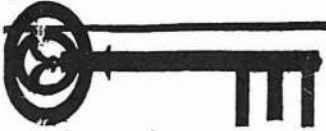


THE KEY



A newspaper for North Skelton & Layland

We must belong to a tough world, for though it be cold enough to freeze the devil himself, I still see young men striding out with open neck shirts and young girls skipping about in flimsy dresses and nothing on their heads. That is because it is April and Winter is supposed to be over and Spring has sprung. According to the Calendar, we are now in the season of budding gardens and gentle showers, so it is time to be decked in the delicate garments of Spring fashions. Meanwhile, as I look out of my study window, I see flakes of snow falling out of a steel-grey sky and I hear the low moan of a lazy wind. I look up and ask "Does God know it is April?" Then I have to wrap up in scarf and gloves, hat and coat to venture out on a visiting round. I tell myself not to forget to say "Happy Easter" to those I meet - every fibre of me wants to call out "Happy Christmas".

The spirit of the greeting however never changes, whether it be in the depth of winter or on a balmy spring day. A friendly greeting is always a welcome, cheering thing, especially at holiday-times when everybody makes the extra effort to wear a smile and spread a little happiness. Holidays after all began as Holy Days - with a rest from work and a break to ponder a particular Christian Message of joy.

At Christmas there was the birth in Bethlehem of a Saviour, whose herald angels offered a prayer for Peace on Earth and Goodwill to Men. Now at Easter there is a New Life to welcome and a Lord to greet, freed from the tomb, with an assurance of Peace and New Life for all to look forward to.

HAPPY EASTER EVERYBODY

Rector Tom

Don't bin it..... Read it.....

HELLO EVERYBODY

Thanks to all our readers who have told me they enjoyed our first edition. We think this second edition is even better!

You have told me that you enjoy "The Key" because it is "chatty", interesting and informative. To keep it this way we need YOUR HELP. Have you an interesting story to tell? Can your child write an article? Anyone with an article, photograph or information on North Skelton, especially the pit, please get in touch with Norma on Guis. 653853

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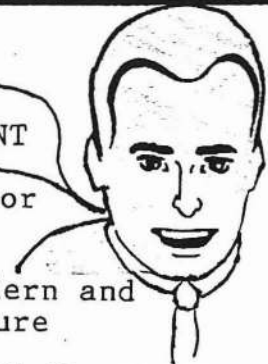
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ACTION NORTH SKELTON

EARLY EASTER PRESENT FOR THE VILLAGE

£7000 - WINDFALL FOR VILLAGE

ACTION NORTH SKELTON THE VILLAGE RESIDENTS GROUP HAS OBTAINED FUNDING OF £7000 FROM THE RURAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION TO HELP IMPROVE THE VILLAGE. THERE ARE STRINGS ATTACHED AND THE MONEY HAS TO BE SPENT ON SPECIFIC THINGS LIKE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENTS, ADULT FURTHER EDUCATION AND CHILDRENS PLAY.

THE ANS STEERING GROUP WOULD LIKE TO HEAR FROM RESIDENTS WHO HAVE ANY IDEAS ON HOW AND WHERE BEST THE FUNDS COULD BE BEST SPENT. WE ARE WILLING TO LISTEN TO ANY SENSIBLE SUGGESTIONS FOR PROJECTS AND WELCOME THE OPINIONS AND INVOLVEMENT OF ANY VILLAGE RESIDENT AT OUR REGULAR MEETINGS.

IF YOU WANT TO BE INVOLVED IN REALLY IMPROVING NORTH SKELTON DO NOT HESITATE TO CONTACT ME AT MY OFFICE IN THE VILLAGE HALL OR TEL. 651201 OR 652171 AT ANY TIME.

"THE KEY" RECEIVES ICI SUPPORT

THE VILLAGE NEWSPAPER HAS BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN OBTAINING FINANCE TO PRINT TWO EDITIONS. ICI MANAGERS WERE VERY IMPRESSED WITH THE PAPER. THIS IS A WELL DESERVED REWARD FOR THE HARD WORK THE EDITORIAL TEAM HAVE PUT IN. CONGRATULATIONS!

THANKS GO IN PARTICULAR TO BOB SNOWDON THE ICI COMMUNITY AFFAIRS MANAGER WHO HAS ARRANGED THE SPONSORSHIP.

