

Bottle idea is welcomed

I would like to give a voice of support to those Teesdale councillors who are advocating the setting up of a bottle-dump, in Barnard Castle.

The disposal of glass bottles and jars which have only been used once is not only wasteful but short-sighted. This earth, as we are often told, does not have unlimited resources and we should all ensure that whatever can be recycled is recycled, as often as possible.

Hopefully, provision will also be made in the near future, for the reclaiming of paper in Teesdale, Durham and nationally. It would be a great shame if such a worthwhile scheme were shelved simply because some councillors were afraid

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of broken glass, or because others could not agree to a site.

Please press ahead with this plan as soon as possible, it is one the people of Teesdale should be proud of.

MARY STASTINY.

Riverside, Whorlton.

Thanks to audiences

On behalf of the cast and production team, I would like to thank everyone for giving such tremendous support to the Mad Mads' play The Hollow Hills in Barnard Castle and Middleton.

Our pleasure in putting it on stage was increased greatly by the

warm way it was received each night.

Thanks also to the many people who loaned us clothing and props, which all helped to give the play a flavour of the lead mining era, and others who assisted in any way.

We are grateful too to Tom and Doris Waistell for the lovely flowers they presented on the final evening.

The fiddle played in the show belonged to Bob Raine's daughter, Mrs Linda Maughan, now of Upwey, Victoria, Australia.

We have been requested to present The Hollow Hills again in the near future, either in Teesdale or elsewhere, for people who missed it or would like to see it again. We are now finding out if this is possible.

LYNNE BOTTOMLEY.

Mad Mads producer. Holwick.



Barbarians take trophy

This is the Teesdale Barbarians rugby team which beat a Barnard Castle XV to win the Dalesports Trophy in the annual challenge match. The cup was presented to the winners by the Dalesports ladies, Elsie Oliver and Joyce Wilkinson. In the first half Dave Pass scored two penalties for Barbarians and Steve Cranville replied with two for the town team. Paddy Weatherall scored a try to give Barbarians a 10-6 lead. Cranville got a try and conversion to make it 12-10, but Pass went over for a late try to give his team a 14-12 victory. Below: the Barnard Castle side.



FISHING

Tasty trout - the 17th century way

BY ANDREW WILKINSON

The great Isaac Walton believed that enjoying your trout after they have been cooked is as much fun as catching them.

He's probably right, but many of us are too lazy to make the most of our catch. I'm one of the culprits, for the only way I prepare my fish is to fry them and eat them with chips or bread and butter. Walton would have been shocked by such feeble culinary efforts.

This is the 17th century method, taken from The Compleat Angler: "Take your trout, wash and dry him with a clean napkin; then open him, and having taken out his guts, and all the blood, wipe him very clean within, but wash him not, and give him three scotches with a knife to the bone, on one side only.

After which take a clean kettle (a long oval vessel for boiling fish) and put in as much hard stale

beer (but it must not be dead), vinegar, and a little white wine and water as will cover the fish you intend to boil.

Then throw into the liquor a good quantity of salt, the rind of a lemon, a handful of sliced horseradish root, with a handsome light faggot of rosemary, thyme, and winter savoury.

Then set your kettle upon a quick fire of wood: and let your liquor boil up to the height before you put in your fish; and then, if there be many, put them in one by one, that they may not so cool the liquor as to make it fall.

Sauce was made from butter, the liquor from the fish kettle, horseradish, and pounded ginger. The fish was then served with sliced lemon.

The result must have been much more appetising than the fish and chips of the 20th century. Let's hope there are plenty of trout taken from the Tees this season so that the recipe can be tested!

Reservoir aids flow

BY MOORHEN

The low level of the Tees, particularly over the past two weeks, has illustrated the effect of

an unusual lengthy period almost entirely free from rain.

At the early part of last week there was a great deal of colour showing evidence that some retained water was augmenting the natural flow.

It was a dull overcast sky and a cool south-easterly breeze held the temperature to a point anything but helpful to either comfortable or rewarding fly fishing.

There was a complete absence of any form of insect life and consequently over a period of some two hours spent at the riverside not a single rising trout was noticed.

Of course this did not suggest trout were not feeding. Until nature provides a sufficient supply of airborne insects for food they find a balancing diet of many small crustaceans and various small water insects which at least satisfy their needs while awaiting the first hatches of spring flies.

At midweek on two afternoons conditions improved and there was a marked feeling of warmth sufficient to stir up activity in the insect world.

The slight breeze which had veered to a south-westerly point was sufficient to give a ripple to the smoother slower moving stretches ideal for the fly angler.

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CRICKET

A last Gatenb

Barnard Castle was a dramatic last when playing Kingdon K.A.A. From it, the three runs to winning standing. The and high into side head, and 50 yards to chance.

Barnard Castle to hit on a wicket. Phil Beadle played cautious stand of 71.

A collapse to together Newton Borrowdale and well, a declaration 53 overs at 177.

Darlington challenge, but w and Newton W mms men were.

At 142 Kulp catch on the t tined over the gave the catch, and the players s

Unfortunately Castle, the law year, a fact whic the captians kne finally awarded, imited to that.

Barnard Castle declared (R. Beadle 47, J. Bowe 11, R. Br 7, N. Wood 31 n dale 22).

Darlington R./ (D. Raw 2-34, T. Borrowdale 0- R. Bowe 1-20, J

Collinson

Eggleston bat Richmond on a wicket. Good b son and R. Tri opening stand e followed by an 1 36 by P. Gregor Eggleston reach 115-4.

Against T. Co Coulthard 3-29 fielding, Richmond all out.

Eggleston: R. 22, J. Atkinson, Robinson run ot out 1, C. Trotta Gregory not out Total (4 wks) 1 Richmond: B. shard 11, P. Lai 0, D. Coates c Al 0, T. Ingram c C son 2, K. Galle M. Warner lbw Lawson b Collins c Gregory b Co way b Collinson b Collinson 2, out 1; Extras 10

Mardon

Barnard Castle on Sunday in a Tudhoe's score o sufficient to win. But Ray Mar defeated century with a hard hit home side to vic Tudhoe 179 to J. Gatenby 0-2 1-50, R. Bowe 3 J. Tallentire 2-2 Barnard Castle 107 not out, R Bowe 44).

Heslop

A second wicl 80 between Bob Jim Nattress (39 to reach 161-7 league game a Ken Gamack a bowled well and 3-49 from 19 ove won by 32 runs. Ingleton: R. I 54, C. Birch c burn 6, J. Nattr G. Kitching c H M. Batey c Swa 0, C. Johnson Gamack c Swa 6, S. Gamack no not out 15; Extri wks) 161.

Brompton: D. Gamack b G. G c B. Oliphant Joburg c S. Gam 8, A. Swainston Frankland c M. son 13, D. Harr K. Gamack 7, Gamack 4, B. I D. Newton b C. 6. — Total 109.

S. Caye

Raby Castle e moor in the / Darlington and a lively pitch reach 97. Lack early batsmen problem. At on 18 for 4. Only resistance.

Spenny Moor win by three, bowled well, 9- Raby: W. Scail feather, 8; A. I Eddy, 7; C. Ou feather, 0; P. J Eddy, 3; B. S Blench, 23; R. 3 b Todd, 7; K. 18; I. Walker c c Fletcher b S Todd b Barnfa tual 97.

Spenny Moor: