

RATHMELL

Members of Rathmell Y.F.C. raised a sum of over £16 for Cancer Research by carol singing. At Rathmell Reading Room they held their annual Christmas party. Supper was provided. M.C.'s were Gary Baines and Andrew Harrison.

JANUARY RATHMELL 1985

Members met on Monday at the Reading Room, where they were given a talk by an American teacher, Mr. Kevin Collins, who is on an exchange with Mr. Haines from Settle High School. R. Frankland proposed thanks. A business meeting followed.

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READING ROOM

SINGING postman Stan Gray has kindly offered his vocal talents along with his partner, Jane, to help raise money for the essential repairs to Rathmell Reading

Room. They can be heard at the Old Station, Giggleswick, tomorrow, Saturday September 7, from 8pm, onwards. A prize has been offered for the best dressed cowboy or cowgirl. Admission is free but there will be a raffle with prizes donated by the Royal Mail.

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BONFIRE 1997

ABOUT 150 people turned out for the village bonfire on a beautiful, calm and dry evening. Thanks to all who helped to make the evening such a success. A profit of £165 was raised. The Reading Room Christmas party will be held on Saturday December 13 and tickets cost £10. Anyone wishing to attend should contact Martha on 01729 823265.

AUTUMN SALE

RATHMELL church is to hold its autumn sale on November 14, 2pm, in Giggleswick Parish Rooms, Bankwell Road.

READING ROOM

AT the annual meeting officers elected were: chairman - Martin Charnley; secretary - Edith Wright; Minute secretary - Margaret Spencer; treasurer - Pat Charnley. Marian Taylor was welcomed onto the committee to replace Mrs C Howarth. Martha Frankland was thanked for all the years of commitment and hard work she has shown as Reading Room secretary. The village bonfire will take place tomorrow (Saturday), at 6.30pm. Soup, baked potatoes and hot dogs etc will be on sale.

Sept 1985
Young Farmers

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Members met on Monday at the Reading Room, where they held the annual public speaking competition. Mrs. Townson was the judge, and the results were: juniors—1 P. Newhouse, 2 C. Johnson, 3 M. Frankland; intermediate and seniors—1 A. Dugdale, 2 R. Frankland, 3 (tie) C. Sutcliffe, D. Baines. Trophies were awarded to the winners. Anne Dugdale proposed thanks. A business meeting followed, when J. Lister was proposed as assistant treasurer. It was announced that Alan Simpson had won the club's Sports Trophy.

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At the Christmas party in the reading room, members stood in silence in memory of Mrs. M. E. Lister, a former president. Supper was served by Bonds of Elswick. They were then entertained by Mrs. Hilda Harrison's concert party from Cononley and Skipton. Mrs. J. Procter expressed thanks. Prizes for most competition points for the year were presented to Mrs. M. Frankland and Mrs. S. Bilborough. Games and dancing followed with music by Mr. T. Cowking. Mrs. E. Newhouse was M.C.

Jan 1980

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Members and friends were entertained by past member Adrian Procter, of Rathmell, who talked about his experiences on a YFC exchange to China. He showed slides and souvenirs from it. The vote of thanks was given by Michael Pain.

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1997 ANNUAL QUIZ

THE annual quiz was battled out in the Reading Room recently. Five teams took part, under the auspices of quiz masters Olive and John Harrison. The Methodist Chapel team won and £20 was made on the evening.

Feb RATHMELL 1990

Members, met at Rathmell Reading Rooms, when Mr. Bill Bland talked about Cumberland and Westmorland style wrestling. Christopher Frankland proposed the vote of thanks. Next week's meeting is a games night at Rathmell Reading Room.

Thursday Club cheque

1989



Rathmell Thursday Club had plenty to celebrate last Thursday - a £350 cheque from Age Concern England and its treasurer's 70th birthday!

Mr. Bobby Brennand, of Penyghent View, Rathmell, gave everyone a special tea at the village's Reading Room to mark his birthday, and it was he who received the cheque from the Age Concern organiser for volunteers for North Craven, Mrs. Lissa Smith.

The money is to be used to help the club set up a luncheon club and extend their meetings

to more than their present monthly meeting, held on the last Thursday in every month at 2p.m. in Rathmell Reading Room. At present the plans for the luncheon club are not finalised.

There are about 19 members at present and anyone over 60, or just under, is welcome to join.

Picture by K. and J. Jelley, Settle, shows, left to right: Mrs. Smith; secretary Miss Irene Sauvain; Mr. Brennand; and organiser Mrs. Benita Moore.

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BONFIRE SUCCESS

A superb firework display and huge bonfire was organised by the Rathmell Reading Room Committee. Hot food was consumed with enjoyment by an estimated 200 people. The proceeds of £164.30 are to be equally shared between Holy Trinity Parish Church, Rathmell and the Reading Room.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

THE annual Reading Room Christmas party (for adults) is to be held in the Reading Room on December 12, 7.30pm. Tickets are £10 each and are obtainable from Mrs E Wright of Gawthorpe House, Rathmell, tel 01729 840397. The ticket price will include a three-course meal, music and entertainment. Booking should be made as soon as possible, as places are strictly limited.

Bright and breezy at Rathmell

On a blustery but fine day, Rathmell villagers gathered on Tuesday afternoon for their Jubilee festivities.

The fancy dress procession was a wonderful turn-out for so small a village. Before the procession toured the village, the Jubilee Queen, Elaine Mitton, was crowned by Mrs. John Finch. The queen was attended by Tara Dumas, Jane Mitton and Zinah Pelgram. The Queen and her attendants, riding in a red, white and blue decorated Land-Rover, headed the procession to the accordion

music of Mr. John Lister, sitting on the bonnet.

