



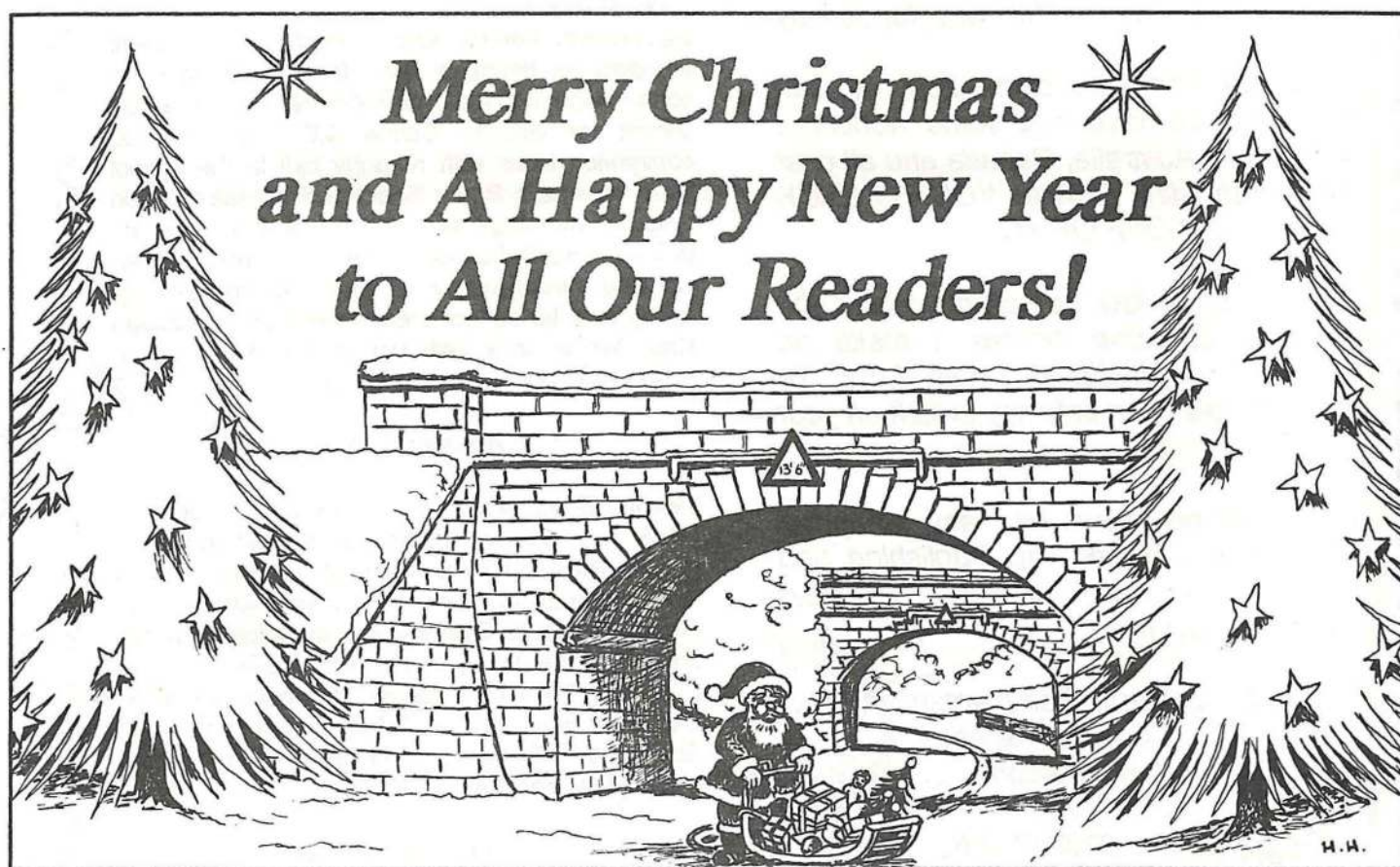
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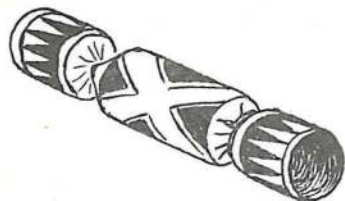
A NEWSPAPER for NORTH SKELTON & LAYLAND



A Christmas Thought

The Shepherds looked up and tuned into the Song of the Angels, and heard of a Saviour and Peace on Earth. The Wise Men looked up and found a Star to guide them on their way.

Christmas lifts our eyes and our hearts, and with hope and kind hearts we say to one and all



"Merry Christmas Everyone!"

"Amen to that" say I to you too



Rector Tom



**HELLO AND MERRY CHRISTMAS
EVERYBODY!**

This year we have received a number of grants and along with the many generous donations from you, our readers, we now have enough money to fund "The Key" for another year.

Grants were received from Cleveland County Council, Rural Action, Skelton Parish Council and D McCluckey, Chairman of Parish Council.

Our back page as you will see is about the "local environment". This was funded by Rural Action.

Donations from you came from far and wide and we have had some wonderful letters from Australia, Canada and all over the British Isles. **THANK YOU TO EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU!**

I have had a few complaints about the swearing in some articles. I make no apologies - **THAT'S VILLAGE LIFE!** To these people I can only say switch on your TV's.

If anyone out there has any computer experience in Desk Top Publishing and would like to help us with "The Key" please contact me:

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Stanghow Lane Cross Country Stars



The more elderly of old Stanghow Lane School scholars may remember a teacher by the name of Mr Howe. As our local doctor at that time was Dr Howe our new teacher soon became known as "Docca" Howe.

He brought novelty and a touch of excitement amongst us because apart from travelling in to school each morning on a 500cc Norton, he played cricket for Skelton Castle C.C., he practised conversion kicks with a rugby ball in the school yard, he was a Rover Scout and occasionally on Saturday mornings he would take a party of us, by train from North Skelton station, to Saltburn Baths. He also introduced us to cross country running, taking us after school down Station Lane, through Hagg Wood, on to Saltburn Lane and back up to school, and how we enjoyed it all!

A popular event

Twenty years later, when I joined the staff of S.L.S., I introduced cross country running as a regular P.E. activity and it soon became a keen inter-house event. The junior course went up over Flowston, across The Hills and the allotments, left on to Trouthall Lane, down on to Claphow and up to school. The senior course left the junior one on Claphow, went across "Mucky Lane" to North Skelton, over the bridges to Hollybush, up over the playing field and back to school.

