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A CENTENARIAN IN SATTERTHWAITE!

100TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

Friends and family gathered from near and far at Satterthwaite Farm throughout the day on 27th August to congratulate Lesley (Les) Threlkeld on attaining his century. Les was born in Lancashire and farmed near Hoghton for many years before he, his wife Betty and children Jennifer and David moved to farm at Ormandy Farm (now the Grizedale Lodge Hotel) in 1959. Subsequently the opportunity arose to take the tenancy of the Home Farm at Grizedale, which son David was able to move to, whilst Les bought Satterthwaite Farm in 1966, which has been home ever since. Les has always been impeccably turned out in collar and tie, even when driving a tractor or feeding hens, as the many photos will attest. Thursday was no exception, and Les was able to hold court in style, whilst visitors came in waves to wish him well. The house was full of congratulatory cards, including "The One" from HM the Queen and (perhaps even more special!) one from Blackburn Rovers, of whom Les has been a lifelong supporter. And parked outside, decked with balloons, was the first tractor that Les owned, which is still in work at Home Farm.

It was a very special day, and daughter Jennifer deserves much credit for looking after Satterthwaite's National Treasure so well!

As Part Of The

GREEN DOOR STUDIO'S ART TRAIL

CHRIS BENEFIELD AND TINA BALMER WILL BE SHOWING AND SELLING RECENT PAINTINGS AND PRINTS

at

JANE MEADOW, HIGH DALE PARK

Friday 25th September 12noon- 5pm

Saturday 26th and Sunday 27th 11am- 5pm

Refreshments available.

NOTE - Your editor will be away for the next issue. Please send any news items to Colin Barr

WEATHER FAILS TO DAMPEN RUSLAND SHOW SPIRIT

On Saturday 15th August 2009, residents from the Rusland Valley, along with visitors from further a field, braved the elements and headed to Whitestock Meadow for the 126th Annual Show.

Yet again the level and standard of entries across the classes was excellent with just under 1000 entries in total, only slightly down on 2008, in spite of the inclement weather. There was a wide selection of lovingly tended fruit and vegetables, home produce, arts and crafts. As in previous years, the 'monster made from fruit and vegetables' class proved popular in the children's section, with some very imaginative exhibits. The Rusland Valley information tent housed an interesting collection of photographic and film entries. Other displays featured photos from the recent 'Vivaldi's Four Seasons for Children' concert at Rusland church and the Italian themed evening in Satterthwaite Parish Room causing people to enquire - "which country next?" Meanwhile, at the other side of the field in the local crafts tent, people enjoyed buying and tasting local honey, with business proving better than expected, and a colourful array of funky buckets and watering cans helped brighten up the day.

On the sports field the fell races were as competitive as ever and were followed by various track events and the Cumberland & Westmorland Wrestling demonstration, which kept spectators well entertained. Likewise, the children's pet show was also well-supported and fun to watch and the ladies egg and spoon race was split into two races due to popular demand!

Later in the day, the sun even made an appearance for the presentation of the winners' cups. The new 'Pick a Square' draw featuring prizes donated by pubs in the local area was a big hit, with the last few squares being sold as the end-of-show auction took place, expertly conducted as always by Messrs Wingate-Saul and Harrison.

Many thanks, to the Rusland Valley Horticultural Society for their planning and hard work as well as a big thank you to the Dobson's for their outstanding commitment throughout the Show preparation.

All in all, the Rusland Show was once again "successful despite the weather" and was deemed by one local to be "well up to standard."

LOCAL CREATIVE WRITING GROUP SEEKS NEW TALENT!

The award-winning Rusland Writers invite you to join their group & take part in 4 monthly 'taster sessions'. The sessions will be held in the evenings this autumn, in the Rusland Reading Rooms.
Interested? Please ring Sarah on 860141 for more details.

OXEN PARK CINEMA CLUB

The new film season is here. Help us celebrate another year of great film shows. With this edition comes a copy of the new programme. Please let one of the committee know if you would like more, to hand out to friends, guests or put in your local hall, pub or allotment.
The first film, SLUM DOG MILLIONAIRE is this Tuesday, 1st September at Rusland - what a fantastic film that is!
If you cannot make Tuesdays then put the Saturday films in your diary. The first of these is MAN ON WIRE on 26th
- my heart rate goes up just thinking about it...
See you there?

COLTON PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Following earlier discussion on 'green lanes', at its August meeting the Council has agreed a number of actions to address the issues of erosion and poor driver behaviour. One very promising solution may result from discussion between the National Park Authority and the Highways Department with the intention of introducing a programme of repairs similar to the Fix The Fells project. The Council is to ask the National Park to place a temporary Traffic Regulation Order on the High Nibthwaite - to - Parkamoor track until such time as repairs can be made and fell-sides given a chance to recover from excursions made by off-roaders. A Green Lanes Working Group was formed to take forward a number of other ideas, in conjunction with local farmers.