Judging on the sports field of the fancy dress was a difficult task for Mr. and Mrs. Finch. Mr. P. H. Weston thanked them, and Mrs. Weston presented sweets and Jubilee crowns to all the children. Queen Elaine thanked Mrs. Finch and Mrs. Weston, and presented them with buttonholes.

There was tea for everyone in the Reading Room and to conclude the evening, there was a dance with music by Mr. T. Cowking.

Fancy dress winners were: Original, Christopher Frankland (The loyal

guard); comic, Paul Frankland (Dougal); character, Gillian Lamb (Farmer Giles); adults, Bryan Procter (Lady Godiva).

Sports: Flat races for boys and girls, 5 years and under, Paul Askew; 6-7 years, Zinah Pelgram; 3 years and under, Kathryn Ridgway; 8-9 years, Elizabeth Clark; 10-11 years, Ivor Pelgram; 11-14 years, Teresa Syers.

Three-legged race, 14 years and under, Elizabeth Mitton and Deborah Procter; high jump, boys and girls, 9 years and under, David Frankland; 14 years and under, Teresa Syers. Sack race, boys and girls, 14

years and under, Teresa Syers; 10 years and under, Kevin Lamb; quarter mile, 12-14 years, boys and girls, Teresa Syers; 8-11 years, Christopher Mitton; egg and spoon, girls, Teresa Syers; slow bicycle, Michael Harrison.

Adults: Threading needle, Norman and Gill Frankland; men's 120 yards flat race, Gary Baines; ladies, Joan Askew; ladies' sack race, Lesley Baines; mile race, Robert Booth.

Ladies' high jump, Lesley Baines; men's, Andrew Harrison; mixed three-legged race, Bryan Procter and Margaret Lister.



"AMIN DE COUNTRY" was the message carried by Edwin Lister (right). "We'll soon see about that," seems to be the message for him from Christopher Frankland, while Peter and Valerie Frankland ensure they don't come to blows.

Mr. Hemmingway, of Skipton, gave RATHMELL a very tasty demonstration of Chinese cookery at the reading room. Food varied from rice to oysters, chicken and beef, all of which members and friends sampled afterwards. A favourite seemed to be chicken in lemon sauce, closely followed by pancake rolls. Kevin Robinson thanked Mr. Hemmingway.

1991

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READING ROOM

THE Rathmell Reading Room Christmas party held last Saturday was a huge success and enjoyed by all. Partygoers first enjoyed an excellent meal, catered for by Farmhouse Fare, Gisburn, whilst dancing and games took the format of the rest of the evening. Many thanks to Stuart and Sheila Garnett for providing the music and to Edith and Ian Wright for acting as MCs. Please note the next event at the Reading Room will be a whist drive on January 19, 7.30pm.

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YFC 1992

Members held their annual Christmas whist drive at the Reading Room. It was a great success with 15½ tables turning out. They also went carol singing around the village to raise money for Cancer Research. It was well attended with about 30 singers taking part and over £80 was raised. Next week's meeting is the Christmas party.

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AROUND 30 people enjoyed a Coach Mystery Tour. They travelled via Tossie, Slaidburn, Clitheroe and on to Ribchester and then stopping at the New Drop Inn for an excellent supper. Many thanks to the organiser Mrs Martha Frankland.

Dark horse Benita first to 1991 strike gold in Yorkshire



Rathmell woman Mrs. Benita Moore has become the first person in Yorkshire to complete the Dark Horse Venture gold award.

The scheme, for the over 55's, has been likened to the Duke of Edinburgh awards and Mrs. Moore has already gained bronze and silver.

For the gold, she had to complete three sections. Despite having had a knee replacement, Mrs. Moore chose to learn to swim and train to become a swimming instructor for the elderly.

Also, she and 12 members of Rathmell's Thursday Club, of which Mrs. Moore is a founder member and currently chairman, made a quilt which was submitted as part of the award.

The quilt along with other craft items made by members of the club, which is affiliated to Age Concern North Craven, was exhibited last Thursday. Held at the village's Reading Room, over 200 visitors attended the exhibition.

Mrs. Moore is pictured by the Craven Herald staff photographer with her certificate. Also pictured, from left to right, are Mrs. Maggie Lister, Mrs. Clarice Howorth, Mrs. Joan Wood, Mrs. Lilian Gorst, Miss Norma Griffin, Mrs. Anne McKean, Mrs. Jeanne Marsh, Mrs. Alice Cowking, Miss Audrey Whitman and Miss Irene Sauvain. 440291.

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EASTER COFFEE

RATHMELL Reading Room Committee will be holding a coffee morning in the Reading Room on April 22, 10am until noon. Proceeds are for Reading Room funds.

YOUNG FARMERS' CLUB

MEMBERS met recently in the Reading Room for a decorated egg competition. Results: junior girls - 1st Alison Booth, 2nd Suzanne Phillips, 3rd Jennifer Frankland and Laura Robinson; junior boys - 1st James Booth, 2nd James

Fortune, 3rd Rhys Lewis and Jack Campbell; intermediate boys - 1st Richard Palmer, 2nd Ian Faraday. On April 10 Ann-Marie Holmes and Trisha Charnley gave a demonstration of nail art. Please note a change of date for the AGM to May 8.

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AT a recent meeting members held their annual judging competition at Gawthorpe House, Rathmell, by kind permission of Mr and Mrs Ian Wright. Christopher Frankland and Rhys Lewis won cups in the stock judging section, while Lucy Dinsdale and Alison Dewhurst won cups indoors, where they judged quiches and lemon curd. This week's meeting was goat judging at Little Newton, Long Preston, by kind permission of Mr and Mrs James Dewhurst.