ENVIRONMENT WEEK

EARLY MAY SEES THE BEGINNING OF ENVIRONMENT WEEK. ANS ARE LOOKING FOR IDEAS TO BRIGHTEN UP THE VILLAGE. CAN YOU HELP?

IDEAS ALREADY INCLUDE; PROVIDING - HANGING BASKETS, PLANTERS & PLANTS AT SUBSIDISED PRICES.

ACTION NORTH SKELTON HAS ASKED THE KIDS FROM THE LOCAL YOUTH CLUB TO LOOK AT THE VILLAGE AND COME UP WITH THEIR IDEAS FOR IMPROVING IT. LOOK OUT FOR THEIR EXHIBITION COMING TO THE VILLAGE HALL SOON!

CHILDRENS PLAY AREA

RESIDENTS CAME TOGETHER IN A RECENT PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS PROVISION FOR CHILDRENS PLAY IN THE VILLAGE. IT WAS AGREED THAT A NEW PLAYGROUND WAS URGENTLY REQUIRED AND THAT THE FAVOURITE SITE WAS BETWEEN WILLIAM ST. AND RAILWAY TERRACE.

WE NOW AWAIT A REPLY FROM LANGBAURGH COUNCIL TO ENSURE THE LAND IS AVAILABLE BEFORE WE START FUNDRAISING.

Mike Stephen

Co-ordinator



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Detective Paul Dering

For the past four years I have been a detective in the fingerprint department and as such I have visited thousands of domestic burglaries. So, although I am not a crime prevention officer, there are several things I have noticed which may help to protect you and your property.

ALARMS

The first, although the most costly, is the fitting of a burglar alarm. Of all domestic break-ins I attend, I would say only 3 or 4 over the last year

were houses fitted with alarm systems, and in each case the burglars had activated the alarm and fled empty handed. An alarm can usually be installed for

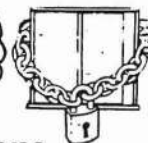
around the cost of an average break-in, say the price of your tv or video, and you could also benefit from reduced insurance premiums.

Another common sight I often come across is that people lock their doors and leave the key inside the lock, a risky thing, especially if your doors have glass panels. I have seen hundreds of houses broken into by smashing a hole in the glass next to the lock and turning the key. Always take your keys out of the locks at night and fit bolts top and bottom, especially if you only have a 'yale' type of lock.



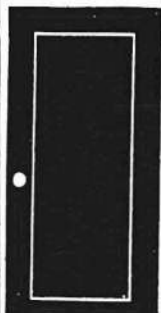
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Patio Doors

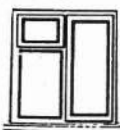


Patio doors are another easy target for burglars. If you have one fitted make sure there are anti-lifting plates to stop the doors being lifted off their runners and also fit extra locks top and bottom as the manufacturer's locks don't always manage to keep the burglars out.

STOP LOOK & CHECK!



Lots of break-ins are opportunist, so as long as you remember to securely lock your doors and windows you've taken away a thief's opportunity.



Phone

If you want any free and impartial advice on locks, alarms or security in general please telephone Guisborough Police and ask for the Crime Prevention Officer

YOUTH CLUB NEWS

Nat Wood

Leader in Charge - North Skelton Youth Club

The Youth Club continues to open each Sunday when my shifts allow, the Youth Club members and John Holliday are told of any changes that may arise, otherwise Sunday is North Skelton Youth Club day.

At the back end of January we had an evening out at Billingham Forum ice rink, it was good to see the Club members enjoying themselves so much, even the ones that couldn't skate at first very soon got the hang of it, and I almost had a couple of Torville & Denes on my hands. Another ice skating event is shortly to take place within the next few weeks.

Unfortunately I have to close the Youth Club on the nights that we go out, and as I can only take fourteen youngsters on the mini bus, the other members do have to miss out that night, for which I apologise to them, - but that is the only way I can work it out.



YOUTH
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As most people will know, the village hall has now been broken into once more, the Youth Club's equipment was not stolen, but the coin mechanism from the pool table was forced open and broken. Fortunately there was no money inside as I don't charge for a game of pool.

Staying with the pool game, I have just entered four of our female members into a Cleveland pool league, the girls are now practicing weekly. They are Donna, Jennifer, Fionna and Julie - good luck to them in the future.

