

DIARY DATES

- Thurs 1 and every Thursday, come and sing with **Wenning Voices** at St. James the Less Church, Lower Tatham from 7.30pm to 9.30pm and experience the pleasure of singing with others. £1 per week, includes tea/coffee and biscuits.
- Fri 2 and each following Friday. 9.30am to 12 noon. Wray Toddlers in Wray Chapel Sunday school room. All parents, carers and small children welcome.
- Fri 2 Bentham Show Annual Quiz at Bentham Town Hall. 7.30pm. Further details from Val Lawson 61606 or John Whitfield 07540181524.
- Sat 3 Drop In, monthly Youth Club for ages 9 - 14 in the Sunday School room, Wray Chapel. Fun, games, tuck shop. 50p per session. 7pm to 9pm.
- Mon 5 **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 5 and on following Mondays, Yoga in Wray Institute at 7.30pm. £5 per session, mats provided. Details Kathy Cartledge 61567.
- Tues 6 Joyful Noise in Wray Church at 9am. All pre-school children and their carers welcome. We are hoping to have a Joyful Noise every Tuesday, watch the Church notice board for details. For more information ring Mary Winter 21784.
- Tues 6 Wray Community Book Club. Meet in the back room of the George & Dragon at 7.30pm Book to discuss: 'The Gustav Sonata' by Rose Tremain. Enquiries contact Jane & Roger Shimmin 015242 21462 janeshimmin@hotmail.co.uk

- Wed 7 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 8 2pm, Wray Ladies Methodist meeting in the Sunday school room. Gladys Burley - card making demonstration, followed by refreshments. All ladies welcome.
- Thurs 8 **Dancing in the Fells.** Informal ceilidh dancing, the Old School, and Lowgill, 7.30 - 9.30pm. Come on your own or with a partner, all dances are called so no experience needed. Live music, everyone welcome, £1.50. Anne Wilson 63399.
- Thurs 22
- Fri 9 7.45pm Countryside Society, Hornby Institute. Sarah Littlefield will give an illustrated talk on “Invasive non-native species”.
- Sat 10 Hornby District Ramblers, Scout Scar, 5 miles. Meet at 9.30am Hornby Car Park. Leader Ken Sedgwick 01524 770086.
- Mon 12 Lowgill Sports & Sheepdog Trials AGM in the Old School, Lowgill at 8pm.
- Tues 13 River and flood management film evening for farmers and land managers at 7pm in Wray Institute (see page 4. for details).
- Tues 13 7.30pm in the Old School, Lowgill. Tatham Fells WI. Speaker Gill Webster '**Delving into grandma's attic**'. Competition. An unusual sewing item. Visitors welcome.
- Wed 14 7.30pm Wennington & District WI in Wray Institute. Speaker: Ken Kay “Times of the Spanish Civil War”. Visitors welcome.
- Thurs 15 Lent Lunch 12 to 1.30pm at Riggs Farm, Tatham (Olive & Brian Beard). All welcome for soup, cheese and fellowship. Proceeds to charity.
- Sat 17 10.00am to 4.00pm Book Fair in Hornby Institute. A wide range of second-hand, out-of-print and antiquarian books for sale, also classical CDs - ring Gerry Cotter (01524 752968) for details.

- Sat 17 7.30pm in the Old School, Lowgill, Tatham Fells Village Society: **'Cycling from Land's End to John o' Groats'** with Clive & Lucy Story. £4 for adults, £2 for children, including tea/coffee and biscuits. **Raffle.**
- Thurs 22 Lent Lunch 12 to 1.30pm at Hawthorns, Lowgill (Liesel Fox). All welcome for soup, cheese and fellowship. Proceeds to Charity.
- Fri 23 After School Club in Wray Church until 4.45pm. Please either accompany your children or arrange for another parent to be in charge of them. For more details contact Mary Winter 21784.
- Sun 25 The Friends of St. James the Less Church, Low Tatham invite you to join them for an afternoon Concert by Cumbria Life Choir of the Year 2017, **Levens Choir. 2.30pm to 4pm.** Light refreshments will be served after the performance. Tickets £10 from Barbara Harrison 07899 904164 or Rita Murphy 015242 21537. email: friendsofstjamesthelesschurch@gmail.com

Advance Dates

Thursday, March 1st 2018. Lent Lunch 12 to 1.30pm at St James the Less Church, Low Tatham (Veda Gardner and congregation). All welcome for soup, cheese and fellowship. Proceeds to charity.

