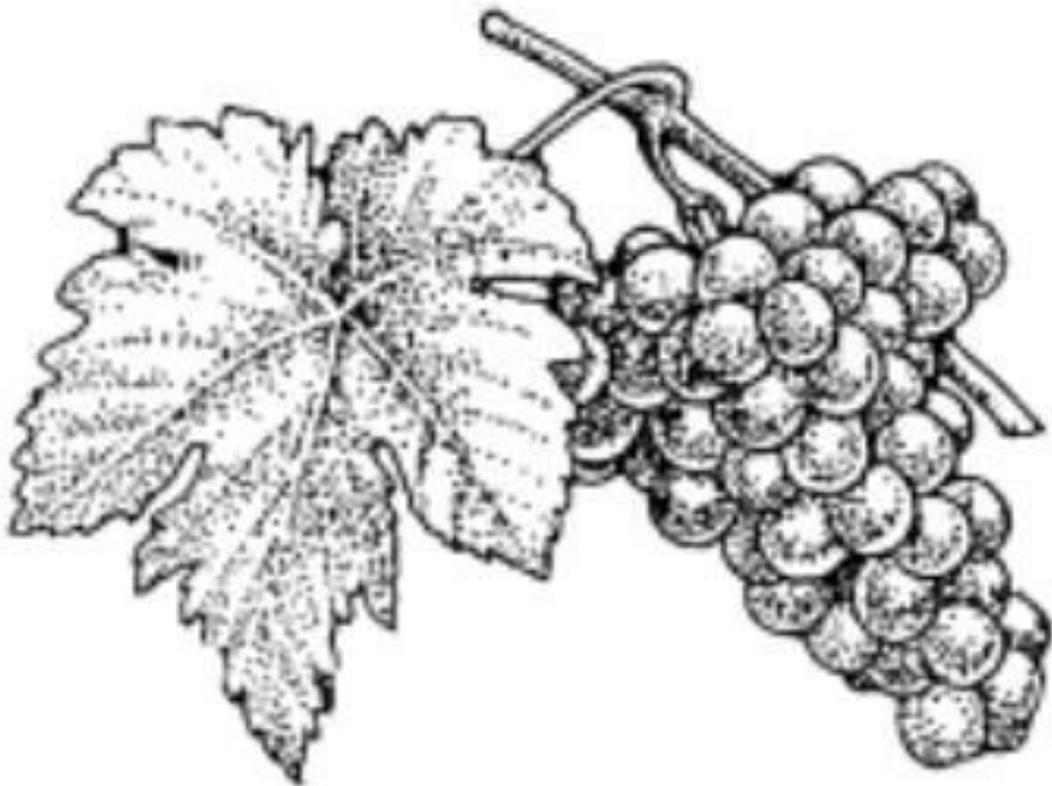


GROVE VINE

**The Magazine of
Grove Methodist Church
Horsforth, Leeds**

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**The Grove Methodist Church is called to respond to the
Gospel of love in Jesus Christ and to live out its discipleship in
worship, service and mission**

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Regular events

Sunday

- 10.20 Creche (0-3yrs) 0113 258 3509
- 10.20 J Team (tots to 12s) 0113 258 8803
- 10.30 Worship
- 6.00 Worship (alternate Sundays at Central Methodist Church)
- 7.30 Studio Dance SNYG 0113 258 9093

Monday

- 9 -12.00 Pre-school (2-under 5s) (Funding 3-4yrs) 0113 239 0335
- 12.00 Luncheon Club 0113 258 3807
- 1.30 Network Women's Fellowship 0113 258 9448
- 6.15 Beavers 0113 216 9006
- 6.15 Cubs 0113 216 9006
- 7.45 Scouts 0113 216 9006
- 7.45 Flower Guild (3rd Monday in the month) 0113 258 4520

Tuesday

- 9 -9.30 Prayer Group in the Quiet Room 0113 258 8803
- 9 -12.00 Pre-school (2-under 5s) (Funding 3-4yrs)
0113 239 0335 and 12.00 – 3.00 Pre-school as above.
- 10-11.30 Coffee in the Centre Small Hall 0113 258 3568;
Quiet Room available for prayer. Jean Kemp's hand-
made greetings cards are available on the first Tuesday
of each month
- 6.00 Rainbows (5th Horsforth) 0113 259 0555
- 6.15 Brownies (5th Horsforth) 0113 258 3670
- 7.45 Guides (5th Horsforth) 0113 202 9010

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The roundabout continues...

to be a work in progress. It isn't alone.

