

WRAYLY MAIL
Season's Greetings

DECEMBER 2017

DIARY DATES

- Sat 2 10.30am to 12 noon. Come to our Christmas Coffee Morning at the Old School, Lowgill. Cake & Craft Stalls, Tombola, Jewellery, Raffle. Father Christmas will be coming.
- Sat 2 Christmas Lunch 12 noon for 12.30pm in Wray Institute. Friends from the Chapel invite those who live in Wray village who are 60 years or over. If you haven't received an invite, it's not that we have forgotten about you, but we just don't know if you are eligible. So, if this is the case, please don't be offended, and if you can, we would love to have you with us, just reply in the Special Reply Box in the Post Office, or contact Margaret Wright on 015242 21652. Thanks.
- Sat 2 Festive Willow Weaving. Come and make your own Christmas decorations and gifts using natural materials. Full day with expert tuition costs £45 including materials. Call 015242 22445 for more details.
- Sat 2 Drop in Christmas Party. Monthly youth club for ages 9 - 14 in the Sunday school room, Wray Methodist Chapel. Fun, party games and tea will be provided. 50p entry. 7pm - 9pm.
- Sun 3 Duo Dekacord. Elias Sibley and Florence Petit. Pioneering cello and guitar music. Bentham Golf Club. 3.30pm. Entrance by ticket only £15 pp. Obtainable from Bentham Post Office and Bentham Golf Club Or ring 0772 003 8637. A fundraising event in aid of Longstaffe's Educational Foundation. Charity No 506509. Supporting the educational endeavour of the young people of Bentham.

- Mon 4 **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. Come for Coffee is a collection point for Morecambe Bay Foodbank. Any suitable non-perishable food you can give will be gratefully received. For more details see their website morecambebayfoodbank.org.uk
- Mon 4 and 11th, Yoga in Wray Institute at 7.30pm. £5 per session, mats provided. Details Kathy Cartledge 015242 61567.
- Tues 5 Joyful Noise, Wray Church, 2pm. All pre-school children and their carers are most welcome at this monthly 'service'. An hour of activities, stories, music, refreshments. For more information ring Mary Winter 21784.
- Tues 5 Wray Community Book club third annual Christmas meal and social evening courtesy of Sue & Neil at the George & Dragon We will meet at 7pm to eat at 7.30pm.
- Wed 6 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 7 **“Wenning Voices”**, meets to sing for fun every Thursday at St. James the Less Church, 7.30pm to 9.30pm. Whether you believe you can sing or can't sing doesn't matter, just come along whenever you can and enjoy an evening to lift your heart. £1 includes tea or coffee and a biscuit. (Thurs. 21st December, Carolling on Wennington Green at 5.30pm)
- Fri 8 and each Friday. 10am to 11.30am Wray Toddlers in Wray Chapel Sunday School room. All welcome.

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- Sat 9 Hornby District Ramblers, Wray, 5 miles, meet 9.30am
Hornby Car Park or 9.35am at Wray Tea Rooms. Leader
Jenny Herd 21690.
- Sat 9 10am to 12 noon. Holy Trinity Church, Wray. Christmas
Charity Coffee Morning in Church. Cake Stall and Bring &
Buy. Entry by donation. Everyone very welcome.
- Sat 9 Wray Sports Dominoes and Raffle, Wray Institute. Doors
open 7pm for a prompt 7.30pm start. Adults £2, children
£1.50. Refreshments provided. All welcome.
- Sat 9 Tatham History Society. 7.30pm in the Old School, Lowgill
(preceded by short AGM). Bronwen Osborne, 'Coin Clippers
and Counterfeiters' - Tatham men's involvement in a notorious
crime in the 17th century.
- Thurs 14 2pm Wray Methodist Ladies meeting in the Sunday School
room. Speakers Mary Longton & Katherine Gorst, followed
by refreshments. All ladies most welcome.
- Thurs 14 You are invited to join in with **“Lancashire Sings Christmas”**
at 7.00 p.m. outside Wray Institute. Linking live to the
broadcast on BBC Radio Lancashire for well known carols.
Tea/coffee, mince pies and biscuits afterwards.
- Fri 15 7.15pm in Wray Institute. World premier film about the River
Roeburn. We really encourage you to come to this evening
and find out more about our beautiful river and how we can
nurture it into the future. More details on p.5.
- Tues 19 Wray Over Sixties Christmas Party, 2pm prompt.

