

DALES TRADITIONAL MUSIC AND DANCE COLLECTIVE Newsletter No. 7 August 11th 2023 Welcome



Yorkshire Dales Musicians, Callers, Singers, Dancers, Poets and Listeners to the Collective's seventh newsletter

This dry/wet, very warm/much cooler Summer (?) proceeds at unseemly haste towards Autumn and several Collective events in the offing.

First, two announcements:

1. GREAT NEWS - WE HAVE A WEBSITE! Anahata of Barley Cote Band has swept into action and set it up. The title is quite a mouthful (It took me several goes to get it right first time) but is said to be very "Googleable". Here goes:

www.dales-music-and-dance-collective.org.uk

It is being developed by maestro Anahata but Mark Wallace and I are registered as users who can add events to it. Here is a briefing by Anahata himself: The Contact page on the web site now works. If people put in their contact details and a message, it gets emailed to Mark, who has volunteered to be the recipient of such messages. I've started work on a process for people to subscribe online to newsletters and the like. The "Under construction" notice has come off the home page now. The site may not be finished, but at least everything that is there works properly now, as far as I know.

You can see from Anahata's own website www.treewind.co.uk the range of his interests musical and otherwise. His CDs feature lots of East Anglian folk music and dance. (Exam and research question: contrast and compare dance music from flat Fenland landscape with that from hilly Yorkshire Dales? Ed.)

Big thankyou, Anahata.

2. NOT GREAT NEWS - our own Dales music and history maestro Bob Ellis was taken seriously ill with heart trouble on a holiday cruise to Northern Ireland. From Belfast hospital he was flown home and is now undergoing further investigation and treatment in hospital in Northallerton. He has applauded the website activity from the sidelines where he will probably stay for quite some time.

Bob, we are missing you and send you our very best wishes for a full recovery to good health and powerful umph on your melodeon.

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COLLECTIVE and ASSOCIATED EVENTS IN THE AUTUMN PIPELINE

- 1. Whitby Folk Week Thursday afternoon 24th August 3.30 -
- **4.50pm in the Pavilion.** Dales Music and Dance Workshop. Led by Pete Coe with music from the ubiquitous No Lazy Dancing Dance Band. A sharing, participatory dance and tune session for musicians, dancers and callers.

2. Wednesday 13th September in Saltaire. Colin's invitation:

All Dales dancers, singers, players and poets are warmly welcomed to "A Reet Good Yorkshire Crack" to be held at the famous Caroline Street Social Club, Saltaire on Wednesday September 13th 3pm – 9.30pm as part of Saltaire Festival. There will be a mixture of Yorkshire Dialect, Songs, Poems, stories and history. And some Dales tunes from some Collective musicians.

Admission free! (Donations welcome) Details at A Reet Good Yorkshire Crack - Saltaire Festival.

- 3. Sunday September 17^{th} 7.30pm in Addingham Memorial Hall. Addingham Ceilidh Club's first meeting of the season, then every 3^{rd} Sunday in the month. £5 cash on the door to enjoy Dales and other dances to the resident band, Geoff Bowen et al, and callers Liz Bowen, Jenny Scott and Jennie Ellison.
- 4. Ripley Town Hall Saturday 30th September 7pm 10pm with Mark and George's "No Lazy Dancing Dance Band" and Pete and Sue Coe calling. A repeat of their successful world premiere on April 1st this year. (View this flyer in full on the email attachment)



5. Sunday October 8^{th} 2pm to 5pm at the Buck Inn, Buckden. The 1^{st} pub music session of the new season

For singers, musicians, poetry performers (especially in Yorkshire dialect) and raconteurs- all welcome. Listeners too. There is also space in the middle for some brave dancers. These sessions continue, every 2nd Sunday in the Month from October 2023 to March 2024: October 8th, November 12th, December 10th, January 14th, February 11th, March 10th. Time: 2pm to 5pm (October) to

coincide with Dalesbus summer timetable, then **1pm** to **4pm** for the Dalesbus 875 winter timetable. Assuming their timetables stay as they are now.

6. Sunday Afternoon 22nd October, 2pm to 5pm in Amerdale Hall, Arncliffe in Littondale. This is a repeat almost of the successful Dales Dance afternoon in Kettlewell in November 2022. Advance tickets available from Grassington Hub from 1st September. Not as convenient for Dalesbus 875 nondriving dancers but if you tell me good time we could do a car shuttle service between Kilnsey and Arncliffe to collect at 1108 and deliver for 1742. (Full more readable poster attached to email) All Collective support welcome! Door open from 1.30pm



7. Saturday Evening 2nd March 2024, Grassington Town Hall, 7pm to 10pm. "COME Traditional Dales village DANCING" again with the Buttered Peas band and Terry Evans calling. As announced in July's Newsletter the Grassington Devonshire Institute, aka the Town Hall, warmly welcomed this event and hoped it would be the first in a series of Dales Dances, with different bands performing. Other band leaders, come and check it out this time! Publicity coming later, but please note the date now!



Happy traditional Dales music making!



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