Alas the little portable television we had has taken its place on the scrap heap. It finally gave up on us last month, and as we only have £50 in our funds we cannot afford another as yet, "So if anybody out there has a television (working) that they don't want!!!!... we would be only too glad to take it off your hands".

In the coming months of April & May there will be two events taking place in and around North Skelton These are:

"Environmental Week" in April

"Spring Clean" May

After a meeting with Mike Stephen of Action North Skelton and Jozefa Rogocki of Village Arts, it was hoped that some of the Youth Club members would actively get involved. I intend to approach the members as soon as possible.

Additional equipment for the Club shortly to be purchased is a dart board with its own surround. It doesn't sound a lot but it will make a vast improvement to the club's facilities and the young people who use it.

And for the final few words I would like to direct them to the Youth Club members:

MAKE MY DAY!!!

**USE THE LITTER BIN
AND NOT THE FLOOR.**

Cheers!

DAVY'S DIBS 'N' DABS



MORTGAGE ADVICE!

Anyone contemplating a mortgage? Offers for a first time buyers have never been so good. Contact a mortgage adviser before you do anything else. **ADVICE IS FREE** they give excellent advice on mortgages, surveyors fees, insurance, and can save you a lot of money.

KNIT TIP

Grab a paperclip for complicated patterns. Use it as a marker, sliding it down the side of the pattern where you find where you are at a glance.



WHEELY BIN LINERS

£11.94 for 52 can be obtained from Wheeled Bin Plastics Tilford, Farnham, Surrey GU10 2DF.



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Misers crave it,
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I could use it!

Granny says
If tha' can't
help
dan't hinder

IN THE GOOD BOOKS

- * Children who notice and don't take smoke
- * People who don't drop litter in the streets
- * People who have a ready smile to cheer others up



POST LADY

Hello North Skelton,

I am your Postlady, my name is Marion, and I have been delivering your letters now for nearly four years. Some good, some bad, some happy, some sad. At first I thought I wasn't going to like it because it is such a close knit community, but I have met a lot of nice people. I've had some laughs on my travels, like one house on Layland Road where I take letters and Mr Christmas is sat up in bed with his pyjamas and his red and white pom pom hat on, waiting for his breakfast. I always give him a wave and a smile, he waves back and on these cold mornings he shouts "Come on, get in here and get warmed up" - very inviting at times. I have been on the post now for twenty four years, walked quite a few miles, handled a lot of letters, been bitten, chased and licked by dogs, but I've enjoyed every minute. But in May this year, in fact in nine weeks time, I hang up my boots as they say. So here's wishing you all at North Skelton good health, luck and happiness. And I hope your new Postie looks after you!

Yours faithfully,

Marion Borrow



CROSSWORD

by Mark Thirkettle

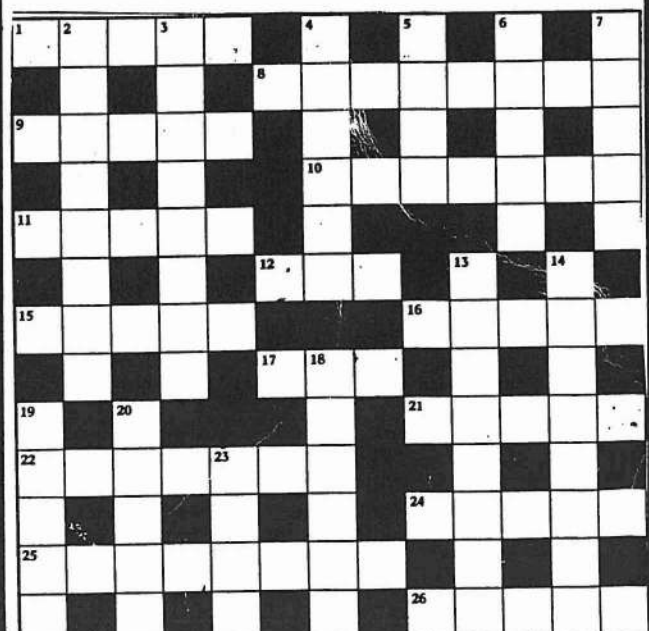
Across:

- 1) Refuge
- 2) Type of Dancing
- 9) Slow moving mollusc
- 10) Unplaced
- 11) Straight-edge measure
- 12) Unit of current
- 15) Pungent
- 16) Factory
- 17) Singular
- 21) Company of witches
- 22) One who provides food
- 24) Unskilled guitar style
- 25) Viking transport
- 26) British snake