We are all works in progress, simply because we are still breathing and acting, thinking and communicating. Or as has been said, 'God hasn't finished with you yet.'

I have to admit, I never know whether to be cheered or dismayed by that, because it means that I have more to go through, and more to discover about myself – much of which I would rather not have known, if past experience is anything to go by!

The field outside the Manse now has up to six horses in it at any one time, some 'standard', one heavy, and one who at times appears to be a stuffed toy designed by somebody who had heard of, but never actually seen, a horse. Their community keeps shifting, the dynamics altering according to which of them is there on any given day, who has decided to sleep in the sun, who is feeling in the need for a bit of exercise....

Just when you think you know what's what, they have the power to surprise you.

Our lives are works in progress, in the middle of an ever-changing community, the changes revealing undiscovered and unimagined truths. Any desire that all should stand still is not only doomed to be unfulfilled, but is unrealistic from the start. Will Rogers said "Things ain't what they used to be **and never were.**" I think it very interesting that people generally forget the last part of the quotation.

Embrace the change, and become the person you are going to be. Otherwise you might as well just circle a roundabout, going nowhere.

God bless,

Ali (Rev A S Jones)

Please remember in your prayers: John Ashby, Florence Bonfield, Tony Emmott, Mary Hart, Nancy Mathers, Stan Ramsden, Margaret Reasbeck, Ros Revell, Kathleen Taylor, Margaret Bosomworth and Christine Wilson.

Sunday Services in June

7th 9.00 Rev. Alistair Jones - Holy Communion
10.30 Mrs Moira Hunt - Family and Parade
NB 6.00 Civic Service at Gragg Baptist Church
14th 10.30 Rev. Alistair Jones – Holy Communion (MHA Sunday)
6.00 United Service at Central
21st 10.30 Mr Brain Thompson
6.00 Mr Phil Maud
28th 10.30 Mr Peter Mawson
6.00 Circuit Service at Trinity Bramley

July

5th 9.00 Rev. Alistair Jones - Holy Communion
10.30 Rev. Alistair Jones – Family and Parade
6.00 United service at Central

Stewards on Duty in June

7th Michael Wallis and Carole Abel
14th Caroline Turner and Kath Ashby
21st Michael Wallis and John Bussey
28th Kath Ashby and Carole Abel
5th July John Bussey and Margaret Shingler

Date for your diary

Saturday 15th July at 7.30 pm



The End



A Dance Show by Studio Dance SNYG

(They are calling it "The End" as the dancers will soon be disappearing to University)

Horsforth Churches Together

Together in our community

Fairtrade

Good News! Horsforth now has **Fairtrade Status**. (Keep up the good work using Fairtrade products!)

Live at Home

Holidays are being enjoyed, the Craft Group keeps people busy and the Singing Group is successful. The Homeward Project is now established. There is likely to be a new organiser for Live at Home soon.

Foodbank

Horsforth Foodbank is based at Lister Hill Baptist Church and is open on Wednesday afternoons (2.00 - 4.00) and Saturday mornings (10.00 - 12.00). On average we help about 4 families each session. Thank you for all the food donations.

Open the Book and Rewind events

We now have the opportunity to help 6 primary schools in Horsforth with dramatic assemblies and activities for special Christian festivals.

Civic Service

This will take place on **7th June** at 6.30pm at Cragg Hill Baptist Church.

Park Events

27th June: Horsforth Gala. Churches Together will be providing free inflatable activities, and a Mum's and tots area.