Keen Competition

Competition was always keen and some extremely good runners came through. If I may name some, and apologise to any I have forgotten, I remember the outstanding talents of Alan Hart, Keith Carter, John Sleeman, Stuart and Ian Carter, and Dennis Thompson.

Keith Carter went on to represent the North Riding in the Yorkshire Trials at Harrogate and came 14th out of 114 competitors. Alan Hart ran for Yorkshire in trials at Chesterfield and came 2nd.

We had some good performers in athletics at S.L.S., girls as well as boys, but more of them another time.

Joe Reed

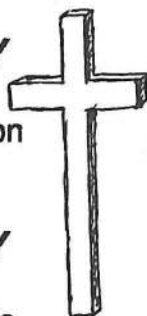
CHURCH NOTICE

CHRISTMAS DAY

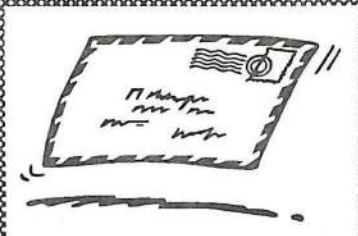
10 am Holy Communion

NEW YEARS DAY

6 pm Festival of Carols



H.H.



Letter Box

Dear Ed

Congratulations on your magazine both my mother and myself found it brought back many memories, we have spent a lot of time looking at the photos. My mother is 101 years of age and her name is HARKER MOHUN. Rumour has it that my Great Uncle Joe built Harker and Cleveland Street in Skelton Green. Uncle Joe then ran off with his partners wife to Canada. Rumours are always more interesting than fact.

Reading 'The Key' started my mother recalling days at Stanghow Lane School in the early 1900's [she was born in 1893]. The Headmaster at that time was a Mr Ransome, there was also a teacher called Mr Mott, who made history come to life. Most of all she remembers Miss Molly Fisher, the ringer of the school bell, who brought instant retribution to any late comers with a swift stroke of the cane. This same lady made girls with torn aprons sit on a high stool and sew up the rips with tiny stitches [sounds horrid].

My Uncle Gordon taught his fox terrier to stand on its hind legs and howl when anybody shouted "Here comes Molly ringing her bell". My grandad was Kitcatcher for a time he also drew maps of the underground workings of mines around Skelton.

See what your magazine does, it reaches parts of the memory that other magazines cannot reach.

Sheila Bocking, 20 Ford End, Woodford Green, Essex



Dear Ed

I'm sure that future historians will value 'The Key' for their research.

Keep up the good work.

D Walker, Arncliffe House, Ampleforth



Hello

My name is Irene Walker, I was Irene Codling of New Skelton. I have just seen an edition of "The Key" and recognized a boy in one of the photos as Raymond Fowler, a cousin of mine who also lives in Australia (Victoria).

Good luck with your enjoyable paper.

27 O'Loughlin Street, Clarence Town, New South Wales 2321, Australia

Dear Ed

'The Key' has done the rounds at Redcar - they are delighted. My husband isn't a bookworm, but when 'The Key' arrived I watched his face smile. We have been married 44 years, Fred started at Lingdale pit aged 14 years on the belt. Then when he was 22 and we married, he went down the pit with his brother Keith who was tragically killed aged 27.

We have 8 grandchildren and Fred was disappointed when the shale heaps went, saying "How can I tell them Grandad helped to build them?" You've given us the answer - they can read 'The Key'. Thank you.

Dorothy & Fred Hodgson, 2 Laburnum Road, Redcar

Dear Norma

Re Badminton Photo

It's nice to know that I am still remembered, I know Syd would have been very interested. You've opened up so many memories for me, wonderful characters. Oh Norma, if only things could have stayed the same, but progress goes on. Thank you for making me one of you.

Cissie Goodall, 38a High Street Lingdale



The Lamps

"Now Jacko!", said Davy, "I've 'eard you're looking to hire a van".

"That's right, Davy," Jacko replied, "Me, Steve Kime an' John Burlureaux want to go to France for some cheap booze!"

Davy smiled and said "I think I might 'ave solved yer problem then, mate, 'cos if it's summat' big yer after I've 'eard George Boocock's got the Co-Op funeral hearse in for repairs an' it'll want runnin' in when he's finished the job! 'Ave a word with him an' slip him a couple of bottles of "Johnny Walker" when you get back and it'll be yours! Mind you, Jacko, it's a consecrated vehicle so treat it with respect!" Jacko couldn't contain his excitement. A funeral hearse was just the thing.

Next morning Davy was away with Spot to do a bit of poaching for Christmas when he couldn't believe his eyes. There was Jacko, John and Stephen dressed in white shirts and black ties, singing "Land of Hope and Glory!" as they climbed into the hearse to set off for France.



"We'll see you alright when we get back Davy", they shouted. Davy would have loved to have gone with them but he was skint having just bought Tilly a sparkling Rhinestone necklace to match her purple georgette blouse and little Ed a wooden train set. He couldn't wait to see their faces on Xmas morning.

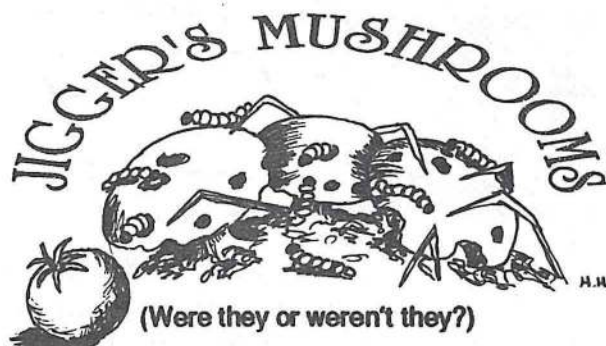
Unusual beer crate!

Two days later the lads arrived back. Davy's eyes nearly popped out of his head when he saw the hearse pull up outside. He ran out, Tilly shouting "Don't bang that back door, Davy, else the Christmas cake 'll sink!"

"Bloody 'ell Jacko," Davy shouted, "what's that coffin doin' int' back of that hearse!"

"Well, Davy," John giggled, "We 'ad nowt to put the booze in so during the night we nicked it from a "Froggy" funeral parlour and we've filled it up! We'll 'ave the best Xmas party in North Skelton and you can keep the coffin, Davy!"