Saturday 3rd March 2018. Drop In - monthly youth club for ages 9 - 14 in the Sunday school room, Wray Chapel. Fun, games, tuck shop, 50p per session. 7pm - 9pm.

Monday, 5th March 2018. Come for Coffee 10am to 12 noon in the Sunday School room, Wray Chapel.

Saturday 24th March 2018. Wennington & District WI are holding their annual Cheese & Wine Evening. Proceeds to "Care for Carers" Charity (ncompass). Further details in the March Wrayly Mail.

Church Services in February and early March

February 4th, Feast of the Presentation – Candlemas

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

9.30am Morning Service – Melling, 11.00am Holy Communion -- Leck

February 11th, Sunday next before Lent

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

11.00am Holy Communion – Tunstall

February 14th, Ash Wednesday

10.30am	Holy Communion	Tatham Fells
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February 18th, First Sunday of Lent

9.30am	Holy Communion	Wray
9.30am	Holy Communion	Tatham Fells

11.00am Holy Communion- Melling, 11.00am Morning Service- Leck

February 25th, Second Sunday of Lent

9.30am	Morning Service	Tatham Fells
10.00am	Family Service	Wray
11.00am	Holy Communion	Tatham

11.00am Morning Service – Tunstall

March 4th, Third Sunday in Lent

9.00am	Holy Communion	Tatham
2.15pm	Evening Prayer	Tatham Fells
2.30pm	Evening Prayer	Wray

11.00am Holy Communion - Leck

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

Upholstery Classes

Upholstery classes 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 or bedhead from scratch. In the lovely setting of Lower Tatham Church (near the Bridge Inn).

Tel. Sue Marsden on 07836 500091 or email: sue@tuffett.co.uk

River and Flood Management Film Evening for farmers and land managers. Tuesday 13th February at 7pm in Wray Institute.

Everyone who has land that floods, or may contribute to flooding downstream is invited to this film evening.

We will show High Water - Common Ground (65mins). This is a film showing projects in Britain where successful flood management has been installed with the help of local farmers and landowners. This will be followed by Remembering and Restoring the River Roeburn (28mins) which explores how Wray flood affected the river and how we might start to restore it to a more steady flow. These films and the following discussion will help land managers explore and understand how they might get Countryside Stewardship grants (9th March deadline to get application form for 2018), or other grants to carry out this work and reduce the flood risk for all other landowners downstream and Wray, Hornby and Lancaster.

Rod Everett

World War One Exhibition - Saturday 17th March from 1.00pm to 4pm in St. James the Less Church, Tatham

An exhibition is to be held in St. James the Less Church, Tatham devoted to the memories of the First World War and in particular the involvement of local people. The event is being staged jointly by Tatham History Society and the Friends of St James the Less.

During the day three talks will be given by Stephen Roberts, Mike Winstanley and John Wilson recalling particular battles local people were involved in and describing the backgrounds of some of those listed on the Rolls of Honour in both St. James the Less Church and the Church of the Good Shepherd

Admission will be free and refreshments will be available.

LENT LUNCHESES this year will be held on Thursdays (as usual) from 12.0 to 1.30pm on the following dates:

- February 15 Riggs Farm, Tatham (Olive & Brian Beard)
22 Hawthorns, Lowgill (Liesel Fox)
- March 1 St James the Less Church, Low Tatham (Congregation)
8 Brackenbotton Barn, Lowgill (Margaret Baker)
15 Laith House, Tatham Green (Martin & Althea Gillibrand)
22 Holy Trinity Church, Wray (Churchwardens)

ALL WELCOME. Please join us for soup, cheese and fellowship. Proceeds to charities.

