

POST MISTRESS RETIRES

The tiny Post Office which has been an iconic symbol of Farndale, has closed with the retirement of our Postmistress Nora Dobson, after 35 years. The Post Office must be one of the most photographed in the North York Moors and possibly the whole country. Janet Campling was the final customer before Nora closed the door for the last time at 4pm on Monday 27th March.

Nora would like to thank all her customers for their support down the years. She also said "Please do continue to call for a chat".

If anyone is interested in running a replacement Post Office in Farndale please contact the Post Office

BROADBAND UPDATE

Due to the unprecedented demand for broadband and the need to do an additional telephone survey Moors Link Broadband is a little behind the original plan. However, the first satellite connection is due to be delivered on 2nd May 2006, with the network rolling out and initial customers being connected in the following weeks. The network covers Bransdale, Farndale, Rosedale and surrounding areas so it will take a short while to reach everyone.

The cost will be £25 pcm, although it is hoped, that this will be reduced as more customers are connected to the service. Installation will be free for all pre-registered customers funded by Yorkshire Forward / North Yorkshire County Council "Digital Inclusion Grant". Barry Sunley will shortly be contacting all residents who indicated they were happy join at this price level. For more information please contact Barry (email: barry or XXXXXX).

A YEAR IN FARNDALE

It was a full house, with people standing at the back, in the band room on Friday 3rd March. Angela Smith and Derek Pickering presented a first-rate show of their year long photographic study of the dale.

Angela's photographs, set to music provided a journey through the season's capturing the dales view's, scenes and moods. Derek's slide show concentrated on the farming aspects of Farndale and his descriptions of the pictures were accompanied by a jolly banter with the audience, many of whom featured in the photo's.

The Chapel and Village Hall both benefited from funds raised at the evening.

Angela is willing to produce CD ROM's of her photographs, including some unseen shots for £4 ea. Profits going to Farndale organisations (Because Derek's photo's are slides they cannot be included). If you would like one please contact me on XXXXXX email: james@farndale.org or Angela.

Watch this space - other idea's are being progressed with Angela and Derek.

FAREWELL TO JOHN AND SYB

We wish John and Syb Blacklock all the best for their future, now they have moved to Kirkbymoorside. After many years farming at Olive House, John retired in March.

A small presentation was made to the at the Year in Farndale slide show from FEC. They had supported the Christmas parties over the years, where many Farndale bairns cannot sampled Sybs famous traffic light jellies. Although now in Kirby they are continuing to support Farndale events – Daffy teas just would not be the same with out a delicious pink sugar, jam sponge.

CRAFT FAIR SUCCESS

Emma Featherstone wishes to thank everyone who supported her craft fair in the Band Room on 8th April in aid of Martin House Children's Hospice. The sale, which Emma arranged as part of her Duke of Edinburgh award, raised £550 for the Charity.



It has been reported that Fran Debenham (Landlady of the Feversham Arms) will be doing a sponsored abseil down the Humber bridge in aid of Martin House. Contact Fran for details.

RAVEN IN BANDROOM

Raven, a female harmony group are coming to Farndale. Singing a range of music from medieval to modern, folk to avant-garde, accompanied and a-cappella. They will be presenting their new programme of music "Celebrating Spring".

SATURDAY, 29th APRIL @ 8pm in the Band Room, Tickets £5 available from Pickering Tourist Information Centre or by calling 07876 650400. Light refreshments available but feel free to bring your own wine.

A member of the "Raven", Pat Edmonds' father was a member of the Farndale Silver Band, so this is an especially appropriate venue for them to play.

MIDSUMMER MUSIC EVENING

Friday 16th June 2006 is the date for a magnificent evening of entertainment with 6 to 8 acts performing a selection of acoustic music, in aid of the Village Hall redevelopment. Each set will consist of 3 or 4 pieces, making for a varied programme.

The £5 ticket price includes a "Pie and Pea supper". There will also be a bar. So make a note in your diary: 7:30 for 8:00 on FRIDAY 16th JUNE 2006 in CHURCH HOUSES VILLAGE HALL.

Tickets available from Barry & Lyn Sunley: ☎XXXXXX email: barry

"OFFICIAL" WINTER IN AUGUST

No, not the long term weather forecast ~ I hope! But the Swedish band, Winter, who will be making a return visit to Farndale to play the 100th Farndale Show.

The once popular after show dance has lapsed in recent years but an evening event is back for the shows centenary. Winter will play "a seamless fusion of guitar-based roots - rock, alt.country and pop..." in the CHURCH HOUSES VILLAGE HALL at 8pm on SHOW DAY, BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY 28th AUGUST 2006. Contact Mark Ellis 433248 for more info and tickets. (websites for info on band: www.thebandroom.co.uk & www.winternet.nu).

