

DIARY DATES

- Sat 1 Wray Sports Dominoes, Wray Institute. 7pm for a prompt 7.30pm start. Adults £2, Children £1.50. Raffle and refreshments. All welcome.
- Mon 3 Come for Coffee, a lovely community get together, in the Sunday School room at Wray Methodist Chapel. 10am to 12 noon. It's open to all, a warm welcome awaits everyone. Come for Coffee is a collection point for the Morecambe Bay Foodbank. Any suitable non perishable food you can give will be gratefully received. For more details see their website morecambebay.foodbank.org.uk
- Mon 3 7.30 p.m. Yoga in Wray Institute. £5 per session. Mats and provided. Details Kathy Cartledge 61567.
- Mon 10
- Tues 4 7.30 p.m. Wray Community Book Group in the George & Dragon. We will be talking about a Booker prize winner from 1979 "Offshore" by Penelope Fitzgerald.
- Wed 5 Upholstery Class in the morning or afternoon at Lower Tatham Church. Continues every Wednesday. Tuition, tools and equipment provided. Details Sue Marsden 07836 500091.
- Thurs 6 10.00 a.m. to 12 noon, Wray Toddlers in Wray Chapel Sunday school room and each following Thursday. All parents, small children and carers welcome.
- Thurs 6 Lent Lunch 12 to 1.30pm at Holy Trinity Church, Wray. (Churchwardens Ann Anderson and Judith Wrigley). All welcome for soup, cheese and fellowship. Proceeds to charity.

- Thurs 6 Wenning Voices meet every Thursday at 7.30 p.m. in the Church of St. James the Less, Tatham. We sing purely for fun Do come and join us if you can. £1 per week, includes tea & biscuits.
- Sat 8 Hornby Ramblers, depart Hornby Car Park at 9.30 a.m. Venue Feizer, 3 or 4 miles, Leader Anthea Ashworth 21980.
- Tues 11 6.00 p.m. Tatham Fells WI: Treasure Hunt in Wray, starting at the George & Dragon.
- Wed 12 7.30 p.m. Wennington & District WI in Wray Institute. "Life on the Road with Mike Harding" - Steve Swithin. Visitors welcome.
- Thurs 13 2.00 p.m. Wray Methodist Ladies meeting in the Sunday school room. Speaking and singing by Clapham ladies followed by refreshments. All ladies most welcome.
- Fri 14 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. Children's Good Friday Workshop in Wray. Please see page 3. for full details of this popular event.
- Tues 18 2.00 p.m. Wray Over Sixties in Wray Institute. Mr. Raymond Gott will give an illustrated talk on Wray Flood. He was a Special Constable at the time and took many photographs. It is the 50th anniversary of the flood this year. Non-members welcome.
- Tues 18 House- to-House collection in Wray and Millhouses for to NSPCC.
- Tues 29
- Wed 19 6.30 p.m. Meeting of the Wray with Botton Heritage Group in Wray Institute. All very welcome.
- Fri 21 7.45 p.m. Countryside Society in Hornby Institute. Steve Garland will give an illustrated talk on "Some insects of North Lancashire".

Sat 22 Hornby Ramblers, depart Hornby Car Park at 9.30 a.m. Venue to be decided 7/9 miles, contact Ann Nash 22595 for further details.

Please note that due to the use of Wray Church for the commemorative display on Wray Flood during this year's Scarecrow Festival, both joyful Noise and After-School Club will be cancelled for April.

Advance Dates

Monday May 1st 2017. Come for Coffee 10am to 12 noon in the Sunday school Wray.

Sunday May 14th 2017. 10.30am, river and bluebell walk and picnic. Rod Everett will lead a walk from Wray Flood Garden up the river past Roeburnscar, Backsbottom Farm and Roeburndale Woods to see how the river was affected by Wray Flood and Flood Desmond and how it may be restored. Photos of how the river has changed. This coincides with the wonderful Roeburndale bluebells. Bring a picnic to share. This will be an opportunity for encouraging community engagement and discussion related to future restoration with Slow the Flow. (Some steep walks up and down).

April 14th - 10am to 1pm. Good Friday Workshop in Wray for Children

Once again I am inviting you to encourage your children to participate in Wray's Good Friday workshop. Those of you whose children have taken part in the past will know how popular this event is. This year's theme is "The Tree of Life". The day will include various hands-on activities and the performance of a story in church.

ALL local children 4 years and older are welcome. You do NOT have to be a member of any church or chapel. Children may bring a friend; just let us know ahead of time. Activities are chiefly aimed at primary-aged children, but I am always delighted to hear from older siblings or friends who would like to come along as helpers. A few adult helpers will also be needed; do let me know if you would be interested.

We will need to know numbers by Sunday April 9th. Please ring Mary Winter on 21784 with any questions. Hope to see you there!

