



RUSLAND & SATTERTHWAITE
NEWSLETTER

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MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

UPDATE FROM RUSLAND HORIZONS

On Thursday 3 November we had a massive turnout of 183 volunteers for the Rusland Fell Care Day with groups out hedge laying, coppicing, stone walling, litter picking and much more. It was a great day for conservation in the area so a huge thank you to everyone who came along. As well as that the apprentices have been braving the mud and have created a brilliant new boardwalk on Rusland Moss to allow those walking the Old Hall Farm Greenwood Trail to keep their feet dry. Have a look whilst out on your Christmas walks! The heritage skills training courses we have been running have proved overwhelmingly successful and many are now fully booked. If you have missed out this time then we will be running another programme of courses which will be available for booking from April 2017.

In other news there's lots of gathering happening with groups collecting information about dormice, hedgerows, old field names, local stories and interesting sites to see on the Greenwood Trails. Now is also the time for coppice restoration work to take place whilst the trees are dormant over the winter months. The coppicing is being undertaken by the apprentices as well as the community woodland group at Bouth.

If you want to find out more or take part in any of the projects, please get in touch with us on 01539 724555 or

email ruslandhorizons@lakedistrict.gov.uk. Keep an eye on our Rusland Horizons website for more information www.ruslandhorizons.org and follow us on Facebook: 'Rusland Horizons' and Twitter '@Rusland Horizons'

Date for your diary: Saturday 28 January: Rusland Horizons Community Forum and Christmas Party! We had great fun (and plenty of cake) at the last Community Forum in July and we are having another one – this time followed by a good old knees up. We hope you can make it!

WINTER LANEQUEST (Bicycle Orienteering)

One of a series of Lanequests will be held in Oxen Park on Sunday 4th December. Entry on the

NEWS FROM DOWN UNDER

Renell Brennan came 7th in her age group in the World Off-Road Triathlon Championships in Australia, representing GB, so well done Renell!

Leven Valley Support Group for St Mary's Hospice XMAS QUIZ & RAFFLE

at

THE ANGLERS ARMS, HAVERTHWAITE

FRIDAY 9th DECEMBER 2016

QUIZ STARTS 8.00pm

4 PEOPLE PER TEAM - £2.00 PER PERSON TO ENTER

INCLUDES SUPPER COURTESY OF
THE ANGLERS ARMS

All Proceeds to St Marys Hospice

W. I. ANNUAL CAROL EVENING

Come and join us to sing your favourite carols on Monday, 12th December at 7.30 p.m. in Satterthwaite Church. Mince pies and wine in the interval. There is no charge for coming but a retiring collection will be made for South Lakeland Carers, our chosen charity this year.

TRAVELLER'S TALES AT THE CART HOUSE

Colin Barr is our next speaker, on Friday 2nd December, with 'Searching for European Wild Flowers, (or a good walk spoiled!)

Mike Farnworth follows on 6th January and The Kidwell's on 3rd February.

Talks start at 7.30pm and booking is advisable. Contact Carol on 861507 or Gill on 861128.

BRITISH LEGION POPPY APPEAL

A big thank-you to everyone who donated to the house-to-house collection in Satterthwaite in aid of the Poppy Appeal. We raised a magnificent £115.88.

"POLICE DESK" SESSIONS AT THE EAGLE'S HEAD

Friday 2nd December 4pm to 6pm

Friday 16th December 5pm to 6pm

RUSLAND SPRING SHOW

Dates for your diary!

The 2017 Rusland Spring Show will be held in the marquee and Reading Rooms on Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th April. There is still time to plant the bulbs (particularly tulips) for your show entries. So have a go!

ORAL HISTORY VOLUNTEERING TRAININGSESSION

Tuesday 6 December, 7pm – 9pm

National Park Southern Office, Lane Ends, Haverthwaite, LA12 8AB

Working with local artist and film maker Tim Fleming, we will be collecting stories from folk around the area to document how the landscape has changed and been worked and how people have lived their lives within it. We are looking for volunteers who can help interview and record some fascinating insights to the landscape and its community. The session is free but booking is essential. Please follow this link to book a place.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/oral-history-training-session-tickets-29301067281>

OXEN PARK CINEMA CLUB

As well as 1st Tuesday (*Brooklyn & The Big Short & Carol*) and 3rd Saturday films (*Joy & The Danish Girl*), we have our Christmas family Matinee on 30th December – the latest 'BFG' at 4pm – so bring the family; under 16's get in for only £2.

