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Ridings Condemned!

Nostalgic though the idea may be, the reality of a North Riding "local" authority, one hundred miles wide is unrealistic - if the needs of people are to be seriously considered.

What chances will parish councils have of getting anything done if there are even fewer district councillors to represent people as the Ridings Plan proposes.

By all means, re-establish the traditional boundaries, in name only. Perhaps amalgamate Richmond and Hambleton, but stop there and maintain the present levels of representation.

Do you know who your local councillors are now? An even bigger authority would be no help to anyone except the 'professional' politicians, in for what they can get out of it - full time payment!

At present many already busy people, volunteer their spare time and service to the community. A massive Riding Authority would restrict virtual full time service to retired and un-employed people, who could spend a full week at meetings.

Is this the local government you want? Are you prepared to pay what it is going to cost? Do we need this upheaval in our present local government system? Tell your local councillor what YOU think and tell your member of parliament (William Hague, House of Commons, Westminster, London SW1).

New Cabinet Minister Richmonds M.P. William Hague, has taken up his position as junior minister in the Social Security Department, 79 Whitehall, London, with special responsibility for pensions.

Prayer the Answer? Scotton Evangelical Church meets at Scotton Village Hall in Meane Road, Scotton, to worship God, every Sunday at 11 am and 6 pm, all welcome. Tel 833060.

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Listen to the Lions Roar!

The challenges of so many social needs are taken up by various bodies, at the forefront of which are the Lion Clubs International. Since arriving in Britain in the 1950's over 850 local clubs have been organised and Richmond Lions, Danny Gill and Richard Heyling welcome any new support to develop the local branch.

Needs are provided for by fund raising activities, usually entertaining for those who take part, and hard work for those who do the organising! Organisers who have decided to give something back to their communities.

Youngsters benefit from foreign travel and other nations cultures, made possible through Lions Clubs in over 150 different countries. Mini buses provide help to all sorts of people.

Small or large, the need is being increasingly met, but more men are needed to help. Can you? Phone 818121 or 811613.

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Famous People's Favourite Things

F. Scoffier, famous for being first, leads the pack in this new feature!

1. Favourite song; The Eton Boating song, this song reminds me of my partners prowess on the rowing machine, and its good to whistle to.
2. Favourite Charity; British Lung Foundation, a cause that I spend many hours trying to raise funds for.
3. Favourite Photograph; Aerial photograph of Catterick Village, taken in 1991.
4. Favourite Hobby; Growing vegetables.
5. Favpirote Flower; Cauliflower!
6. Favpirote (psseppom); My copies of the Clarion, bound in hand tooled plastic.
- * 7. Favourite Shop; Pattison's shop on the Low Green, Catterick Village, the Harrods of the North! (And they don't have 5 people stacking shelves, and one on the till)
8. Favourite Daily Paper; Daily Telegraph.
9. Favourite Monthly or Periodical Journal, The Clarion, without equal for local news views and gossip. Its free too!
10. Favourite Animal; Jake, a black and white cat, or white and black if you prefer.

Well thats it for this edition. If you are famous, or if you just live in the Clarion distribution area, you could suddenly find yourself thrust into the lime-light by being asked to give your 10 favourite things! So get those lists ready, you never know when our canny journalist will strike!

Michael Sydall School Cross Country Race.

On Friday 25th June, a vast crowd gathered on the Low Green, Catterick Village, to give support to competitors in the annual race to find Catterick'd fstest cross country runners. Car parking was at a premium and well wishers gatered in their hundreds to see the race, rescheduled from an earlier date, due to inclement weather.

Hannah Stokell led the field in the senior girls section, with Robin Carter winning the senior boys race. Rachel Pick was victorious in the junior girls section and Thomas Goodwin was first man home in the junior boys.

Duncan Robertson, headmaster of Michael Sydall school, came in last to thunderous applause and is in training at this very moment to improve on his position next year.

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Book Review by Helen Pelton

This month a male author who is becoming a classic for school 'A' level scholars and above all very readable.

DAVID LODGE - NICE WORK published by Penguin at £4.99.

The hero of our story is VIC WILCOX who is the managing director of an engineering firm, he has a bored wife and three very difficult teenagers who spend his money relentlessly. ROBYN PENROSE our heroine is lecturer in English literature at Brummidge University, a very modern, independent, Guardian reading woman on top sort of lady.

