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AND WHAT IS SO RARE AS A DAY IN JUNE?

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VIBRANT VIVALDI IN THE VALLEY

Leven Valley CE Primary School, Hawkshead Esthwaite Primary School and Hawkshead Church Junior Choir gave a stunning concert to a packed Rusland Church on Thursday 21st May.

The title of the concert was "*Vivaldi's Four Seasons For Children*". With support from three former pupils as narrators the audience was swept along, by a combined choir from the two schools, through a vibrant musical picture of autumn, winter, spring and summer with seasonal activities acted out in the aisle by pupils from Leven Valley School. This exhilarating performance was followed by pupils from Hawkshead Esthwaite School with several talented solo and group pieces on keyboard and wind instruments and they rounded this part off with a three unaccompanied choral pieces. Finally Hawkshead Church Junior Choir treated everyone to a charming finale. A stunning evening was finished off with refreshments in Rusland Reading Room.

Thanks must go to all the performers who practised so hard to make a wonderful evening and to those who wrote or adapted the pieces, which the children sang or performed, and supported them in this remarkable venture.

The audience gave generously to Rusland and Satterthwaite Churches for whose benefit the performance was given. Donations are still coming in and may well eventually total over £200.

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CRAGGATAK AT THE EAGLE'S HEAD

The Eagle's Head was packed to the rafters on Saturday night, 23rd May, to hear Satterthwaite's premier rock band in splendid form. The evening kicked off with excellent support band, Pete and Carol, keeping it all in the family, Pete being Alan Wilson's son. Then Craggatak launched into their first set, playing the sort of rock music we all grew up with and can therefore recognise! In case anyone doesn't know already, the line-up is Sue Tiplady (drums and vocals), Rob Bruce (lead guitar and vocals), Paul Tiplady (bass guitar), Alan Wilson (rhythm guitar), Sue Wilson (vocals). Guest singer Sarah Demick made a brief appearance, having very sadly lost her voice that night (but hopefully will be treating us on a future occasion), and we enjoyed an excellent ballad set from Mr "Elvis" Fletcher, complete with suitable bling. Then it was back to the R 'n' R, encouraging people to the dance floor. Our London visitors were totally impressed at such a wealth of local musical talent, and have asked when the next "gig" is! Watch this space! Meanwhile, the bucket collection raised £134.50 for Derian House Hospice.

A PRIZE HIKE!

Rusland & District W.I. have produced a laminated leaflet, entitled *Rusland Ramble*. This 5-mile walk, starting from Rusland Church, has won the Cumbria/Westmorland Federation of WIs competition and is now being judged nationally. Copies of the walk are available at £1 from members or from Hilary Collins at Middle Dale Park, (860312), who will also post it, for £1.50 inclusive.

SATTERTHWAITE PLAYGROUND BBQ

Don't forget the village BBQ on Saturday 18th July at 6.00pm. Lots of fun for all the family. Full details next month. Meanwhile, offers of help and donations of raffle prizes will be most gratefully received –Contact Paul Townsend (860206).

COLTON PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Your Council has submitted a response to the Commission for Rural Communities' Uplands Inquiry, set up to identify the major challenges facing England's upland communities. This was a call for evidence from "businesses and communities on their fears and hopes as farmers and food-producers, tourism and recreation resources, and as the guardians of landscape, wildlife, heritage and natural resources". Key issues identified included: the severe difficulties faced by farmers, the closure of local facilities, support services and employers in favour of large centralised businesses, tourism pressures and related environmental damage (e.g. off-road vehicle use), the increase in second homes, and the lack of affordable housing and employment opportunities for local young people.

We are sorry to lose Cllr Peter Harrington from the Council after his decision to step down due to ill health. We thank him for his hard work and good humour - he will be much missed. This of course now means that there is a vacancy, and we are looking for someone from East Ward, preferably Lakeside, to fill the position as soon as possible. Please contact the Clerk if interested.

Bouth Village Green and Playground Committee: Mr Roderick Smith, who has been such an active and committed member and Chairman of the Committee for nearly 35 years, has decided to stand down. The Council thanks him wholeheartedly for all his hard work and enthusiasm. Mr John Osborne has taken on the Chairmanship, with Mr David Hamer as Vice-chairman. Our next meeting is on: Monday 22nd June, 7.30 p.m. in Colton Church Hall.