Joy is a Supper Special with the Manor's amazing pie & peas so please book ahead for that.

RUSLAND AND DISTRICT W.I.

The Annual Meeting of Rusland & District W.I. took place in December with much sadness. The meeting started with a tribute to Elsie Wilkinson, a member for 62 years. The piece she had written for the 2015 scrapbook about her first meeting was read and several members recounted memories of Elsie.

Mrs Sally Lister was elected as our new President and Anne Lewis and Judy Shaw continue as secretary and treasurer respectively and Judi Winterson joins the committee. Mrs. Lewis gave the annual report of our very successful year, especially as membership had reached 29, the highest for many years. Activities during the year had included a meal out, afternoon tea out in the summer, a visit to the theatre at Keswick and winning the Furness Area Quiz trophy. We had also won the Rusland Heritage trophy at Rusland Show. Adviser Mrs. Anne Walshaw conducted the election of president and then entertained us with amusing poems. In December we have our annual Carol Evening at Satterthwaite Church and the January meeting will be at Satterthwaite Parish Room on Tuesday, 17th January at 7.30 p.m. when we are looking forward to hearing Mrs. Charlotte Sharphouse talking about Old Hall Farm. Why not make a new year resolution to join this very successful W.I. You would be most welcome.

SATTERTHWAITE PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Just an update on members of Satterthwaite Parish Council. Chair - Grant Nickson, Vice Chair - Gary Thomason, Councillors - Andrew Stoker, Mhari Elkington Crabtree and Mike Thornley. Clerk - Dawn Yoxall.

Contact details for Clerk - Home Tel 01539436261, Kennels House, Grizedale, Ambleside, Cumbria, LA22 0QH.

Local Crimes - PC Paul Harris attended the meeting and presented his report which will be available in full on the Satterthwaite Website.

He stated that crime and incidents in the last few weeks had decreased but was sure that this will change in the run up to Christmas and urges everyone to be vigilant.

The police are carrying out more patrols throughout the valley and will be involving neighbouring forces in cross border information sharing.

Planning - A planning application for Force Forge Farm replacement of the existing old dutch barn, as discussed at the meeting and the PC are in full support of this application.

Possible Car Park in Satterthwaite - A questionnaire is going to be distributed to residents of Satterthwaite in early December to find out their views of the car park plan for Satterthwaite and whether they feel extra parking is required in the village.

Next Meeting: Monday 16th January 2017 at 7.30pm in the Forestry Commission Office's at Grizedale.

ELECTRICITY NORTH WEST

Electricity North West has a new '105' emergency telephone number to report power cuts or to get up to date information on power cuts.

- Dialling 105 will connect customers to their local network electricity supplier and is a free service.
- 105 is just one of the ways that customers can contact their supplier. Also by normal telephone (check your bills), via their website and on social media.
- 105 is to be used if customers spot damage to electricity power lines or substations and if could put anyone in danger also call the emergency services.

* Any queries in relation to this service contact Electricity North West T: 0800 195 414

WEATHER

RAINFALLS for OCTOBER.

Brathay	Oxen Park	Ulverston	Dale Park	Historical
2.3"	2.1"	0.45"	2.26"	6"
NOVEMBER RAINFALLS to 27th			6"	9.7"

The November total was 14.99" in 2015! Historically November is often a fairly dry month. It is also interesting that October was the driest month of 2016 - most unusual.

Forestry (to 2003), Env.Agency, Hilary Collins Dale Park, via Chris Stacey

CHURCH NEWS

Dear Friends,

Bethlehem: the word can have a magical ring to it. It almost has a fairy tale quality to it. When I hear the word Bethlehem, more often than not the images that come to my mind are of children's school nativity plays and prettily arranged nativity scenes. It is a dream-like place of child angels with tinsel halos and a sweet little Mary and Joseph with tea towel hats and a baby doll for Jesus.

The couple of weeks leading up to Christmas are full of this magical Bethlehem. We sing about it in carols and we talk about it in church and school, and we have seen it on Christmas cards and Advent Calendars.

