



## Upper Wharfedale *Venturer* - News

### **New timetable:**

With effect from Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October there will be some minor changes to the Venturer timetable to align to the revised timetable of the Grassington to Skipton 72 service.

The new bus times are available on our website at [www.upperwharfedale.com](http://www.upperwharfedale.com) and on local noticeboards. Printed timetables will be available shortly before the change-over on 29<sup>th</sup> October.



### **Venturer service extends to Hebden**

Having operated successfully between Buckden and Grassington for the last two and half years, we have identified the opportunity to extend our service as far as Hebden, using two periods of time when the bus would otherwise be waiting for connections at the bus terminal in Grassington. Starting on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October, the Venturer will visit Hebden, twice a day from Monday to Saturday.

The service will operate at the following times:

- Leave Grassington for Hebden – 12:55
- Arrive / Leave Hebden – 13:00
- Arrive Grassington – 13:05 (To connect with KDT 72 service to Skipton)

....and:

- Leave Grassington – 15:15 (Connecting with KDT 72 service from Skipton)
- Arrive / Leave Hebden – 15:20
- Arrive Grassington – 15:25

These times are determined by connections to and from Skipton, the existing NYCC 74 service, and the update 72B timetable, as well as availability of the bus and drivers.

### **Volunteers wanted:**

We have a fantastic team of drivers – both paid and volunteers, but we are always looking for more volunteers. Having a good pool of volunteers is very important to the smooth operation of the service as it provides flexibility, and the more volunteers we have, the less the commitment for each individual. If anyone in the community is interested in becoming a driver or volunteering in any other capacity, we would love to hear from you, using the contact details below. Full training and induction are provided.

### **Still going well:**

Since the start of the service in April 2016, the Venturer has carried just under 29,000 passengers and covered some 70,000 miles. Passenger numbers this year so far are slightly up on the equivalent period last year, and at this level, and with the subsidy from NYCC, the service remains financially viable.

More detail about the Venturer can be found at [www.upperwharfedale.com](http://www.upperwharfedale.com)

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