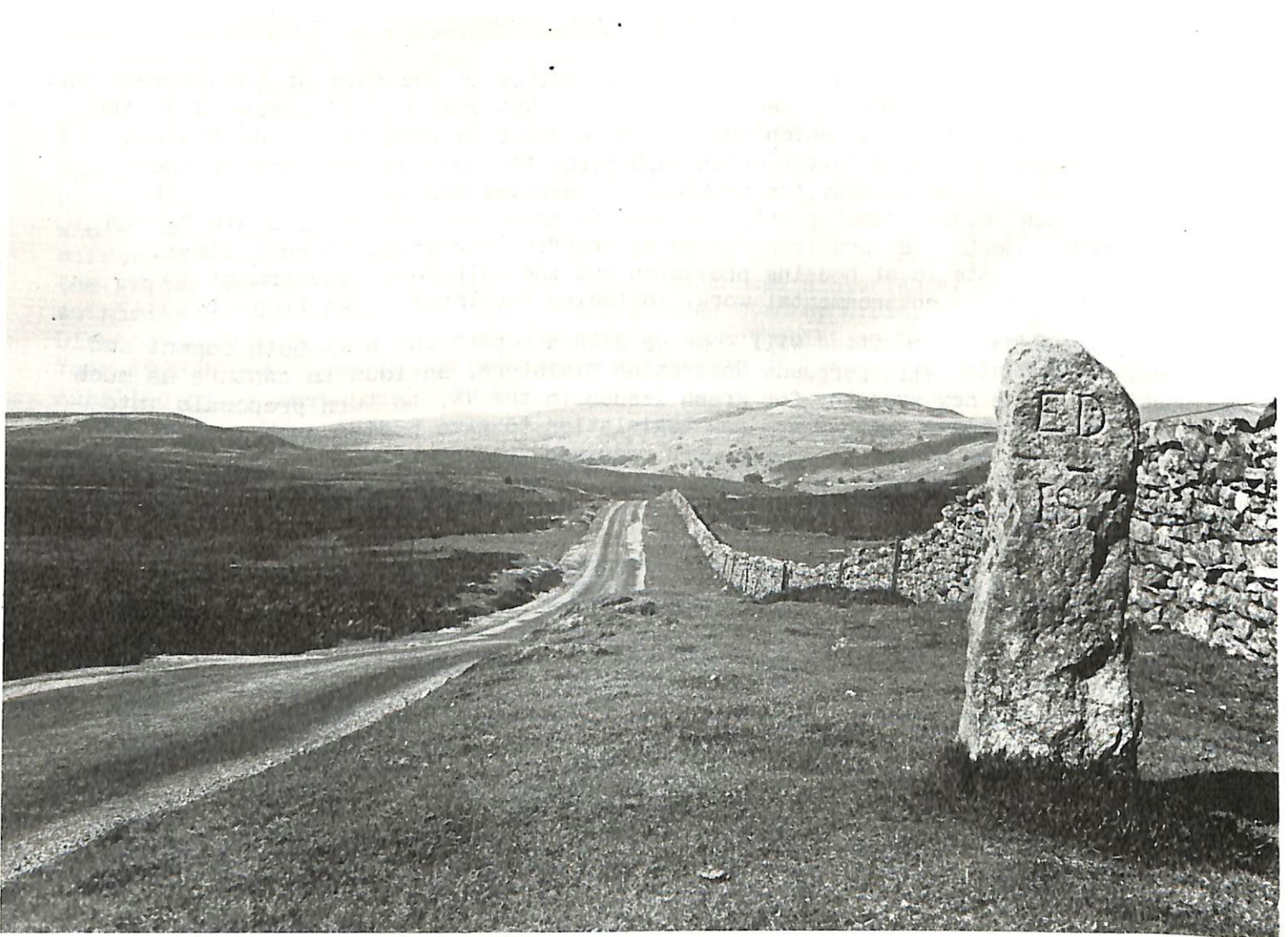


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Time for a New National Parks Act?

What will surely be known as the Edwards Committee ("The National Parks Review Panel Chaired by Professor Ron Edwards") is currently meeting to examine a wide ranging dossier of evidence put to it by an equally wide ranging group of organisations, representing conservation, recreation, forestry, farming, landowning and tourism interests.

The Yorkshire Dales Society has added its voice, mainly in the form of involvement and endorsement of the excellent document "A Vision for National Parks" prepared by the Council for National Parks of which the Yorkshire Dales Society is a constituent organisation, but also in a letter which emphasised the special problems of the Yorkshire Dales. These include the problems of quarries and quarry traffic, the pressures of new leisure development, the need to encourage new small scale "green tourism" developments, the problems caused by traffic congestion at peak times, the need for adequate local housing provision and the failure of Government to adequately fund major environmental work, including the Three Peaks Project.