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1995

READING ROOM

A DEMONSTRATION on how to make hanging baskets was given by Mr Swindlehurst from Grindleton and he was thanked by Mrs S Rushton. Mr Swindlehurst kindly donated a hanging basket to raffle which was won by Mrs P Charnley. The next event will be an evening walk on Tuesday with supper to follow if required. Meet at Greenfoot car park, 6.30pm prompt.

High standards at YFC show

1995

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Club president Mr Brian Proctor, of Far Cappleside, Rathmell, presented prizes to winners.

Entries were of a high standard and organisers are looking forward to next year's event.

Cup winners were: champion calf Beverley Robinson; pair of calves Derek Clarke; dairy heifer calf from June 1 onwards, dairy beast with no more than two teeth, and a dairy beast with four or six teeth Jonathan Wright; beef animal Robert Lambert; best beast Jonathan Wright; ram, ewe and lamb Helen Booth; best sheep Helen Booth; best handicraft

Joanne Kayley; under 16 with most points, most domestic points, most cookery points and most points in the show Heather Rushton; most entries Joanne Kayley; best turned out beast and handler Derek Clarke; best horticultural exhibit Linda Booth; best woolled animal Steven Dewhurst, best continental ram Linda Booth.

Results (first prize winners only): best turned out beast and handler D Clarke; dairy heifer calf born June 1 to July 31 1994 J Wright; born August 1 to September 31 1994 J Walton; born October 1 1994 onwards B Robinson; pair of calves D Clarke; dairy beast with no more than two teeth J Wright; with four or six teeth C Frankland; three calves J Wright; beef animal R Lambert; any other dairy beast J Wright; mule ewes C Frankland; horned ewes S Dewhurst; horned shearlings B Robinson; ewes, any other breed, H Booth; mule gimmer lambs L Robinson; lambs for breed-



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Fruit and veg — rhubarb A Haygarth; distinct veg L Booth; cabbage L Booth; potatoes P Halliday; onions P Halliday; tomatoes H Booth; beetroot L Booth; pea pods H Booth; berries C Frankland.

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Taylor; soft drink H Rushton; pickled beetroot J Kayley; eggs I Taylor; silage C Booth; hay J Kayley; grown grass I Taylor.

Cookery — treacle tart H Rushton; fruit scones H Rushton; fruit pie H Rushton; chocolate cake B Robinson; biscuits I Taylor; swiss roll H Rushton; butterfly buns I Taylor; starter, main course and sweet H Rushton; rum truffles H Rushton; marble cake H Rushton; meringue nests J Kayley; savoury dip J Kayley; tray bake H Rushton; chocolate crispies S Kayley; caramel shortbread J Walton; jam tarts J Newhouse; best disaster J Walton.

Handicrafts — knitted or sewn article S Kayley; soft toy J Kayley; other handicraft J Kayley and L Dinsdale; filled matchbox S Dewhurst; pin design on tinfoil

plate H Rushton; quiet corner H Rushton; my holiday H Rushton; decorated can H Rushton; wrapped parcel H Rushton.

Open — painting or drawing, under 10s, A Booth; over 10s H Booth; jar of flowers under 10s A Booth; poster for the 1996 show A Booth; edible necklace E Rushton; vegetable grandad E Rushton; vase of cut flowers L Booth; decorated doily, under 10s, E Rushton; handwriting, under 10s A Booth; over 10s, L Booth; decorated welly A Mason; miniature arrangement J Kayley; animal from plastic containers J Kayley; lego or duplo model M Harrison; flower heads, under 10s, R Taylor; pastry model A Mason; limerick Z Harrison; miniature garden A Mason; tallest fem J Taylor; craftwork J Proctor; toffee K Dewhurst.

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YFC 1993

MEMBERS met at Low Bank Farm by permission of Mr and Mrs R Clarke, when they judged sheep and flower arrangements in a kitchen utensil. Results were: inside, juniors — 1 Joanne Kayley, 2 Heather Rushton; inter/seniors — 1 Linda Booth; outside, juniors — 1 Claire Gibson, 2 Mary Wilkinson, 3 Helen Booth; inter — 1 Derek Clarke, 2 Jonathan Wright, 3 Chris Frankland; seniors — 1 Michael Dugdale, 2 Julie Wright, 3 Susan Preston. The vote of thanks was given by Derek Clarke and Edward Booth.

May RATHMELL 1990

Members met at Rathmell Reading Room, where they held their annual meeting. Officers elected were: president, Mrs. E. Newhouse; chairman, Edward Booth; vice-chairman and treasurer, Julie Wright; secretary, Carol Booth; minutes secretary, Linda Booth; social secretary, Jonathan Wright, Christopher Frankland; press secretary, Rachel Murphy; register, Helen Booth, Paul Monk. A short business meeting followed. Next weeks meeting is a stroll up Penyghent.

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YOUNG FARMERS

MEMBERS met at Rathmell Reading Room where they had a quiz night. Next week's meeting is a bonfire night at "Kayleys" at Halton West.

Divided Rathmell

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Rathmell parishioners were divided in their willingness to support a proposed change of use of land and buildings at Rathmell Garage to a caravan site and recreation hall, at a public meeting in the local Reading Room on Friday.

Craven District Council Planning Committee Chairman Coun. John Phillips, said his committee were holding the meeting to report local views to their next meeting.

The district council's Chief Planning Officer Mr. Stanley Briggs, said the proposal was for 25 static holiday stands, and if approval was granted the site would be subject to being operable for a stated period of the year, i.e. March to October.

The end workshop, which the proposed site would adjoin, would be converted into a recreation hall, and also included was an amenity area and a car park with 36 bays.

From a recent survey villagers numbered 100 while the entire parish, including the farms and occasional residences, added up to 235.

