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### SHOWTIME AGAIN!

#### **RUSLAND HORIZONS**

You may have wondered what happened about our bid to obtain some funding from the Heritage Lottery Fund for the Rusland Valley and Fells. Under the title 'Rusland Horizons: Working a Lakeland Landscape', our aim is to raise funding to help improve the local landscape, with a special focus on woodlands, and to preserve some the traditional countryside skills, archaeological sites, oral history and wildlife of this special place. Our first bid in 2011 was not successful but we were encouraged by HLF staff to re-submit. We have spent longer in preparation this time, involved more people and have taken into account the feedback we received last time. At the end of May we submitted the revised bid and have been told that it will be considered at a meeting in October - fingers crossed. In the meantime, if you want to know more, details can be found at www.betweenlakes.org Colin Barr (Rusland Valley and Fells Partnership).

DAMAGED SCULPTURE REINSTATED

The sculpture "Last Rays of an English Rose" by artist Keir Smith was badly vandalised at the beginning of the year. The sculpture, located on the Bowkerstead walking trail has been delicately and beautifully repaired by cabinet maker and furniture restorer Edward Carefoot of Kendal. The sculpture has been reinstated for everyone's enjoyment.

Such an incident is very rare at Grizedale however a camera positioned to deter any further damage to the sculpture has sadly been stolen from a nearby tree and was taken by someone climbing with professional tree climbing spikes.

#### THE GRIZEDALE FREERIDER

On Monday-Friday throughout August there is a free bus, run by Blueworks Taxis Ltd, from Lakeland Leisure Park (Flookburgh) to Grizedale via Merlewood – Lakeside Hotel – Stott Park Bobbin Mill – Rusland Pool Hotel – Greenodd - Colton – Oxen Park – Satterthwaite – Grizedale (& return)

Buses depart LLP 08.15, 10.15,12.15 & 16.15

And depart Grizedale 09.15, 11.15, 13.15 and 17.15.

Why not get a bus ride & walk or run home? Dogs welcome but no bikes. Call 07553 506291 for info.

#### FIRST RESPONDERS

Did you know that the Rusland Valley has a number of First Responders tucked away, who are willing to drop everything at a moments notice day or night, and rush to your aid in a medical emergency? If you have been unfortunate enough to require this service you will have witnessed the quiet caring efficiency of these Volunteers. They arrive in response to a 999 call, and are with you well before the ambulance arrives. Perhaps we should issue Rusland Medals in recognition of their services to the community. We are all getting older and more frail......

We would like to thank Dave Higgs and Janet Dobson for their particular care over these past months. We are very fortunate to have them as part our rural idyll.

Chris and Jan Benefield

#### **28 DAYS LATER (18)**

GRIZEDALE FOREST CAMPSITE, 10<sup>th</sup> AUGUST Picnic Cinema returns to Grizedale Forest this summer with a screening of Danny Boyle's post-apocalypse, horror fantasy, 28 Days Later. This year's screening is a camp-over event hosted at Grizedale Campsite. Pitch your tent, picnic and enjoy some forest horror, then stay on to enjoy the atmosphere at one of the best campsites in the Lakes.

From 5.30pm, Film at Dusk.

Grizedale Campsite Bowkerstead Farm, Satterthwaite,
Ulverston, Cumbria. LA12 8LL
TICKETS ON SALE NOW -WWW.PICNICCINEMA.CO.UK

LEVEN VALLEY SUPPORT GROUP, ST MARYS HOSPICE The annual Summer Fair and Car Boot Sale surpassed all expectations by raising the magnificent amount of £5000! The weather was warm and sunny for a rather poignant occasion, the first Fair since the death of Geoff Wilkinson, our chairman for 17 years, raising the grand total of £80,000 for the hospice! Corio Raptors drew in the crowds with their wonderful owls, the magician enthralled the children with his tricks and Taffy Thomas the Storyteller took them on a journey to another world with his stories.

Many thanks to all our friends and volunteers for helping us make the day such a success.

Dorothy Crabtree, Chairman.

#### **RUSLAND AND DISTRICT WI**

After the usual business part of our July meeting, one of our members, Hilary Collins gave a talk on the trials and tribulations of travel and showed slides of a trip to South Africa and Swaziland. She was thanked by Judy Shaw. This was the last meeting attended by our treasurer of many years, Carol Driver, who is moving to Cheshire and we enjoyed a glass of wine as we said "au revoir," and took turns to recount memories of Carol over the years. She will be much missed. Later that week several members went to Swallows & Amazons on Coniston Water for afternoon tea.

#### **OXEN PARK CINEMA CLUB**

Our new season opens with the award winning film ARGO to be shown at Greenodd Village Hall at 7.30pm on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September.

We also have a supper special on 21<sup>st</sup> September at Finsthwaite Village Hall when we will be showing UNTOUCHABLE.