Hopefully the Edwards Committee will come up with a report which is both cogent and persuasive, and which will persuade Government Ministers, anxious to capture as much as possible of the new sympathy for green issues in the UK, to turn proposals into reality. Reality means two things - new legislation to give bodies such as National Park authorities the powers to do the work required, and equally importantly the physical resources to do it, which means money. Already a severe threat exists from the erosive impact of the new Community Charge or Poll Tax on National Parks which are still heavily dependent on local funding before national resources can be reached. New rigour in cutting costs could be very bad news for the environment.

But will Edwards go far enough? On a recent visit to Germany (see pages 4 & 5), we have realised that, accordingly to United Nations definitions, Britain has no National Parks. Our eleven so-called National Parks are in fact what the Germans would define as "Nature Parks" - areas of mixed used countryside in which conservation, recreation and other landuses, including often quite unsympathetic activities such as large scale quarrying and monoculture commercial afforestation, co-exist, often unhappily.

Yet the British (or more correctly the English and the Welsh - the Scots have no National Parks) are remarkably complacent about the "success" of the UK-style of National Parks, conveniently ignoring the often vast areas of our Parks where compromise self-evidently doesn't work - the scarred and quarried landscapes of Ribblesdale with its juggernaut highway, the gloomy plantations of the North York Moors, the time-share leisure developments of the Lakes, the traffic jams of the Peak.

Do we need, perhaps, a fundamental rethink of what National Parks are really all about? Should we perhaps try and define, within our existing "Nature Parks" areas of true National Park status, of public or semi-public ownership where natural or semi-natural landscapes - forest, heath, fellsides - can be restored and where motortraffic, mass tourism, hanggliders, motorcycles, challenge walks, caravans have no place?

Could there be, in the Yorkshire Dales for example, "core zones" where natural habitats are protected and where you go only on foot? Following on from what Professor O'Riordan outlined to the Dales Futures conference last year, could a new National Parks Act in 1992 help turn the remoter parts of the Yorkshire Dales into something our European friends would recognise as a true National Park?

Could this work in the Yorkshire Dales? We'd be interested to know what YDS members think.

Colin Speakman

Cover: Boundary Stone on Ellerton Moor above Reeth, Swaledale (Christine Whitehead)

Our Tenth Anniversary

In 1991, the Society will celebrate its tenth anniversary as a body dedicated to "advance the public knowledge and appreciation of the social history and the physical and cultural heritage of the Yorkshire Dales and to preserve its condition, landscape and natural beauty".

So we are already in our tenth year which we hope will culminate in week-long birthday celebrations which will probably take place in the Dales during the last week of April, 1991 (April 22nd-29th). It is planned to have one or more events for YDS members and the public each day during that week, and we hope that as many members as possible who live outside the Dales or even the Yorkshire area may be able to come to the Dales for a week's holiday to take part in as many events as possible. Members from overseas will be especially welcome, and we hope to have a special dinner for members and guests, including a distinguished speaker from mainland Europe linked to the European National Park movement.

In the meantime, please reserve the week in your diary.

But we hope that the year as a whole is going to be a record one for the Society. Following the superb success and popularity of last year's programme, the autumn and winter will see another Yorkshire Dales Lecturers programme to take place in different venues throughout the Dales, including such distinguished speakers as the writer and broadcaster Geoffrey Smith, landscape historian Richard Muir, leading authority on the dialect of the Yorkshire Dales Stanley Ellis, and Peter Brears, Director of the Museum of Leeds who is also an authority on many aspects of Dales life. Your 1990-1 programme is included with this issue of The Review (extra copies can be supplied by request (enclose SAE)).

Friends and relatives of members are, of course, always welcome at YDS events, but not only do YDS members get discounts on almost all events, but we need every member we can to support the Society's work in a variety of fields.



Farmer and Horse
Carperby Green, Wensleydale
1960 (Photo Geoffrey Wright)

Sharing the Bavarian Experience

In June, Fleur and Colin Speakman took time off from YDS affairs to enjoy a brief look at the two National Parks in Southern Germany - at Berchtesgaden and in the Bavarian Forest.

Berchtesgaden lies in the extreme south eastern corner of West Germany, a spur of Alpine landscape surrounded on three sides by Austria, just to the west of Salzburg. It is a landscape of breathtaking beauty, rising to the mighty snow capped Watzmann mountain at 2,713 metres (just under 9,000 feet). Though the National Park is only 12 years old, as a protected area it goes back 80 years, part of it being a Botanical Protected Area founded in 1910, which was extended to become the Königsee Nature Reserve in 1921 and finally the much larger National Park Berchtesgaden in 1978.

Access into this 21,000 hectare area is largely on foot. There are few roads, no railways and no skilifts, but a boat service operates from the busy resort of Königsee (a kind of German equivalent of Bowness) which lies outside of the National Park.