Assuming the site got the go-ahead and taking an average of three occupiers to each caravan, he estimated that another 100 or thereabouts could be added to the village population.

He recommended, subject to it being accepted, that the site reserved 10 pitches for tourers.

1997



New lease of life: Rathmell Reading Room 37/1365/20a

Historic building enters new era

AFTER an impressive village effort, Rathmell Reading Room has been brought up to standard and has just received its first Public Entertainment Licence.

The Reading Room committee began fundraising when it became obvious that without major work it would not be granted a licence.

Now the £7,500 works have been completed and the reading room is a venue to be proud of, with new toilets and tiling, new kitchen tops and sink, plus new plaster ceilings in all the downstairs rooms.

"It is used by the young farmers, Thursday Club (Age Concern), and for playing snooker and billiards. We would like it to be used by more clubs and classes. At £6 an evening it is very competitive and worth people using it from Settle," said Julia Weston, reading room committee chairman.

Rathmell Reading Room was built around 1904 by the Geldards of Cappleside as a place to read newspapers and borrow books.

Since then it has enjoyed a colourful history, including staying open throughout both world wars, and being a prominent venue for short plays and entertainments in the days before television.

Originally it had private membership, with men paying more than women, but in 1964 Colonel Geldard made it into a charity, throwing it open to the whole parish.

In 1908 papers including the Leeds Mercury, Illustrated London News, Farmer and Stockbreeder and the Yorkshire Post were available for reading, and the library was established in 1910 — the same year as the minutes record it cost sixpence to practice the piano.

In 1912 it went bankrupt after losing a legal case. It was bailed out by the owner Mrs Geldard, for £201, and in 1918 it was reported to the committee that "profane language" had been used in the Reading Room.

A raffle which took place in 1962 offered the prizes of one live pig, two guinea fowl and 100 cigarettes!

The cash for the work came from local efforts plus grants from Telethon, Camelot, Rural Communities Council and Craven District Council.

Still in private ownership, Mrs M Weston, formerly of Cappleside, has just made a new 30 year lease to the trust, and in September a new scheme will be launched encouraging an annual donation to help maintain the building — Patrons of the Reading Room.

The annual meeting is on October 14 and all parishioners over 18 years old are welcome.

Picture by Stephen Garnett shows committee members (left to right) Julia Weston, Margaret Holgate, Liz Plumbridge and Martha Frankland.

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Village shelves plans for new hall

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PLANS for a new village hall in Rathmell have been put on hold after too few people stepped forward to advance the project.

Earlier in the year the idea for a new hall to create more space for social events was aired at the parish meeting.

The present reading room is the only venue for events and meetings, but suffers from a lack of space.

Chairman of the parish meeting, Chris Weston, said he would be willing to sell a piece of land in Hesley Lane to house a new hall and car park if villagers voiced their support for the idea.

It was suggested European funding could be obtained towards the project, but this would run out by the end of 2006.

An initial suggestion for a new hall was raised during the millennium celebrations.

A questionnaire was sent out and a response of 52 per cent showed the majority of people were in favour of the plans.

However, the small size of the village meant too few people were in a position to head a team to push the project forward and the plans have been shelved for the time being.

READING ROOM

LAST Saturday was party night at the Old Station, Giggleswick, with music, singing and general jollities going on until midnight in aid of the Reading Room improvements. Stan and Jane was accompanied on keyboards by Ken Leak and by the vocal talents of the duo of 11-year-olds, the Absolutely Fabulous Girls. A fantastic £480 was raised, £70 of which was through the auctioning of a silver pen and pencil set. Thanks go to Black Sheep Balloons, whose flight was won by Mr and Mrs Knowles, of Feizor, to Watershed Mill, whose £30 voucher was won by Mrs Wallbank, of Wigglesworth, and to EH Booth and Co whose six bottles of champagne were won by Mr Hyslop, of Rathmell. All current electrical, building, fire and hygiene work has been completed and the downstairs decorated. All villagers are welcome to attend the AGM on Tuesday October 14 when the committee for the next year will be elected.

In The Parishes

RATHMELL READING ROOM held its Annual Adult Christmas Party in December, commencing with a lovely three course meal. This was followed by dancing and games. The music was supplied by Mr S. Garnett. The evening ended with the singing of carols.

The Children's Party was held on Saturday 10th January, when approx twenty-five children attended. Musical chairs, Bumps and Statues along with many more games were enjoyed, also the Jacob's Join Tea.

In February, Batley Audio-Visual Club will be entertaining us once again, on Saturday 28th at 7.30pm. The admission will be £2 adults and 50p children. Please come along to support this event.

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YOUNG FARMERS

MEMBERS met at Rathmell reading room where they identified plants and trees. The results were: juniors, girls, 1 Mary Wilkinson, 2 Claire Gibson, 3 Beverley Robinson; boys, 1 James Rodgers, 2 Christopher Booth, 3 Steven Dewhurst; intermediates, 1 Christopher Frankland, 2 Jonathon Wright, 3 Andrew Brain; seniors, 1 Edward Booth, 2 Peter Haliday. Next week's meeting is abseiling at Feizor.

THURSDAY CLUB

THE club has also enjoyed two talks in recent weeks. The first was by local policewoman Dot Phillips, who explained details of her uniform and the police equipment she carried and told about the incidents she had been involved in. The second talk was by Bryan Procter, who brought some photographs to illustrate his description of a visit he and his wife, Joan, made to Bali, Australia and a short stay in Singapore, last winter, returning on the coldest night of the English winter.