The story relates how their paths cross as campus meets industry, and it does end happily! I must admit I really identified with Ms Penrose as I am sure some of you male readers will identify with Vic Wilcox. Some of the diatribe is quite intense, but very tongue in cheek and funny. I don't often read male authors, but Mr Lodge is certainly on my reading list of the future. Until next month..... Good reading!

Helen Pelton.

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Yorkshire Appeal Gladys departed, the grieving husband decided on the simple epitaph - 'She was thine'. Unfortunately, the aging stone mason put 'She was thin'. When asked to correct this agreed, 'Aal put it reet f'thee. All put 'E' in al reet'. And so he did, the result? 'E She were thin'

Singing for you? Richmond Choral Society asks 'Are you interested in choral singing?' Your only qualification need be enthusiasm. In particular we are short of tenors. if you are interested, please contact Dave Spencer any evening on Richmond 811866.

Church roof appeal Selling a tile has started at the Roman Catholic Church in Newbiggin, Richmond, towards raising funds to renovate the roof. There will also be a concert by Richmondshire Orchestra on Saturday the 17th July.

Write for the Clarion, send your news, views and comments to the Editor, 12 High Green, Catterick Village.

Antiques Fair in aid of Richmondshire museum will be held in the Market Hall, Richmond Sunday 22nd August.

Vintage Cars The annual run for Vintage and Classic cars from Low Green Catterick Village, will take place on Sunday 1st August. Cars are expected to arrive from 9.30 am and depart for an 80 mile leisurly run in the Dales from 11 am.

Top Student Helen Wood of Colburn Grange Farm is Student of the Year in the B.Tec National Diploma course she is taking with York College of Further and Higher education.

Richmond Business Development Group A variety of services and assistance to business is offered by the RBDG. Full details are available from Gillian Howells on Richmond 825221.

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RISEDALE SCHOOL RE-UNION 40 years old this year, an invitation has gone out to all former pupils from 1953 to get together for a re-union on October 1st. Anyone able to attend is welcome to write in with their memories and lend photographs. Please contact Jim Tomlinson at the school at Hipswell, or phone (0748) 833501.


JOBS THREATENED A strong protest has been made by civilian staff at Catterick Garrison faced with the privatisation of their jobs. They question how the same service can be maintained by paying cover wages and employing fewer people. They are also objecting to private profits being made out of public services. It is a complete contradiction said union convenor Nick Woodall.

POSTMEN PATS ON THE BACK Catterick Garrison Royal Mail Delivery office achieved the best delivery service in the North East and won them a special trophy and cheque for £2,750. The staff agreed to share their award with Genna Witherley aged two, who suffers from cerebral palsy and will now be able to go to Hungry for specialist treatment.

FIRST FOR LOCAL SCHOOLS? Justin Lewis-Anthony who attended both Risedale School and Richmond School may be their first pupil to enter Holy Orders. Justin now 28, will be ordained at Gloucester Cathedral, having been a deacon at Cirencester Parish church. His parents live at Scotton.

TREE DEDICATION A tree was planted on Catterick Village green on Sunday 4th July in memory of Mrs Louise Owen who died very suddenly on February 8th this year. Money for the tree was kindly donated by customers and friends of the Oak Tree Inn. An additional £104 was donated to St Leonards Hospice, York. Paul and Chris of the Oak Tree Inn would like to thank all concerned for their donations, thanks go also to the parish council who gave permission to plant the tree on the Village green.

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He just went out and this did say,
 A card please Sir for Mothers Day.
 A special one for she's the best,
 And now he's gone, please God at rest.

Enough's, enough, all voices say
 Just stop the killing from today.
 A precious life, you must not take,
 So end it now, this vow please make.

I ask you why you killed this child,
 Why bomb and hurt and act so wild.
 Now end this fear, no more destroy,
 Before you kill another boy.

Enough,s enough, you wicked lot,
 Your evil ways won't be forgot.
 No good will ever come from these,
 Your bad and cruel atrocities.

I end my poem with this prayer,
 Dear Lord let peace be everywhere.
 Build up your love in everyone,
 And then our Ills will all be gone.

Michael Kingston



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