EDITORIAL

Thanks to everyone who made comments on the last issue and also those who have contributed to this issue. I have included all events I am aware of, but apologies if this does not include yours. I have received many questions on what can be included. The answer is simple "anything that is likely to be of interest to Farndale residents or visitors". This does include commercial events / news and subject to space, it may include events / news from outside Farndale. Classified advertisements may be included (for a small donation to FEC), however it is not currently policy to carry commercial adverts, although commercial page sponsorship can be considered. It is intended every property in Farndale should receive a free copy. All information is best known at time of going to press, please confirm details with listed contacts E&OE.

The copy date for the August issue is 14th July 2006. Please send copy to news@farndale.org, deliver it to Holly Bush or call XXXXXX. *James*

READING GROUP

This group has been in existence for a few months, and wishes to grow! We meet approximately every six weeks, in our homes (if convenient) to talk about a chosen book over a glass of wine, tea, coffee etc. Books are chosen by different members of the group and range from the classics to contemporary best sellers. If you enjoy reading, and sharing that enjoyment with others, or if you want to read, but don't know what, why not come along. You will be really welcome.

The next date is Friday, May 5th. The book chosen is "The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-time" by Mark Haddon. (ISBN 0 099 45025 9) available from most book shops.

Venue: Bitchagreen Cottage, Farndale 8 pm. For more details, Tel. Pauline Brown XXXXXX or Shirley-Ann Collier XXXXXX



DAFFY TEAS

Thank you to everyone who helped with Daffy Teas this year either by Baking or on the day(s). Despite poor weather on the first two Sundays, YCA, FEC and the Band Room each received £296.22.

Thanks are also due to those who helped with the Village hall and WI teas.

CHURCH HOUSES VILLAGE HALL

The redevelopment of the village hall has moved a step closer with the drawing up and submission of plans to the planning authority. The process is progressing but a bat survey is required.

The plans are for a village hall which in appearance is similar to the current one but has a slightly larger main hall, small meeting room, cricket pavilion and new kitchen. It also includes plans for public toilets.

Grand draw

The draw was a major success raising £869 after expenses. Thanks to all who contributed Prizes especially Richard Potter, Chris at the Lion Inn and George at the Daffy Café. Also thanks to everyone who sold so many the tickets.

Quiz Night

There will be a quiz night at 8pm at the Lion Inn, Blakey on Wednesday 24th May 2006 in aid of the village hall redevelopment. Evening will include a raffle so donation of prizes appreciated. Details from Mike Sly 430381

Summer Funday

The date for the annual Summer Funday has not yet decided but it will be taking place sometime during July on the Show Field. Look out for details, fun and games for all, Free entry, bring a picnic.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

Dates for Farndale East Parish Council meetings are as follows:

- AGM May 30th 2006 at 8pm in the Village Hall followed by the bi-monthly meeting
- July 11th 8pm in the Village Hall

Agendas will be placed on the notice board outside the Village Hall at Church Houses.

CHURCH SERVICES

The service on May 14th 2006 (2nd Sunday in the month) at St Mary's Church, Farndale has unfortunately had to be **CANCELLED** as there is no-one available to take it. Holy Communion as usual will take place on (4th Sunday in the month) May 28th 2006.

MUSIC SCENE

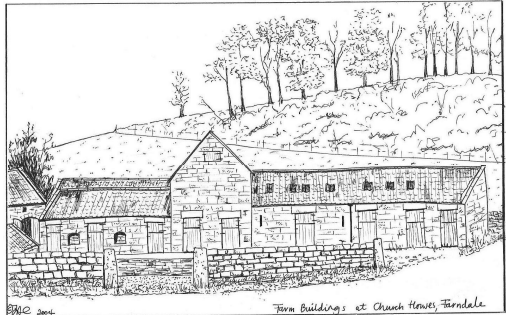
Lion Inn: www.blakeymusic.com
Thursday 27th April @ 9pm, Four Day
Hombre £6. Music described as
“widescreen rock” Details: ☎ 417320

Band Room: www.thebandroom.co.uk
Saturday 13th May – Andrew Gold
www.andrewgold.com plays his first live
British show since 1989 exclusively at
the Band Room tickets from email:
neilraph@btopenworld.com ☎ 471401
Saturday 27th May – the first family of
English folk Waterson:Carthy
www.watsonscarthy.com conclude their
spring tour. Tickets £18. ☎ 432900
email. info@thebandroom.co.uk
Sunday 28th May – the Handsome
Family www.handsomfamily.com achieve
the unique honour of playing the Band
Room three times. Tickets £18.
☎ 432900 email: info@thebandroom.co.uk

OUT & ABOUT

Kirkbymoorside Open Gardens
Sunday 16th July 2006 is the planned
date for this years Kirkby Open
Gardens, in aid of All Saints Church.