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- Wed 20 **Carols by Candlelight** in Wray Institute 7pm prompt.
Traditional evening of music, poetry and prose. Jacobs Join refreshments to follow. All welcome.
- Thurs 21 Wenning Voices would be delighted if you could join them at 5.30pm in carolling round the Christmas tree on Wennington Green. For a second year villagers from Wennington and our surrounding communities will gather to sing Christmas Carols and songs, exchange seasonal good wishes and enjoy complimentary mulled wine and mince pies. Soft drinks for the children. Hope to see you there.

Advance Dates:

Monday 1st January 2018. Come for Coffee in the Sunday School, Wray Chapel.

Friday 26th January 2018. The Kirkby Lonsdale Branch of the RNLI invite you to join us at our annual Sip Our Soup at the Lunesdale Hall from 12 noon to 2pm. Cost £5 on the door. (Details in January's Wrayly Mail).

Church Services in December

December 3rd Advent Sunday

9.00am	Holy Communion	Tatham
10.30am	Morning Prayer	Wray
11.00am	School Nativity Service	Tatham Fells

9.30am Holy Communion – Melling, 11.00am Holy Communion – Leck

December 10th, Second Sunday of Advent

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

10.30am Holy Communion - Tunstall

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December 17th, Third Sunday of Advent

8.00am	Holy Communion	Wray
6.30pm	Carol Service	Wray
6.30pm	Carol Service	Tatham Fells

4.00pm Christingle Service- Melling, 6.30pm Carol Service- Leck

Wednesday, December 20th

7.00pm Carols by Candlelight in Wray Institute

December 24th, Christmas Eve

5.30pm	Instant Nativity	Wray
6.30pm	Crib and Carol Service	Tatham
11.30pm	Midnight Communion	Tatham Fells

Monday, December 25th, Christmas Day

9.30am Christmas Communion Wray

December 31st, First Sunday of Christmas

11.00am	New Year Service	Tatham Fells
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5.00pm Holy Communion - St Joseph's House Tunstall

Church Contacts: *Revd Mark Cannon, Wray Vicarage (21030) Readers: Ann Dawson (62936), Peter Osborne (61029), Mary Winter (21784)*

**Friday 15th December. World premier film about the River Roeburn
Remembering and Restoring the River Roeburn. at 7.15pm in Wray
Institute (29mins)**

The film remembers the Wray Flood, 50 years ago, and explores how the flood impacted on the life and character of the river, and how this has changed since then. On a Community Engagement River Walk that took place this year in May, local people such as David Kenyon, Rod Everett, Roberta Snape, Bob Marshall and Tom Howard shared memories of the Wray Flood, and also of more recent floods. These memories create a

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vivid picture in the film, alongside historical photographs.

By remembering the flood, and exploring its impact, we can see the need for Flood Management techniques and practices to protect against future flooding. Sarah Littlefield from the 'Lune Rivers Trust' talks in the film about the value of Natural Flood Management Techniques such as those in place at Backsbottom Farm. The film discusses how these techniques have been used to great success in other places throughout the country and abroad, and explores in detail how they are impacting on the local area. These 'Slow the Flow' practices include check dams, swales, in river training and restoration of blanket bog.

The film finishes with the Artist in Residence at Middlewood Trust, Richard Shilling discussing his experience of the River Roeburn. We also see how local people today, both children and adults, are enjoying the River, and how it is a vital part of local life.

The film was produced by Bryony Rogers and Mark Minard of Moving Essence Productions for the Middlewood Trust, over the Summer and Autumn 2017.

The film will be followed by refreshments and mince pies with time for discussion.

Later we will have poetry readings and a song about the River Roeburn.

St Johns Hospice Advent Raffle - George & Dragon, Wray

Please come and buy a raffle ticket from the George & Dragon to support our St Johns Hospice December fundraiser (50p a ticket). You will have 24 chances to win a goody bag and the proceeds will go to support the much needed work at the Hospice.

There will also be the "Community Christmas Card for those wishing to give a donation to the Hospice in lieu of sending local Christmas cards. Please call in to the Dragon to have your name put on the board.

Finally a big thank you to everyone who attended and supported the Maggot Race this year. £886.45 was raised for the North West Air Ambulance.

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Sarah, our local Air Ambulance rep, came to collect the money and asked us to say how important this regular support is and a big thank you for all your kindness.

Wishing you all a very Happy Christmas, Neil, Sue and all at the Dragon

Upholstery Classes

Upholstery classes every Wednesday either from 9.30am to 12.30pm or 1.30pm to 4.30pm with tuition.

