewery! His journey took him across Europe, parts of the middle East, into Pakistan and over the Karakorum Highway into China

and Tibet; reaching heights of up to 5,900 metres and in extreme freezing temperatures.



Sue set off on her journey out of Kathmandu on 24th December 1999 first travelling through Nepal and then into India. Whilst in Rajasthan who should she bump into but Wim. The pair decided to cycle together into Pakistan where they eventually said goodbye promising to meet up a few months later in Germany, where Wim was due to commence work with Bavaria's most northern brewery, Rotherbrau.

Sue continued alone through Iran, Turkey and the old Eastern block before getting back to her home town of Jarrow in the north east. Once back in the UK she quickly found work in Lancashire and Wim eventually came to England to join her. Wim found work heading up the brew team at a brewery in Inverness. It was during Wim's two years in Inverness that the couple made the decision to set up in business on their own. Another two years passed, a business plan and finances in place, Sue and Wim found Turkey Lodge and Stuart Rowntree. Discussions began with Stuart and plans were put in place to develop one of his units into a brewery.

The previously derelict Turkey Lodge began its life again and eight years on from those early discussions Little Valley employs a total of five people with plans for another three over the coming 18 months. The brewery produced half a million pints of beer last year, supplying the on trade, retail, and including five export markets. This month has seen some expansion at Turkey Lodge with new vessels being installed enabling the brewery to produce more into the future.

To welcome the Tour de France into Calderdale is a fantastic achievement for Yorkshire and a great opportunity for communities to come together and celebrate. We'll drink to that!

TOUR TRIVIA: This Tour de France quiz has 11 multiple-choice questions. Answers at bottom of the quiz. Enjoy and have fun.

1. What is the Tour de France?
 - a) A vacation trip around the country of France
 - b) A major tennis competition
 - c) A sports drink brand
 - d) The most prestigious outdoor cycling race
2. The Tour de France usually takes place during which month of the year.
 - a) May
 - b) June
 - c) July
 - d) August
 - e) September
3. The first Tour de France was staged in _____.
 - a) 1893
 - b) 1903
 - c) 1913
 - d) 1943
 - e) 1953
4. Who is the recipient of the yellow jersey (or maillot jaune) given after each stage of the Tour de France?
 - a) Winner of the current stage
 - b) Current overall leader
 - c) The defending champion
 - d) Both a and b
5. What scandal or controversy has consistently plagued the Tour de France?
 - a) Bad refereeing/officiating
 - b) Race fixing
 - c) Illegal betting
 - d) Doping
 - e) There's no major scandal
6. Cyclists from what country have won the most Tour de France titles?
 - a) United States
 - b) Spain
 - c) Belgium
 - d) France
 - e) Italy
7. The finish line for the Tour de France is situated at or near which famous Parisian landmark?
 - a) The Eiffel Tower
 - b) Arc de Triomphe
 - c) Palace of Versailles
 - d) Stade de France
 - e) The Pantheon
8. The Tour de France is the most famous of the three Grand Tours of Cycling. Which of the following is one of the other two Grand Tours?
 - a) The Giro d'Italia
 - b) The Vuelta a España
 - c) Either A or B
 - d) None of the above
9. How many riders have lost their lives, competing in the Tour de France?
 - a) 1
 - b) 2
 - c) 3
 - d) 4
 - e) No deaths as of today
10. Which group is responsible for organizing the Tour de France?
 - a) International Cycling Association
 - b) The French government
 - c) International Olympic Committee
 - d) Amaury Sport Organization
11. True or False. Tour de France is widely accepted as the most watched annual sporting event worldwide.

Answer Key: 1)d 2)c 3)b 4)b 5)d 6)d 7)b 8)c 9)d 10)d 11)True

Classifications: # of correct answers

9-11 Master, 6-8 Expert, 3-5 Intermediate, 0-2 Novice

Joke answers:

- 1.) It's a tender tail!
- 2.) With a hare dryer!
- 3.) He hires Santa's elves during the off-season.



Thanks to all those who support us and advertise in the newsletter:

Thornber Properties
Higher Clough Foot Barn
Bob Wild Grass Machinery Ltd
Little Valley Brewery
C V Pest Control
Calder Valley Skip Hire
Calvag
Calder Valley Steiner School
Annibutt Lee
Cragg Cakes
Craggs Energy

Peekme Studios
Turley Holes B&B
The Ark Experience
Far Moorside Farm
WhiteSands Travel
Eternal Beauty Studio Ltd
Deep and Simple Massage
Craggs Storage
Little Valley Cleaners
F4Fitness FFFF
Craggy Dogs

More support required, so if you too would like to advertise for a small fee
- please get in touch with Liz - see details below.

info@craggvalecommunity.co.uk or 881182

Thanks to all our volunteers who help us to deliver the newsletter to you all. If you would like to advertise or help us with deliveries (only 4 times a year) please get in touch with Liz.