North Yorkshire Open Studios
10/11, 17/18 & 24/25 June – Artists
across North Yorkshire will be opening
there studios providing a unique
opportunity to see professional artists in
their own environment. Details from
<http://www.art-connections.org.uk/> or send
an A4 sae (71p) to: Art Connections, The
Art Depot, Asquith Industrial Estate, Eshton
Road, Gargrave, North Yorks BD23 3SE,
for catalogue. ☎ 01756 748529.



Steading at Church Houses Farm

CHURCH HOUSES ON THE MAP

The new Church Houses signs are now
in place on their stone plinths & look
very good indeed, thanks go to Mark
Ellis for his excellent craftsmanship
and to Frank Pickles (National Park)
who very kindly & generously donated
the cast-iron name plates to Farndale.

SHOW DIARY

Great Yorkshire:	Tue 11–Thu 13 July
Ryedale:	Tue 25 July
Malton:	Sun 30 July
Egton Goosebury:	Tue 1 August
Thornton-le-Dale:	Wed 9 August
Danby	Wed 16 August
Rosedale:	Sat 19 August
Egton Horse & Agricultural:	Wed 23 August
Bilsdale:	Sat 26 August
Farndale:	Mon 28 August
Kildale:	Sat 2
Stokesley:	September
	Sat 23 September

DOMINO EFFECT

Congratulations not only to the "Feversham Arms A" domino team won the league this year, but also to "Feversham Arms B" who not wanting to be left out lifted the "Rest of the League" knock out cup in the final on 20th April.

FARNDALE SHOW CENTENARY

Thanks to those who have sorted out a few old photographs for the display on show day Bank Holiday Monday 28th August 2006. We are however still some way short of enough information. The scope has been extended to include old photo's of Farndale as well as the show down the years. So please have a look for any memorabilia (originals of photo's and documents can be copied to prevent loss or damage). Please call XXXXXX or email: show100@farndale.org if you have anything.

YORKSHIRE COUNTRYWOMANS ASSOCIATION

The Farndale Branch of YCA meets in the Band Room , Low Mill at 7:30 pm on the 4th Wednesday of each month.

- 24 May - Sally Tebb - Life Coach - Learn how to support & motivate all aspects of your life.
- 28 June – Visit to Rona Ashworth's garden leaving about 7:00

NEW NOTICEBOARD

A new notice board has been provided adjacent to the car park at Low Mill courtesy of YRCC grant. Within hours of being erected, the first posters for events appeared on it, demonstrating how much one was needed at this location.

IN THE PAPERS

After Farndale featured in the Gazette and Heralds village profile under the title "A Village for all Seasons" it was featured again on 1st of March which must be a unique achievement if you missed it is available on the internet:

http://www.thisisryedale.co.uk/ryedale/features/village_profile.html. Farndale was also featured in the Pickering Mercury on 15th March 2006 when they covered the Angela Smith & Derek Pickering's slide show. Other items have included Nora Dobson's retirement and the annual report on daffodils.

FEC FLYER

FEC's summer event this year will be Ice Skating at Billingham Forum Ice Rink. The results of the questionnaire distributed to all the young people in Farndale is as follows:



Ice Skating	16 votes
Fun Pool	8 votes
10 pin Bowling	6 votes
Seaside	2 votes



Thanks to Emma Featherstone for her help with the survey & to Brian for organising the coach.

The coach will leave Low Mill at 10:30 on Saturday 29th July and return from Billingham at 3:30pm arriving back around tea time. FEC is paying for the coach and Entrance fee for all children and young people although adults are requested to pay the £2.60 (entrance fee & skate hire). Please bring a packed lunch.

If you wish to attend please complete the slip below and return to any committee member or Emma Featherstone by 28th May 2006.

All under 16's to be accompanied by a parent / guardian.

I/we would like to go on the Ice Skating trip to Billingham Forum on 29th July

Name.....Age.....

No of people attending: Under 16:..... 16-21:..... Adults:.....

Address.....

Telephone.....

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Signed (by parent / guardian if U16).....

FARDALE ENTERTAINMENTS COMMITTEE email: fec@farndale.org