What a Xmas it promised to be. Tilly and Ed were fixed up with presents and the Christmas cake turned out grand. There was a party in the "Second Hand Shop" with Steve and Merv providing the music. Davy looked at his "Christmas Coffin". "By 'eck, I'll get two good rabbit 'utchee out o' that! I hope everybody has as good a Christmas as me, Tilly, Ed and Spot!" N



Jigger's load of "muck" had arrived from Bells and his tomatoes were ready in the greenhouse to receive it. Jigger spread it carefully all around each tomato plant hoping to feed them in order to get a good crop.

Magic mushrooms?

A few days later imagine his surprise on entering his greenhouse when he saw some mushrooms growing up from under the "muck". Jigger couldn't contain his excitement as it was a well known fact that he loved mushrooms and had always had a hankering to grow some. His eyes alight with pleasure, he spread the word around. Neighbours and fellow gardeners flocked to have a look at Jigger's mushrooms. Bob Whiteley and him talked about the best way to feed them - it was decided that he would cover them with MIG (cow muck and watter) and put plant pots over them. Lo and behold, a few days later there were some more mushrooms! They got the same treatment, MIG feed and plant pot.

Time to pick the crop

Later that week Jigger noticed his mushrooms weren't growing any bigger so on advice from Bob it was decided he would pick them. Jigger's face went from delight to disappointment - his mushrooms were full of MAWKS. Sad and dejected he went home to tell his wife Jean.

Ann owns up

About a week later Ann Marley asked Jean how Jigger's mushrooms were faring. Jean related the sad tale to her after which Ann started to giggle and couldn't stop. Jean was puzzled at Ann's reaction and asked her why she was laughing. Ann then went on to explain what had happened - her husband Merv had been coming home each morning off night shift and had picked the mushrooms from a nearby field. He had then sneaked them into Jigger's greenhouse, planted them in the manure and never breathed a word to a soul! Jigger loved the joke. Was he mad? Was he 'eck.....he'd just been mushroomed by Merv! N

Neighbourhood Watch



Following the setting up of the first Neighbourhood Watch on Leyland Estate a meeting for the residents of the estate was organised by our local beat officer, PC Tom Towers, on Wednesday 12th October. There was a good turn out for the meeting with 36 people attending, some of whom were representing others who couldn't attend. This meant that more than half of the households on the estate were present or represented.

PC Towers showed some video films illustrating the need for, and aims of, the Neighbourhood Watch. He also showed some of the simple (and cheap) ways to beat the burglar.

As a result of the meeting a further 3 N.W. groups were started. If you are not already a part of one of the groups; if you would like to join; if you want the possibility of reduced Home Insurance Premiums; get in touch with your nearest co-ordinator. They are:

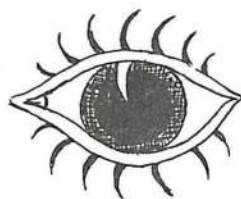
Mr Jack Haigh	33 Warsett
Mrs Thompson	17 Warsett
Mr Harry Heathcock	45 Layland
Mr Alan Walker	25 Layland

Crime Prevention Tips

1. When going out: Don't wear a loose scarf. Tuck it into your coat where it cannot be used to choke you.
2. Walking: If you think someone is following you cross over. If they still follow you go into any shop that is open or go and knock on a door. **LET THE POLICE KNOW.**
3. If attacked: Make as much noise as possible. Try to remember everything you can about the attacker. If he wants your handbag let him have it. Remember, you are more important than a handbag.

Doc Spot

by Dr Roger Neville-Smith



Common Problems with Eyes

Sticky eyes in Babies

Babies often have sticky eyes particularly when new born. The change from conditions in the womb to those in the great outside world takes a little time to get used to. The tear duct which drains tears from the eye sometime has not fully developed in babies and encourages a sticky discharge to be produced. Although sometimes an antibiotic is required usually cleaning the eye carefully is all that is needed. Unlucky babies continue to have recurring stickiness for many months. If the problem continues past 12 months old, gently probing of the tear duct by a specialist can help.



Conjunctivitis

Inflammation [redness] of the thin covering over the front of the eye and under the eye lids is called conjunctivitis. Many causes can be found including viruses, bacteria, allergic conditions and 'things' that get in the eye like grit, plaster dust etc. Although this can be very uncomfortable with a gritty soreness, if there is much pain and the vision is reduced this should be checked by your Doctor. Mild conjunctivitis, for instance when it comes with a cold, will improve in a few days without special treatment. In fact the best soothing eye drops, already sterile and at the right temperature, are your own tears! Persistent or more severe conjunctivitis may need antibiotics prescribed by your doctor.

How many 'Davy Lamps' can you find hidden throughout this edition of The Key.
Answer on Page 11



A Touch of the Arctic in North Skelton



by George & Margaret Benson



Throughout man's history the dog has served in a variety of roles such as hunter, companion, guardian and worker. Early on man came to depend on the dog for many things and a bond developed between the two that has been continually reinforced throughout the ages.

Of all the dog breeds that have resulted from one common ancestor, one stands alone as having served man the most in a number of capacities - The Eskimo or Sled Dog. Today's Siberian Husky is a direct descendent of this Arctic breed.

Perhaps the most striking feature of the Siberian is the vivid blue eye colour that is found in some specimens. Whilst the blue eyes are prized by some breeders, the other colours that occur such as brown or one brown and one blue are also attractive.