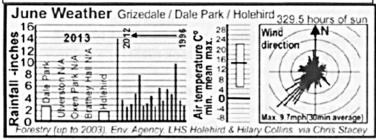
The Carthouse Cinema in Oxen Park will be opening this season so watch out for this new venue in October/November. The programme is being designed and should be ready for the September News or pick up a 'card' at our stall at The Rusland Show.

#### REDUCE YOUR JUNK MAIL

As we are all encouraged to recycle, it becomes clear that junk mail accounts for a significant part of unwanted paper. Here are some tips on opting out:

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- If you want to stop other unwanted mail then you need to contact each company and request that they remove your details from their marketing database (they are required to do this). You can normally find the contact details somewhere in small print on the address label, generally an email address or postal address.

The emphasis is for online communication because all of the companies try to keep costs low. If you do not have internet access then your local Citizens Advice or anyone with an internet connection can help you. Contact the Windermere office on 015394 46464 for an appointment. We have various outlets across South Lakeland and can also give advice over the phone.



About 15% of the June rainfall last year & 30% more sun.

#### **COLTON PARISH COUNCIL NEWS**

Super-fast Broadband - new developments: Mike Postle, who has kindly agreed to take on the role of 'Broadband Champion' for Colton Parish, reports some recent good news: the current tentative plans for the 'Connecting Cumbria' roll out of Superfast Broadband envisage that 70% of Colton Parish will be enabled at 24 Mb/s or more. The remaining 30% will receive between 2 and 24 Mb/s. These plans will change as detailed design work is undertaken and the technology improves. If we want to make sure we get the best deal for our rural community, then we will need to shout loudly to demonstrate that there is a strong demand and to work closely with the County Council and BT as the Connecting Cumbria roll out progresses. So, please do your best to attend one of these meetings below to hear more and lend your support:

- Thursday 1st August 7 pm start at the Manor, Oxen Park.
- Wednesday 7th August 7pm start at the Farmers Arms, Lowick
- Thursday 8th August 7pm start at the Lakeside Hotel.

Meanwhile, keep up to date with developments through Mike's Broadband blog on

http://postleorg.coffeecup.com/stream/ (or link from www.coltonparishcouncil.org.uk) and sign up for e-mail updates.

Next meeting, Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September at Finsthwaite. Mandy Lane (Clerk), T: 01229 861408, E:

<u>coltonpc@btinternet.com</u> W: <u>www.coltonparishcouncil.org.uk</u>

#### SATTERTHWAITE PARISH COUNCIL

At the meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> July, PCSO Firth offered to replace the faded Parish Neighbourhood Watch signs. A letter from Michael Hawkes (25 June) welcomed the council's efforts to reduce congestion in the village. by creating a car park. Stephen Wakefield asked questions about the number of parking spaces to be provided and the nature of the surfacing for parking. The Chairman said talks with the planners were still on – going. Councillors are planning to have a Satterthwaite Recreation and Play Area annual barbecue on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September from 3pm onwards. Giles Wingate-Saul reminded the council of the availability of a grant for 'furniture' for the play area.

A steering committee for the Community Plan is to be formed and Councillor Elkington – Crabtree will promote the Community Plan at the Rusland Show David Walker, the lengthsman, will continue his work at Blind Lane, through the village centre and up to the Moor. Suggestions for work that is needed are requested from locals.

Councillors were unanimous in instructing the clerk to write to Tim Farron and Jeremy Hunt to protest about the threat to rural surgeries.

Councillors noted the Consultation on Schedules of Proposed Modifications for the Lake District National Park Allocations of Land (Local Plan Part Two) and Mineral Safeguarding Areas (Local Plan Part Three). Next meeting, 10<sup>th</sup> September, 7.30pm, Parish Room.

#### **CHURCH NEWS**

#### Dear Friends

It's been a good spell recently for the Brits – tremendous sporting achievements both in the Tour de France and with the cricket at Lord's, which were then closely followed by the birth of a certain royal baby. Afterwards we even had some rain (if you can remember what that is), very good news for the dry ground, less good for the holidaymakers. But all in all lots to celebrate and great to be able to do it in the summer.

Celebration's good – it puts smiles on people's faces, unites them and brings hope. During his earthly ministry Jesus was once asked why his disciples didn't practise the Jewish habit of fasting (which for some meant going about with long faces) His reply was simple – why should they fast? I'm here with them and it's a time to celebrate. He also attended a wedding – always a time for celebration – and famously left his mark when the wine ran out.

I love weddings and one of the best parts of my ministry is being involved on a couple's special day and celebrating with them. Celebration can work in other situations too. Jonathan Sacks, who is soon to step down as our Chief Rabbi, tells the story of a headteacher who turned round a failing school by encouraging the staff and pupils to celebrate together what was good about their school – however modest that was at the start - and the plan succeeded.