But there is another Bethlehem, the real Bethlehem as it exists at the end of 2016. It is a real town set in the Judean hills. Over the last sixty years, it has not always been a magical place but one of tensions and violence. The real Bethlehem is set firmly in the world of seemingly unsolvable political dilemmas, and human suffering. What a shame that it is so different from the Bethlehem of our imagination where everything sparkles and it even snows at Christmas.

But there is hope. For Christians there always is. Not least because Bethlehem was not a magic place when Jesus was born there either. It was a part of Roman occupied territory, with an oppressed people. Welcome to the real world, Jesus son of Mary! There was no tinsel on his manger.

Bethlehem is and was real. There long ago one more human baby was delivered and greeted the world with crying. There began a unique life that showed us forever the love which is at the heart of the universe.

John

The Vicarage, Hawkshead.01539436301. jjcedixon@btinternet.com

CHURCH SERVICES FOR DECEMBER TO MID JANUARY

Sunday	Colton		Rusland		Satterthwaite	
Dec 4 th	9.30	Morning Worship	5pm	Evensong	9.45	Holy Communion
11 th	9.30	Holy Communion	11.15	Holy Communion	6pm	Evensong
18 th					4pm	Carol Service
25 th			9.30	Holy Communion	11.00	Holy Communion
Jan 1 st			5pm	Evensong	9.30	Holy Communion
8 th			11.15	Holy Communion	6pm	Evensong
15 th			5pm	Evensong	9.30	Morning Worship

Sunday	Hawkshead		Sawrey			
Dec 4 th	9.30	M W with Sunday School	6pm	Churches together Communion Hawkshead Methodist Church	11.15	Holy Communion
11 th	9.30	H.C.with Sunday School			11.15	Matins
18 th	9.30	Holy Communion	6pm	Christingle	11.15	Holy Communion
20 th	6pm	Community Carols at St Margaret's, Low Wray				
24 th	11pm	Midnight Mass			6pm	Carol Service
25 th	9.30	Holy Communion			11.15	Holy Communion
Jan 1 st	9.30	Morning Worship			11.15	Holy Communion
8 th	9.30	H. C. with Sunday School			11.15	Matins
15 th	9.30	H.C. with Sunday School			11.15	Holy Communion

CHRISTMAS IN SATTERTHWAITE

Residents and visitors will all be most welcome at All Saints' church, Satterthwaite at these Christmas Services:-
SUNDAY, 18TH DECEMBER, 4 p.m. Carol Service, joint with Rusland, followed by mince pies, wine and soft drinks.

CHRISTMAS EVE, 6 p.m. Carols Round the Tree, at the back of the church, informal, ideal for younger members of the family. Harry Elkington – Crabtree will be extemporising and accompanying on the organ. Wrap up, bring your best singing voice and plenty of loose change for the bucket collection in aid of the Church of England Children's Society

CHRISTMAS DAY, Holy Communion, 11 a.m. All denominations welcome.

DIARY DATES

Dec	Fri	2 nd	Travellers' Tales – The Cart House – 7.30pm
	Tues	6 th	Oxen Park Cinema Club – <i>Brooklyn</i> – The Cart House – 7.30pm
	Fri	9 th	Xmas Quiz and Raffle – The Anglers' Arms, Haverthwaite – 8pm
	Mon	12 th	WI Carol Evening – Satterthwaite Church – 7.30pm
	Sat	17 th	Oxen Park Cinema Club Supper Special – <i>Joy</i> – 7.30pm
	Fri	30 th	Oxen Park Cinema Club – <i>The BFG</i> – The Cart House – 4pm
Jan	Tues	3 rd	Oxen Park Cinema Club – <i>The Big Short</i> – The Cart House – 7.30pm
	Mon	16 th	Satterthwaite Parish Council – Forestry Commission Offices, Grizedale – 7.30pm
	Tues	17 th	Rusland and District WI – Satterthwaite Parish Room – 7.30pm

ELSIE

The knowing smile, the chuckling laugh, the welcoming look, the sense of continuity. Elsie was everything to the Valley and its community and to her family and friends. We will all miss her but none will miss her more than those who were closest to her to whom she is irreplaceable. But the name lives on in 'Little Elsie', a happy reminder of someone whom we were privileged to know and love.

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