

Thornton Rust

Bulletin

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Welcome

Sheryl and Barry Willis are now living fulltime at The Bield and looking forward to getting involved in village life. Sheryl has just retired from the health service; Barry is an experienced rural pest controller and is happy to be contacted if anyone needs help. They are interested in finding somewhere locally to grow vegetables in exchange for gardening and a share of the produce.

Rob Newall

Dennis Brown

I'm sad to report that Dennis recently passed away peacefully at 94. Dennis was self-assured but not known for enjoying the limelight. However, I'm sure he'd like to be remembered to the village that embraced him.

A funeral service for Dennis will be held at Aysgarth Church on **Friday 16 May** at 12 noon.

Ian & Jen Kitching (Daughter)

Mary Jolley

It is with great sadness that I write to inform you who may remember our dear friend and former neighbour (Pinehurst) that Mary sadly passed away recently. She will be sadly missed by all who knew her. May she rest in peace.

A funeral service for Mary will be held at Thirsk Crematorium on **Tues 20 May** at 1pm.

Jan Clement

Thornton Rust Recipe Book

The first batch of favourite recipes from people in the village is now available. Please email me if you'd like a copy: rs_newall@hotmail.com

Rachel Newall

Dates for your diary

The following events at the Institute have been arranged:

- VE Day soup and sandwich lunch, 12.30 – 2 pm **Thurs 8 May**. Free to village residents. Call Sue Duffield on 663504 or su.trust@gmail.com to reserve your place.
- Summer quiz night, 7 pm **Sat 17 May**. £3 per person, Pot Luck questions, bring your own snacks and drinks.
- Kennel Field Trust coffee morning, **Sat 7 June**.
- BBQ, **Sat 28 June**.
- Flower arranging demo, **Sat 16 August**.

Easter fundraising

The village raised £73 for NSPCC and funds to support the Institute at the Easter coffee morning. Thank you to everyone for their generosity. There was a great turnout; everyone enjoyed the marmalade sale, homemade puddings and numerous raffle prizes.

Mission Room

An Evensong service will be held at the Mission Room on **Sunday 25 May** at 4pm. All welcome.

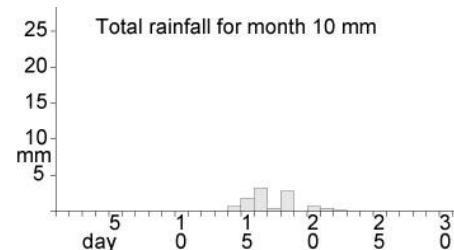
Jackie Cook

Upper Wensleydale news

We wish to take this opportunity to thank those who have subscribed and supported the Upper Wensleydale Newsletter. If you'd like to receive a copy delivered direct to your home (monthly; 11 issues, Dec/Jan combined issue) please contact us on 663626.

Jackie & Alan Cook

Rainfall for April



April 2024: 114 mm;

April 2023: 71 mm;

April 2022: 49 mm.

Refuse collection dates

Green bin	Thurs. 1 May
Grey bin	Tues. 6 May
Recycling	Mon. 12 May
Green bin	Thurs. 15 May
Grey bin	Mon. 19 May
Recycling	Tues. 27 May
Green bin	Thurs. 29 May

Mobile Household Waste Recycling in Aysgarth on **Saturday 17 May** 9-10.30am.

Christian Aid Week

I will be delivering Christian Aid envelopes around the village this month. If you'd like to donate to this charity please return your envelope to The Rambles by **Tuesday 20 May** or call me on 663626 and I will be happy to collect.

Jackie Cook

Institute Feedback

Please let any member of the Committee know if you have any questions or suggestions that you'd like us to discuss when we next meet on **Tuesday 13 May**.

Two pages this time

See also *Thornton Rust News* at <https://aysgarthanddistrict.co.uk/thornton-rust-news>

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Dennis Brown

It is with sadness that we announce that long-time resident of Thornton Rust, Dennis Brown, passed away peacefully on April 9th. Dennis was 94 years old and spent his last months in a care home in Otley oft visited by family and friends.

Dennis retired to Thornton Rust in the early 1980s but had family roots in Worton and Thoraby. In the early years he contributed to saving the Hawes dairy as the Milk Marketing Board closed it down. The silent protest in Hawes as the Milk race passed through is etched on our memories.

Dennis and wife Judy fully embraced village life. He played his part in the village Institute committee that saw useful renovation, volunteered at the village Post Office and the newly restored Gayle Mill.

Latterly he has supported the creation of a woodland in fields by Mill Beck. This is part of the White Rose Forest project that supports a wildlife corridor across the Dales and offset carbon release in an age of climate change.

Dennis left his visiting family with a small part of his wide knowledge of the Dale and Thornton Rust; its history, wildlife and people. We are truly grateful for this, a life well lived and to the friends in Thornton Rust who enriched us all. It was his wish that he returns to the village to finally rest and we are happy to oblige.

Jen (Daughter) and Ian Kitching