Equally striking are the variety of coat patterns in a wide range of colours - red

and white, black and white, grey and white, and solid white. No two Huskies appear the same in regard to pattern or colouration in the coat and colouration can be very eye catching and dramatic in certain specimens. A combination of crystal blue

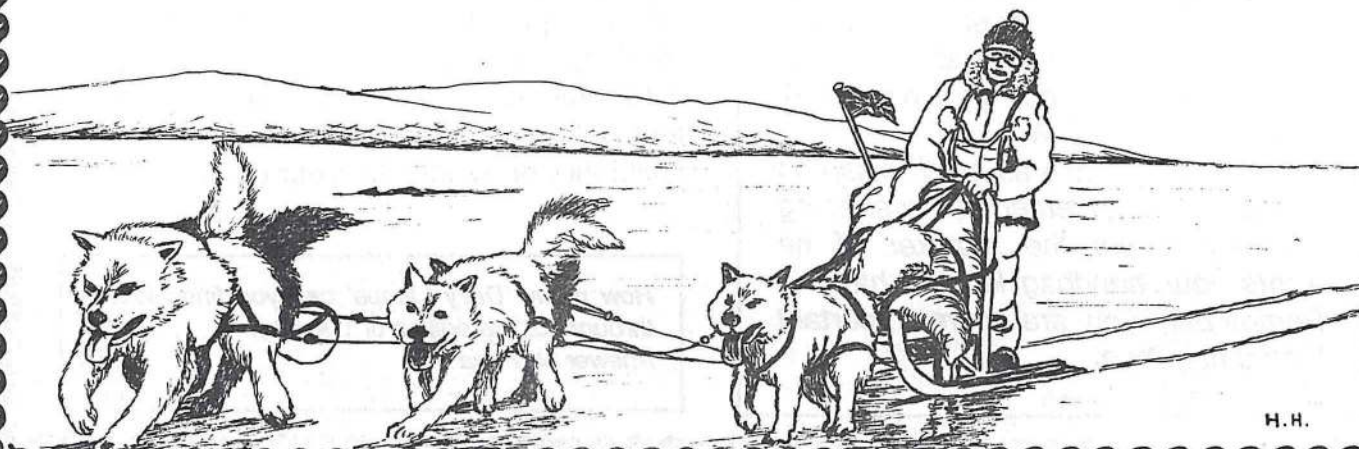
eyes and a commanding coat pattern are a sure "attention-getter" when out walking.

The look of the Husky can be adequately described as strong and noble and the way he moves is further illustration of nobility and gracefulness.

Most people who come face to face with a Siberian are captivated by its striking beauty and sweet natured expression.

Though smaller than people imagine, he is strong, hardy, naturally friendly and gentle in temperament.

If you would like to meet these beautiful animals, please only ask - we can be found at The Bull's Head, North Skelton.



H.H.

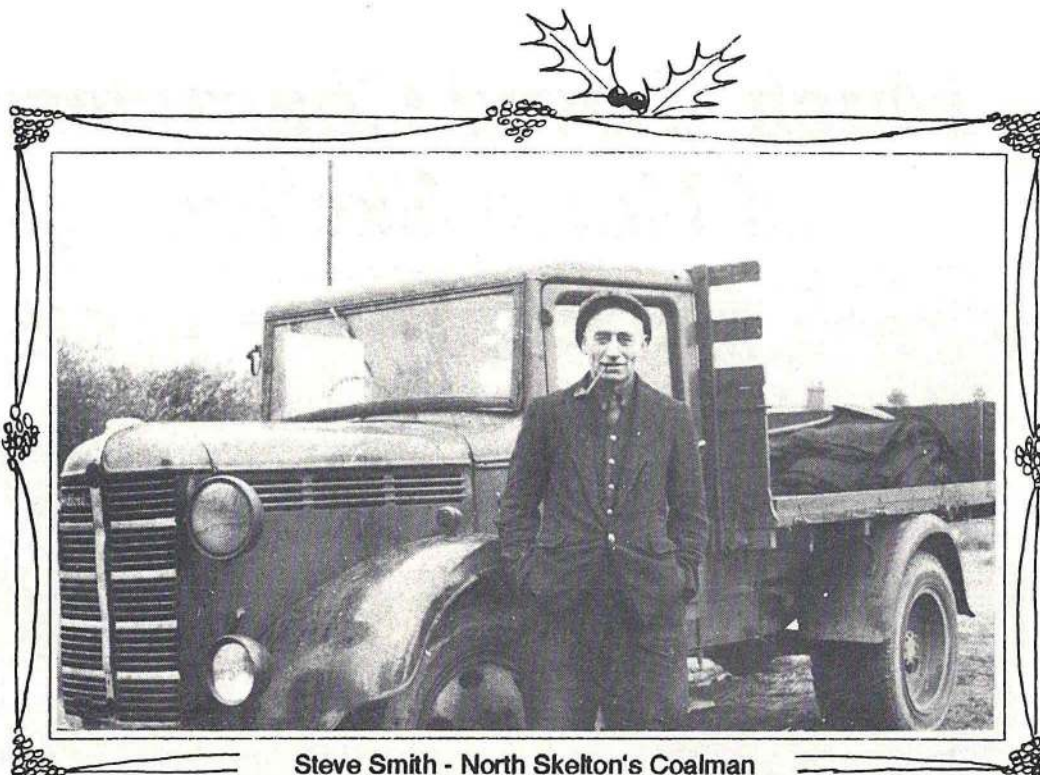
Much Loved Characters of North Skelton



Back Row L. to R. : Kate Bowers, Mrs Harrison, Dora Kirk, Mrs Pratt, -?-, Olive Templeman, Louie Stevenson, Venie Wilks, -?-, Nora Teasdale, Mrs Bulman, Annie Leeks
Middle Row L. to R. : -?-, Mrs Mogrige, Mary Brown, Lizzie Harrison, Mrs Cooper, Nora Sturman, -?-
Front Row L. to R. : Meda Bunnett, Ethel Harrison, -?-



This photograph was taken at Mary Pashley's wedding.
How many of her family and friends do you recognise?



Steve Smith - North Skelton's Coalman



Georgie Barwick



L. to R : Edie Jackson, Aunty Belle, Topsy Wells



You will probably recognise a few of these happy lads
but we'd love to know where the photo was taken

H.H.



