

DIARY DATES

- Mon 3 **Come for Coffee**, is a lovely community get together in the Sunday School room at Wray Chapel, from 10am to 12 noon. Come along and enjoy coffee and some good company, a warm welcome awaits everyone, we'd love to see you there. Come for Coffee is a collection point for the Morecambe Bay Foodbank, any suitable non-perishable food you can give will be gratefully received. Next Come for Coffee – Monday 2nd March.
- Mon 3 and on following Mondays, Yoga in Wray Institute at 7.30pm £5 per session, mats provided. Details Kathy Cartledge 015242 61567.
- Tues 4 and every Tuesday, Joyful Noise in Wray Church 8.50am to 10am All parents and carers are most welcome to come along to this weekly drop-in. Coffee, chat, crafts and a warm welcome. Newborns to pre-schoolers welcome! For more information ring Mary Winter 21784.
- Tues 4 and each following Tuesday. 11am Wennington & District WI Coffee and Chat at Wray Tearooms. Non-members very welcome.
- Tues 4 Wray Community Bookgroup, 7.30pm in the back room of the George & Dragon. We will be discussing “The Living Mountain” by Nan Shepherd, a masterpiece of mountain literature.
- Thurs 6 Wenning Voices meet every Thursday 7.30pm to 9.30pm at St James the Less Church, Tatham. Whether you think you can sing or not doesn't matter, just come along when you can. £2 per week includes tea/coffee, biscuits and a chat.
- Fri 7 9.30am - 12 noon, Wray Toddlers in Wray Chapel Sunday School room and each following Friday. All parents, carers and small children welcome.

- Fri 7 Bentham Show Annual Quiz at Bentham Town Hall, 7.30pm. Further details from Val Lawson 61606 or John Whitfield 07540181524.
- Sat 8 7.30pm at the Old School, Lowgill, Tatham Fells Village Society: **'The Falkland Islands'** An illustrated talk by Alison Web, followed by tea/coffee and biscuits. **Raffle.** £4 for adults and teenagers, £2 for children. All welcome.
- Mon 10 Youth Group in Wray Church from 7 – 8pm. (11 – 15 year olds).
and Discussion, games and food. Bring a friend. More information
Mon 24 in the 'Bell' or ring Mary Winter 21784.
- Tues 11 7.30pm in the Old School, Lowgill, Tatham Fells WI. Speakers: Jane Proctor and Shirley Pollard: **'Law Matters'**. Competition: An Old Document. Visitors welcome.
- Wed 12 7.30pm Wennington & District WI in Wray Institute. Talk by Forest of Bowland Moorland Group. Visitors welcome. Please see p.5 for further information about Wennington & District WI.
- Thurs 13 2pm, Wray Chapel Ladies meeting. Grace Metcalfe. Refreshments to follow. All ladies welcome.
- Fri 14 Movies in the Pews, 7.30pm in St James the Less Church, Lower Tatham (and March 13th). For further information please contact Sue or Helen by email on moviesinthepews@gmail.com
- Sat 15 Book Fair, Hornby Institute, 10.00am to 4.00pm. A wide range of second-hand, out-of-print and antiquarian books for sale, also classical CDs. Ring 01524 752968 for further details.
- Sun 23 The Good Shepherd Church, Tatham Fells. **The Big Pancake Party** (all ages welcome) at 4.30pm in Church for a short Service then in the Old School for pancakes and games! This will be supporting the **Together** network which helps provide food and help for families through the Church Urban Fund.

Wed 26 7.30pm at the Old School, Lowgill. Tatham Fells Old School Committee Annual General Meeting. Everyone is welcome.

Thurs 27 Lent Lunch 12 noon to 1.30pm at Riggs Farm, Tatham (Olive and Brian Beard). All welcome for soup, cheese and fellowship. Proceeds to charity. Please see notice on p.6

Lune Valley Writers

Are you a writer or poet? We are looking for committed contributors to an exciting new writers group. Poets, novelists, short story writers, creative non-fiction writers and script writers are welcome to join our fortnightly meetings to share work, give and respond to feedback. You don't need to have been published but it's no bar if you have!. It's our aim to publish an anthology of Lune Valley Writing within the next two years.

We will meet in the George & Dragon, Wray, Thursday evenings beginning at 7pm. The first meeting is the 6th February.

Places are limited so please contact Loren on 07809477182 or lorencafferty@hotmail.com if you are interested or have any questions.

Pilates-based classes @ Wray Methodist Hall – Tuesdays.