Down

- 2) Make known
- 3) Outbreak of illness
- 4) Size of champagne bottle
- 5) Taking time
- 6) Prefers to be alone
- 7) Drive force
- 13) Distributed, officially
- 14) Uncertain or unsafe
- 18) Conforming to standard
- 19) A balance
- 20) Make amends
- 23) Outer garment

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AN INTERVIEW WITH

GEORGE BERWICK

Jim Ramadge

One of North Skelton's senior citizens George now finds himself with ample time to reflect on his past activities for the village community during and after the last war.

Life in the village has altered considerably since those days. With the closure of the mine and the local institute George's role also seemed to come to an end.

Born 84 years ago at neighbouring Skelton Green, he spent most of his youth at Old Skelton. After getting himself hired at Guisborough Cattle Mart his early working days took him to farm a place at Danby, which at that time seemed like a hundred miles from his beloved Skelton.

Eventually he decided he was not cut out to be a farmer so he joined the regular army which seemed to have more appeal to a young man with a liking for athletics and rugby.

Whilst in the forces he joined the elite band of competitors qualified to shoot at Bisley, the cup he won still holds

pride of place in his Richard Street home. Unfortunately whilst playing rugby he was seriously injured, which was to eventually cause him to be invalided out of the service.

Now married to a North Skelton girl and living and working in the village, George soon became involved in most of the village functions.

He joined the local cricket club and still proudly produces a photograph of the team which shows only one other surviving member, John "Roscoe" Butler.

The second world war saw him called to the colours once again, this time it was for the Home Guard, where his regular army experience soon earned him promotion to lieutenant, and command of the local company.

His work at North Skelton mine saw him combine the secretaryship of the local institute, a job to which he devoted much of his leisure time.

The institute at that time was the focal point of the

village, where young men mixed with old, playing darts, dominoes, cards, billiards and snooker. Along with pie and pea suppers and jumble sales, dances were held quite frequently when George, after powdering the dance floor, would take his place operating the multi-coloured lighting system, much to the annoyance of many a courting couple.

When his cricketing days were over he turned his attention to football management, he became Chairman of the club which was to become one of the most successful in the area.

Tommy Robinson's field at Brotton Road was the rural setting for many a thrilling game with such illustrious opponents as York City Res, Middlesbrough Res and Scarborough, exciting supporters from surrounding villages, non more vociferous than "Pig Iron" Brown from Brotton shouting the odds at 85 to 40.

This successful era almost came to an end when the mining industry in the area closed down, which, apart from the loss

"G Berwick" cont/... of jobs, caused an impact not to be fully realised at the time; the loss of a village community.

With competition for jobs becoming more age conscious George realised that his

chance of getting another worthwhile job was rather slim, so he and his wife Helena invested their savings in a fruit and vegetable shop on Vaughan Street, where for a number of years his genial manner made him a popular figure

with the villagers.

Now a widower, George spends most of his time watching television, with snooker being a particular favourite of his; perhaps a reminder of a past that is now merely a memory. - ~ ~ -

PARISH NEWS:

Personal Portable Alarms

With the assistance of the Police and Crime Prevention Panel, the Chairman of the Parish Council presented 144 personal portable alarms to active elderly residents of Skelton and Brotton on March 5th. If you are an able bodied pensioner and would like to add your name to the waiting list for an alarm please contact the Parish Council Office Tel 653848.

East Cleveland Community Hospital

As you are no doubt aware the Regional Health Authority have now confirmed that an agreement has been reached regarding the site for the new hospital at Brotton.

The Hospital will provide beds for the elderly, elderly mentally ill, general practitioner beds, day hospital places for psychiatry, the elderly and elderly mentally ill, consultant outpatients sessions, rehabilitation, x-ray facilities and general support services.

The regional Health Authority assure that design of the hospital has continued throughout the protracted negotiations and is fully committed to the provision of the new community hospital and an opening date of late 1994.

Skip Provision

In an effort to discourage indiscriminate tipping the Parish Council provide skips throughout the parish on a regular basis. Dates as follows:

Alford Road Brotton, North Skelton, Layland Beck: 6th April, 1st June, 27th July, 21 Sept and 16th Nov.