Stanghow Lane School "Dinner Ladies"

L to R : Mrs Seaman, Mrs Dunston, Nell Goodall and Minnie Leeks



Stanghow Lane County Modern School 1950

Back Row L to R : Mr Bonas, D Hicks, T Carter, K Robinson, O Walker, M Wilson, M Thompson,
B Harrison, Mr Plews

Middle Row L to R : K Beckham, J Waters, J Parker, -?-, B Templeman

Front Row L to R : P Batterbee, G Templeman, J Graves, J Bendelow, P Hansel, J Bint, M Antill,
P Shaw, -?-, F Haywood, A Tilley



On the way to North Skelton Carnival held up 't' crick'
 L to R : Mrs Laffey, Frances Kime, Olive Marshall & Ida Smith (sisters),
 Bill Crossman with children Colin & Judith

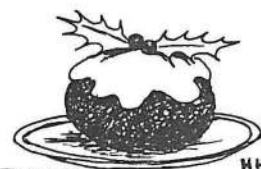


Stanghow Lane County Modern School 1949
 Back Row L to R : A Tilley, T Calvert, B Ness, D Preston, B Bloomfield, -?-, J Reed, H Breeze
 Front Row L to R : J Templeman, G Templeman, D Lowe, -?-, P Ferris, B Addison

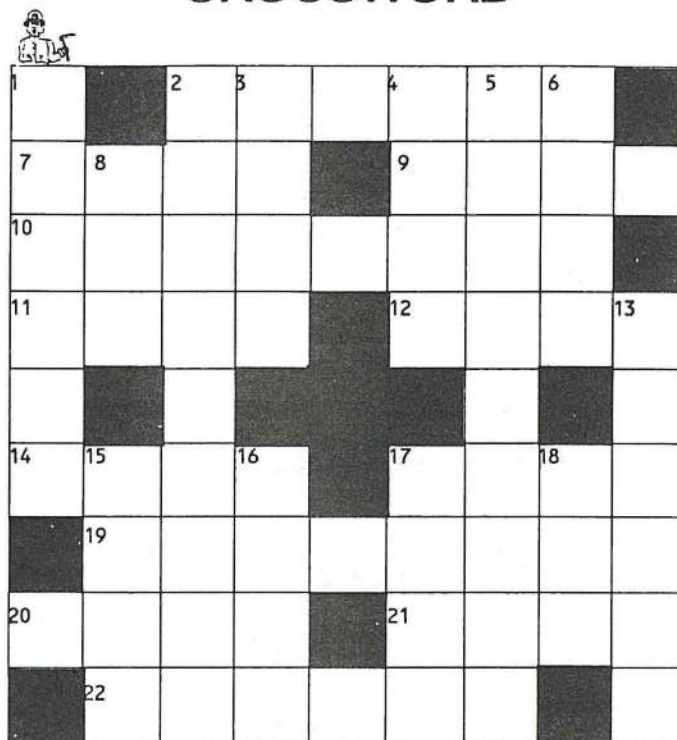
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QUIZ PAGE - Mark Thirkettle

QUIZ



CROSSWORD



- 1 Who played Joe Mangle in Neighbours and appears on The Big Breakfast?
- 2 Which TV comic was known as Public Enemy Number 1?
- 3 What was the name of the drama series starring Stella Gonet and Louise Lombard?
- 4 On which show did Rosemarie Ford replace Angela Rippon?
- 5 Which London area did Wolfie Smith want freedom for?
- 6 What was the name of Mary Beths husband in Cagney & Lacey?
- 7 In The Bill what is Sgt Cryer's first name?
- 8 Caroline Quentin and Leslie Ash from Men Behaving Badly both have famous husbands - name them!
- 9 What was the original name for the Star Trek spaceship?
- 10 Who was the first presenter of Take Your Pick?

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WERE YOU ONE OF THE TRAIN SPOTTERS?

This engine, we are told, was derailed near the bridges in 1926 against the signal box. The signal man was Reg Sheperdson - perhaps your mam or dad, gran or grandad is one of the children - let us know

ACROSS

- 2 Television watcher
- 7 Equal, regular
- 9 Soon, presently
- 10 Conductors of electricity
- 11 Hasty; reckless
- 12 Pronoun; objective case of 'they'
- 14 Small children
- 17 Froglike amphibian
- 19 Scanty wages
- 20 Lake of North Wales
- 21 Bobbin or spool
- 22 Story handed down

DOWN

- 1 Known only to one or a few
- 2 Turning easily from one subject to another
- 3 Unit of measurement
- 4 Refrain from going
- 5 Of a King or Bishop - installed with ceremony
- 6 Garden Flower
- 8 Going by way of
- 13 Persons who pose for artists
- 15 Precious stone
- 16 Male deer
- 17 Small lake among mountains
- 18 Expert

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Dave Perrow - A Born Survivor

Surviving major heart surgery, which needed 5 by-pass operations 4 years ago, David Perrow is now living life to the full with his wife, Edna, in her beloved North Skelton.

Their numerous pastimes include swimming and walking. Hopefully, after another of their many holidays, they are going to learn the game of bowls.

When you go about your everyday business you are sometimes totally unaware of the lifestyle some of your fellow villagers have led. To me, Dave is just one of those people pursuing the same restless energy in retirement as he has shown throughout his life.

Dave served two terms of engagement in the Regular Army. He was in Egypt during the Suez crisis, and later served in Malaya, Korea and Germany finishing his army career as Cook Sergeant.

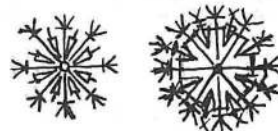


Dave and Edna Perrow - enjoying life

Once back in in "civvy street" Dave's various jobs included being a process worker at Wilton and two seperate stints as manager of The Bulls Head at North Skelton. He was also a milkman at Marske and his final job was as a process worker at Boulby Potash Mine.

Dave was born and brought up at Brotton. A very early recollection of those days was sitting on a horse-drawn cart with his "tinker" grandfather whose quest for work had brought him from Cornwall to work in a local mine. Leaving Brotton school at 14 years of age, he became an apprentice butcher with Douglas Parker at Saltburn.

Conscription - Dave gets his call



Four years later he was conscripted into the army, joining the army's Catering Corps at Woolwich Arsenal. Army life seemed to appeal to Dave who, not long after being demobbed, signed on for "7 & 5" which in those days were the terms of the contract; 7 years' service and 5 years in reserve. This decision was probably soon regretted.

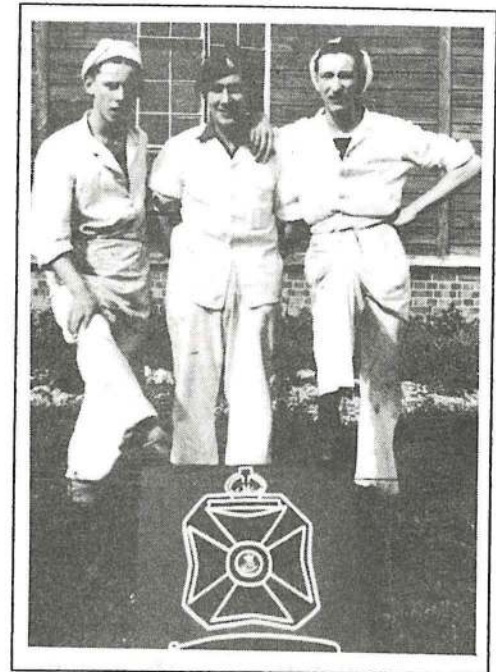
At about this time Dave had resumed his acquaintanceship with a North Skelton lass, Edna Marsay. After 9 months in the Malayan jungle he came home and they were married in 1950. Further service took him to Korea and then to Germany. Here Edna joined him and they lived in the married quarters with baby daughter Susan.

