



RUSLAND & SATTERTHWAITE
NEWSLETTER

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BLOSSOM TIME

SPRING ARRIVALS

David Robinson saw the 1st Swallow on the 16th April.

John Walton saw a House Martin on 22nd April and heard the first Cuckoo on 23rd April

TWO TIN TUESDAY! TUESDAY, 2nd MAY

Appeal for donations in support of
BARROW and ULVERSTON FOODBANKS

Due to the cost-of-living crisis, the foodbank stocks are low and the need is higher than ever. So once again it is TWO TIN TUESDAY. TINS, yes, but toiletries and all in date foodstuffs will be appreciated.

Collection points are in the usual places in Finsthwaite, Lakeside, Bouth, Oxen Park, Lowick and Rusland, and now in Satterthwaite, Hawkshead and Sawrey Churches.

LATE DONATIONS – if your local collection box has been removed, please telephone 01229 860390 and ask for a pick up.

Last year the Barrow, Ulverston and Millom Foodbanks helped 6211 people, up from 4701 in the previous year.

DALE PARK RAINFALL

The total rainfall for March was 11.95" (2.89" 2022) with 9 dry days (17 dry 2022). April to 22nd is 2.88" about the same as last year and 11 dry days. Last year there were 17 dry days in April, so we shall see soon whether we match that.

CYCLE EVENT IN DALE PARK

Saturday and Sunday, 27th and 28th May will see a huge cycle event in Dale Park with hundreds of cars and cyclists. It would be wise to try and avoid travelling through Dale Park.

REMINDERS!

COME AND CELEBRATE THE CORONATION
SUNDAY 7th MAY FROM 2PM
SATTERTHWAITE PLAYGROUND
BRING YOUR OWN EVERYTHING - PICNICS,
BBQS, DRINKS, CHAIRS, RUGS.... EVEN
GAZEBOS IF THE WEATHER LOOKS POOR.

AFTERNOON TEA

Rusland and District WI Afternoon Tea on
Sunday, 14th May from 3 to 5 p.m. in
Satterthwaite Parish Room.

If you would like to come, please email our
President, Sally Lister listersally@gmail.com
so we know how many scones to bake!

RVHS SPRING GARDEN COMPETITION 2023

If you would like to enter this year's
competition, please contact Sally Fisher
by email (sally.fisher072@gmail.com) or phone
(01229 861876) as soon as possible. Please
include your name and address.
Start planning ...

RVHS SUMMER GARDEN COMPETITION 2023
Please start getting your garden ready for the
Summer competition; judging takes place at
the end of July.

Categories are:
Hanging baskets, window boxes and similar;
Large gardens;
Small gardens;
Vegetable gardens;
Child's garden, hanging basket or planted
container (U/16).

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SATTERTHWAITE PARISH COUNCIL - FEBRUARY

The road closure at Grizedale was due to ENWL installing electricity cables under the road to prevent more powerline issues. GRIZEDALE STAGES RALLY – GRAHAM PARKER Graham attended the meeting discuss issues with parking at Grizedale Stages rally 2022. Spectators parked on verges down the road from Moortop towards Hawkshead. Due to the unexpected popularity of the night stage Graham had not anticipated the large number of spectators causing rubbish and people using the forest as a toilet. This will be addressed as they are hoping to run the night stages again.

It was discussed whether the campsite could be used for car parking, dependant on the weather.

FORESTRY ENGLAND – ALISON LEYSHON

Lots of tree clearance work being done Low Bowkerstead is open now.

50 000 tonnes out so far, another 30000 tonnes still to do.

Building repairs are being carried out on the Visitor Centre

Lumberjills Exhibition on 18th May 2023

Houses are being looked at for use by staff. At the moment some of the empty houses are uninhabitable due to damage over the winter months.

Planning applications were received for No 3 The Kennels to convert the building into a more long-lasting building. The Council support this application.

Proposed planning for the mast at Thwaite Moss was received but has not been officially applied for at present. The Council replied to the Telecommunications company asking that they re-think the site as now the trees have been removed the site will be visible and asked that they revisit their plan.