For further information please contact Liesel Fox on 62486. (Perhaps you might like to host a lunch next year?)

Friends of Lower Tatham Church 100 Club

Results of the December draw held after the Christmas Eve Service are:

- 1st Prize No. 78 £105 - Winner lives in Tatham
2nd Prize No. 95 £52.50 - Winner lives in Wray
3rd Prize No. 92 £26.25 - Winner lives in Tatham

Results of the January Draw held after the Plough Sunday Service on 14th January are:

- 1st Prize No. 48 £105 - Winner lives in Farleton
2nd Prize No. 10 £52.50 - Winner lives in Caton
3rd Prize No. 37 £26.25 - Winner lives in Wennington

Thank you all for your support and we wish you all a Happy New Year. The 100 Club has continued to flourish with a record 105 members. To date the Club has raised over £10,000 and all this money has been used to make improvements to the Church. If you would like to join please pick up a leaflet in the Post Office, Church or phone Sue Wood on 015242 21170.

Holy Trinity Church, Wray wants to sell some handmade kneelers that are now surplus to requirements. This follows the reduction in the number of pews. A donation of £5 or more is asked for. Contact John Ryle 21639.

The Old School, Tatham Fells. For bookings and enquiries please contact Gillian Middleton 61307. **Regular users** please make sure you book your dates ahead with Gillian to avoid any clashes.

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10.45am to 11.30am - Gentle exercise: Keep Moving

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7pm to 8pm - Improvers/Intermediates

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* 1 to 1 sessions

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

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New Class: "Keep Moving" Gentle chair-based and standing exercises.

This class is for you if you want to maintain and improve mobility, strength and balance without having to lie on a mat or wear lycra!

The Christmas Eve Crib & Carol Service at the Church of St. James the Less, Lower Tatham, was attended by a congregation of 130. The collection raised £600, which was divided between St. John's Hospice, Lancaster and the Lancaster & District Homeless Action Service. The PCC would like to thank everyone for their attendance and their contributions.

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Hornby Pensioner's Association

AGM - We have a number of important items to discuss at our annual meeting at 7pm on Tuesday 13th February in Hornby Institute. Please do come - this is a chance to let the committee know what you think, pay your subs., and find out about the programme of events for the year. The meeting will be followed by light refreshments and a few games of Prize Bingo! New members very welcome.

Games Evenings - Fortnightly Whist & Domino Drives continue in Hornby

Institute, at 7pm on Saturdays 10th & 24th February.

Looking Ahead - On Tuesday 13th March, Barbara Broadbent will be giving an illustrated talk on “The Jewels in the Ocean” that are the Seychelles. Everybody very welcome.

Saturday 17th February 2018. Chameleon Wind Quintet will be playing at All Saints Church, Burton-in-Lonsdale. The Concert & Cakes concerts are from 2.30pm to 4.30pm with an hour of music and refreshments afterwards with a chance to chat to the musicians. There are no tickets, and no charge for entry, but we do invite audience members to show their appreciation for the music by making a donation afterwards. We also make a charge for the fabulous home made cakes, coffee and tea.

The March concert is on Saturday 15th, when the award winning guitarist, Sam Rodwell and his trio will be performing. (2.30pm)

****Stop Press****

Diary Date for February:

Tuesday 20th February. Wray Over Sixties at 2pm in Wray Institute. Mr. David Hartnup will give a talk and slide show entitled “Victorian Paintings and the Stories Behind Them.” Non members very welcome.

A Date for your Diary:

JMW Turner and his local art legacy - Sunday 22nd April 2018 from 2pm - 4pm in St. James the Less Church, Lower Tatham.

Copy Date for the Wrayly Mail

ONLY Diary Dates (as they are free) can be emailed to:

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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