The Community Plan Working Group would be very pleased to hear from anyone who would like to help with plans to shape the future of the parish. An interactive display was prepared for the Rusland Show. Please contact the clerk if you have something to contribute; 'no previous experience necessary' as they say.
The Council is pleased to report that after negotiations with the Highways Department, the road from Penny Bridge to Hawkshead, via Colton & Satterthwaite, has been included on the Priority 2 pre-salting list which, we think, means that it may get salted by Council gritters occasionally!"
Our next meeting is on Monday 14th September, 7.30 pm at Finsthwaite Village Hall

SATTERTHWAITE PARISH ROOM COMMITTEE

The Committee co-opted three new members at the July 6th meeting, not four as originally stated. They are Kevin Baverstock, Andrew Duncan and Elizabeth Pollock.
The written appeal has now been produced and distributed with the hopes that it will benefit the Parish Room funds.
Make a note in your diary for Kevin Baverstock's talk on *My Father's Battalion in Normandy* on October 24th.

THE WEATHER!

The July rainfall in Dale Park was 7.83" with only 5 days without measurable rain. This makes three very wet Julys in a row, with 6.23" in 2008 and 7.59" in 2007. The five years before that averaged 3.77"
The LHS Holehird web site, which has just started to feature all their monthly weather data charts can be viewed at: <http://holehirdgardens.org.uk/imagegallery/>
(Chris Stacey is away)

CRAGG ATAK'S FIRST ANNIVERSARY CONCERT

With support 'Pete & Carol'

Guest vocalists Sarah Demick and 'Elvis' Fletcher
The Eagle's Head Inn, Saturday 10th October, 9pm
Come along for a great rock 'n roll a bop a gogo night
Collection in aid of Satterthwaite Parish Room Funds

CHESS IN SATTERTHWAITE

The Chess Club will resume at 7.30 p.m. on Thursday, 1st October in Satterthwaite Parish Room and will continue on Thursday evenings until 3rd December. All are welcome, old members and new, including beginners. Some of last autumn's beginners were playing very well by the spring. For further information ring Edward Collins on 01229 860312

KILTS AND SPORRANS AT THE READY!

Scottish Country Dancing classes will begin on Monday September 21st.
Sessions will run from 7.00-9.00pm in Satterthwaite Parish Room and there will be a small charge towards the upkeep of the hall. Looking forward to seeing you there!

W.I. News

Rusland & District W.I. had their own stand at Rusland Show and was pleased to collect a further accolade for their award winning walk leaflet "The Rusland Ramble" when it was awarded the Rusland Valley Heritage Trophy. W.I. President Hilary Collins won the Doreen Dickinson cup for the W.I. member with the highest number of successful entries.
The open meeting on 15th September will be held at Rusland Reading Rooms, when the local butcher from Kittridding Farm, Stewart Lambert, will be the speaker. Do come and join us then.

SATTERTHWAITE PARISH NEWS

Work on the Community Plan is progressing well with lots of information you have contributed now being digested. We hope to be moving into the next phase during September with ideas about what we should be doing in the future.
Many of you will have noticed that the parish roads have been decorated with white paint ready for repairs to be carried out. In addition to these minor repairs two major works at Middle Dale and Bowkerstead are waiting for scheduling by the engineers. The work at both sites will lead to road closures and in the case of Bowkerstead this will need to happen during a quiet period. Several other sites that have been subject to flooding have also been investigated and hopefully now resolved. A site visit by the Highways Inspector will take place in October so the Clerk is keen to here of any other problems so that they can be raised at this time.
We have also been informed that the road between Penny Bridge and Hawkshead that passes through the parish has been upgraded to Priority 2, subject to clearance by the Scrutiny Committee, for winter gritting purposes. We have also been promised that grit bins will be replenished before the bad weather arrives.
The Council continues to place pressure on United Utilities to resolve the sewage pollution from the pumping station in Satterthwaite. The matter has now been passed to OFWAT.
The next meeting is on 17th October
David Granville, Parish Clerk, 01229 860397

Church News

Dear Friends,

The other day I came across something I thought quite interesting. On Washington, DC Metro Station on a cold January morning a man with a violin plays six Bach pieces for about 45 minutes. During that time approximately 2 thousand people passed through the station, most of them on their way to work. It took 3 minutes for anyone to notice him at all - a middle-aged man slowed his pace and stopped for a few seconds and then hurried to meet his schedule.

4 minutes later the violinist received his first dollar: a woman threw the money in the hat and, without stopping, continued to walk.

