

# Stories in Stone

conservation and community projects  
in the Ingleborough area

History Nature Discovery Skills

## Welcome....

to the first edition of the Stories in Stone newsletter.

In this issue there are features about:

- Capturing the Past
- Overground Underground Festival
- two new series of walk leaflets
- heritage skills courses
- a visit by Prince Charles
- the scheme's first annual celebration

And on the back page you can find out about grants, volunteering opportunities, and forthcoming events and activities.

We hope you enjoy reading the newsletter. We've also produced a short film to celebrate the scheme's first year – it can be seen at <https://youtu.be/mZmxyLIFX14>



## 1st Birthday

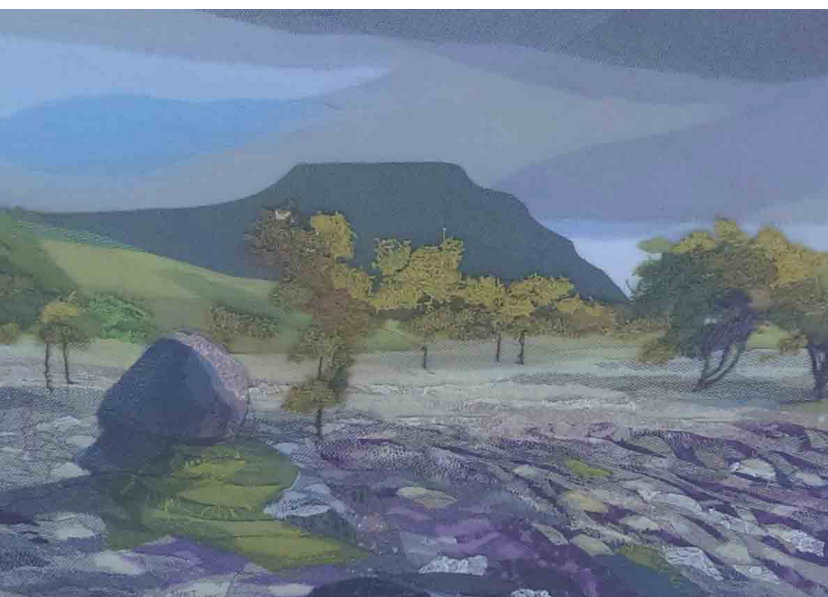
A public event to celebrate the first year of Stories in Stone was held on 1 April at the Victoria Hall in Settle. The event aimed to promote the scheme, let people see what's been done so far and what's planned for this year, and find out about the opportunities to get involved.

Sixteen project partners had information stalls, kids activities were provided, and short talks about several of the projects were given. The drop-in event ran from 10am to 3.30pm and almost 200 people popped in over the course of the day.

At midday the birthday cake was cut by Dave Tayler, YDMT's deputy director, and a slice was given to anyone who wanted one.

We were very pleased with how the day went and we got a lot of positive feedback from partners and attendees, including "I had an excellent day. Thank you to you and your colleagues for organising such a successful day" and "We have just returned from a really super day in Settle where we attended the Yorkshire Dales Millennium Trust's Stories in Stone open day. It really was a fascinating and well-run event."

We'll arrange a similar event next year.

