



MAY 2015

227th EDITION

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Rough winds do shake the darling buds of May---

RUSLAND HORIZONS

invites you to a
SPRING UPDATE

Saturday 9th May (4-8pm) at Old Hall Farm, Bouth
This free informal event for residents will include a guided walk in the woods and a historic working farm tour and various demonstrations between 4 pm and 6.15 pm. There will be updates about the projects that make up the scheme.

Then its pie and peas and a chance to chat and mingle. Soft drinks will be provided; otherwise please BYO.

RSVP to marian.jones@lakedistrict.gov.uk
(or 01539 792698 ext. 2730)

ARE YOU AN ASPIRING ARTIST?

The new Water Yeat Art Club has started and will be meeting at Water Yeat Village Hall from 7 to 9pm on Thursdays 14th, 21st, 28th May, and 4th June. For more information please email wylvh@outlook.com.

TIP TOE THROUGH THE TULIPS

As part of the £10 challenge (Parable of the Talents) in aid of Rusland and Satterthwaite Churches, the garden at MIDDLE DALE PARK will be open on five Sundays this summer, the first two of which are on 17th and 24th May, from 2 to 5 p.m.

Tea and scones will be available.

No charge for entrance, but donations gratefully received in aid of the two churches.

Limited parking at the house, but some additional parking 300 yards north and south of the garden.

THANK YOU!

On behalf of the Rusland Spring Show Committee I would like to thank all those who exhibited and everyone who helped in any way to make the Show a huge success. Well done everyone for showing true community spirit.
Gordon Wilkinson.

WARNING - BOGGLES AHEAD!

The Boggle Banned, are revving up for another session of Turquoise Rock at the Eagle's Head on Saturday 9th May, starting at 9-30pm. See ya there!

OLD FRIENDS RETURN

The Swallows arrived at Low Ickentwaite on 7th of April, a true sign of Spring and Cuckoos were heard there, on 20th of April, and by Mandy and Colin at Oxen Park at 19:55pm on Tuesday 21st in the Bethacar direction!!

The Editor's House Martins reclaimed their nests above her bedroom window on 18th April, waking her up with their rumbustious arrival!

ANY SPARE TIME TO FILL?

The summer season is almost upon us and Grizedale is starting to get busy! We are really keen to encourage local people to come and get involved in volunteering at Grizedale. There are a whole range of different opportunities available, from Visitor Experience volunteers which involves welcoming the visitors to the forest and sharing your enthusiasm and knowledge about the area, giving them information, helping with events, from planning to delivery and checking the trails. Practical volunteers who get out into the forest getting their hands dirty, maybe fixing bike trails or repairing footpaths. Forest Arts volunteers who can help interpret the sculptures found in the forest, and the exhibitions that are held over the summer. Or be involved in all three! We provide training, tea and biscuits, and would really like to hear from you if you are interested. Please check out our website forestry.gov.uk/grizedale, or get in touch with the Volunteer Co-ordinator, Christina Turtle by email: Christina.turtle@forestry.gsi.gov.uk.

RAINFALL

The total rainfall for March was 7.62", with 12 days without measurable rain.

The April total to the 30th is 2.94", with 16 days so far dry - clearly not a month of April showers. To date this year there have been 44 days without measurable rain, out of the 120 days to 30th April - more than a third of the year has been dry! Long may it continue.

COLTON PARISH COUNCIL

Environment Agency Walk along Ashes Beck, Rusland,

10th March: The Environment Agency had attended a Parish Council meeting in December to talk about 'flood awareness' in Rusland, designated as an area at risk of 'flash flooding'. Reduced resources mean that the Agency could only be concerned with potential flooding of properties, and particularly those in the larger villages and towns. Householders in sparse rural areas were unlikely to receive direct help, so self-help was being encouraged as much as possible. A walk along Ashes Beck with EA staff was organised to show landowners how they could keep river channels free of obstructions. Some work, particularly if heavy machinery was proposed, would require consent from the EA and from Natural England. The 'in-river' working window is between May and September, and nesting season of birds also needs to be taken into account when working on river banks.

Police Officer changes: Our local Police Community Support Officer (PCSO), Diana Wilcock, is retiring from her position to work for the Ambulance Service. We thanked her for her regular attendance at Council meetings and her support for the local community. PCSO Paul Harris will be taking over as our nominated officer. He is acting on our request to monitor traffic speed and is liaising with the Clerk and his colleagues about appropriate locations.

Illegal off-roading: There has been an increase in illegal off-roading, mainly concerning trail bikes: a) Trail bikes by-passing the seasonal TRO barriers at The Strands, Rusland and going through the river - the National Park and the Environment Agency have been alerted, b) Trail bikes 'playing' in fields at Nibthwaite, c) Vehicles using the Thwaite Moss to Force Mills green road, despite its temporary closure. Anyone seeing illegal off-road activity should call the police on 101 as soon as possible, and also report it to the National Park email address: hq@lakedistrict.gov.uk. A webpage on illegal activity and how to report it will be re-instated on our website shortly.