Within the National Park, conservation of the natural habitat takes priority. Strict bye-laws control the kinds of activities that take place and whilst large numbers of visitors use the electrically-powered boat services to St. Bartholomä and to the Obersee lake, beyond that the area can only be penetrated by mountain paths that attract the keen walker and dedicated mountaineer. Other entry points into the Park are largely confined to footpath routes which lead deep into the hinterland.

Not only is landscape and flora protected, but birds and small mammals are encouraged, and recent proposals are to re-introduce the lynx, for many years extinct in that part of the Alps. But in the high valleys, traditional alpine farming is encouraged and buildings carefully restored.

Interestingly enough, the region immediately to the north of the state-owned National Park, including the tourist resort of Berchtesgaden itself and many surrounding villages, are also specially protected and known as the "Vorfeld" ("fringe area" might be a loose translation) which still contain some magnificent mountain landscape but a much more British-style mix of tourism, commercial developments, busy roads.

Whilst it is still protected, forming part of a great Alpine Park (The Alpine Park = The National Park and the Vorfeld), it is clear that the existence of the Vorfeld takes a good deal of visitor pressure away from the core National Park. The awe-inspiring Königsee lake is the cleanest lake in Germany and of drink-water quality; but it also absorbs huge numbers of visitors - over 800,000 per annum visit the little lakeside chapel at St. Bartholomä. The two information centres, at Berchtesgaden and Königsee are significantly outside the National Park and visitors leave their cars behind to enter the near silent world of the National Park.

The Bavarian Forest National Park lies along the eastern border of Bavaria with Czechoslovakia, and forms part of the great Bohemian Forest, the greatest area of forest in Central Europe. This is mixed forest, mainly pine, fir and beech, rising on hills of granite and gneiss to 1453 metre (about 4,000 feet) at the summit of the Rachel, which, with the Lusen to the south, forms a great mountain-forest ridge. This is a less superficially dramatic landscape, closer to parts of the North York Moors or Northumbria, with forest replacing the moorland.



But it contains some of the finest areas of natural and semi-natural forest ("Urwald") in Europe. Though much of the area was formerly managed for wood, charcoal and potash production for the local glass industry from medieval times, little felling occurred on the steeper mountain slopes, and in some cases it has been untouched for over 60 years, with natural regeneration occurring. Fallen trees are left to rot and natural processes take place, resulting in diversification of species and better wildlife habitat. The forest is also less susceptible to disease, pests and wind destruction than regimented artificial forests of monocultured species.

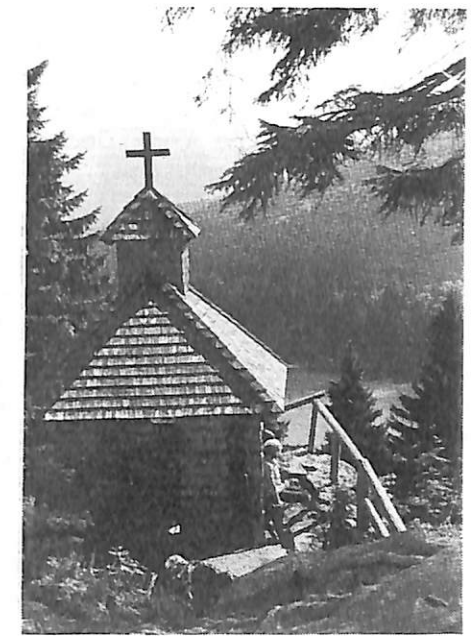
Like Berchtesgaden, the National Park is zoned, with a "kernzone" (inner core) where access is restricted to foot and even that limited to certain paths with the universal German "right to roam" access law suspended for much of the year to protect habitats. Outside this is a "Gehezone" with a remarkable wildlife reserve in which native species and long extinct native species such as the wolf, brown bear and bison can be seen by the public in semi natural surroundings. The "National Park House" has a strong emphasis on positive, hands-on educational facilities, aimed at wider environmental issues than just the immediate Park management problems. The Park is also involved with interpretation of local history and culture in the exceptionally interesting Forest History Museum. But outside the Park boundaries, the influence of the National Park extends into local communities, with waymarked trails - superbly executed, leading into and through surrounding countryside, and local villages involved in green tourism initiatives with the National Park authority.

What relevance have the two Bavarian Parks with the Yorkshire Dales? Differences there are indeed, and the fact that the German system allows greater control of land-use is significant. Berchtesgaden is controlled by the Federal Government, the Bavarian Forest from the Bavarian State (unlike Britain, Germany is a Federation of quasi-independent states). Both Parks have their problems, and have had to work hard to win the confidence and co-operation of local populations who even when the land is state owned have ancient rights to hunt and gather timber.