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Wray with Botton Neighbourhood Plan

At the time of publication the consultation on the Neighbourhood Plan has just finished. Many thanks to all the parishioners who have responded. Most were generally in favour of the proposals though a significant number raised the issue of parking in the village. All responses will be considered and displayed on the Parish Council website. We have also just received a detailed response from the City Council. This, together with the local responses will require careful consideration before we prepare the final draft Plan for submission for formal examination. As and when this is successfully negotiated the City Council will organise a referendum of all Parishioners to ascertain that a majority of voters are in support of the Plan. Only then will the City Council adopt the Plan and it will become the primary planning policy document for the Parish.

Robert Partington

for Wray with Botton Neighbourhood Planning Group

I would like to wish all my Made in Wray Customers Best Wishes for the Festive Season and all the very best for 2018. Thank you for your support. Cath x

I would like to wish old and new friends in Wray a very Happy Christmas and Fruitful New Year. I will be supporting St Johns Hospice via the George & Dragon Community Card rather than sending Christmas cards. Dawn Irvine

For Christmas 2017 I will continue to support the St Johns Hospice Christmas Card appeal at the George & Dragon. Please have a great Christmas and Happy New Year. Take care, Cath H. x

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Tatham Fells CE Primary School

The Autumn term started with a workshop for Chinese music as it was China that was being studied up to half term. The subject now is Remembrance and War in Key Stage One. The school held a short service at the War Memorial in Lowgill on November 10th. Key Stage Two are studying Extreme Earth.

Tatham Fells is a member of the Lune Valley Cluster of schools and was host to a Fell race attended by 140 children and many parents. The weather was atrocious on 16th October but the competitors were undeterred. The memorable event was the loss of a shoe in the mud which has still to be retrieved!

The whole school went with Melling School to the Chill Factor in Manchester where they learnt new skills, skiing, sledging and climbing. These two sporting events were made possible by the National P.E. and Sports Premium which also enables the school to employ specialist sport coaches.

On Roald Dahl's birthday children went to school dressed as characters from his books. Years 5 and 6 welcomed Gerald Vinestock a children's author to talk about his book CRIB and the Labours of Hercules.

By the time you read this the school will have held the Christmas Fayre.

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Father Christmas will have visited and the children will have sold their handmade crafts. At the end of term they will see Aladdin at the Dukes Playhouse. Transport will be paid for this and all other out of school trips by money raised by the Friends of the School.

With very best wishes for Christmas and the New Year from the Governors of Tatham Fells School.

Great news - Hornby Pool is saved - thank you for your support

Lune Valley Community Service is delighted to announce that Lancashire City Council has approved the bid to take over the running of Hornby Swimming Pool.

The task is now to move forward and get the pool back up and running for the benefit of the greater Lune valley as quickly as possible.

Of course the LVCS Committee has lots to do and money to raise but investment in our £25.00 Community Share Pledge scheme continues to grow with more than £30,000 currently pledged. Further contributions large or small, are very welcome, anyone can pledge any amount for any reason. Pledge now and pay later it's easy, please just give us a call on 015242 805666 or email: lunevalleycs@gmail.com and we will send the details by return.

The Hornby Singers

Meet every Tuesday evening at 7pm to 9pm in Hornby Institute. New members always welcome. No audition, ability to read music not necessary, just come along and have fun. Further information from Pat on 015242 21449.

Hornby Flower Club

Our last session before Christmas is on Thursday 7th December at 7.30pm in Hornby Institute. Our demonstrator is Ros Harrison who is going to 'unwrap Christmas' sounds interesting. Do come along and enjoy the evening. Cost £4, refreshments, raffle.

Family History Course at Hornby Institute

Possible change of date from 11th to 18th January.

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Therefore if you are interested in the Family History Course please register with Hornby Institute on 015242 22227 and check the start date.

Hornby Pensioners.

Christmas Party (12th December). Please ring Annie on 21100 to book or cancel by Fri. 8th December.

Subscriptions remaining at £10 will be collected at the January Coffee Morning which is on Saturday 20th January and at the AGM in February. AGM and Prize Bingo - Tuesday 13th February at 7pm.

Dominoes and Whist - 2nd, 16th & 30th December and 13th & 27th January at 7pm. Cost £1.50, Raffle 50p. Everybody very welcome.

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Copy Date for the Wrayly Mail

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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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