Lake District National Park – Land Sales and

Acquisitions: i) No interest has yet been expressed in the sale of woodland at Waterside Knott at Newby Bridge; the LDNPA will continue to look for an appropriate buyer. ii) Land between the road and the railway from Newby Bridge to Lakeside has been bought by a consortium that includes the National Park, with the aim of establishing more public access. This would be very welcome, given the danger to pedestrians walking on the road between the bridge and Lakeside.

The next Parish Council meeting will be our annual Parish Open Meeting followed by our Annual Parish Council meeting on Tuesday 5th May, 7:30pm, Bouth Village Hall

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SATTERTHWAITE PARISH COUNCIL

At the Meeting of 28th April PCSO Emma Forrester reported (by email) that there had been no crimes reported to Cumbria Police during the period during the previous 4 weeks; however, seven incidents in Hawkshead were recorded.

Councillors are making progress with the Community Plan and the proposal for an off-road parking facility and will submit updates to the next meeting..

Councillors felt that the parish was generally tidy at the moment and there was no need to seek the help of the lengthsman this month. Nevertheless, reports are requested from residents of areas that are in need of work.

Sadly, the parish council is in a period of transition and if anyone would like to become a councillor or take on the role of clerk, please contact the council using the email address below.

Satterthwaite Parish Council will meet next on Tuesday 12th May 2015 at 7.30pm in the Parish Room for the Annual Parish Meeting, the Annual Meeting and an ordinary Meeting; then again on Monday 15th June and Monday 13th July. Members of the public are welcome.

The archive of Minutes and the next Agenda can be seen on the community website at

www.satterthwaitepc.org.uk

Items for the next Agenda should be sent to the clerk – clerk.satterthwaitepc@gmail.com

OXEN PARK CINEMA CLUB

Our latest news is receiving a BIG Lottery grant to finish off fitting out The Carthouse in Oxen Park with surround sound and HD picture quality. A new projector is up on the ceiling so there is more space for people to see the screen clearly. *Pride* was the first film with this awesome set up. The next, and last film night before our new programme starts in September is *Jimmy's Hall* – on 9th May 8pm. This is directed by Ken Loach with his immaculate observations of the Irish communities - five star in my book!

This film will be preceded by the short Rusland Horizons film which gives a really good indication of what it is all about and has lots of familiar faces. Reserve a seat now with Carol and why not book a pre film meal at The Manor - telephone 01229 861345

EVENTS IN THE FOREST

May 15 - "We find the body difficult to speak" - a new arts installation and performance.

For more details see www.grizedalesculpture.org
Installation continues until May 26.

May 27 - "Give Nature a Home" free events in conjunction with the RSPB - further details on both of these dates at www.forestry.gov.uk/grizedale

Hold a Fish and Chip Supper to help spinal cord injured people rebuild lives after injury

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fundraising@siafishandchips.co.uk

CHURCH NEWS

Dear Friends,

Just a joke for you this month, and perhaps a word of caution to those of us who find ourselves speaking in public. It was said of a new Dean of Yale, some years ago, that he was invited to speak at a banquet to close an academic conference at an English University. He rose, and said "As you know, I am from Yale, and I want to base my speech around those four letters". His listeners looked hopeful, and he began. "Now, 'Y' is for youth in our society..." And he proceeded to speak for twenty minutes about youth. "'A' is for ambition", he continued, "one of the great drivers of change in our world..." And he spoke for a further twenty minutes. "'L' is for learning..." And another twenty minutes passed, before finally ending with another twenty minutes on 'E' for education. He finished and sat down, clearly pleased with his mnemonic, and turned to his English host. "How did I do?" he asked. "Oh, just fine", came the reply, "but we are all so glad you didn't come from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology".

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

CHURCH SERVICES FOR MAY

Sunday		Colton		Rusland		Satterthwaite	
May	4 th	9.30	Morning Worship	6pm	Evensong	9.45	Holy Communion
	11 th	9.30	Holy Communion	11.15	Holy Communion	6pm	Evensong
	18 th	9.30	Holy Communion	6pm	Evensong	9.45	Service for all Ages
	24 th	9.30	Holy Communion	11.15	Holy Communion		
	31 st	10.30	Benefice Holy Communion				

Sunday		Hawkshead		Sawrey			
May	4 th	8am	Holy Communion	6pm	Churches together Communion	11.15	Holy Communion
		9.30	Morning Worship		Hawkshead Methodist Chapel		
	11 th	9.30	H.C. with Sunday School	6pm	Evensong	11.15	Matins
	18 th	9.30	H.C. with Sunday School	6pm	Evensong	11.15	Holy Communion
	24 th	9.30	Holy Communion	6pm	Evensong	11.15	Morning Worship
	31 st	10.00	Joint Benefice Service	6pm	Evensong		

A THANKSGIVING FOR LAMBING AND FARMING AT TOCK HOW FARM, HIGH WRAY (THE IRVINES) Wednesday 6th May 6pm

A Service to thank and bless and pray for our local farming community will be held at Tock How Farm. All are welcome to come to this special occasion. Refreshments will follow.