What did impress us was a sense of purpose and a breadth of vision not always immediately apparent in UK national parks. Both Parks have by accident or design developed the "kernzone" philosophy where even the Germans, whose love affair with the car exceeds even the British, have to leave their vehicles behind, and nature, beauty and peaceful enjoyment of the countryside have a chance. Yet we share so very much - a common European heritage, common philosophy and values. Nature knows no boundaries, neither does human and industrial pollution. In both nations National Parks are - or should be - hallmarks of excellence in which conservation of the natural environment remains supreme. Our impression remains

that whilst this is something which is fully understood and appreciated in Germany, Britain is still at a halfway point in which individual freedom even to destroy the environment is valued higher than an irreplaceable landscape and natural heritage.

In the coming decades perhaps our greatest landscapes - including the Yorkshire Dales - will be under increasing pressure from ever more mobile, affluent leisured populations, and from ever-increasing sources of pollution. Only truly effective national and increasingly international action will be able to protect them. Let's hope it isn't too late to make Governments understand - including the European Parliament - what is at stake.



The Rachelkapelle - a forest chapel above the Rachel lake

Architectural Splendours of Richmondshire

Jane Hatcher is an architectural historian, trained in architecture with a distinguished academic, research and professional career in Yorkshire, who founded the Yorkshire Buildings Preservation Trust in 1979, served for many years on the Committee of the York Georgian Society and is a member of the Yorkshire Dales National Park Committee.

With the help of sponsorship from ICI Chemical products Jane has written and published what is surely going to prove the Definitive study of and guide to Richmondshire architecture, a superbly produced hardback book of 272 large-format pages which is in the form of a Gazetteer.

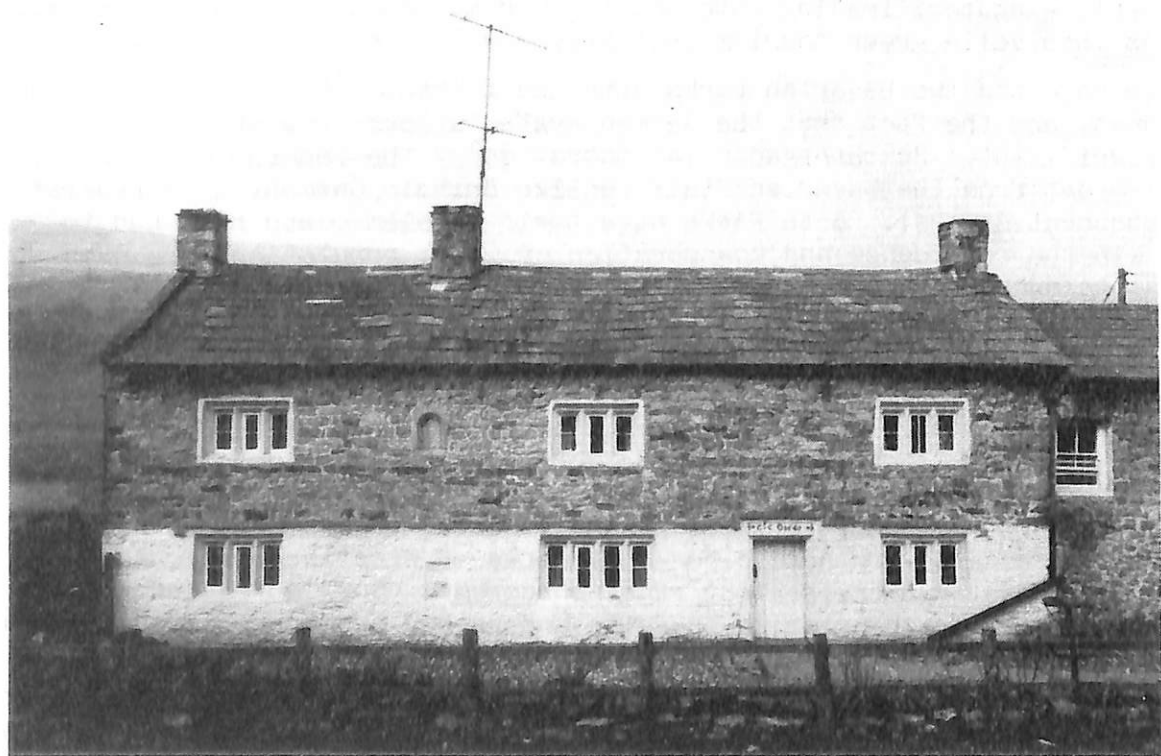
For those of us who have struggled for years with the excellent but dull Pevsner, that misses out as much as it includes, Richmondshire Architecture will come as a revelation, with everything from simple milestone and humble cow byres, to the greatest castles and grandest country houses.