Spring Gardens, Cemetery Field, Brotton Park, Linden Road Brotton: 5th May, 29th June, 24th August, 19th Oct and 14th Dec.

Annual Parish Assembly

The Annual Parish Assembly, at which reports on the activities of the Parish Council will be given, will be held on 6th May at 7.30pm in Skelton Civic Centre. ALL WELCOME.

Annual Produce & Livestock Show, Marshall Drive Playing Field, Brotton.

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TALKING



CURVE, at number one in the indie 45's, appeared at Middlesbrough Arena on Friday 6th March. The band are top of the indie charts and climbing the UK Network charts with "FAIT ACCOMPLI", a track from their debut album "DOPPELGANGER", which also includes the songs "WISH YOU WERE DEAD", "LILLIE'S DEAD" and "HORROR HEAD".

On Tuesday 11th February the INSPIRAL CARPETS played the second date of their UK tour at the Town Hall Middlesbrough, supported by two great bands, AIRHEAD and THE FRANK AND WALTERS. The Inspirals released their first single of '92 on February 17th through Mute.

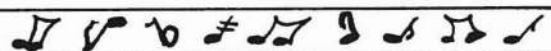
"DRAGGING ME DOWN" was produced by Pascal Gabriel, the man who was also responsible for their "ISLAND HEAD" EP and "THE BEAST INSIDE" album. The track appears in several different mixes by Gabriel, and Manchester DJ Jon Dasilva, and is backed by the previously unreleased track "I KNOW I'M LOSING YOU". Also RIDE

going down the indie charts with the former No 1 "LEAVE THEM ALL BEHIND", appeared for the second time at the Town Hall on Monday 9th March with special guests VERVE.

The band's new LP "GOING BLANK AGAIN" was recorded last autumn in the West Country with producer Alan Moulder. The album follows the band's 1990 Top 20 "NOWHERE" set, and was released on the day of their gig at Middlesbrough through Creation.

Their Middlesbrough date was in the middle of their extensive UK tour, which includes their biggest ever London show at Brixton Academy on March 26th.

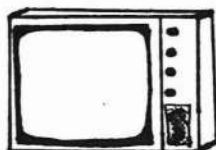
Slightly further afield, JAMES headline the outdoor gig at Alton Towers, Staffordshire on July 4th. The band will be supported by two major acts yet to be announced.



TV QUIZ



Who played the following TV detectives?



- 1) Eddie Shoestring
- 2) Ironside
- 3) Frank Cannon
- 4) Harry 'O'
- 5) Kojak
- 6) Columbo
- 7) Jim Rockford
- 8) McMillan and Wife
- 9) Jonathan and Jennifer Hart
- 10) Starsky and Hutch

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A smile is a smile in any language!



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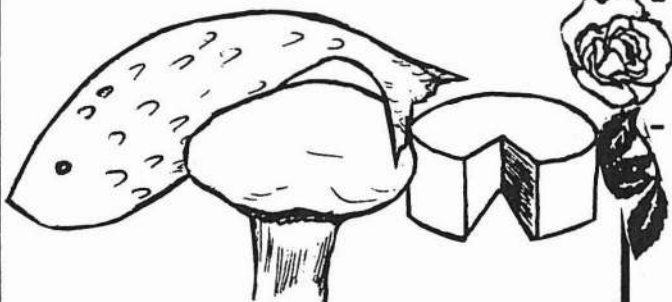
Martin Theaker

HIGHLAND COD

(Serves 4)

4 Cod fillets (de-skinned)
3 Eggs (beaten)
2 oz Flour
4oz Oats
Butter
Lemon

- Coat the fish first in flour, then the beaten eggs, and finally coat in the oats. (Make sure it is covered completely!)
- Pan fry the fish in the butter until they are coated.
- Serve with wedges of lemon



CAERPHILLY MUSHROOMS

(Serves 4)

Medium sized button mushrooms
(8 per portion)
6oz Caerphilly Cheese
Batter

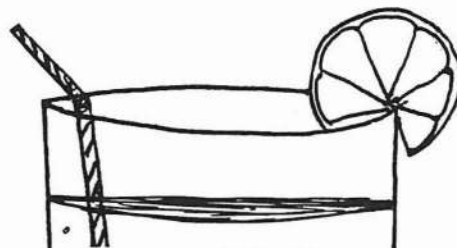
- Stuff the mushrooms with some caerphilly cheese
- Coat in batter and deep fry until golden brown in colour
- Serve with a salad