COME FOR A WALK

The next Benefice walk will be on Thursday, 21st May when we shall meet at Satterthwaite Church at 10 a.m. and walk through Grizedale Forest to Parkamoor, then along the bridle path overlooking Coniston Water where we shall picnic, returning through the Forest. All welcome. Further details from Hilary Collins 01229 860312.

RUSLAND AND DISTRICT WI

At the April meeting we had great pleasure in welcoming four visitors. Our speakers for the evening were Morag Hopkins and Mary Tyson from Haverigg Prison. Morag proved to be one of the most inspirational speakers we have ever had, telling us about the work she and Mary do at the prison. Her audience was fascinated to hear that Haverigg, a Category 3 prison, has one of the lowest re-offender rates in the country and it is such a successful, working prison that it only costs £20,000 a year to keep each prisoner there, compared with the national average of £39,000. The work programmes running at Haverigg are now being copied in other prisons around the country. They have 107 hectares of land on which they keep pigs, hens and grow flowers and vegetables and the skills the prisoners learn enable some of them to get jobs when they leave. Seven years ago they started a Smokery, curing mainly fish, chicken and bacon, and we tasted the products and were able to buy some of them. They also run a woodworking unit where furniture is made, and a sewing room. We were not surprised to learn that Morag was awarded the B E M last year for services to prisons.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, 19th May, 7.30 p.m. at Satterthwaite Parish Room when the speakers are from South Lakeland Carers giving a talk entitled "Beyond Tea and Sympathy." All welcome.

SPRING CLEAN YOUR DEBTS

As we head into spring and hopefully warmer weather, it's a good time to sort out any debts. Council Tax debts remain the largest debt type across the country, up almost a quarter (24%) on last year, as a 'priority debt' you need to pay the debt off before other debts so it's important to get advice.

You don't need to cope alone with any debt or money worry. Our advisers are just a phone call away, and we have lots of different ways that we can help depending on your circumstances. Together we can look at your budget and see how you could make any savings, identify if you are entitled any other income, and we can work on your behalf in arranging affordable repayments to your creditors.

Free, confidential advice and help is available from South Lakes Citizens Advice Bureau, telephone 015394 46464 for an appointment and help.

DIARY DATES

MAY	Tues	5 th	Colton Parish Council Annual Parish Meeting and Annual Parish Council Meeting – Bouth Village Hall – 7.30pm
	Wed	6 th	Farm Thanksgiving Service – Tock How Farm – 6pm
	Sat	9 th	Rusland Horizons Event – Old Hall Farm, Bouth – 4pm to 8pm Oxen Park Cinema Club – <i>Jimmy's Hall</i> – The Cart House – 8pm <i>Boggle Banned</i> – Eagle's Head – 9.30pm
	Tues	12 th	Satterthwaite Parish Council Annual Parish Meeting and Annual Parish Council Meeting – 7.30pm
	Sun	17 th	Garden at Middle Dale Park open - 2pm to 5pm
	Tues	19 th	Rusland and District WI – Satterthwaite Parish Room – 7.30pm
	Thurs	21 st	Benefice Walk – Meet at Satterthwaite Church – 10.00am
	Sun	24 th	Garden at Middle Dale park open – 2pm to 5pm

As Part of their 40th Anniversary tour

THE HOUGHTON WEAVERS

will play at

THE MARQUEE, OXEN PARK - SUNDAY 7th JUNE 2015

The Houghton Weavers are part of the cast attending the Music Festival which will start at about 2.00pm

Other artists include some you may recognise from TV :-

Tony Barton (Compere), Simply Jack (Swing/Jazz)

Chris Bannister (John Denver Music) Gary Leighton (Instrumental)

Duncan Novelle (comedy) Frances Jones (Playing the Alpine Horn)

On site Barbecue & Bar

Tickets £20. On the gate £25. Available from Tom 01229 861638 or from The Manor

Copy date for June edition, 26th May. Send to: - Liz Cringle Tel – 01229 860274, email: liggerc@hotmail.com; Colin Barr – Oxen Park Tel: 01229 861408, email: cj.barr@btinternet.com; Elsie Wilkinson – Crosslands Tel: 01229 860253; Frances Townsend – Pepper House Tel: 01229 860206, email: frances.townsend@virgin.net; Sylvia Chadwick – Monks Cottage Tel: 015395 31685

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