The northern Dales - Wensleydale, Swaledale, Coverdale - are particularly well represented, as is the ancient town of Richmond itself, where the author lives, one of the most remarkable towns of its size in England. But Jane Hatcher also has an eye and a clear affection for vernacular detail, as many of the excellent photographs demonstrate. Her text achieves that rare balance between the scholarly and the entertaining - this is not only an invaluable reference book but will prove an excellent bedside book for anyone who thinks they know the Dales.

If you really do know the Dales well, your delight will be not only in the unfamiliar in villages and small towns you have passed through many times, but a new insight into the familiar. Nor could there be a better introduction to the area.

At £24 this isn't an inexpensive book, but the investment will be well worth while. Copies can be obtained in local bookshops, or post free from the author C.J.Hatcher, 22b Bridge Street, Richmond, North Yorkshire, DL10 4RW.

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Dale Foot Farm, Bishopdale (Photo RCHME)



Cupplesfield, Bainbridge - designed in vernacular style by J.F.Bentley, Roman Catholic architect of Westminster Cathedral; an Arts and Craft Movement house. (RCHM)



Old Hall Farm, Thoraby

(RCHM)

Settle Carlisle and Dalesbus News

Following the reprieve of the Settle-Carlisle line last year, the summer timetable has seen improvements to the train service on the route. There are six trains each way between Leeds and Carlisle on weekdays and three on Sundays, along with a regular Sunday train from Stockport, Manchester, Blackpool to Carlisle and back. A feature this year is several excellent bus links, many new this year, which serve towns and villages off the line, including Hawes, Sedbergh, Dent village, Swaledale and Wensleydale, Brough, Dufton, Keswick Penrith, and a breathtakingly beautiful North Pennines ride to Alston for the South Tynedale Steam Railway. Details, plus the excellent programme of guided walks including the new "Going Places" programme, are contained in the superb Settle-Carlisle discovery programme, available from BR stations, TICs or in case of difficulty from the National Park Office, Grassington.

On the Dalesbus scene, a word of explanation of recent changes is called for. The West Yorkshire Road Car Company has been divided into a number of smaller companies - Yorkshire Coastliner (Malton), York City & District, Harrogate & District, Keighley & District, with the use of the name "Craven Bus" for the latter's operations in the Grassington area. All these companies form part of the AJS Group. Most of the old WYCC operations in the Leeds and Bradford areas have been sold to Yorkshire Rider, thus eliminating the name "West Yorkshire" familiar in the Yorkshire Dales for so many years. It is sad to see the break-up of a company which has served the region for 62 years, and was pre-eminent in the development of commercially successful recreational services into the Dales and elsewhere. Although the break-up could lead to difficulties in further development, it is good to report that most Dalesbus services are running again this year, operated by Keighley and District and by Harrogate & District, serving Upper Wharfedale, Wensleydale, Swaledale, Ingleton, Settle, Fountains Abbey, Pateley Bridge and Fewston. There is also the Lancashire County Council Leisurelink 749 from Preston and East Lancashire to Skipton, Grassington, Burnsall, Bolton Abbey and Ilkley.

Changes this year include retiming the first bus on a Saturday from Keighley to Horton (805) to 0930, making it more suitable for a day out, diversion of the X98 Lakes Express via Grasmere via Settle to Ingleton, and a new shopping trip from Grassington to Leeds on Tuesdays in the Summer School Holidays, whilst Upper Wharfedale residents still enjoy the bargain Parklink road/rail tickets, purchasable on almost any Upper Wharfedale bus, and offering reduced travel by bus and train to Leeds and Bradford. Certain Grassington buses actually meet Airedale line trains at Skipton railway station.

Day Explorer tickets are available on all Harrogate and Keighley & District buses to, from and within the Dales, but not west of Settle on X98, nor are they valid on former WYRCC services now operated by Yorkshire Rider.

Facilities in Wensleydale have been enhanced by a new Postbus service on Mondays to Fridays between Bedale, Leyburn and Hawes, supplementing the infrequent United services



Muker, Swaledale - now accessible by both Dalesbus and S&C Link Bus services for environmentally concerned visitors.

in the Northern dales. The Postbus generally follows the A684 road but from Aysgarth it serves Thornton Rust, Worton and Askrigg en route to Bainbridge and Hawes.

Full details of all bus and train services in the Yorkshire Dales are included in the excellent timetable booklet Dales Connections obtainable from National Park Centres and local TICs or by post (enclose 6x9" SAE with 30p stamp) from Elmtree Publication, Exelby, Bedale, North Yorkshire - who incidentally have just published a North York Moors timetable. Dales Connections is supported by the YDS.

I am grateful to Geoff Lomax of Keighley & District and Mary Welch of Harrogate & District for their supply of information about Dalesbus plans and for their companies' efforts in maintaining these valuable services despite the inevitable problems caused by company restructuring. Once again, I commend YDS members whether staying, visiting or living in the Dales to use their local public transport network at every opportunity, both to help maintain the services that all the community need, but as an environmentally responsible way of travelling.

