

SWALEDALE SQUEEZE 18 - 20 May 2018



It's Swaledale time again! This year's Swaledale Squeeze promises to be as good as ever - a convivial weekend of concertina playing, meeting friends, a concert, a ceilidh, sessions, Black Sheep bitter, walks, the comfort of Grinton Lodge and fantastic scenery - what more could one want? As usual, everything will be centred on Grinton Lodge (a former shooting lodge), now a Youth Hostel, based just outside Reeth, in the picturesque setting of Swaledale in the Yorkshire Dales. The venue is excellent for our purposes and we are made to feel very welcome. All accommodation is in bunk rooms (bedding provided) and meals are included for those in bunks (with or without the Friday evening meal which will be served at 7.00 pm). Campervans and tents are also welcome but, because the dining room is relatively small, campers are asked to use the self-catering kitchen. There are also many B&Bs in the area if you would like more comfort/privacy. You are welcome to bring your own alcohol to the ceilidh but not to consume at Grinton Lodge.

Friday consists of an optional walk in the afternoon, a meal at 7.00 pm and informal sessions in the evening (including the 'Dotty Session' – using dots!) – a chance to unwind after your journey, play a few tunes and meet friends old and new. We will also put on a couple of kegs of Black Sheep! There will be workshops on Saturday and Sunday, a mini-concert on Saturday, a ceilidh on the Saturday evening, featuring 'spots' from participants, and a farewell concert on Sunday afternoon, including tutors' 'spots'. The ceilidh & concert will be held at Reeth.. Families & friends are welcome too – they may enjoy the area's many craft shops, tearooms and outstanding walks and are welcome to bring other musical instruments for joining in sessions or the ceilidh band.

The guest tutors for this year's Squeeze are **John Spiers** (Anglo), **Michael Jary** (English) and **Iris Bishop** (Duet). Our regular tutors are **Alex Wade** (English), **Harry Scurfield** (Anglo), **Paul Walker** (English/Anglo), **Carolyn Wade** (Band) and **Dave Ball** (Band/English). Together they provide workshops covering a whole range of concertina playing for different abilities, systems and styles.

Details can also be found on the website <u>www.swaledalesqueeze.org.uk</u> where you can reserve a place or you can use the form below. We accept payment for the weekend by cheque or by bank transfer. Tony Harrison has also set up a facebook group called Swaledale Squeeze if you want to share photos etc.

Please send the form and a £25 per person non-refundable deposit to Steven.

Please note the balance due and send it to Steven by 1st May at the latest.

(Bank Transfer to Sort code: 20-37-13 Account number: 50302767 or Cheques payable to "The Swaledale Squeeze").

We look forward to seeing you there! STEVEN BRADLEY, Annfield House, Front Street, Langley Park, Durham, DH7 9XE Tel: 0191 3731346 Mob: 0789 1752459 **EMAIL**: steven@swaledalesqueeze.org.uk

THE SWALEDALE SQUEEZE 2018 Player Non-player - Booking Form (please tick or write in number) Youth Hostel bunk accom - Fully inclusive (Friday evening to Sunday afternoon)£130£190 Youth Hostel bunk accom - Fully inclusive (except for the Friday evening meal)£180£120 Campers & Campervans (includes use of facilities but no meals) Please specify if tent or van£65£130 Those in alternative accom - B&Bs etc. (no meals)£100£15 Children staying in bunk accom - Fully inclusive £95 £95 Prices are per person & include music, workshops, sessions, ceilidh & afternoon concert. For more details, including options on camping pods and lunches for those in B&B, please see the web site. Tel. No: Email: