

WRAYLY MAIL
Seasons Greetings

DECEMBER 2012

DIARY DATES

- Sat 1 5.00 p.m. Come and join us to see Father Christmas switch on the Wray Christmas tree lights. Sing carols and enjoy tea and mince pies in the Institute afterwards.
- Sat 1 Wray Sports Annual Christmas Raffle and Domino Drive in Wray Institute. Doors open at 7.00 p.m. for a 7.30 p.m. start. Adults £2, children £1.50. Refreshments will be served.
- Sat 1 7.30 p.m. Tatham History Society. "Hedges, Walls, Hills and Hollows: reading history from the local landscape" using local photos and aerial views (and AGM), in Tatham Fells Old School All welcome. Light refreshments. Non-members £2. Membership details: Anne Wilson, Tel: 63399. Society website www.tathamhistory.org.uk
- Mon 3 Come for Coffee (and the 1st Monday of each month) in the Sunday School at Wray. Have a chat or play a game of dominoes. From 10am to 12 noon. Just come for a while or stay the whole time. Open to both men and women, a warm welcome awaits, we'd love to see you.
- Mon 3 Yoga in Wray Institute and on 10th December. 7.30 p.m. to 9.00 p.m. Beginners and regulars are all welcome. Mats are provided. Wear loose or stretchy clothes and bring something warm to put on for relaxation. £5 per session. Tel: Kathy Cartledge 015242 61567.
- Fri 7 Wray Over Sixties Club Christmas party at 7.00 p.m. in Wray Institute.
- Sat 8 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon. Christmas Fair at the Old School, Tatham Fells. Crafts, Cake, Jewellery, and Woodwork Stalls./...

Tombola, Bran Tub, Raffle & Father Christmas. Coffee and mince pies. Come and join in the fun!

- Sat 8 Hornby & District Ramblers. Sedgwick area. Meet 9.30 a.m. Hornby Car Park. Leaders Alan & Anthea Ashworth 21980.
- Tues 11 7.00 p.m. Carols by Candlelight in Wray Institute. Jacobs Join. All are welcome.
- Tues 11 Tatham Fells W.I. Christmas Party.
- Wed 12 Wennington & District W.I. Christmas Party.
- Thurs 13 Lowgill Over 60's Party 7.00 p.m. in the Old School. Supper followed by entertainment. All Lowgill over 60's welcome but please let Mary Longton 61534 or Liz Whitfield 61230 know you are coming by Monday 10th December.
- Sat 15 10.00am to 12 noon. Friends of Tatham Fells Primary School are having a Coffee Morning in Bentham Town Hall.
- Tues 18 The Rotary Club of Lunesdale is bringing their annual Christmas Collection back to Wray and Hornby. Santa will be riding on his sleigh throughout the villages. Our local Rotary Club uses **all** the money raised in this Christmas Collection for local charitable causes. Please come and meet Santa!
- Fri 21 8.00 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. Waste Paper Collection at Lairgill Car Park, High Bentham in aid of N.S.P.C.C.
- Fri 21 Carol singing for the Children's Society. We are singing door to door to raise money for our marathon. Please give generously. Nicky Briffett and Juliet McGrattan.

Advance Date:

Monday 7th January 2013. Come for coffee 10.00 a.m. in the Sunday School, Wray.

Wray Chapel

December 13th - Ladies Meeting. 2.00 p.m. Barbara Clarke & Friends. Tea to follow. All ladies welcome.

We will be singing around the village during the week before Christmas. This year we will be collecting for the MacMillan Nurses.

Greenfoot Garden Centre at Bridge House Farm Tearooms, Wray. Tel: 015242 21184. Winter opening Tuesday - Sunday, 10am to 4pm.

Christmas Trees from Saturday 1st December. We are now taking orders for Christmas Trees and our Wray Willow based traditional Wreaths.

Alf's Luxury Homemade Christmas Fayre - Orders now being taken for Christmas Cakes, Christmas Puddings, Brandied Apple Mincemeat, Pickles, Chutneys and Jellies all made with the best quality ingredients. Any size/weight to suit your requirements. Also Festive Gift Hampers assembled with your own choice of homemade items (Prices will vary according to size and content).

Pick up a price list/order form at Wray P.O. or phone Anna Fellows:- 015242 22239 - email alffellows@aol.com

Available now - an exciting 2013 calendar *'The Lune Valley in Times Past'*. The calendar includes 14 early-twentieth century photographs of Lune Valley villages from Kirkby Lonsdale to Lancaster.

All proceeds from the sale of this calendar to be donated to St John's Hospice, Lancaster. Available from: David Kenyon 015242 21668; Wray Post Office, Bridge House Craft Centre and Tea Rooms; Liesel Fox at Lowgill.

Brenda, John, Kate and Ros would like to thank all of you for the kindness you have shown us over the last few weeks.

Anton loved you calling down, for a chitchat, cup of tea and a bit of a giggle, and I am sure all these times have left us with happy memories. Thank you once more.

Ruby Murray would like to thank all her friends for their support and sends best wishes for a Happy New Year.

Dear Friends, I will be supporting the St Johns Hospice Christmas Card appeal at the George & Dragon again this year rather than sending individual cards, so just in case you miss the card and my best wishes at the pub - Merry Christmas and Happy New Year - Dawn (Irvine).

John & Di Turner would like to wish all their friends and neighbours a peaceful & happy Christmas, and send all their good wishes for the New Year. A donation to St John's Hospice will be made in lieu of Christmas cards.

Trevor & Michelle Huddleston and family would like to wish everybody a Happy Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Marie Curie Cancer Care

Many thanks to all who gave so generously in the collecting envelopes in and around Lowgill. We raised £112.50.

Mary Whitfield

Christmas Trees at Bull Beck Picnic Site, Caton as from 1st December.