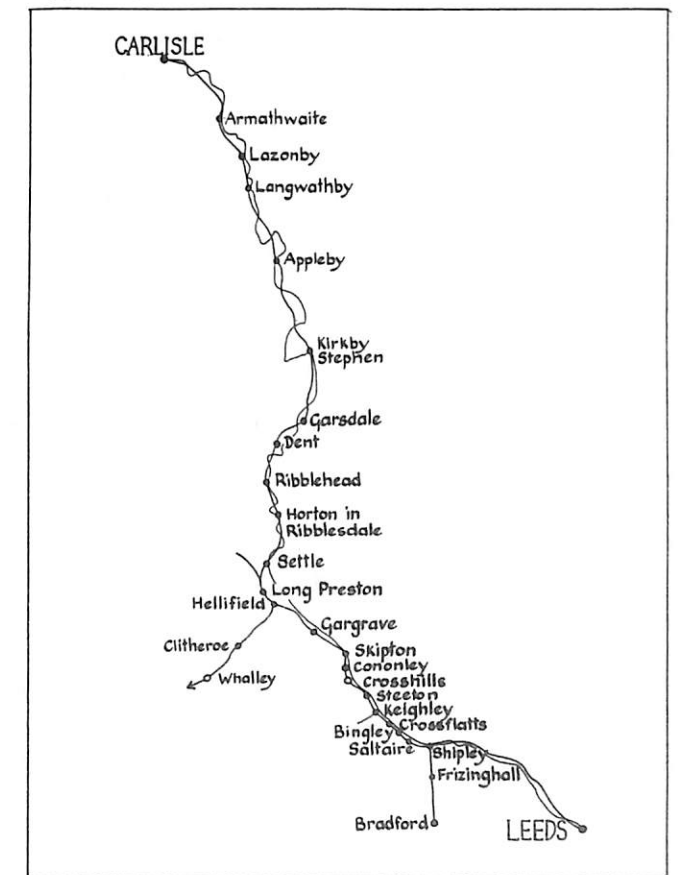
Alan J. Sutcliffe

The Settle Carlisle Way

When Michael Portillo, then Minister for Public Transport, made an appeal at a Conference in Leeds for the private sector to support his brave decision to save the line, Dales publisher Stan Abbot of Leading Edge Press, based in Hawes, responded with two new initiatives - the Settle Carlisle Express, a free tabloid newsheet linking articles and attractions along the 113 mile line, and a new 150 footpath and cycle route, The Settle and Carlisle Way which, despite its title, actually goes from Leeds to Carlisle, using a variety of canal towpaths, tracks, fieldpaths and lanes along the corridor of the line, linking in with almost every intermediate station to encourage people not just to "travel the line" but to get off and become immersed deep in Settle-Carlisle Country - the book's title. With text by Colin Speakman and John Morrison, and photographs by John Morrison, the book is a line guide with a brief history of the line, but also contains circular or loop walks away from the line, for example along the 4½ mile Worth Valley Steam Railway branch to Haworth, or town trails in Appleby and Carlisle.

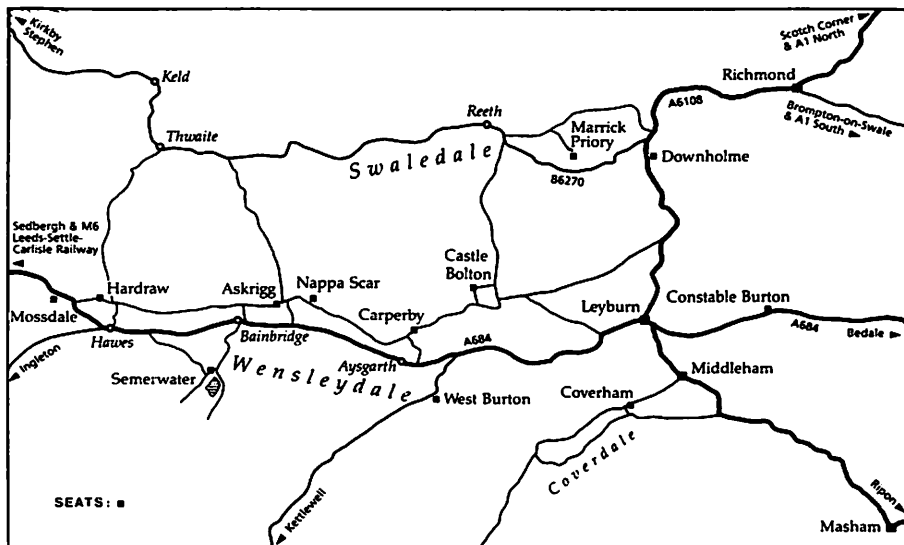
The book costs £5.95 and is available from local shops or can be obtained by post (add 60p P&P), from Leading Edge, The Old Chapel, Burtersett, Hawes, North Yorkshire, DL8 3PB Tel 0969 667566 who will also welcome enquiries including potential advertisers, for the Express.