Edna gets homesick

By this time Dave was expanding his army career - he was now a sergeant looking to be a sergeant major. But for Edna the lure of a family life, especially at North Skelton, was uppermost in her mind. Eventually home-sickness forced her to come back home. After 10 years service Dave came home to a house at Hollybush and took a job as a process operator for 5 years at ICI, Wilton.

With catering very much in his blood Dave decided to try his hand at pulling pints in the Bulls Head. This lasted for 2 years then he decided to re-join ICI, commuting from Saltburn Lane for a year. Eventually they got the move that Edna had craved for to 47 William Street, North Skelton.

Once again Dave got itchy feet and became a milkman at Marske for 2 years. When the business was sold he got a job at Boulby Potash Mine.



*Dave and a couple of pals
in the Catering Corps*

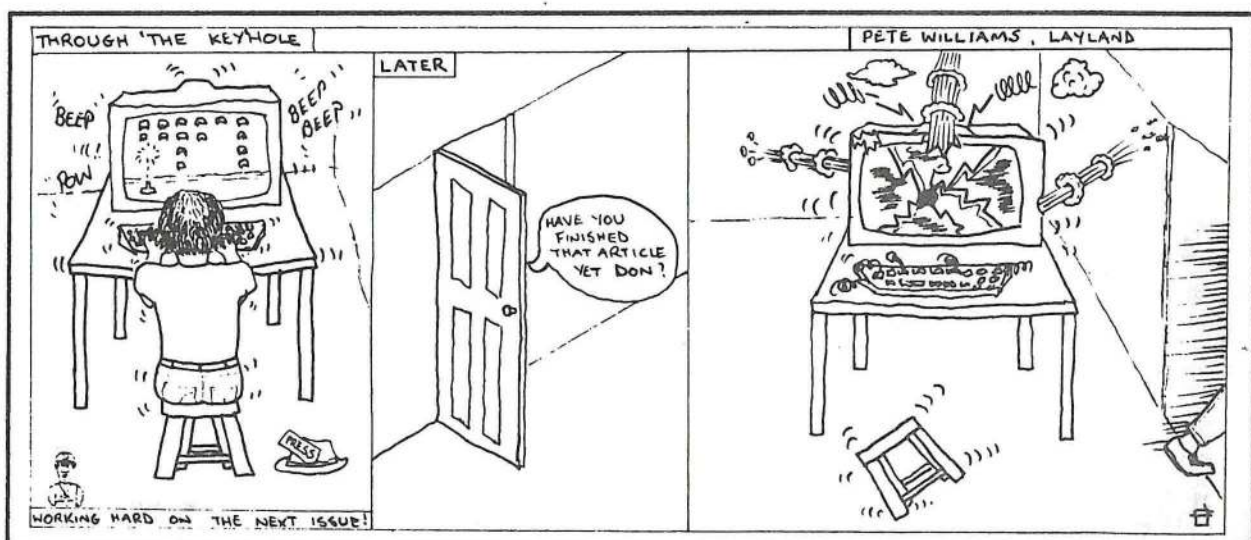
Smoking led to heart attack



Dave had always been a heavy smoker and this finally led to him suffering a major heart attack. He was rushed to the Freeman Hospital at Newcastle and then to Withenshaw Hospital, Manchester. After intensive surgery he was discharged and fortunately was able to complete 20 years' service at Boulby.

Dave, may I, along with all "The Key" readers, wish you continued good health and, along with Edna, a very happy retirement.

Jim Ramage



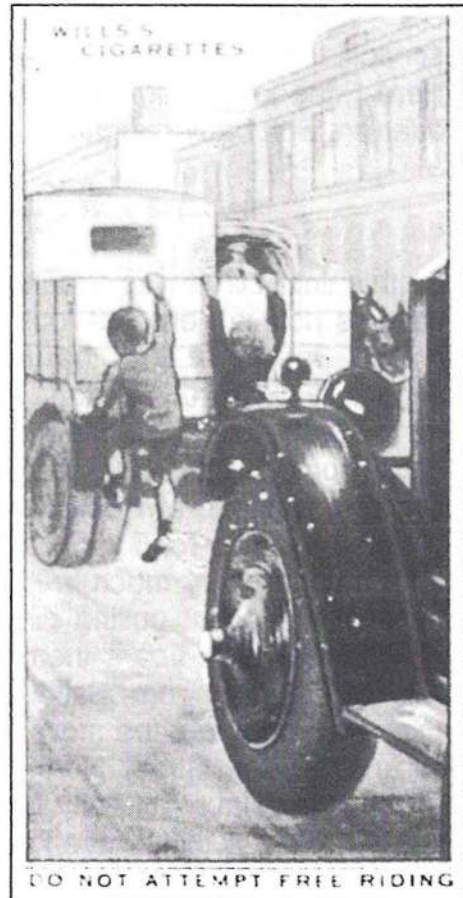
Old Lessons in Motor Car Safety First!



**THINK
SAFETY
ALWAYS!**

Cigarettes are not normally associated with saving lives but a 1930's collector card on Road Safety was given away by Wills & Co. Here are a few to jog the memory!

Something you don't see much nowadays, probably because there are few drop sided trucks around. "Free riding" like this was a daily occurrence and often caused serious accidents.



Very sensible advice. Carbon Monoxide is highly poisonous. There is no known method of working this poison out of the system. Repeated small doses can cause death.

This motorist has little hope of putting this fire out but even today, as was the case 60 years ago, it's good advice to carry a fire extinguisher in the car.