SALAD CHEMOIS

1 Head Chinese Leaf Lettuce
4oz Cooked Chicken
4oz Beansprouts
1 Green Pepper
1 Small Tin Bamboo Shoots
Soya Sauce - 1 small bottle
Sesame Oil - 1 small bottle

- Chop chinese leaves and chicken into small strips
- Cut green pepper into medium size dice
- Mix the above with the beansprouts and bamboo shoots
- Mix half of each the oil and soya sauce together and toss the salad in the mixture



EASTER PUNCH

2 btls Riesling
1 ltr Lemonade
2 tbs Apricot Brandy
15oz can Apricots
Mix various drinks. Add apricot juice.
Chop fruit roughly, add to punch.

Heather Webb

GOOD OLD DAYS BY Jack Bunnet

It was some time in the middle 20's. I was only a small boy at the time. It was the time of deep depression - the mines were closed, and most of the families in the village were on the "means test" which meant that there were weeks when there was no income at all. Many of the families had to get into debt with the village grocer, a man named Gordon Dowson. Without his aid many families would have been hungry. Food was scarce and so was fuel, and the villagers had to go 'cinderling' or sea-coaling to heat their homes.

'Cinderling' was when the villagers took their buckets onto the line-side and gathered the cinders that the engine drivers deposited when they cleaned out the fire boxes of the locomotives. It was not unknown for the sympathetic engine drivers to 'accidentally' drop a few shovels of coal along with the cinders when they were cleaning out their fire box.

The police warned the people that they were trespassing on the rail company's property, but the cold weather soon

drove the freezing villagers back to the railway track to gather more cinders.

The best spot to gather the cinders was where the railway line ran over the culvert - down the Park and along towards the bottom of back Richard Street. It was in this area that the scene of a raid by the railway police took place.

A locomotive, pulling a guards van, stopped and from the van leaped a dozen policemen and they scrambled down the embankment in an attempt to arrest the cinder gatherers. There was panic; the people ran in all directions hotly pursued by the railway policemen. I, along with my mother, ran up the back of Richard Street. I remember one woman shouting "You can take me, but please don't take my cinders". As we approached the top of Richard Street, Tamah Kirk, who was the village tailoress and who lived in the street, was standing at her yard door shouting to the fleeing people to come into her house - and we did. It was chaos in the house, to my

child's mind it seemed that the whole village was packed into the house. Then the real drama began. The police tried to enter the yard, but Tamah Kirk, yard brush in hand, stood and defied them. "You dare set one foot in my yard and I will prosecute you for trespassing". The policeman argued and asked what all those people were doing in her house. "I invited them in for a cup of tea" said Jamah. I must add that not one of the refugees in Tamah's house was arrested.

Some of the men fled across the Park onto their allotments, it was here that my father was arrested. In a nearby garden hut my uncle Ben Harrison, Bill Vasey and another man were sat playing cards when the police burst in the door. They kicked over the small tub, which was their card table, and were disappointed to find no cinders. They did not look at the buckets on which the men were sitting. If they had done so, they would have made three more arrests.

Seven arrests were made that day and when the seven culprits had to appear

"Cindering" cont/...
at the magistrates court at Guisborough the whole village turned out to send them on their way. The local minister walked with them all the way to the court. He proclaimed his disgust when the men were each fined seven shillings and

sixpence for trespassing on railway property.

The village showed their support by organising a rabbit pie supper to help to pay the fines - there was no set charge for the supper - people could not have

afforded to go - but they gave what they could, a penny or tuppence, and one man who was working got a hearty cheer from everyone when he put a shilling in the collection box. There was also a vote of thanks given to the local poachers.

BOOCOCK & SONS



40 YEARS AGO

This is Boocock's Garage approximately 40 years ago. It was situated where Mr B Bland now has his workshop. George Boocock tells me that the car is a Standard 12 and the trailer with milk bottles in it belonged to Ken Hutchinson - he had just bought Tom Robinsons milk round from him. Iola Donnelly lived in the first house in the photograph, and Jack Boothby in the second house.