26th September: Hope in the Park. There will be many tents and activities including sports, face-painting, small children's toys, inflatables and a Fun Bible Quiz. (Churches may like to borrow an activity to help with "Come to Church Sunday" the next day.)

12th December: Carols in the Park.

Walk of Art

Art will be displayed around Horsforth on **4th and 5th July**



Leeds South & West Circuit Celebration

Scarborough



Day Trip

Sat, 5th Sept 2015

Celebrate with friends, old and new, at the seaside

- Pick up between 9 & 10am from local churches, departing at 6pm, make your own eating arrangements, drinks available.
- **£5 per coach seat.**
Book early to ensure your place.



If you wish to book please contact Cynthia Hatton on 2581726

CHURCH FELLOWSHIP HOLIDAY SUNDAY 17TH MAY TO FRIDAY 22ND MAY 2015

On Sunday 17th May 38 members and friends from the Grove set off for Raven Hall, Ravenscar. We even had a mention on the Radio 2 programme with Richard Madeley although he made part of what he said up!!!!

We were all allocated our rooms around 3pm and had time to unpack before meeting for a cup of tea and a shortbread biscuit. After this, we were free until 6.30 when dinner was served. Once dinner was eaten we met in the chapel for a short meeting about the events of the coming week. We then sang a few favourite hymns before retiring to bed.

Monday morning was quite gloomy and damp. John Bussey took some people on a walk in Scarborough. All enjoyed it but got wet. Others went to Whitby and various other places near Ravenscar. Dinner was again at 6.30 and following this we were entertained by Cynthia Quale, David Whiteley and David Buckley. What a laugh we had at Cynthia's funny stories.

Tuesday was a day out by coach for everyone to Sewerby Hall near Bridlington. The weather forecast was poor but it was fine when we left just after 10am. Once Barbara had purchased the tickets we were free to wander as we wanted to or just to sit in the gardens. The walled garden was particularly nice and as the sun shone we sat there for some time. Next stop lunch. During this the heavens opened. The hall was close to where we had eaten so a quick dash was made. The hall was very interesting especially the film about Amy Johnson. The journey back was colourful. We had rain, hail, sleet, SNOW, thunder and lightning. The snow even settled on the ground for a short time. Not what we expected in May. The rest of the day and evening were free.

Wednesday again had mixed weather. A few brave people went with John on the second walk of the week starting in Sandsend with a steep hill. They all came back in one piece thankfully. After dinner this evening, we had an evening with Michael and Janet Wallis. We had no idea what to expect but!!! We were in the Viking Room (one we haven't used before) where we sat at tables

of 4 and played dominoes. It was played as you would at a beetle drive. The winner moved up and the loser down a table. It was a fun evening. The winners were Kathryn Bussey and David Whiteley. Bill Kemp won the booby prize!!!

Thursday was a free day for all to do as they wished. Some went to Scarborough, some to Whitby, some to the stained glass place and others stayed in Ravenscar. After our evening meal we had our concert. It is surprising what hidden talent there is at the Grove.

Again, a fun evening with lots of laughter and applause for all.

After breakfast on Friday we had our usual morning prayers.

Barbara thanked all who had contributed to the wonderful week we had had at Raven Hall. Special thanks were given to David Whiteley and David Buckley for all their hard work with the concerts etc. To John Bussey for organising the walks and Keith Whitham for organising bowls every day. To all who had taken morning prayers and to Margaret Heaton for acting as Medical Officer for the week and to thank her for the busy week she had which included a trip to Scarborough Hospital. All who she nursed are fit and well.

Prizes were given to Mary Rawnsley and Margaret Bosomworth, David and Pauline Quick and Trish and Keith Whitham for winning the quizzes. Our appreciation for all Barbara and David do for us was shown in a gift for each of them. We left with the words of Barbara's favourite hymn "O God our Father, who dost make us one" and especially "Now as we part and go our several ways,

Touch every lip may every voice be praise."