Eddie Hartley

Action North Skelton

Thank you to Jean Tokarski and Marjorie Mathews for four wonderful trips this year. I wonder how many of us would give up every Sunday throughout the year to do the "Tote Double" which finances these trips. Believe it or not they still get the odd person complaining - *shame on you!*

Good luck to ANS's new Chairperson, Tony Chapman, and secretary, Alyson Davies. "You'll have a job on pleasing everyone, Tony, but keep going!"

Just to dispel any doubt - I have only retired as Chairperson of ANS. I am still carrying on as Editor of "The Key".

Message from the new Chairperson:

On becoming the new Chairperson of ANS I would like to thank the previous chairperson, Norma Templeman, for all her hard work and hopefully we can continue to improve your village with such projects as our new Children's Nature Club and the Circular Walkway.

I would also like to take this opportunity to invite anybody from North Skelton and Layland Estate to attend our fortnightly meetings held at the church room at the side of St Peter's Church, North Skelton.

Tony Chapman

Scum of the Year

Vandals have deliberately broken off a branch on one of our new cherry trees. We are very proud of our improved seating area and we are not going to tolerate the scum who are responsible. I only hope whoever it was reads this and realises how strongly we feel about their mindless vandalism.

**WE WILL NOT LET THEM SPOIL
OUR LOVELY VILLAGE!**



Parish Council News

Personal Portable Alarms



Young people walking home on their own from College during the hours of darkness are vulnerable. If there's sufficient interest, Parish Councillors plan to buy personal portable alarms which can be sold at cost price to residents of Skelton and Brotton. If you would like to buy a portable alarm at cost price, please contact any Parish Council Member or the Parish Council Office (tel 653848).

Smoke Alert Campaign

The Parish Council has given a small donation to the Smoke Alert Campaign which provides fitted smoke alarms, free of charge, to Senior Citizens. If you qualify, your name can be added to the waiting list by telephoning either Age Concern (G'bro 610907) or 0429-872311.

Planning Applications



Langbaugh Borough Council now send copies of planning applications for Skelton and Brotton to the Parish Council Office.. Any interested resident may inspect plans relating to their area on a Tuesday between the hours of 9.00am and 1.30pm.

Parish Council Meetings

The Parish Council meets on the third Monday of every month at 7.30 pm in Skelton Civic Centre Committee Room. Members of the public are welcome to attend and listen.

Guitar



by Owen Drinkhall

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Let's talk about the left hand now. This is the hand which makes the notes and chords. There are too many cords to describe, but I have a few chords for you to learn after this article. It is best to buy a chord book from a music shop to show you which chords are which.

I may not be able to tell you all the chords but I can tell you how to put your fingers in the right position to make these notes and chords sound better.

The thumb should be placed in the middle of the neck at 90 degrees to the neck. The fingers should then be placed using the tips onto the strings to be fretted. The finger tips should be placed in between the frets and not on them, this causes the sound to be muffled and unpronounced. It is best to feel relaxed and not to grip the fretboard as this will slow your movements and changes to other chords.

The test now comes when we have to put both hands together. This takes time, but sure enough you'll get there in the end.

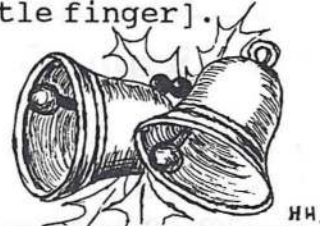
Even after thirteen years of playing, I'm still learning. The secret is to enjoy it.

Tonic Chord	Relative Minor	Sub-Dominant	Dominant	Tonic Chord	Relative Minor	Sub-Dominant	Dominant
C	Am	F	G7	F#	D#m	B	C#7
G	Em	C	D7	Ab	Fm	Db	Eb7
D	Bm	G	A7	Eb	Cm	Ab 2nd Inversion	Bb7
A	F#m	D	E7	Bb 1st Inversion	Gm	Eb	F7
E	C#m	A	B7	F	Dm	Bb	C7
B	G#m	E	F#7				

CHORD BANK

These cords are
* easiest to learn first

The numbers refer to your fingers, 1-4 [your thumb being the 5th, 4th finger being your little finger].



Car Tip....

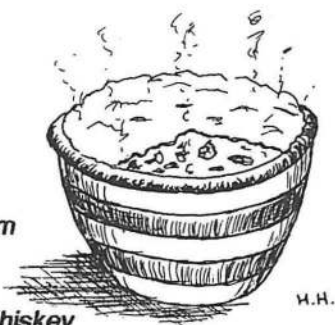
Before washing your car take a cloth soaked in water and squeeze on some bath cleaning cream and give your windscreen a good scrub. Then wash and leather as usual.

There are 6 'Davy Lamps' hidden in The Key. How many did you find?

Recipes ... by Norma Marsay

Christmas Teacake & Butter Pudding

½ Pt Milk
 4 Teacakes
 4 oz Butter
 4 oz Currants
 2 oz Sultanas
 1 oz Cherries
 ½ Pt Single Cream
 3 Eggs
 3 oz Sugar
 4 tablespoons Whiskey
 1 dash Nutmeg



Steep fruit in whiskey overnight. Grease a deep, oven-proof dish. Split and generously butter teacakes - cut into inch squares and line bottom of dish with half of the teacakes. Place knobs of butter all over. Sprinkle half of the sugar on top and add half of the fruit. Whisk eggs, cream and milk. Pour half all over. Layer all ingredients again and sprinkle nutmeg on top.

Cook for 1 hr on Gas Mark 5 or 135 C.

Chicken Pie

2 whole Chicken Breasts
 1 Chicken Knorr Cube
 1 small Onion or Leek
 2 rashers Bacon
 ¼ lb Mushrooms
 ½ pt Single Cream
 1 tablespoon Cornflour

Pastry

8 oz Lard
 2 oz Margarine
 2 tbsps Water

Pastry - sieve flour. Rub in marg and lard. Add water to bind. Roll half of pastry and line an 8 inch pie dish.

Skin and boil chicken until tender and keep the stock. Cube the chicken and add back to the stock. Crumble Knorr cube and add diced bacon, sliced mushrooms and diced onions. Simmer for 5 mins. Mix 2 tablespoons of cream to cornflour and add to the mixture. Gradually add the cream and wait to cool. Then place the mixture in the lined pastry dish and roll the other half of the pastry on top, seal the edges and glaze with egg.

Cook for 20 mins on Gas Mark 7 or 200 C.

WORD SEARCH

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Norma's Knockout!