After 10 minutes, a 3-year old boy stopped but his mother tugged him along hurriedly. The child stopped to look at the violinist again, but the mother pushed hard and the child continued to walk, turning his head all the time. This action was repeated by several other children. Every parent, without exception, forced their children to move on quickly.

Over the entire 45 minutes, only 6 people stopped and listened for a short while. About 20 gave money but continued to walk at their normal pace. He finished playing and silence took over. No one noticed and no one applauded.

The violinist was a certain Joshua Bell, a very well known violinist. He was playing with a violin valued at \$3.5 million dollars. Two days before, Joshua Bell sold out a theatre in Boston where the price of seats averaged \$100.

Joshua Bell playing incognito in the metro station was organized by the Washington Post as part of a social experiment about perception, taste and people's priorities. The questions raised: in a commonplace environment at an inappropriate hour, do we perceive beauty? Do we stop to appreciate it? Do we recognize talent in an unexpected context?

And, of course, it raises the question: if we do not have a moment to stop and listen to one of the best musicians in the world, playing some of the finest music ever written, with one of the most beautiful instruments ever made... what else are we missing?

John

The Vicarage, Hawkshead, 015394 36301. jjcedixon@btinternet.com

Sunday	Colton	Rusland	Satterthwaite
August 30 th	10.30 Ecumenical and Benefice Service	No service	No Service
September 6 th	10.30 Morning Worship	6pm Evensong	9.45 Holy Communion
13 th	10.30 Benefice Communion	11.15 Holy Communion	6pm Evensong
20 th	9.30 Communion	6pm Evensong	9.45 Service for All Ages
27 th	9.30 Communion	11.15 Harvest Festival	No Service

Sunday	Hawkshead	Sawrey
August 30 th	10.00 Joint Benefice H.C.	6pm Songs of Praise, Bowkerstead Farm, Satterthwaite
September 6 th	8.00 Holy Communion 1662	6pm Healing Service
	9.30 Service for All Ages	Hawkshead Methodist Chapel
13 th	9.30 H.C. with Sunday School	6pm Evensong
20 th	9.30 H.C. with Sunday School	6pm Evensong
27 th	9.30 H.C. with Sunday School and Dedication of the New Ashes Memorial Stone	6pm Evensong

EVENSONG WITH A DIFFERENCE!

Come and sing your favourite hymns at our "Songs of Praise"
Bowkerstead Farm, Satterthwaite - Sunday 30th August at 6pm. Please bring your own chairs!

SATTERTHWAITE & RUSLAND CHURCHES COFFEE MORNING

Thursday Sept. 3rd at the Coronation Hall, Ulverston, 9.30 a.m.
Donations of cakes, produce, books, raffle and tombola prizes will be gratefully received .

ENCOUNTER

This is a new Christian introductory course, based on St John's Gospel and developed by the Rev John Reeves. We will be running it over five Thursday evenings from 17th September until 15th October 2009 at 7.30 pm at the Minstrels Gallery, Hawkshead. It's an excellent opportunity for anyone to come and hear more about the Christian faith in a very interactive and enjoyable way.

For more information, or to book a place, please contact Nick Hallam (36069) or Frances Stride (36423).

SATTERTHWAITE & RUSLAND CHURCHES HARVEST SUPPER

Make a date in you diaries now for this popular event - Saturday 10th October, Satterthwaite Parish Room.

DIARY DATES

Aug. Sun.	30 th	Songs of Praise – Bowkerstead Farm – 6pm
Sept. Tues	1 st	Scottish Country Dancing – Satterthwaite Parish Room – 2- 4pm
		Oxen Park Cinema Club – <i>Slum Dog Millionaire</i> – Rusland Reading Rooms – 7.30pm
Thurs.	3 rd	Satterthwaite and Rusland Churches Coffee Morning – Coronation Hall, Ulverston – 9.30 am
Tues.	8 th	Mothers Union – Colton Church Hall – 2pm
Mon.	14 th	Colton Parish Council Meeting -
Tues.	15 th	Rusland and District WI – Rusland Reading Rooms – 7.30pm
Mon.	21 st	Scottish Country Dancing – Satterthwaite Parish Room – 7-9pm
Sat.	26 th	Oxen Park Cinema Club – <i>Man on Wire</i> – Rusland Reading Rooms – 7.30pm
Oct. Thurs.	1 st	Chess Club – 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

- Congratulations to John Postlethwaite, formerly of New Close Farm, Oxen Park on his recent marriage to Claire - we understand that the couple will set up home in Longleddale after a honeymoon in Kenya.
- Our best wishes to Nigel Buckley for a speedy recovery after his recent operation.
- We also send our best wishes to Margaret Postlethwaite who has been in hospital and is still "under the weather".

Last date for items for October Newsletter is 25th September. Send to: 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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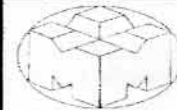
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