We have had a quote from Sarah Spicer for repairing the road down Nursery Lane this would be £1000, so Gary will contact United Utilities to request the funding.

Once the planning application has been submitted for the proposed car park in Satterthwaite the Council will apply for grants for funding.

Gary has sent in an application for a grant for batteries for the proposed solar panels for the village warm space which is designated as the Eagles Head.

Archie Workman handed in his resignation as Lengthsman for Satterthwaite PC. Many thanks to Archie for all the work he has carried out for us over the last few years. We will now be looking for a new lengthsman, please contact Dawn at clerk.satterthwaitepc@gmail.com for more information

The next PC meeting is on May 2nd, 7pm in the Parish Room.

COLTON PARISH COUNCIL:

We will be holding our annual open Parish meeting from 10am - 12pm on Saturday 20th May at Rusland Reading Room. Everyone who lives, works or has an interest in Colton Parish and the work of the Parish Council is very welcome to attend. There will be a local interest speaker, cake and refreshments and the chance to share your view about local issues. Meet your councillors and join friends and neighbours for a chat about the Parish Council priorities for the coming years. We look forward to seeing many of you there. As part of our community plan work, we will also be launching our 'Cabinet of curiosities' project at the annual open meeting. This project is kindly funded by the Esmee Fairbairn Foundation. Come along on the day to find out more and keep your eye on the noticeboards. This is going to be fun. Our formal Annual General Meeting meeting will be held on Monday 15th May at Oxen Park Reading Room.

RUSLAND and DISTRICT WI

At the April meeting after the usual half hour of business, we were privileged to welcome Maria Whitehead from Hawkshead Relish who gave us a truly inspirational talk about how she and her husband Mark started their business and how it has progressed over the years to the highly successful enterprise it is today. There were lots of their lines to try, a pot each of the very first chutney (Westmorland chutney) to take home, and Maria generously provided three raffle prizes. We will soon be taking up Maria's offer of a tour round their premises. Our next meeting is on Tuesday, 16th May in Satterthwaite Parish Room at 7.30 p.m. when we are to have a talk from Marilyn Hale on Encaustic Glass Painting. All welcome.

OXEN PARK CINEMA CLUB

We have now finished for this season and getting ready for our next one which will start in September. Look out for our new programme at the Rusland Show.

ROAD CLOSURE

The road known as Rusland Cross will be closed between Crosslands and Rusland Cross (Hall Farm) from 7th June for up to seven days for cable duct installation. There are also expected to be power outages on June 20th for connection of this new supply and removal of the existing one. This will also give rise to a short closure of the bottom end of Crossland road. It is all to get power for our new heat pump. Apologies for inconvenience caused. Rob Smith, Lands End Farm

CHURCH NEWS

Dear Friends,

I wonder what we mean by the word 'faith' when used in a religious context. Our first thought, maybe, is that it means more or less the same as the word 'belief', perhaps specifically belief in something despite lack of evidence. It is no secret that I have been exploring the Christian faith for some time, and I have come to understand faith to mean much more than belief. Belief is part of it certainly, but not the end of the story by any means.

I see faith not as a destination but as a journey, not as a formula but as a relationship, not as an absolute but as an unfolding adventure. During that adventure we discover a confidence and trust that we are exploring something which is full of truth and beauty and love.

To help us with this we have the church and our worship. And we also have the Bible. I don't approach the Bible as some sort of manual of rules and regulations, but rather a mix of story, poetry, dialogue and history which captures the incredible, life-giving journey of faith: firstly, of the people of Israel, then of those who encountered Jesus, became followers and started the church. As we prayerfully read the stories of faith and make the stories of scripture our story, we find the passages have the power to open our eyes, to break down barriers and to bring us purpose and peace.

