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There are definite signs of Spring around Austwick

The evenings are getting lighter at last and there are definite signs of Spring in the lanes and fields around Austwick.

This is the time of year that locals and visitors alike will be making their way to Oxenber Woods to see the Early Purple Orchids and the carpets of Primrose, Wood Anemone and Dog's Mercury. This floral display really has to be seen to be believed and will be followed by Bluebells, giving the whole area a delicate blue haze that can be seen from across the valley.



If there is one thing they can grow in the Yorkshire Dales it's lambs! As soon as the weather warms up the fields will be filled with ewes and their noisy offspring, racing around in gangs like children in the playground, then frantically searching for mum again to get another drink of milk.

After the long winter days it really is a delight to see the fields full of livestock again and to hear the sounds of the countryside as it gears up for the approaching summer.

As for us, it has been a very encouraging second year for the business. It was very busy from Easter to the end of October last year and the visitors have kept up a steady flow during the winter months. We were awarded 4 Stars on the new Visit Britain assessment for guest accommodation and are considering applying for an AA classification during 2007.

What is particularly encouraging is that over a third of our business has been people returning to Wood View, or sending their friends and relations. This has to be down to Sue's cooking, because it can't be as a result of David's customer care!

So, if you would like a break in the Yorkshire Dales this Spring, or would like to give someone a gift with a difference, contact us and we will do the rest for you.



David & Sue
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