READING ROOM

THE Reading Room held a garden party by kind permission of Mr and Mrs M Charnley, when the weather was very favourable. Cream teas were served and the children enjoyed the bouncy castle and bran tubs. Approximately £200 was made for Reading Room funds. Thanks go to all who contributed to the cake and produce stall and raffle or gave donations. On August 18 there will be a village walk around Rathmell, leaving the Reading Room at 6.30pm. This will be followed by a Jacob's Join supper. All welcome.

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Last week Rathmell Young Farmers' Club members met at Rathmell Reading Room, where a public speaking competition was held. The judge was Mr. Foster, of Long Preston. Results: Juniors—1 Janet Whitehead, 2 Alison Bilsborough, 3 Steven Frankland, 4 Carol Fell; intermediate—1 Garry Robinson, 2 Elizabeth Wilson, 3 Helen Sykes, 4 Richard Frankland. After the competition, Garry Robinson gave the vote of thanks, and a short business meeting followed with Gary Baines in the chair.



RATHMELL'S Jubilee Queen is 11 year-old Elaine Mitton, of 1 Capple-side Cottages, Rathmell. Her seven-year-old sister Jane is an attendant, along with next-door neighbour Zinah Pelgram (7) and five-year-old Tara Dumas, of South View, Rathmell.

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READING ROOM

A QUIZ Evening was held in which six teams competed. The questionmaster was Mrs Olive Harrison and Mr John Harrison acted as scorer. The final result was a tie between Rathmell Methodist Church and the Hillsiders. Last Tuesday the Reading Room held its AGM. The following officers were elected: Mr Ian Wright — chairman; Mrs Martha Frankland — secretary; Mrs Pat Charnley — treasurer. On Saturday November 4, the annual village bonfire was held along with a firework display.

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READING ROOM

THE quiz raised £202, a magnificent sum, and thanks go to Olive Harrison and Clarice Howarth for compiling and printing it. The outright winner was Miss M Hodgson of Ingleton. The old time dance last week was also a great success, raising £232. Don't forget the next event, bingo on March 25.

Rathmell Show excels 1981



Rathmell and District Young Farmers' Club's annual show was held at Hollins Croft, Rathmell, and in the reading room on Saturday. All the judges remarked on the extremely high quality of the entries, and altogether it was an excellent show.

In the Reading Room there were two outstanding exhibits, which won first prize in their respective classes, and special prizes. Deborah Procter had made a cake for a child's birthday in the shape of a butterfly with outstretched wings, all exquisitely iced, while in the class for soft toys there was a large life-like "Puss in Boots" beautifully made in fur fabric, and dressed very smartly.

This had been made by Sheila Wilson, who won three cups—the Dugdale Cup for the most points gained in the show, the Harrison Trophy for the best exhibit in the handicraft section, and the cup for the most points gained in the produce, cookery, and handicrafts section.

Linda Booth won the cup for the champion heifer calf, and Edward Booth the cup for the best pair of heifer calves.

The Nicholas Geldard Trophy for a group of three calves ear-marked 1979, 1980 and 1981 went to Trevor Robinson, who also won the sheep cup, and the B.O.C.M. Tankard for the best beast on the field in the cattle section.

The Bibby Tankard for a group of a ram, ewe and lamb was won by Derek Clarke, while the Bibby

Tankard for most points in the cookery section went to David Frankland.

The N.F.U. Cup for the best beef animal on the field was won by Alan Thwaite.

Mr. B. Harker, club president, presented the prizes.

After the judging one of the highlights of the afternoon was an "It's a Knock-out" competition. Seventeen young farmers from Stewartry, near Dumfries, were on a return visit for the weekend to Rathmell Young Farmers, and they made up one team to play against their hosts. Needless to say it was an hilarious competition, which ended in a draw.

In the evening there was a barn dance at Close House Farm, Giggleswick, by permission of Mr. and Mrs. W. Dugdale, and on Sunday there was a coach tour round Knaresborough, York, and the North Yorkshire Moors.

RESULTS

CATTLE: Dairy heifer calves, born July 1 to August 31, group 1—1 Linda Booth, 2 Edward Booth, 3 Richard Frankland; group 2—1 Trevor Robinson, 2 Linda Booth, 3 Stephen Frankland; born September 1 to October 31—1 Christopher

Frankland, 2 Richard Frankland, 3 Stephen Frankland.

Heifer calves, born November 1 to December 31—1 Paul Frankland, 2 Trevor Robinson, 3 Christopher Frankland; pair of calves out of classes 1-3—1 Edward Booth, 2 Trevor Robinson, 3 Linda Booth; last year's ear-marked calf—1 Carol Booth, 2 Trevor Robinson, 3 Garry Robinson; calf, ear-marked 1979—1 Trevor Robinson, 2 David Frankland, 3 Edward Booth; group of three calves, ear-marked 1979/80/81—1 Trevor Robinson, 2 Linda Booth, 3 David Frankland.

Beef bullock, with calf teeth, under one year—1 Elizabeth Clarke, 2 Andrew Clarke; with calf teeth, over one year—1 Andrew Clarke, 2 Elizabeth Clarke, 3 Alan Thwaite; beef heifer with calf teeth—1 Alan Thwaite, 2 Alan Jackson, 3 Andrew Clarke.

SHEEP: Pair of Masham lambs for breeding purposes—1 John Wilson, 2 Paul Frankland, 3 Colin Harper; pair of mule lambs—1 Michael Dugdale, 2 Derek Clarke, 3 Andrew Clarke; Masham ewes—1 Trevor Robinson, 2 Richard Frankland, 3 Allan Harker; mule ewes—1 David Frankland, 2 Alan Thwaite, 3 Allan Harker; horned ewes—1 Colin Harper, 2 John Wilson, 3 Michael Dugdale; pen of Suffolk lambs—1 Alan Thwaite, 2 Colin Sutcliffe, 3 Janie Harrison; fat lambs, any breed—1 Adrian Procter, 2 Andrew Procter, 3 John Wilson.