This month will see the coronation of King Charles III, and we will discover once again the central part that faith has played and still plays in our society. The church services on 7th May will be special coronation services. John, the Vicarage, Hawkshead, 015394 36301, jjcedixon@btinternet.com

CHURCH SERVICES FOR MAY 2023

Sunday	Colton	Rusland	Satterthwaite
May 7 th		6pm Celtic Evening Prayer	
14 th			11.15 Holy Communion
21 st		6pm Evensong	
28 th		11.15 Holy Communion	

Sunday	Hawkshead Church	Hawkshead Hill Baptists	Sawrey
May 7 th	9.30 Holy Communion	10.30 Morning Service	11.15 Holy Communion
14 th	9.30 Holy Communion	10.30 Morning Service	11.15 Matins
21 st	9.30 Holy Communion	10.30 Morning Service	11.15 Holy Communion
28 th	9.30 Holy Communion	10.30 Morning Service	11.15 Holy Communion

Thursdays at 10am Hawkshead Methodist Church 'Time at 10'

ASCENSION DAY WALK

On Thursday, 18th May there will be a walk from Tarn Hows to the top of Black Crag, where there will be a short act of worship for Ascension Day. We will meet at Tarn Hows (NT) Car park at 6.00 p.m. and will return by 9pm. The walk goes over some rough ground, so sturdy footwear is required. For more information contact John Dixon on 015394 36301, jjcedixon@btinternet.com.

ROOKHOW NEWS

Quiet Day - Monday 22nd May 10am-4pm

Spend a day at Rookhow, in the beautiful woods and peaceful Meeting House. Facilitated by Caroline Stow and Susan Marston. All welcome- all denominations and none. Email Sue if you'd like to be part of the day.

Open Days on the 1st and 3rd Fridays of each month 10am-4pm. Tea, coffee and homemade cakes. Our volunteer guides will be happy to show you around and you can wander into the woods too. If you would like to come with a group, please let Sue know in advance so we have enough cakes!

Quaker Meetings at Rookhow Meeting House - On the first Wednesday of every month 7.30-8pm and 1st and 3rd Fridays 12.30-1pm. All welcome.

Day bookings -Rookhow Meeting House can be booked for meetings & day events (Monday-Thursday) and as a base for use of the woodland.

Summer Holidays: 3 and 4 night bookings

Please spread the word to your friends and family from away who might want to come and stay in the Rusland Valley. They can hire the whole site- Bunkbarn, Meeting House, yurt, camping and woodland and have the place to themselves! These bookings help us to run the charity and support the mental health groups who come to stay. We put at least 5% of bookings income into the Retreat Away Fund. Check the website: <https://rookhow.org.uk>

Retreat Away Fund -So far Rookhow has supported 400 individuals from 30 organisations to stay at Rookhow. Round 5 grants have been allocated to 8 groups, including Furness Refugee Support, We Will Youth Mental Health Campaign Maryport and Autus Cumbria.

For more info, contact: Sue Nicholls, Rookhow Development Manager Tel 07377 971783

Email: contactrookhow@gmail.com

RUSLAND HORIZONS EVENTS FOR APRIL AND MAY

Invasive Species Removal Work Party at Black Beck, near Bouth, on Sunday 30th April,
Mothing and Rusland's Rare Butterflies Talk on the evening of Thursday 4th May, at Hay Bridge Nature Reserve.

Dawn Chorus Walk 6.30am, Sunday 7th May, Old Hall Woods, near Bouth.

Full details for all events are on our website on the 'What's On' page.

Booking is essential so reserve your place now. More events and activities are being added soon!

MUSIC FOR A SUMMER EVENING 2023

Programme of Concerts to be held in the Parish Church Hawkshead

All concerts are on Tuesday evenings, beginning at 7.30 pm except: LDSM on Tuesday 1st August at 3.00pm.

6th June: Fay Sweet, Viola and Robert Douglas, Piano

13th June: South Lakes A Capella

20th June: Encore Opera

27th June: Flute Fiesta

Full details of these and the July concerts in the next edition.

For all concerts there will be a retiring collection for Charity and Church Funds.

PERSONAL - Condolences to Keith Bunney on the death of Joan after a long illness .

Copy date for June edition, 26th May 2023. Please send to: - Liz Cringle - 01229 860274

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