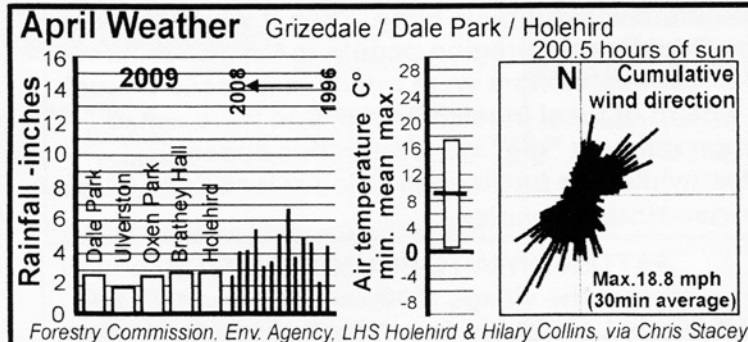
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OXEN PARK CINEMA CLUB

FILM MAKING 2009

Once again we have film-making classes at the Rusland Show. This year the title is *News From The Valley* - any valley, real or imaginary. A 2-minute film which would make a good newsreel item. Contact Carol McNeill for details and application form. Entries to be in by 1st August. Linked with the above we have a 3 day workshop for 9 - 13 year olds at Leven Valley School on 17th, 20th and 21st July. Again, details from Carol: 861507. Numbers are limited so apply early.

We are also planning our programme for next season - have you ever thought of sponsoring a film or taking an advert out in the programme? - only £25. It makes a big difference to our running costs. Contact David Baxter or any of the committee.



With the driest April since '97 we have also had the driest January to April since '96!

RUSLAND AND DISTRICT WI

We were hosts for the Annual Group Meeting in April, when the President, Mrs. Hilary Collins, welcomed members from Bouth, Spark Bridge, and Egton-cum-Newland and WI Adviser, Mrs. Doris Aldworth, who joined us for a talk by "The Red Sky Writers", about their experiences of writing the play "Heft Like A Herdwick", which was produced locally and broadcast on Radio 4. Supper was served and a raffle held. Poetry readings were given by Mrs. Hilary Collins and Mrs. Jean Crabtree. Proceeds from the evening went to the Cumbria/ Westmorland Federation of Women's Institutes.

The May meeting took place in the President's lovely garden at Middle Dale Park. There was a garden quiz, a Jacob's Join supper with wine, courtesy of the President and "The Butler" and the usual business was dealt with. The resolution regarding the demise of the honey bee was discussed and voted upon, and arrangements were made for afternoon tea at Rothay Manor Hotel on July 14th. To work off the calories the speaker at the July 21st meeting will be Lynsey Birkett on "The Importance of Exercise."

SATTERTHWAITE PARISH COUNCIL

Date of Next Meeting

Monday June 29th 2009

7.30pm in the Parish Room, Satterthwaite

All members of the public are welcome

Council Members

Sue Tiplady (Chairman) 01229 860269

Tim Gill (Vice-Chairman) 01229 860315

Andrew Stoker 01229 860292

Miles Dickinson 01229 860235

David Fletcher 01229 860234

David Granville (Clerk) 01229 860397

Website www.satterthwaitepc.org.uk

Report on 18th May Meeting

A litter picking operation on Wednesdays June 3rd, 10th and 17th at 7.30pm has been organised. The operation can only be conducted with your help and volunteers are asked to contact the Clerk with the date on which they can help. One application for funding to conduct the feasibility study to install a micro hydro turbine at Farra Grains, has been successful. We await the second source funds with anticipation.

It is hoped that the Horse Riding signs will be erected by the end of June if the County Council has sufficient funds. The Council has begun to develop a Parish Plan in order to establish what the parish should look and feel like in the future. Anybody who would like to contribute should contact the Clerk.

IF YOU GO DOWN TO THE WOODS TODAY.....

Rusland and District WI took up the *National Family Week* challenge, to put the world's greatest simultaneous picnic, into the *Guinness Book of Records*. Mums, Dads and bear-hugging children came to the Teddy Bears' Picnic in the woods adjacent to Rusland Reading Room on 25th May. Woodland activities were organised by the WI, as were tea and biscuits for those still hungry and thirsty from all the exercise in the sunshine. Seventy two people (not counting bears) participated and a good time was had by all!

SATTERTHWAITE TENNIS COURT KEYS

Don't forget to come and renew your key - £25 for the year, play as often as you want, or £5.00 for occasional games. Keys are available at the Eagle's Head (860237) and at Pepper House (860206).

Church News

Dear Friends,

I am writing this on the bank holiday weekend at the end of May. At last the sun has come out, which is lovely, but the crowds have come out too, at least here in Hawkshead. This is no doubt a good thing too, with so many livelihoods depending on visitors, but it does bring a certain amount of inconvenience, especially if you are driving a car. Thankfully, traffic jams are not as much a part of our lives as they are in some parts of the country, and of course we count among our blessings that we live in such a peaceful part of the world. But still we find ourselves irritated by delays, perhaps even more so as we are relatively unused to it. We like to be on the move- the green light is good and the red is bad. Going is good. Stopping is bad.