Further imaginative ideas are likely to come from the Settle-Carlisle Railway Business Development Group, a group of small businesses in and around the railway who are working together to provide support and new initiatives along the "green corridor" of the line. Further details for anyone interested from Ruth Annison, Outhwaite's Rope Works, Hawes, North Yorkshire



Route of the Settle-Carlisle Way

The Turner Trail in Richmondshire



Richmondshire Tourism office have produced a superb four-colour leaflet to commemorate the visit to the northern Dales of the great English romantic painter, J.M.W. Turner.

In 1816 Turner undertook a three week tour of the Yorkshire Dales, travelling on horseback from inn to inn, with umbrella and composition book, sketching wherever he went and producing some of the most evocative and intense interpretation of Dales landscape.

The idea is to encourage the modern visitor, by car, public transport or on foot, to rediscover what inspired Britain's greatest painter, perhaps taking camera or even sketch book to emulate the master. Copies of the leaflet Turner in the Dales are available from TICs in Richmondshire or by post (40p inc p6p) from Richmondshire Council, Swale House, Frenchgate, Richmond, North Yorkshire, DL10 4JE.

The Countryside Directory

From England's only lavender farm to the unique Anniversary Orchards of Appledram, the award-winning Welsh Folk Museum to the Otter Trust in Suffolk, The Countryside Directory is a treasure trove of more than 2,000 rural delights.

For the first time, all the delights that the countryside has to offer are clearly and comprehensively listed in one handbook. The book contains an unrivalled collection of country parks and walks, nature reserves, traditional craft centres, rural museums, National Parks and specialist food and drink producers - all of which have opened their doors to the public to provide a fascinating and educational way to enjoy the countryside.

Among listed attractions of special interest to YDS members are Parceval Hall Gardens at Skyreholme near Burnsall, location of the Bradford Diocesan Retreat House and 16 acres of special interest garden and woodland, Swaledale Woollens at Muker, Aysgarth Pottery at Carperby and W. Outhwaite and Son, the Hawes ropemakers.

The book's 2,000 entries, however, cover the length and breadth of Britain. Arranged alphabetically by county, entries give names and addresses, directions and information on opening times and admission charges. Facilities for the disabled, access for pets and catering for coach parties are also included.

Published by Sphere Books in association with the Royal Agricultural Society of England and the national Tourist Boards of England, Scotland and Wales and Northern Ireland to coincide with British Food and Farming Year in 1989, The Countryside Directory is an essential handbook for anyone planning a day out, a family holiday or a voyage of discovery in rural Britain. It is published by Sphere at £4.99.

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Roads to Ruin

Roads to Ruin is the title of a hard-hitting pamphlet produced late last year by a wide range of amenity bodies and conservation groups in Britain, including such august bodies as the Council for the Protection of Rural England, The Environmental Council, The Royal Society for Nature Conservation, Friends of the Earth, Greenpeace, Ramblers' Association, Transport 2000, the Youth Hostels Association and the World Wide Fund for Nature.

Written in response to the Government's White Paper Roads to Prosperity, the pamphlet asks some fundamental questions about Britain's transport policies - or lack of them - that has resulted in a massive expansion of the road building programme despite scientific warnings of the impact of increased traffic on our environment and the atmosphere we breathe, not to mention the dramatic increase of CO2 and other "greenhouse gases". Copies of the pamphlet can be obtained from CPRE, Warwick House, 25 Buckingham Palace Road, London SW1W 0PP.

To bring the issues nearer home, on Saturday September 22nd, Fiona Renolds the Assistant Director of CPRE, one of the country's leading campaigners for the countryside and for National Parks, who recently won a major UN award for her work, will speak to members of YDS and other amenity bodies at the Memorial Hall in Addingham at 2pm. Addingham - soon about to be released from the horrors of trunk road traffic by a by-pass - has been chosen because of the controversy which will soon surround the next of Wharfedale's linked by-pass proposals, through Ilkley itself, which is likely to damage superb areas of amenity woodland, including the famous bluebell woods at Middleton, and lovely riverside areas, to meet the insatiable demands of the private car. Make note of the date in your diary now.