Beryl Thompson

May Word Spiral Solution

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O	T	N	I	M	A	R
R	E	E	D	R	A	N



Alfie Yates is a lovely 9 year old boy who has Duchennes Muscular Dystrophy, a genetic disorder which causes the muscles to weaken, for which there is currently no cure. You may have seen Alfie at the Grove with his family, who have been very active in fundraising for Dogs for the Disabled over recent years. After a long wait, he has recently been given his own assistance dog Fleck, who supports Alfie and helps him live more independently. Photos of the two of them together are displayed next to the carboy, which in May and June is raising funds for Dogs for the Disabled towards their wonderful work with children like Alfie. To highlight our charity appeal, we are inviting budding young artists to submit a picture of Fleck to either Kath Ashby or Samantha Walker, with a prize for the winning entry – last day for entries to be received is the Parade Sunday 5th July. Many thanks!

Another New Hymn Book?

The Hymn Society of Great Britain and Ireland included the following in its recent Newsletter.

"We are pleased to announce the planning of a new hymn book: *Hymns for those of Senior Years*. It will include such favourites as –

Nobody knows the trouble I have seeing,
Just a slower walk with thee,
Count your many birthdays, name them one by one,
Go tell it on the mountain, but speak up,
Blessed insurance,
Precious Lord, take my hand and help me up,
It is well with my soul, but my knees hurt,

Guide me O thou great Jehovah, I've forgotten where I parked the car,
Art thou weary, art thou languid, hast thou forgotten to take thy tablets?"

Further suggestions for inclusion would be welcome.

Tony Orton, with thanks to the Hymn Society of GB & I

Scouts Italian Evening
Saturday 20th June 2015 at Jubilee Hall, Rawdon
From 7.30pm -10.30

Participants and leaders will serve you with a 3 course Italian meal. Each table of four will receive an initial bottle of wine as part of the ticket price. There will be a licensed bar selling both alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages. Entertainment will be an Italian themed quiz, prepared by our young people. Our Grand Raffle will be drawn tonight.

Bookings need to be made in advance, by Friday 12th June. Please book tickets in advance. Forms and payment can be returned to section leaders. Please make a note of your selections. Cheques should be payable to '9th Airedale Scout Group'.

All proceeds from this evening are going towards funding a more memorable experience on the excursion day – the Mt Blanc Cable Car.

Thank you for your support.

Italian Job Leadership Team – John Kitching: Tel 0113 250 6786
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Thought for the month

Christianity is a statement which, if false, is of no importance, and, if true, of infinite importance. The one thing it cannot be is of moderate importance.

C.S.Lewis

What's On

7th June at 6.30pm Horsforth Churches Together Civic Service at Cragg Hill Baptist Church.

27th June: Horsforth Gala (Churches Together will be providing free inflatable activities and a Mum's and tots area.)

4th and 5th July: 'Walk of Art'. Art will be displayed around Horsforth.

Regular events (contd)

Wednesday

9 -12.00 Pre-school (2-under 5s) (Funding 3-4yrs)
0113 239 0335
and 12.00 – 3.00 Pre-school as above.
2.00 Line Dancing 0113 258 7444
6.00 Rainbows (14th) 0113 239 0335
6.15 Brownies (14th) 0113 250 4907
7.30 Wednesday Break (fortnightly) 0113 225 2734
8.00 Explorer Scouts 0113 258 0882

Thursday

9.30 – 11.30 Tots & Tykes (0-4yrs) 0113 293 8458
11.00 Bible Fellowship 0113 258 3239
6.00 Cubs 0113 216 9006
6.15 Beavers 0113 216 9006
7.45 Scouts 0113 216 9006
7.45 Grove Ladies Group (1st and 3rd Thursdays)
0113 258 2520

Friday

7.45 Choir Rehearsal 0113 258 9093

Walking Groups: **Thursday** 0113 258 6579

Saturday 0113 258 4520

Stop Press:

Christian Aid collection raised £2145.56 from members of the Grove _____ a big well done to all.

From the Editorial Group

Note that the Editorial Teams alternate..... n.b. the July/August Issue will be prepared by Gordon and Mary Mellor and you should send items to them no later than 5pm on Thursday 25th June.

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