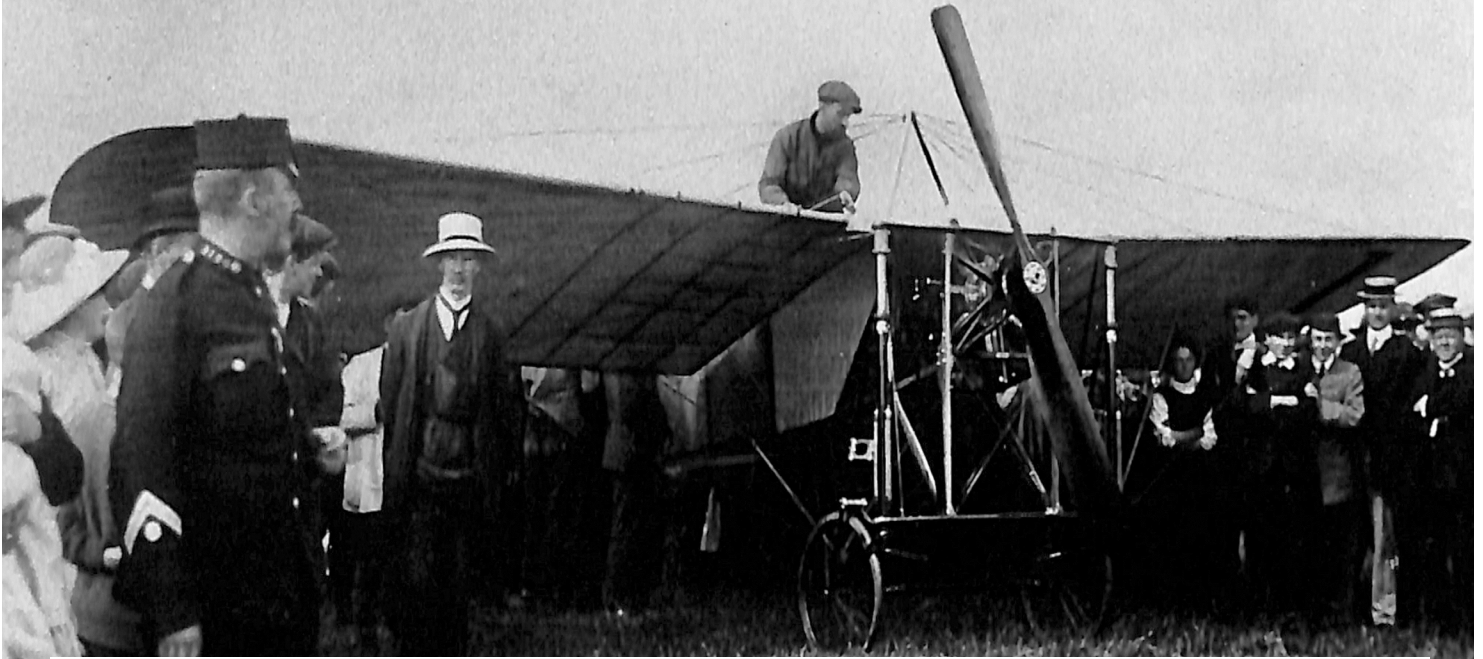


Ingleborough in fabric collage by Janet Rawlins



# Capturing the Past

André Beaumont (1880-1937), a competitor in the 1,010 mile Circuit of Britain race. The photo was taken near Settle on 25 July 1911, when Beaumont landed to carry out engine repairs.



This exciting project, managed by the Yorkshire Dales Society, aims to make collections of historical material held by local history groups and individuals freely accessible to the public. Over the past few months the project team, together with archivists from the North Yorkshire County Records Office, has been providing training and guidance to collection holders, including how to digitise their collections. Much of the material is now available through a new website:

**[www.dalescommunityarchives.org.uk](http://www.dalescommunityarchives.org.uk)**

For further information please email:

**[dalescommunityarchives@gmail.com](mailto:dalescommunityarchives@gmail.com)**

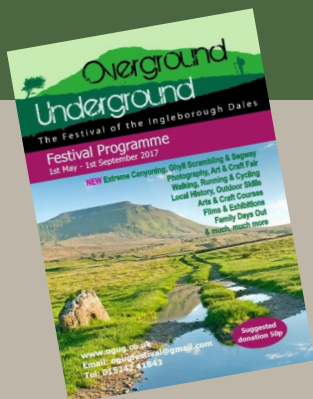
## Heritage skills courses

Stories in Stone is offering a great range of training courses to enable people to get the skills and knowledge they need to help them understand and be able to look after the Ingleborough landscape and its heritage. There's something for everyone – from botanical identification to surveying old buildings to learning how to scythe.

For details visit: **[www.ydmt.org/get-involved](http://www.ydmt.org/get-involved)**

or contact Hannah Rose on:

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### Overground Underground Festival

The Festival offers loads of brilliant activities and events for visitors and locals of all ages. It was launched in 2011 but became part of Stories in Stone last year and we're delighted by how well it's developed – it now offers a wider range of events taking place throughout the Ingleborough area and spread over more of the year. Copies of the programme are widely available and can be downloaded from **[www.ogug.co.uk/programme](http://www.ogug.co.uk/programme)**



## Publications

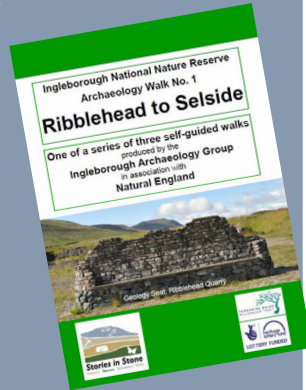
An important part of the scheme is the production of new resources to help people find out more about this fascinating area, and we're delighted that two superb series of self-guided walk leaflets have recently been published. We'd love to know what you think about these leaflets, so please do tell us.