Wet edge of tall ½ pt glass and dip in some sugar.

Then pour into glass:

3 measures of Blue Bols
 3 measures of Tequila
 3 measures of Vodka



Top up with lemonade and add cherries and lemon for decoration.

Sip slowly!

Crossword Answers:

ACROSS: 2 Viewer, 7 even, 9 anon, 10 circuits, 11 rash, 12 them, 14 tots, 17 toad, 19 pittance, 20 bala, 21 reel, 22 legend

DOWN: 1 Secret, 2 versatile, 3 inch, 4, wait, 5 enthroned, 6 rose, 8 via, 13 models, 15 opal, 16 stag, 17 tarn, 18 ace

Quiz Answers:

1 Mark Little, 2 Bobby Davro, 3 The House of Elliot, 4 Come Dancing, 5 Tooting, 6 Harvey, 7 Bob, 8 Paul Merton & Lee Chapman, 9 Yorktown, 10 Michael Miles





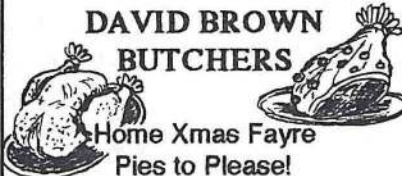
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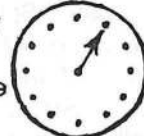
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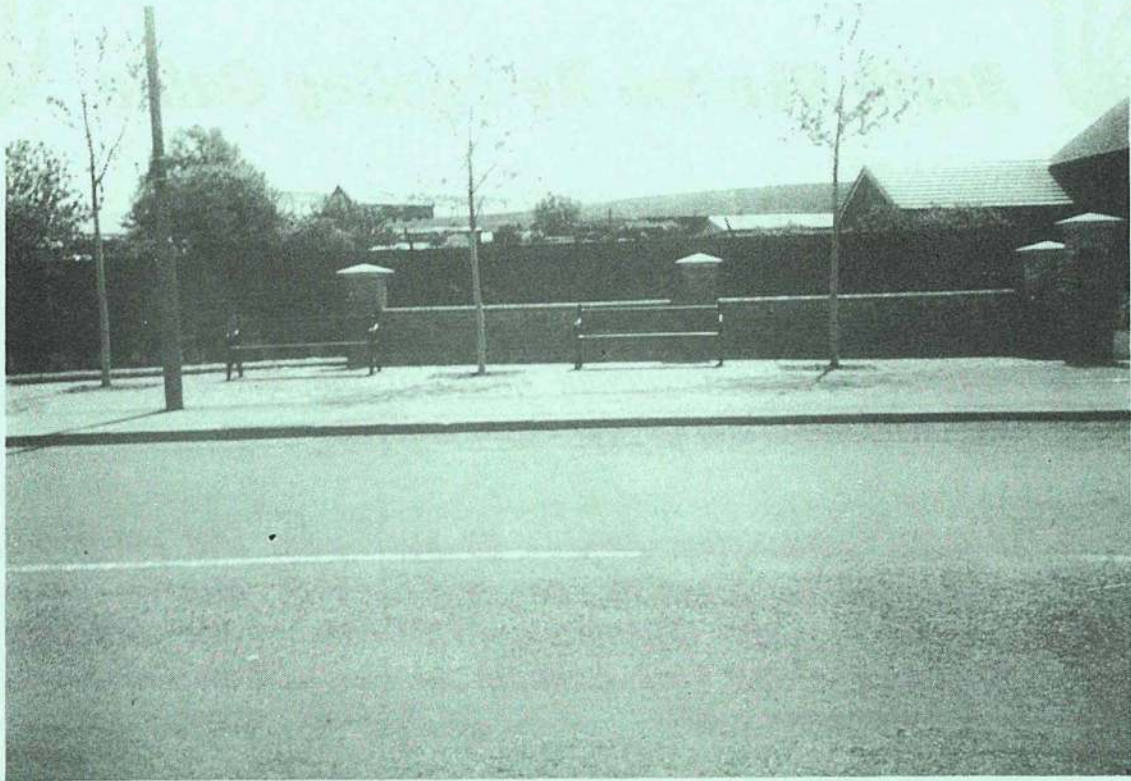
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Dec 22nd Xmas Knockout Final
Xmas Eve "Sing as you please"
Old Fashioned Xmas Supper & Raffle
New Years Eve - Party Night
(Tickets - Members only)
New Years Day - Family Disco 2pm
(Members)



ENVIRONMENT PAGE



Sparrow Park, North Skelton

Recent work [pictured above] carried out by Cleveland County Council and Action North Skelton will soon be followed by the next stage of improvements which will include a new bus shelter, paving, walling and shrub beds.

Cleveland County Council's Environmental Affairs Committee have also approved further improvements:

- ✱ The creation of a Memorial Garden on the present site of the War Memorial
- ✱ Improvements to the entrance of the village by weed clearance and further appropriate planting.

County Councillor Mike Stephen

CAN YOU HELP?

The improvements to the War Memorial will offer an opportunity to include the name of any service man or woman who has died serving their country in any war. This includes the Korean and Gulf conflicts - so if you know of anyone, please contact the Editor as soon as possible

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FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

North Skelton Re-cycling Guide

Keep this guide in a hand place and use it to help you care for the environment and save resources.

- * ***Glass*** - take unwanted glass to the ***Bottle Banks at Gateway Supermarket Car Park, Salthurn***
- * ***Cans [Aluminium only]*** - All your used and unwanted cans can be taken to ***De Brus School, Marske Lane, Skelton, tel: Guisborough 651795, or Gateway Supermarket Car Park, Salthurn*** [use a magnet to check whether the cans are aluminium or not]
- * ***Plastic Bottles*** - Your used plastic bottles can be taken to ***De Brus School, Marske Lane, Skelton***
- * ***Tin Foil*** - Waste tin foil can be taken to ***De Brus School, Marske Lane, Skelton***
- * ***Furniture, Domestic Appliances*** - will be put to good use by ***Loftus Impasse Furniture Shop, 58a High Street, Loftus, tel: Guisborough 642025*** [they will collect]
- * ***Removal of large unwanted items*** - If you have unwanted items to dispose of then contact ***Langbaurgh Borough Council*** to arrange collection.

If you know of other re-cycling schemes, or have any ideas for starting re-cycling schemes in the village, please contact:

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