Church Services in April and early May

April 2nd, Fifth Sunday of Lent

9.00am	Holy Communion	Tatham
11.00am	Morning Service	Tatham Fells
2.30pm	Evening Prayer	Wray

9.30am Morning Service – Melling, 11.00am Sung Eucharist – Leck

April 9th, Palm Sunday

9.30am	Holy Communion	Wray
11.00am	Morning Service	Tatham
2.15pm	Evening Prayer	Tatham Fells

11.00am Sung Eucharist - Tunstall

April 13th, Maundy Thursday

7.30pm	Holy Communion	Wray
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April 14th, Good Friday

10.00am -1.15pm	Children's Activities	Wray Institute
12noon	Devotional Hour	Wray
2.00pm	Devotional Hour	Tatham Fells

10.00am Good Friday Service – Tunstall

April 16th, Easter Day

9.30am	Holy Communion	Wray
9.30am	Holy Communion	Tatham Fells
11.00am	Holy Communion	Tatham

11.00am Holy Communion - Melling, 11.00am Sung Eucharist - Leck

April 23rd, Second Sunday of Easter

9.30am	Morning Service	Wray
9.30am	Morning Service	Tatham Fells

11.00am Sung Eucharist –Tunstall

April 30th, Third Sunday of Easter

11.00am	Benefice Communion	Melling
2.30pm	Songs of Praise	Wray

May 7th, Fourth Sunday of Easter

9.00am	Holy Communion	Tatham
11.00am	'Messy Church'	Tatham Fells
2.30pm	Evening Prayer	Wray

9.30am Morning Service – Melling, 11.00am Sung Eucharist – Leck

Church Contacts: *Revd Mark Cannon, Wray Vicarage (21030)*

Readers: *Ann Dawson (62936), Peter Osborne (61029), Mary Winter (21784)*

Pilates at Wray Methodist Hall on Tuesdays - Enjoy Moving!

9.30 - 10.30am - Beginners/Basics

5.45 - 6.45pm - Improvers/Intermediates

7 - 8pm - Improvers/Intermediates

* Other daytime and evening venues - Caton, Melling, Bentham.

* For full details and to reserve a place please call Anne 22425 or 07935803370

* email anne.pilates@yahoo.co.uk

Wray Photographic Competition and Heritage Protection

By now you will have had a notice from the School, either in the Thursday bags and/or through your door, about the Parish photography competition. The children have specified the age-groups and are organising special prizes for the winners, and all the photos will be on display in the Institute during Fair week, with an explanation of what they have organised and why, for visitors to read.

The 'why' goes back to last month's explanation of new opportunities for us to highlight our own views of our heritage, and then protect it through policies in the coming Neighbourhood Plan. So for all of us, children and adults it is really important to take a photo of the buildings, objects or

views that are most important to you now, and send or deliver them to the School, (if you prefer you can describe them instead, and send them to the School for noting and counting for the Plan.)

The original deadline was the end of term (31st March), but we have now extended it. All photos or descriptions sent to the School by or on Tuesday 18th April 2017 will definitely be counted, and going out to take photos might even help burn-off an Easter egg or two!

Saturday 15th April, 1pm to 2pm start Family Easter Egg Trail from Hornby Institute. £2 per sheet

Find all the eggs hidden along the way. What is the Easter Bunny trying to say? Prize for the winner and a little something for each child. It is buggy/pushchair friendly but it could be wet so remember your wellies! Organised by and raising funds for Melling Primary School.

Upholstery Classes and Workshops in the lovely setting of Lower Tatham Church (near the Bridge Inn). Classes are every Wednesday either from 9.30am to 12.30pm or 1.30pm to 4.30pm with tuition. Beginners 4-week courses to start you off. Re-cover a chair or stool or perhaps make a footstool from scratch.

Booking essential please as numbers limited. Tel Sue Marsden on 07836 500091 or email sue@tuffett.co.uk

The Wennington & District Women's Institute

The annual Cheese and Wine Evening held in Wray was another success. The amount raised for the mental health charity MIND was £1,200.00. We wish to thank our members and all the people who attended for their support. Our local businesses and members were extremely generous with donations for the raffle held during the evening. A huge 'thankyou' to all concerned.

Roger and family would like to express their gratitude for the kindness shown during Kate's illness. The flowers, cards, messages of support and the attendance at her funeral will live long in our memory.

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Friends of Lower Tatham Church 100 Club

Results of the February draw which took place at the Leven Choir Concert on Sunday 26th February.

1st Prize £102 No.30 Winner lives in Millhouses

2nd Prize £51 No.92 Winner lives in Tatham

3rd Prize £25.50 No.48 Winner lives in Farleton

To date the 100 Club has raised nett £7,484.75 for Church funds after paying out £4,030.25 in prize money, with zero expenses.

All the money raised is being used for improvements to the Church which includes water main, toilet, carpet, floor refurbishment and now the brew station.

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Lonsdale Archers, a recently formed club based in Burton-in-Lonsdale, will be holding taster sessions at Burton Recreation Ground from 10am to 1pm on Sunday 2nd April. Open to all ages from 9+, a one hour introductory session will cost £12.

For bookings and further details contact Mark Christie on 015242 64879 or email: markchristie101@outlook.com

Art Classes at Halton Mill

Drawing and painting classes for adults on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings from 10am to 12.30pm at Halton Mill, Halton.

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wraylymail@woodengates.net by the 13th of each month.

ALL other items are collected from the tin in Wray Post Office on the 15th of each month. Business advertisements £2 per month, announcements etc. £1. Cheques should be made payable to Wray Institute. Please could a name and contact number accompany each item (Diary Dates can also be put in the tin if preferred).

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