Suffolk ram—1 Adrian Procter, 2 Carol Booth, 3 Edward Booth; ram, any breed—1 John Wilson, 2 Andrew Clarke, 3 Adrian Procter; ram, ewe and lamb—1 Derek Clarke, 2 Edward Booth, 3 Colin Harper.

Best looking sheepdog—1 Andrew Holgate, 2 Derek Clarke, 3 Gillian Lamb; best kept pet—1 Gillian Lamb, 2 Carol Johnson, 3 Susan Johnson.

VEGETABLES: Rhubarb—1 David Frankland, 2 Sheila Wilson, 3 Gillian Lamb; four distinct vegetables—1 Stephen Frankland, 2 Richard Frankland, 3 Kevin Lamb; cabbage—1 Kevin Lamb, 2 Gillian Lamb, 3 Andrew Harrison; potatoes—1 Gillian Lamb, 2 Kevin Lamb, 3 Paul Frankland; broad beans—1 Sheila Wilson, 2 Carol Johnson, 3 Susan Johnson; radish—1 Richard Frankland, 2 Stephen Frankland; onions—1 Gillian Lamb, 2 Kevin Lamb; lettuce—1 Kevin Lamb, 2 Gillian Lamb, 3 Susan Johnson; turnips—1 Stephen Frankland, 2 Richard Frankland, 3 Gillian Lamb; tomatoes—1 Gillian Lamb, 2 Kevin Lamb, 3 Susan Johnson; beetroot—1 Andrew Harrison, 2 Gillian Lamb, 3 Stephen Frankland; peas—1 Andrew Harrison, 2 David Harrison, 3 Janie Harrison; cauliflower—1 Gillian Lamb, 2 Kevin Lamb, 3 Andrew Harrison.

PRODUCE: Home-made raspberry jam—1 Sheila Wilson, 2 Alison Bilsborough, 3 Anne Dugdale; home-made lemon cheese—1 Anne Thwaite, 2 Sheila Wilson, 3 Susan Johnson; seasonable salad—1 Sheila Wilson, 2 Alison Bilsborough, 3 Gillian Lamb; six eggs—1 John Wilson, 2 Richard Frankland, 3 Paul Frankland.

COOKERY: Shortbread—1 Paul Frankland, 2 David Frankland, 3 Sheila Wilson; fruit scones—1 David Frankland, 2 Susan Johnson, 3 Paul Frankland; apple pie, shortcrust pastry—1 Carol Johnson, 2 Janie Harrison, 3 Susan Johnson; Shrewsbury biscuits—1 David Frankland, 2 Anne Thwaite, 3 Kathryn Bilsborough; Victoria sponge, jam filling—1 Kathryn Bilsborough, 2 Deborah Procter, 3 Sheila Wilson; gingerbread men—1 Linda Harrison, 2 Anne Thwaite, 3 David Frankland; chocolate cake—1 Sheila Wilson, 2 David Frankland, 3 Carol Johnson; cake for a child's birthday—1 Deborah Procter (also special prize for an outstanding exhibit), 2 Sheila Wilson, 3 Anne Thwaite; decorated buns—1 Kathryn Caton, 2 Janie Harrison, 3 Deborah Procter; six maids of honour—1 Anne Thwaite, 2 Sheila Wilson, 3 Deborah Procter; fudge—1 Deborah Procter, 2 David Frankland, 3 Christine Lister; cheese cake—1 Pauline Newbould, 2 Gareth Callan, 3 Sheila Wilson; decorated sponge flan—1 Anne Thwaite, 2 Deborah Procter, 3 Pauline Newbould; plain sponge cake—1 Deborah Procter, 2 Kathryn Bilsborough, 3 Pauline Newbould.

HANDICRAFTS: Soft toy—1 and special Sheila Wilson, 2 Margaret Harker, 3 Kathryn Bilsborough; any other handicraft—1 Sheila Wilson, 2 Janie Harrison, 3 Gareth Callan; patchwork—1 Anne Thwaite, 2 Alison Bilsborough, 3 Kathryn Bilsborough; four holiday snaps in colour—1 Kathleen Booth, 2 Linda Harrison, 3 Susan Johnson; article made out of wood—1 David Newbould, 2 Michael Dugdale, 3 Susan Johnson; skirt—1 Sheila Wilson, 2 Alison Bilsborough, 3 Kathryn Bilsborough; original painting or drawing under 10—1 Christopher Frankland, 2 Edward Booth, 3 Jennifer Bilsborough; over 10—1 Susan Johnson, 2 David Frankland, 3 Gillian Lamb; jar of wild flowers, under 10—1 Christopher Frankland, 2 Jennifer Bilsborough, 3 Michelle Frankland; 10-16—1 Kathryn Bilsborough, 2 Gillian Lamb, 3 Julie Lodge; child's birthday card—1 Susan Johnson, 2 Alison Bilsborough, 3 Christopher Frankland; article made from egg cartons—1 Kathryn Caton, 2 Christopher Frankland; edible necklace—1 Carol Booth, 2 Elizabeth Clarke, 3 Jennifer Bilsborough; freshly cut flowers—1 Carol Johnson, 2 Gillian Lamb, 3 Kathryn Bilsborough; decorated egg—1 Linda Booth, 2 Carol Booth, 3 Edward Booth; comic animal made out of vegetables—1 James Caton, 2 Michelle Frankland, 3 Susan Johnson.