9.30am - 10.30am, 5.45 -6.45pm,(7 – 8pm with Beth Evans)

Other daytime and evening venues – Caton, Melling, Bentham

Seated and standing gentle exercise class Hornby Institute, Wednesday 11.30 am to 12 noon, pay as you go.

1 – 1 sessions – developing mobility, strength and balance.

Further information, advice or to reserve a place please call Anne 22425 or 07935803370. email: anne.pilates@yahoo.co.uk

'Stitch and Chatter' – A New Year's resolution to consider learn new skills or enhance your existing skills

Join us at St James the Less Church, Tatham

Members will be invited to make a one off £5 contribution towards the cost of materials. There will be a charge of £2 per week, £1 for tea, coffee and biscuits and £1 to the church towards the heating and lighting.

Our next meeting will be on Friday 14th February, 10.00am to 12 noon.

If you have any queries please contact Mel on 015242 21277 or melandmike73@gmail.com

Country Flower Workshops

Come and enjoy learning new skills working with beautiful locally grown flowers and foliage. Current workshops are Mindfulness with Flowers, Wedding Flowers or Creating a Flower filled Arch. These are one-off workshops on various dates over the year. For more details please telephone Holly on 07713 094105 or email countryflowersworkshops@gmail.com

Church Services during February

February 2nd, Candlemas – Feast of the Presentation

9.00am	Holy Communion	Tatham
9.30am	Christingle Service	Tatham Fells
2.30pm	Evening Prayer	Wray

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

February 9th, Third Sunday before Lent

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

11.00am Holy Communion -Tunstall

February 16th, Second Sunday before Lent

8.00am	Holy Communion	Wray
9.30am	Morning Service	Wray
9.30am	Holy Communion	Tatham Fells

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

February 23rd, Sunday next before Lent

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

11.00am Morning Service – Tunstall

February 26th, Ash Wednesday

10.30am	Holy Communion	Tatham Fells
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Church Contacts: *Revd Mark Cannon, Wray Vicarage (21030) Readers: Ann Dawson (62936), Peter Osborne (61029), Mary Winter (21784)*

Wennington & District WI

Our WI meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 7.30pm at the Wray Institute. We had an entertaining meeting on the 8th January with a "Murder Mystery" with Constance Evans. On Wednesday 12th February we are having a talk by the Forest of Bowland Moorland Group, which I am sure will be very interesting.

The WI provides women with fun and friendship, plus the chance to learn new skills, get involved with the community and take part in a wide range of activities. We have many trips planned for this year.

On Saturday 14th March we will be having our Wine & Cheese Evening at 7.30pm in Wray Institute. Put the date in your diary.

We always give a warm welcome to new members.

Anthea Ashworth

Geoff and Judy Wilson were married at Holy Trinity Church on 26th February 1955.

Many congratulations on your 65th Wedding Anniversary.

Lots of love from your very proud family xxx

The George & Dragon, Wray

We would like to say a very big thank you to everyone who contributed to our fund-raising in December for St John's Hospice. A total of £1022.86 has been donated to the Hospice and they have asked us to say how much they appreciate your efforts. It will enable them to give many hours of much needed care.

Thursday tea-time fish and chips to take away has resumed after it's Christmas break and our Burns Supper on 24th January, hosted by Dr. Marshall, will hopefully have provided a glimmer of light in the winter gloom. Lighter nights are on the way and we look forward to seeing the first signs of Spring!

Neil and Sue

Local Honey for Sale - 1lb Jar - £6. Chris Stafford 015242 21161

Wenning Voices would like to thank friends and neighbours who joined us to sing round the Christmas tree on Wennington Green. Carollers sang heartily and mulled wine and mince pies completed a festive event.

Lent Lunches this year will be held on the following Thursdays from 12 noon to 1.30pm.

February 27 th	Riggs Farm, Tatham (Olive and Brian Beard)
March 5 th	The Old Rectory, Low Tatham (Phyllis and John Holt)
March 12 th	Brackenbottom Barn, Lowgill (Margaret Baker)
March 19 th	Laith House, Tatham Green (Althea and Martin Gillibrand)
March 26 th	Holy Trinity Church, Wray (Churchwardens)
April 2 nd	The Old School, Tatham Fells (contact Liesel Fox)

All welcome. Please join us for soup, cheese and fellowship. Proceeds to charities. For further information please contact Liesel Fox on 62486.

Friends of St James the Less Church 100 Club

Winners of the December draw which took place on Christmas Eve.