Meet Your Council of Management

At the 1990 AGM at Bolton Abbey, the following members were elected as Officers and Council: Ken Willson (Chairman - Addingham); David Morgan Rees (Vice Chairman - Ilkley) Ian Hartley (Company Secretary - Cononley); David Smith (Hon. Treasurer - Ilkley) Celeste Bonfanti (Kendal); Joan Crabtree (Kettlewell); Alan and Barbara Haigh (Burley-in Wharfedale); Anne Halloran (Leeds); Chris Hartley (Guiseley); Eric Jackson (Otley); Meg Knight (Grassington); Sheila Marks (Ilkley); Barbara McLoughlin (Settle); Margaret Rooker (Greetland); John Ward (Ilkley). Colin & Fleur Speakman are the paid part time Secretariat to the Council.

Sweat Shirts - And Membership

The extremely popular Yorkshire Dales Society Sweat Shirts are available in a range of colours and sizes complete with the YDS bird's eye primrose logo and discreet slogan "I love the Dales.". Jogging suits are also available.

If you'd like to order one, please send for the special Order Form (SAE appreciated). Orders generally take three to four weeks. Send your request to the Yorkshire Dales Society, 152 Main Street Addingham, West Yorkshire, LS29 0LY. If you have any queries about sweat shirts, please phone Sheila Marks on 0943 608968 who will be pleased to help.

When you receive the Review, if you haven't yet thrown away the envelope (or can retrieve it quickly from your recycling bin !) please check the details on the envelope label carefully, and let us know if any changes - eg in initials, spelling, address, postcode, are needed.

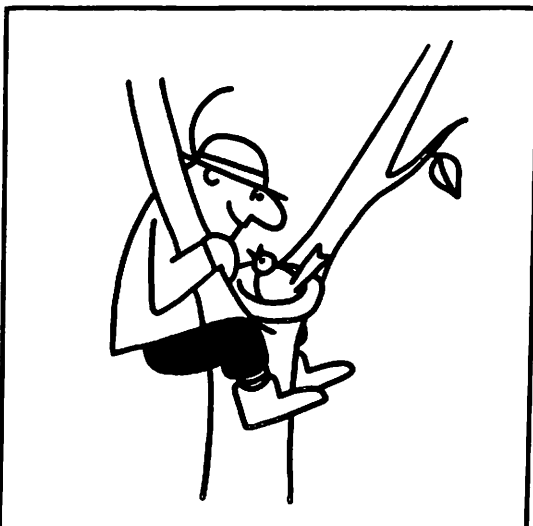
Don't forget we need as many members as possible. Personal recommendation is by far the best way. Try to encourage your friends and acquaintances to join the Society as individual members. We are always happy to send out batches of membership forms, posters or even the odd back-number of the Review to anyone who can help recruit among family, friends, the office or club - though donations for postage or to help the Society in other ways - is always welcome. Remember the Yorkshire Dales is going to need all the help it can over the next few years as problems and pressures increase. Help us to keep the Dales as lovely as they are.

Summer Events

We look forward to seeing as many members as possible at summer events. Remember it is always the ideal way to introduce new members of the Society or potential new members who are always warmly welcome.

- Saturday July 21st Historic Coverdale An eight mile walk looking at the diverse history of this quiet valley in the company of Jean Pollard. Meet at the Market Square Cross, Middleham at 11am
- Saturday August 4th Arkengarthdale A chance to explore this less well known of the northern Dales, rich in industrial remains but also in often unexpected beauty. The easy 8 mile ramble (please bring a packed lunch) will include Langthwaite, Healaugh and a road and bridge which will be familiar to Herriot addicts. Meet Reeth Green (near shops) at 11am.
- Saturday August 18th Embsay Steam Railway An opportunity to go "behind the scenes" of this enterprising Yorkshire steam railway who have ambitious to restore the rail link to Bolton Abbey Station. There will a tour of the site, a journey by steam train to the halt and Nature Trail at Holywell, and possibly a tour of extensions now being built towards Draughton. Please notify the YDS office if you plan to join the party so that space can be reserved for you. Cost £2 adult, £1 children and OAP payable on the day. [Embsay Station has one of the best transport and local history bookshops in the region - open daily]. Meet Embsay Station Car Park at 2pm.
- Saturday September 8th Craftsmen in the Dales David Morgan Rees, journalist and writer, Vice Chairman of the Yorkshire Dales Society, opens the popular season of 1990/1 YORKSHIRE DALES LECTURES with an illustrated talk on the small craftsmen who are reviving old skills and manufacturing crafts in the Dales.
Muker Village Hall at 2.30pm. Admission £1.50 (YDS members £1).
- Saturday September 22nd Roads to Ruin Fiona Renolds of CPRE outlines some of the threats to our countryside posed by the Government's transport policies and discusses alternatives with members. Addingham Village Hall, 2pm. (see page 11)

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Keep Your Distance!

(One of a series of ten cartoons used by Berchtesgaden National Park "an appeal to common sense and in some cases a reminder of good manners" when observing wildlife.)

[see pages 4-5]

Courtesy: National Park Berchtesgaden