Handwriting—1 Susan Johnson, 2 Sheila Wilson, 3 Michael Lister; arrangement of flowers to depict a silver wedding—1 Anne Thwaite, 2 Kathryn Caton, 3 Alison Bilsborough; potted plant—1 Colin Harper, 2 Gillian Lamb, 3 Michelle Frankland; article made out of matchsticks—1 Edward Booth, 2 Christopher Frankland; soap carving—1 Julie Lodge, 2 Gareth Callan, 3 Carol Johnson; decorated saucer with flower heads—1 Kathryn Caton, 2 Sheila Wilson, 3 Christopher Frankland; original limerick—1 Janie Harrison, 2 Alison Bilsborough, 3 Andrew Harper.



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Members met at Rathmell reading room from where about 14 cars took part in a car treasure hunt organised by Mr. and Mrs. B. Harker. The prizes of two boxes of chocolates were won by—1 Colin Sutcliffe's team, 2 Martyn James' team. A business meeting followed presided over by Richard Booth.

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READING ROOM

ON one of the few sunny

evenings in August about 30 people enjoyed a walk around Rathmell, concluding with a Jacob's Join supper. The next event is a slide show on Spain, New Zealand and Malham Dale by Peter Sharpe of Malham, on September 22, 7.30pm.

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Seventeen members attended the June meeting of the Rathmell Women's Institute, in the Reading Room, when Mrs. P. H. Weston was in the chair and welcomed Mrs. R. Smith, of Earby, who is experienced in millinery. She gave a talk on the history of hats and explained how each hat had been made. Mrs. Smith made a fabric flower hat decoration which was later raffled and won by Mrs. Brown. Mrs. B. Bilsborough gave the vote of thanks. Two entries for the best darned sock were won by Mrs. M. Frankland and Mrs. W. Frankland. Hostesses were Mrs. G. D. Mackintosh, Mrs. J. Rimmer and Mrs. T. Postlethwaite. Mrs. Weston presided at a business meeting which followed. Recently, 21 members of the Institute spent an enjoyable evening at Primrose Nurseries, Clitheroe. Mrs. Weston accorded warm thanks to Mr. Barker who showed the party round. A sponsored knit-in is to be held at Cappleside, the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Weston, in aid of the Coronary Care and Communications Fund, and a bring and by sale on the same evening for W.I. funds. The July meeting will be a trip to Hornsea Potteries at Lancaster, on July 29.



Enthralled: Rathmell youngsters with Diana Bayliss and John Harrison. 42/3452/9 1997

Puppets join celebration

YOUNG and old in Rathmell joined forces this week as part of a special project to celebrate the village's Reading Room being refurbished.

Rathmell Thursday Club members, in conjunction with the Black Cat Theatre Company, have held reminiscence sessions and have made puppets based on life in the village and around the Reading Room.

This week Margaret Holgate

and John Harrison went to Rathmell Primary School along with Diana Bayliss, of the Theatre Company, to work with the children on making more puppets.

On November 7, the Thursday Club is to perform a series of puppet sketches for the primary school, the highlight of the project.

"We have told the children what each of the puppets is about. The children are doing

puppets to do with the building of the original Reading Room, looking at things like using horses and carts to get to the quarry and getting water from the stream," said Mrs Holgate.

The project was arranged through Craven's arts development officer, Liz Humphry-Williams, and Diana said she hoped to do something similar involving the Skipton Day Centre.

Picture by Stephen Garnett.

RATHMELL: "Times gone by", produced by Maureen Biggs.

This entertainment, about the second world war, was a good theme, declared Mr. Thompson, and by the humming of some of the older members of the audience around him, he knew it had brought back quite a few memories. It was obvious that there had been delving into the past, but he was sure that perhaps if more people had been asked they could have come up with more anecdotes.

The costumes and props were good, but he considered a piano would have been an asset. The singing, however, was excellent,

though the sketches lacked humour. The sound effects were very good. In the underground scene where people sheltered during an air raid, the entertainment by Gert and Daisy (Heather Bartlett and Jill Middleton) could have had more humour—they didn't raise enough laughs. The E.N.S.A. scene came over very well with the vocalist, Elizabeth Wilson, entertaining the troops. Mr. Thompson remarked that it looked as if someone had done some raiding to procure all the forces' uniforms. He liked the other two soloists as well, Janet Stubbs and Sheila Wilson. The finale too, was very well organised.

Others taking part were: Factory workers—Elizabeth Harrison, Lesley Baines, Janet Stubbs, Heather Bartlett, Jill Middleton, Sheila Wilson, Kathleen Embley. Mrs. Mopps—Kay Alderson, Hilary Lodge, Linda Harrison, Janet Whitehead, Alison Bilborough, Catherine Lodge. Nurses—Carol Simpson, Margaret Harker, Elaine Mitton, Veronica Charnley.

Children—Debbie Procter, Margaret and Elizabeth Schofield, Alan Simpson, Steven Frankland, Elizabeth Mitton. Forces—Alan Harker, Colin Sutcliffe, Colin Moorhouse, Andrew Harper, Adrian Procter, Andrew Bradley, Gary Robinson, Richard Metcalfe, Gary Baines, William Bilborough, Richard Booth, Richard Frankland, Alistair Bradley, Michael Harrison, Alan Simpson. Hitler—Steven Frankland.

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TREASURE HUNT

RATHMELL Reading Room held a car treasure hunt recently in which 13 cars took part. The winning team comprised Joan and Claire Askew and Katie Town. A pie and pea supper rounded off the evening. The chairman, Martin Charnley, expressed thanks to Ian and Edith Wright for organising the evening. Approximately £60 was raised for Reading Room funds.

New committee elected

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RATHMELL'S newly refurbished Reading Room held its annual meeting to elect a new committee.

The Trust Deeds allow for up to 13 members, and this year there will be 11.