At this time a Ford Escort cost about £550
Gallon of Petrol 4/- (4 shillings)
20 Woodbines 3/- (3 shillings)
Pint of Beer 1/2d
OAP Pension approx £2/8d

Top songs forty years ago were Kay Star singing 'Wheel of Fortune', 'Tenderly' by Rosemary Clooney and 'Because Your Mine' by the one and only Mario Lanza.

Newcastle won the FA Cup, and Dennis Compton hit his 100th cricket century.

CARPET BOWLS

We do still have a bowls evening every Wednesday 7pm-9pm which, when we first began, was well supported, but now it is down to a loyal few. Support is needed if this is to continue!

Marjorie & Mike Matthews

SPORTS CORNER

SLIMMING CLUB

A great success! Alison Moutrey of Penryn Close and Pam Swinburne of Warsett Cescent started a weighing session in the village hall on the 14th January this year with an inspiration of losing weight themselves. We now have 76 regular members and each week an average of two people join us.

Since first starting we have shed 21 stones between us all - think about it, this is like three people.

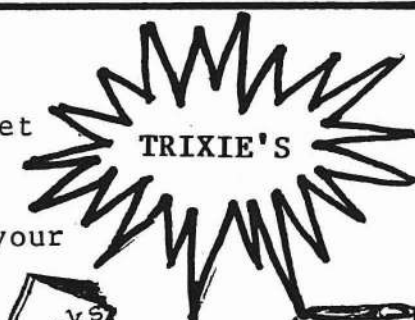
We start weighing at 7pm on a Tuesday evening 75p each. Everybody is welcome - men and women. We draw a raffle supplied by Elmora nurseries. There is tea and coffee if you want it. And for those who want to get fit we also do an exercise session.



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11TH JUNE 1992
at 7.30pm

There will be an opportunity to view past work.

All are welcome!

Worthy of Tribute

To the family of Harry and Vera Ingleby, please accept our deepest sympathy.

Harry and Vera first lived in North Skelton in William Street until they bought the newsagents from Jack Burluraux for £150. They quickly established themselves as pillars of our community, Harry helped anyone and everyone, giving advice on housing rents and legal matters. Jack Bunnett well remembers Harry taking him to hospital and making it clear that he would be there to bring him home. Many people had cause to say thank you to Harry and Vera for their kindness.

May both rest in peace together.

GARDEN

HINTS FOR APRIL

Allotment

By John Dennis

LAWNS

Sow new lawns. Mow established lawns with blades at medium height. Apply lawn fertilizer followed later by a selective weed killer.

ROSES

Apply a mulch of well rotted manure. Weed killer can be used to keep down weeds.

DAHLIAS

Plant out tubers. Take cutting off tubers started into growth in March.

HOUSE PLANTS

Increase watering and give regular feeds. Pot on plants that are root bound, divide if suitable.

FRUIT

Feed with nitro-chalk or sulphate of ammonia. Begin spraying as needed, but not during blossoming.

PEAS

Early peas should now be sown. A good early variety recommended - GREEN SHAFT. Peas thrive best on well manured and well dug ground.

BROAD BEANS

Early sowing should now be showing but it is not too late for successive sowing.

POTATOES

Early variety should now be planted in good rich soil, a compound fertilizer should be forked in at about 4oz per sq yd prior to planting.

ONIONS

Onion sets and plants now showing healthy signs of growth will benefit with a dressing of nitrate of soda.

NOTE

For the organic gardener, use blood fish and bone for your vegetable booster. Apply 3oz to 4oz per sq yd.

Answers to TV Quiz:

- 1) Trevor Eve 2) Raymond Burr 3) William Conrad 4) David Janssen
5) Telly Savalas 6) Peter Falk 7) James Garner 8) Rock Hudson
and Susan St James 9) Robert Wagner and Stephanie Powers
10) Paul Micael Glazer and David Soul



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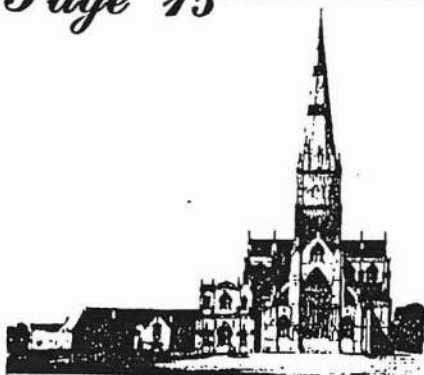
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Crossword Answers:

- Across 1) Haven 8) Ballroom
9) Snail 10) Nowhere 11) Ruler
12) Amp 15) Acrid 16) Plant
17) One 21) Coven 22) Caterer
24) Strum 25) Longboat 26) Adder
Down 2) Announce 3) Epidemic
4) Magnum 5) Slow 6) Loner
7) Impel 13) Allotted
14) Insecure 18) Normal 19) Scale
20) Atone 23) Robe



ABOVE: Guisborough Priory
BELOW: Guisborough Priory.

