



DALES TRADITIONAL MUSIC AND DANCE COLLECTIVE
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for

Yorkshire Dales and Other Musicians, Callers, Singers, Dancers, Poets and
Listeners

1. Collective Website Address

Sorry, the website address has been wrong on all previous newsletters.

Mea culpa! It should end **.org.uk** (see above) - not .com.uk as given before.

2. MUSICAL TRIBUTE TO BOB ELLIS. Sunday 28th April, Rose and Crown, Bainbridge - 2pm to 4pm but things may be happening from 12 noon. This is shaping up to be a great occasion with Dales musicians from afar, melodeonists in force and the Crook Morris Band and Dancers. Dalesbus services 875 and 876 from Wetherby and York respectively can deliver passengers to Bainbridge at 1220 or 1320 and start the journey back at 1641.

Thanks to Mark Wallace for sending out news of the change of date from the Saturday (27th) to Sunday 28th, while I was away.

3. Reminder: Summer Reunion Pub Session at The Buck in Buckden, Sunday 9th June, 2pm to 5pm, It fits in with the Dalesbus Summer timetable.

Musicians, singers, poets, story teller and listeners ALL WELCOME..

4. Autumn/Winter 2024/2025 Buck sessions - 2nd Sundays in the month. The new season starts on Sunday October 13th, 2pm - 5pm, for Dalesbus Summer timetable. Then 1pm to 4pm for the Winter timetable: November 10th - December 8th - 2025 for January 12th - February 9th - March 9th.

5. Great news of **"Dancing Round the Dales"** with the No Lazy Dancing Dance Band and callers Pete Coe and Peter Barnard on Saturday March 30th 2024 in Ripley Town Hall. Mark Wallace reports:

"Ripley was a cracking success. 90 dancers of a range of ages including about 6 teenagers. Having both Pete Coe and Peter Barnard calling made for a very special evening. We played "Old Towler", the Joshua Jackson version of the Grassington "Huntsman's Chorus" which was great fun. George and I can also play Sam Stables' Grassington version which has "A-Hunting We Will Go" in it."

6. **"Littondale's Got Talent"** This biennial show was held in Amerdale Hall, Arncliffe on Saturday 24th February 2024. A packed house as usual. 8 'acts' by groups or individual performers from age 9 to nearly 88. My contribution this time was a "Musical Journey" of Dales Dance tunes (mostly from Bob's book) on the flute: Langstrothdale (*Buckden Feast p.214*) to Leeds (*Leeds Polka*) via Ribblesdale (*Underneath the Lamplight's Glitter/ St. Bernard Waltz p.332/331*), Bishopdale (*The Moon and 7 Stars p.64*), Dentdale (*Pop Mason's Buttered Peas p.133*), Grassington for Wharfedale (*Huntsman's Chorus p.150*), and Baldersdale (*Sam Fawcett's Jig p.169*). 8 tunes from 6 Dales in supposedly 5 minutes flat. The sarky Simon Cowell act on the three judges' panel said it was a boring journey but the others were more forgiving. It didn't win, of course, out-starred by the 9yr old's solo singing and all the other acts, but it was fun to put together this geographical sequence of tunes and air them.

7. Other events within or beyond the Dales

a) Don't forget the Addingham Ceilidh Club's regular third Sunday in the month evening dances. Jenny Scott on jennyataireview@gmail.com for information.

b) Look out of news of other interesting folk music and dance events on our Collective's website, if we hear about them.



Happy traditional Dales music making!

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