1st Prize - No. 47 - £111 - Winner lives in Tatham

2nd Prize - No. 108 - £55.50 - Winner lives in Wennington

3rd Prize - No. 86 - £27.75 - Winner lives in Wennington

Thank you to all members for your continued support. If you would like to join our 100 Club please pick up a leaflet in Wray Post Office, Church or phone Sue Wood on 015242 21170. Full details on our website:

www.lowertathamchurch.co.uk

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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Sunday - 8.00 am to 12 noon

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Gardeners fighting climate change

Greetings to all my fellow gardeners in Wray and district!

As the nation and the world focus their efforts on the urgency of slowing climate change, there are many international, national and also **local** initiatives getting underway to **plant more trees**. It has occurred to me that we're going to need a lot of trees!! - indigenous trees suitable for each locality. So what about each of us, every time we find one of those annoying saplings taking root in a flower border or a vegetable patch, saving it instead of getting rid of it? Heel it into a spare patch of garden, or pop it into a pot and water it from time to time. This will mean that there will be a suitable supply of trees growing on and ready for when places are found to plant them.

Thank you, Mary Winter

Happy, healthy new year wishes from LVCS Hornby Swimming pool.

2019 was a very busy year for the LVCS community pool, proving very popular with more than a dozen schools, along with specialist clubs, societies and voluntary organisations and a growing number of public swimmers taking full advantage of a range of activities from aqua-fit to lane swim and family fun days.

It's been a challenging time since re-opening and at the AGM chairman Bob McGachie resigned for personal reasons and Phil Mugford took over with immediate effect along with a new board of trustees to take the pool forward.

The family-friendly pool is doing very well but is still affected by some inherited technical problems impacting on profitability.

A new business plan is currently being drafted and the new management team is confident that 2020 will see improved viability to ensure a bright long term future for this valuable community resource.

The trustees would like to thank Lune Valley residents for all the initial support and encouragement.

It's your pool so why not make a new year resolution to come along and let us know what you think. We'd love to hear from you.

Here are some activities that are taking place at the pool during half-term Monday 17th February to Friday 21st February daily:

1.00pm to 1.30pm non -swimmers – Stage 1

1.30pm to 2.15pm – Stage 2 – 3

2.15pm to 3.00pm – Stage 4+

There will also be a 'family fun' session on Wednesday 19th February from 10.00am to 12 noon.

Please check facebook for full details.

Please call in anytime or check our website and Facebook as follows:

www.lunevalleypool.com Facebook *lune valley swimming pool*

email: poolmanager@lunevalleypool.com TEL: (01524) 805666

Hornby Pensioners' Association

Can it really be February already? Yes, folks, it really is AGM time again at 7.00pm on Tuesday 11th February in Hornby Institute. As well as our (hopefully) short business meeting, the evening will include 2020 membership enrolment, the new trips programme and a Jacob's Join Supper, for which members are invited to bring a contribution (sweet or savoury). We look forward to seeing old and new members there.

Games Evenings. This month our Whist and Dominoes evenings in Hornby Institute will be on Saturdays 8th and 22nd February. Admission including light refreshments and 2 free raffle tickets costs £2. Play starts at 7pm prompt, and **everybody is very welcome to come along.**

Events at Hornby Institute in February/March

Saturday 22nd February 2020 – The Hornby Singers Concert

Around the World in 80 songs (give or take a few!) Come and enjoy songs from across the globe.

Admission by donation. Tea & biscuits plus a raffle.

This is a fund raising event in aid of our roof. For more information Tel: 22227.

Saurday 29th February 2020

'A Wedding Fayre' on Leap Year's Day. 11.00am to 3.00pm

There will be all the businesses needed to make a wedding perfect – florists, dresses, photographers, caterers and more – come and talk to them for ideas to make yours a truly personal day. Look forward to seeing you.

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Plus a Grand Raffle – prizes to make yours a wonderful day.

If you have wedding finery to sell – come and join the ladies already booked in.

For all enquiries please ring Chris on 07548 250922

Sunday 1st March 2020 – Concert by the Haffner Orchestra. 3.00pm to 4.30pm

Members of the Haffner Orchestra will perform a variety of music in Hornby Institute.

This will be followed by afternoon tea – admission by ticket only. Book now to avoid disappointment. Tickets £8.00 available from reception at Hornby Institute. This is a fund raising event in aid of our roof.

Jazz in Hornby Institute

The first gig of the year is on Saturday 15th February, the welcome return of the Tim Kliphuis Trio. An event not to be missed.

Doors and bar open at 7.30pm, music from 8.00pm. Tickets £15 on the door or ring 015242 22227.

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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