THE MEN OF GUISBOROUGH PRIORY

CHAPTER 1

One of the first of the new order of monastic houses, Guisborough Priory's four hundred years of active existence touched on some of the most interesting and troubled times in English history. This series of articles is about the men of the Priory, and how they helped to set the course of history from the Battle of the Standard, the Scottish Wars, to the dissolution and destruction of the Abbeys during the reign of King Henry VIII in the mid sixteenth century.

The Priory and the Founders

One of the four richest monasteries in Yorkshire, the Priory of St Mary of Guisborough was founded in 1119 AD for the Canons Regular of St Augustine by Robert de Brus II, Lord of Skelton, on the advice of Archbishop Thurstan of York and Pope Calixtus II.

The founders grant included the manors of Guisborough, Kirkleatham, part of Coatham and the advowson of ten churches in Yorkshire and County Durham with their lands eventually stretching from Lincolnshire in the south to Cumbria in the north.

From the beginning the founder's family involved themselves with the Priory, his brother William became the first Abbot of the Priory, and his wife Agnes and

son Adam obtained charters of confirmation from the Pope, the Archbishop the Chapter of York and King Henry I.

Robert the II and a number of descendants were buried in the Priory church, the most famous being Robert de Brus VI, known as the Competitor from his unsuccessful competition with John Balliol of Barnard Castle for the Scottish throne.

Friends of the Conqueror

Compared to other Norman Lords little is known of the De Brus family; the probable reason is their complete, unquestioned loyalty to the Dukes of Normandy.

Robert I was a close friend of King William I; and most certainly fought by the side of the then Duke of Normandy on many campaigns, including the conquest of England;

Robert II, the most considerable Lord of north east Yorkshire, was obviously a Norman of high standing. He continued the friendship with the Conqueror's family, mainly residing at the court of King Henry I, William's son.

It was at Henry's court he became a close and trusted friend of King David I of Scotland. This friendship would split the De Brus family, with father fighting against son, in the English Civil War during the reign of King Stephen I.



Written & Researched

by Ian Duncan

Notice Board

The Bulls Head

North Skelton



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APRIL ENTERTAINMENT

Friday 17th - Chris Taylor
Vocal/Guitar

Saturday 18th - Disco

Sunday 19th - Easter Quiz with
Jackpot

Monday 20th - Mawtee Vicar

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St. Peter's



Over the Easter week-end there are special services at St Peter's. On good Friday at 12 noon, there will be a Quiet Hour to remember Our Lord on the Cross. Then on Sunday, Easter Day, 19th April, there will be Holy Communion at 9am; and at 6pm a Combined Festival Service of Easter Praise, to be followed by refreshments, and a chance to see the new Extension of the Church. You will all be very welcome.



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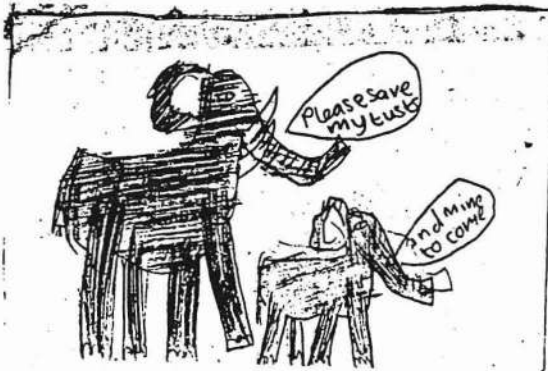
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Endangered species

I don't like people hurting animals.
there is a bar on hurting the
african elephant wich is hunted
for it's ivory tusks. It's population is
now increpsing thanks to the bar.
But Zimbabwe thinks that there is
enough elephants to be hunted
again. I hope the bar stays.
by Monique Tokarok age 9.



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CHILDREN'S PAGE