Ingleborough Archaeology Group, in conjunction with Natural England, has produced three walk leaflets highlighting the archaeological and historical features on Ingleborough National Nature Reserve.

Android and iOS versions of a phone app with additional information will be available later this year.

The leaflets are available free from Tourist Information Centres and other visitor outlets or can be downloaded from:

[www.ingleborougharchaeologygroup.org.uk](http://www.ingleborougharchaeologygroup.org.uk)



The Ingleborough area is relatively well served by public transport including, of course, the majestic Settle to Carlisle railway line. To encourage visitors to use bus and train services to explore the area, a series of ten self-guided linear walks has been published. The leaflets, produced by the Dales & Bowland Community Interest Company, offer detailed route descriptions, public transport information and sketch maps.

The leaflets are available free of charge throughout the scheme area and can also be downloaded from:

[www.settle-carlisle.co.uk](http://www.settle-carlisle.co.uk)



Prince Charles called into Chapel le Dale in March to meet the Stories in Stone rural trainees, whose posts are being part-funded by the Prince's Countryside Fund. The traineeships aim to help young people to develop careers in land management and conservation. He first met Chloë Lumsdon, our trainee based with Natural England at the Ingleborough National Nature Reserve, who was helping youngsters from Bentham Community Primary School to plant wildflower plugs into a meadow undergoing restoration. Then he met Tom Hickey and Liam Johnson, apprentices based with the Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority, who were carrying out repairs to a stretch of dry stone walling.

## Up and coming events

### Ingleborough Archaeology Group Exhibition

10am - 4pm, 1 - 30 July  
(except Friday 14 - Monday 17 July)

Ingleton Tourist Information Centre

An exhibition of recent projects run by the Ingleborough Archaeology Group as part of Stories in Stone. Entrance is free.

[www.ingleborougharchaeologygroup.org.uk](http://www.ingleborougharchaeologygroup.org.uk)

### Ingleborough Archaeology Group

**Guided Walk** - South House, Sulber & Upper Pasture

6.20pm, Monday 15 May, Ingleborough National Nature Reserve

An archaeological foray with members of the Ingleborough Archaeology Group. The walk is a moderate one of about 7km and suitable for all ages (not suitable for wheelchairs and buggies). Bring waterproofs and walking boots. Dogs should be kept under close control at all times. No need to book, just meet in Horton-in-Ribblesdale car park. Free but donations welcome to Overground Underground Festival.

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## Funding News

### Heritage Grants

Grants of between £200 and £5,000 are available for projects that conserve, enhance, celebrate or increase understanding of the historical and natural landscape of the Ingleborough Dales area. So far we've funded the restoration of a historic packhorse bridge and Victorian drinking fountain, a series of walk leaflets with a focus on Ingleborough's archaeology (mentioned above), and an interpretation panel for a wash dub. The next deadline for applications is 27 June.

Guidance and an application form can be downloaded from:

[www.ydmt.org/heritagegrants](http://www.ydmt.org/heritagegrants)

or contact Chris Lodge on:

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### Woodland Funding

We also have funding for the creation of new native woodlands. Grants can cover the full costs of saplings, stakes, guards, fencing, gates and labour. If you're interested please contact Chris.

### Introduction to Caving with Yorkshire Dales Guides

5pm, Mondays 29 May, 24 & 31 July, 7, 14, 21 & 28th August & 4 September

Explore the beauty of underground Ingleborough, and learn about how the caves were formed and how we need to protect them. All equipment and safety gear is provided. £15 per person (places are subsidised through Stories in Stone). Booking is essential, please email [info@yorkshiredalesguides.co.uk](mailto:info@yorkshiredalesguides.co.uk) or phone 01729 824455. Further details will be given on booking.

[www.yorkshiredalesguides.co.uk](http://www.yorkshiredalesguides.co.uk)

## Volunteer opportunities

If you're interested in getting involved in practical conservation work, digitising archive material or recording oral history about quarrying, then please contact Hannah Rose on:

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Stories in Stone has been developed by the Ingleborough Dales Landscape Partnership which is led by Yorkshire Dales Millennium Trust and mainly funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund. It started in early 2016 and runs until 2020.

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