Quite hard work though. And often, behind the scenes, that's precisely the case with celebration – it's borne out of discipline and hard work, perhaps by the few, often by the many. The physical fitness and commitment of Chris Froome in winning the Tour de France almost beggars belief, Kate laboured for over 10 hours before the new Prince was delivered and I sometimes say to the wedding couples whom I'm going to marry that the joy and celebration of their wedding day, and of their life together afterwards, will be rooted not only in their love for each other but also in the fact that, for a few minutes during their marriage service, they were utterly serious as they made vows before God and asked for his help to fulfil them.

I hope that you have much to celebrate over the rest of this summer, in all sorts of ways.

And may God bless you - being blessed by God, by the way, has been described as being made happy by God or, as we might say, celebrating with him.

Nick Hallam

#### CHURCH SERVICES FOR AUGUST

Sunday		Colton		Rusland		Satterthwaite		
August	4 <sup>th</sup> 11 <sup>th</sup> 18 <sup>th</sup> 25 <sup>h</sup>	9.30 9.30 9.30 9.30	Morning Worship Communion Communion Communion		6pm 11.15 6pm	Evensong Holy Communion Evensong No Service	9.45 6pm 9.45 11.15	Holy Communion Evensong Service for All Ages Holy Communion
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	11 <sup>h</sup>	9.30	Holy Communion	6pm	Evens	ong	11.1	5 Matins
	18 <sup>th</sup>	9.30	Holy Communion	6pm	Evens	ong	11.1	5 Holy Communion
	25 <sup>th</sup>	9.30	Holy Communion	6pm	Sonas	of Praise, Bowkerstead	11.1	5 Morning Worship

#### A LOOK BEHIND THE SCENES!

All Saints' Church, Satterthwaite stands in the centre of the village, a familiar presence, taken for granted perhaps by most of those who travel past it, tourists and local residents alike. However its care and maintenance is an ongoing process and residents may have noticed more activity than usual in and around the Church this year. All Anglican churches are required to have an inspection every five years, by a qualified architect or surveyor. Satterthwaite had a very satisfactory inspection this year. The architect (Malcolm Craig of Barrow) found only a few, relatively minor, items requiring attention, mainly gutters and missing slates. He told one of the churchwardens that the interior of the church "sparkled" - so thanks are due to those on the cleaning and flower rotas. Apart from this inspection, the electrical installation has been tested and renewed this year (at a cost in the region of £1,600) and the organ recently had its annual tuning.

#### A WALK BACK IN TIME

On 20<sup>th</sup> July, in blazing sunshine, around 20 people set off to walk from Walney to Piel Island. The guide for the walk was John Murphy who has lived most of his life on Walney, except for about five years on Piel Island. Along the way he regaled us with stories of the history of the island, going back to the fifteenth century, and identified many of the plants growing on this special site. After a picnic we walked round the castle and then returned to Walney. The walk was organised by Caroline Peet on behalf of Rusland & Satterthwaite churches.

# PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL and ALL ANGELS, HAWKSHEAD MUSIC FOR A SUMMER EVENING - 46th SEASON PROGRAMME FOR AUGUST 2013

Tuesday 6th	Arensky Trio, Stephen Threlfall, cello, Kathleen Uren, piano and Louise Latham, violin.
Tuesday13th	This concert will form part of the Lake District Summer Music Festival and features some of the best new talent
Tuesday 20th	Stephen and Linda Walsh, introducing Ailsa Bell, making a welcome return with clarinet and piano.
Tuesday 27th	Encore Opera with some favourite operatic arias, duets and ensembles.

All concerts begin at 8pm. Free parking is available in the main car park after 6pm.

No charge for admission - retiring collection for Christian Aid and other charities.

In 2012 £3,500 was donated to charity and towards the maintenance of the Parish Church.

#### **DIARY DATES** 10<sup>th</sup> Picnic Cinema -28 Days Later (18) - Grizedale Forest Campsite, Bowkerstead - from 5.30pm August Sat 17<sup>th</sup> Sat Rusland Valley Horticultural Society Annual Show 3rd Oxen Park Cinema Club - Argo - Greenodd Village Hall - 7.30pm Sept. Tues 9<sup>th</sup> Colton Parish Council - Finsthwaite Village Hall - 7.30pm Mon 10<sup>th</sup> Satterthwaite Parish Council - Satterthwaite Parish Room - 7.30pm Tues 21<sup>st</sup> Oxen Park Cinema Club - Untouchable - Finsthwaite Village Hall - 7.30pm

#### **PERSONAL**

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#### THE SAMARITANS

Whatever you're going through, we'll go through it with you. Phone 01229 825656 or 08457 909090

- Sincere condolences to Anne and John Barker on the death of Anne's mother, Glad Bonnar.
- Congratulations to Matthew Robinson of Crosslands for gaining a Degree in Electrical Mechanical Engineering and for being promoted to Staff Sergeant. We would like to wish him "Good Luck" in his new posting in Germany.

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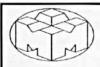
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