While it is undeniably frustrating to be delayed on a journey, we need to remember that pausing is often a good thing to do. It is good to stop the rushing, the constant doing, and relish a moment or two of quietness, even if it is just sitting in the car. Quietness is even more important than ever in our loud and fast lives. We need silence. We need to learn what silence is. Sitting in the car probably doesn't really count as true silence, but learning to relish the moments with nothing to do, might be a start. We need silence to make sense of the words we use and to make room for the unspoken. And we will find that silence is often more eloquent than speech because it is deeper and more complete.

John The Vicarage, Hawkshead, 015394. jjcedjjcedixon@btinternet.com

Sunday	Colton	Rusland	Satterthwaite
June			
7 th	10.30 Morning Worship	6pm Evensong	9.45 Holy Communion
14 th	10.30 Benefice Communion	11.15 Holy Communion	6pm Evensong
21 st	9.30 Communion	6pm Evensong	9.45 Service for All Ages
28 th	9.30 Communion	No service	11.15 Holy Communion

Sunday	Hawkshead	Sawrey	
June			
7 th	8am Holy Communion, 1662 9.30 Service for All Ages	6pm Healing Service Hawkshead Methodist Chapel	11.15 Holy Communion, CW
14 th	9.30 H.C. with Sunday School	6pm Evensong	11.15 Matins
21 st	9.30 H.C. with Sunday School	6pm Evensong	11.15 Holy Communion
28 th	9.30 H.C. with Sunday School	6pm Evensong	11.15 Festival Eucharist

A WORTHY EFFORT!

A Christian Aid Soup and Cheese lunch was held in Rusland Reading Room on Wednesday, 13th May. Plants, cakes, raffles and a Bring & Buy all helped to raise the profit to over £600 for this worthy cause. Thanks go to all who supported the event in any way.

RUSLAND RETREAT

Seventeen people attended *A QUIET DAY* for the United Benefice and Churches Together, which was held at Rook How, Rusland, the Quaker Meeting House, on Thursday, May 14th. The theme *Celtic Saints* was led by the Revnds. Cameron Buckland and John Dixon. There was Iona -style worship and time for quiet reflection.

MOTHERS UNION

For our May meeting we were joined by members from other branches in a service at St. Paul's Church, Rusland, conducted by the Revd. John Dixon. This was followed by afternoon tea and some enjoyable social chat. We are grateful and thank John Dixon for his ministry.

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 9th June, when we will be having an outing to the Ruskin Museum, Coniston, followed by afternoon tea. For further details contact Wendy Smith Tel: 015395 3187

ST MARY'S HOSPICE – LEVEN VALLEY SUPPORT GROUP

ANNUAL SUMMER FAIR AND SUPER CAR BOOT SALE

SUNDAY 14TH JUNE 2009 – HAVERTHWAITE PLAYING FIELDS –GATES OPEN 9AM

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES!

- 3rd September: Coffee Morning at *the Coro* in aid of Rusland and Satterthwaite Churches.
- 10th October: Harvest Supper for Rusland and Satterthwaite Churches.
- 11th October: Harvest Festival at Satterthwaite Church.

DIARY DATES

June Weds 3rd, 10th & 17th
 Sun 14th
 Tues 16th
 Fri 19th -Thurs 25th
 Mon 22nd
 Mon 29th
 July Fri 17th, Mon 20th Tues 21st
 Sat 18th
 Tues 21st

Litter-picking – Satterthwaite Parish – from 7.30pm
 Annual Summer Fair And Super Car Boot Sale - Haverthwaite Playing Fields – From 9am
 Rusland and District WI – Rusland Reading Rooms – 7.30pm
 International Circle Dance Festival, Parrocks Busks , Rusland
 Colton Parish Council – Colton Village Hall - 7.30pm
 Satterthwaite Parish Council – Satterthwaite Parish Room – 7.30pm
 Film-making Workshop – Leven Valley School
 Satterthwaite Playground BBQ – 6pm
 Rusland and District WI – Satterthwaite Parish Room – 7.30pm

PERSONAL

THE SAMARITANS

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

- Are you aged 14-16, live in the Furness area and have an interest in media? Signal Films is offering 4 one-week work experience placements during 2009-10. Please contact Amy on 01229 839983 or signalfilms@gmail.com

Last date for items for July Newsletter is 27th June. Send to: Liz Cringle- Low Dale Park Tel:01229 860274, email: liggerc@hotmail.com, Colin Barr- Oxen Park Tel: 01229 861408, email: cjb@barrecol.co.uk, Elsie Wilkinson- Crosslands Tel: 01229 860253, Frances Townsend- Pepper House Tel: 01229 860206, frances.townsend@virgin.net, Sylvia Chadwick- Monks Cottage Tel: 015395 31685

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