Thanks were expressed to those who were standing down — Julia Weston, Malcolm Spencer, Liz Plumbridge and Bill Dix — and a welcome was given to new members Clarice Howarth, Joan Procter and Edward Booth.

A meeting was held after the AGM, and it was announced that the new Patrons Scheme had had a good response, with £195 being donated.

Donations are still welcome, and all the money will go towards maintaining the building. The next event is a bonfire party on November 1 at 6.30pm behind the church.

YOUNG FARMERS

MEMBERS met at Rathmell Reading Room where they had a very interesting talk on "Farming on an urban fringe" by Mr George Warin. Next week's meeting is a trip to Waves, at Blackburn.

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YOUNG FARMERS

MEMBERS had a beef judging competition or a Valentine card design competition last week.

This week's meeting was a talk on dry stone walling. The club will present 'Zigger Zagger' at 2pm on Sunday February 23, at the Victoria Hall, Settle.

Admission £1, plus raffle.

VILLAGE BARBECUE

THE Reading Room committee organised a barbecue which was attended by around 80 people to aid their improvements. It took place in the walled garden of Quarry House, which was decorated by coloured lights and the event raised £253. Apart from the boost to funds, it was lovely to see such a cross section of the community, from kids to the elderly, from new villagers to old one and even a couple of visitors came along to join in. Apart from the committee, thanks go to James Harrison and Diana Kaneps for their efforts.

Rathmell wedding: Lund—Charnley

MISS JEAN CHARNLEY, fifth daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. Charnley, of Huggon House, Rathmell, was the bride at Holy Trinity Church, Rathmell, on Saturday, of Mr. Henry Lund, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. John Lund, of Hill Crest, Long Preston.

The bride is employed by Messrs. Thornton and Garnett, Rathmell, and is a Sunday School teacher at Rathmell Methodist Sunday School.

Given away by her father, the bride wore a full-length gown of white Witchcraft lace trimmed with nylon rosebuds. Her short veil of Guipure lace was held in place by a floral coronet decorated with rhinestones and she carried a bouquet of pink roses and lily of the valley.

Miss Edith Charnley, the bride's sister, was bridesmaid in a short dress of royal blue satin with blue lace sleeves and a draped neckline of blue chiffon. She had a blue and white satin floral head-dress and blue satin shoes and carried a bouquet of white carnations and chrysanthemums.

Her gift from the bridegroom was a silver charm bracelet.

Small attendant Miss Thelma Shuttleworth, the bridegroom's niece, wore a short dress of white lace over satin with a royal blue sash, blue and white floral head-dress and white shoes. She carried a basket of pink roses and white chrysanthemums. Her silver locket was the bridegroom's gift. Master Edwin Procter, the bride's nephew, was page boy in long, royal blue satin trousers with a royal blue sash and a white satin blouse with lace cravat and cuffs. The bridegroom gave him silver backed hair brushes.

Mr. Rodney Haw of Long Preston was best man and Mr. Martin Charnley, the bride's brother was groomsman. Ushers were Mr. Ivan Charnley, the bride's brother, and Mr. Albert Lund, the bridegroom's brother.

The Vicar, the Rev. Russell Cegg, officiated, assisted by the Methodist minister, the Rev. W. R. Ward. The organist was Mrs. G. Towler.

Lucky horse-shoes were presented to the bride by her niece, Veronica Charnley, her nephew, Edwin Procter and a friend, Ann Thwaite. She received wooden spoons from Thelma Shuttleworth and Alan Thwaite.

A reception was held at the Reading Room, Rathmell, after which Mr. and Mrs. Lund left for a honeymoon touring in Wales, the bride wearing a turquoise two-piece with matching straw hat and cream accessories. They will live at Tranmere Cottage, Long Preston.

The presents included a set of kitchen utensils from Rathmell Methodist Chapel, a cheque from the bride's employers and cash from the staff of Thornton and Garnett.

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ANNIVERSARY

The Sunday School anniversary of the Methodist Church were conducted by Miss Clarice Garnett, mistress of the Wesley High School, Ghana. The scholars sang in afternoon's service, and a child-address and a solo were given by Miss Daphne Paintin. Duettists in evening service were Misses Whitfield and Mr. Gordon Whitfield, of Waddington. The anniversary meeting was held under the patronage of Mr. Robert Lawson, Westhouse, who also spoke to the children. The address was given by Mr. G. Murray, of Skipton, and the soloist was Mrs. Beryl Youden, of Skipton. Mr. Murray presented the anniversary examination certificates to Misses Whitfield and David

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Rathmell Women's Institute funds benefitted by £23 as a result of a whist drive held recently in the Reading Room. Winners were: ladies, 1 Mrs. A. Cowking, 2 Mrs. J. Johnson 3 Mrs. E. A. Dinsdale, consolation, Mrs. N. Sutcliffe: gents., 1 Mr. R. Brown, 2 Mr. J. Earnshaw, consolation Mrs. J. Lambert (sub.). Mr. P. Frankland was M.C. At the W.I. monthly meeting, the president, Mrs. J. Procter, welcomed Mr. Rex Brindle, of Settle, who spoke on the "Life of an Electrician". He was thanked by Mrs. Dinsdale. The monthly competition for a piece of brass was judged by Mrs. Brindle and winners were: 1 Mrs. M. Frankland, 2 Mrs. M. Lodge, 3 Mrs. A. Cowking. Hostesses were Mesdames M. Weston, M. Sutcliffe, D. Barker, Mrs. Dinsdale was re-elected Press correspondent and Mrs. J. B. Gorst show secretary. Mrs. Barker agreed to take part in the carol service to be held at Austwick. A stall, held recently on Settle Market Place, realised £28 for institute funds.