Quality, non-drop, traditional Norway Spruce and festive foliage available. Large trees and a value range of trees as available. All trees cut fresh and commemorative pots made locally. For orders/deliveries please contact Joyce on 015242 22584 or 07852129852. Please note our opening times. Closed Mondays. Other days 10.00 a.m. until dusk.

Great Christmas Presents for Bikers!

Peter Foster a local motorcycling enthusiast and amateur artist from Wray is offering two high quality A2 prints of his paintings for charity. Peter runs the highly successful Wray Classic Bike Night during the summer months at the Tea Rooms.

One painting is of John McGuinness the Morecambe TT rider (the original painting has been signed by John McGuinness) and the other is of the late MotoGP rider, Marco Simoncelli who was killed last year in a racing accident.

Peter has teamed up with an ex-army veteran from Morecambe Classic Motorcycle Club to sell the limited edition prints to raise money for "The Northwest Air Ambulance" and "Help for Heroes."

All the profits from the sale of these prints go to the charities.

Each print is signed and numbered by the artist and are available for £50.00 plus £5.00 for post and packaging. Full details can be found on our website <http://bikersforcharity.webs.com> or calling 015242 21459.

They will make great Christmas presents for that biker you know who has everything!

Peter Foster

Babsitter

My name is Sophie Ellison. I'm 18 years old, live in Wray and will be home from university and available for babysitting over the Christmas period from December 15th to January 15th. I have been babysitting in the village for many years.

Please ring or text me on 07826527137 if you'd like me to help.

Free - Well rotted Organic Horse Manure, Wray. Tel: 015242 22176 or 07821050816

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Christmas at Wray Post Office - Food to order: Fresh Turkey, Sausages/
Bacon, Joints of meat, Fresh fruit & vegetables, Fresh bread & Cakes,
Mince Pies.

Christmas and New Year Opening Times:

Christmas Eve 7.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.

Christmas Day Closed

Boxing Day Closed

Thursday 27th 9.00 a.m. to 12 noon

Friday 28th 7.00 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.

New Year's Eve 7.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.

New Year's Day Closed

Wednesday 2nd 9.00 a.m. to 12 noon

Thursday 3rd 7.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m.

Friday 4th 7.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m.

Tel: Tony & Jane 015242 21253.

May we wish all our customers a Merry Christmas and thankyou all for your support in our first year at the Post Office.

Collect your order and have a mince pie and a glass of wine.

The Old School, Tatham Fells for bookings and enquiries please contact Gillian Middleton 62367. **Regular users** please make sure you book your dates ahead with Gillian to avoid any clashes.

The Wray Institute telephone number is 22311. Frank Gretton is the Caretaker.

Small Studio Flat to let for holidays or longer lets in Lowgill.

Do you need extra room when friends and family come to stay? We have a small self-contained flat available which sleeps two people (double bed) for long or short lets. Lovely varied walks/bird watching, reasonable rates. Please contact Carole Butcher Tel: 015242 63095 or text 07831 836 867 with your contact details for a brochure and further information.

1625 - Launch Event - Green Close, Melling

7.30 p.m., Friday 7th December. An event especially for younger people. Come to Green Close for an evening of sharing and making connections as part of Lancaster Arts City's 'First Fridays' initiative. Whether your interests lie in Music, Writing, Dance, Drama or the Visual Arts, we'd love to see you! Whilst the event is focused on the 16 - 25 age range, if you're interested but a little older or younger, we'd still like to meet you.

Living in this area of the country, especially in its more rural areas, it can be difficult to establish yourself as a young artist. We want to make things easier by creating a network where we can be more aware of each other's work, share ideas and opportunities and establish youth arts more strongly in this area of the north west.

There will be some short performances from local artists and an opportunity to share your own work and ideas. What's more - there will be drinks and nibbles available!

For further information, and to start the conversation, please check out the Facebook event: <http://www/facebook.com/events/380615268686625/> or contact Mary at info@greenclose.org or on 015242 21233.

Green Close, Melling, Carnforth, Lancashire, LA6 2RB.
www.greenclose.org

Church Services in December and early January

December 2nd, Advent Sunday

9.00am	Holy Communion	Tatham
10.00am	Morning Service	Wray
11.00am	Christmas Family Service with Tatham Fells School	Tatham Fells
6.30pm	Sung Evensong for Advent (a service for all six churches)	Leck

9.30am Family Service- Melling, 11.00am Sung Eucharist - Tunstall

December 9th Second Sunday of Advent

10.00am	Holy Communion	Wray
11.00am	Morning Service	Tatham
2.15pm	Evening Service	Tatham Fells

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

December 16th, Third Sunday of Advent

8.00am	Holy Communion	Wray
10.00am	Family Service	Wray
6.30pm	Carols and Traditional Readings for Christmas	Tatham Fells

9.30am Morning Service- Melling, 11.00am Sung Eucharist – Tunstall

December 23rd, Fourth Sunday of Advent

9.30am	Holy Communion	Tatham Fells
10.00am	Holy Communion	Wray
11.00am	Holy Communion	Tatham

9.30am Sung Eucharist - Melling, 11.00am Carol Service - Leck

Christmas Services

Monday December 24th, Christmas Eve

5.00pm	Nativity Service	Wray
6.30pm	Crib and Carol Service	Tatham
11.30pm	Midnight Communion	Tatham Fells
11.30pm	Midnight Communion	Wray

4.00pm Carol Service – Tunstall, 11.30pm Midnight Eucharist - Melling

Christmas Day

10.00am	Family Communion	Wray
10.00am	Family Communion	Leck

December 30th, First Sunday of Christmas

11.00am	Family Communion	Tatham
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(a service for all six churches)

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January 6th, Feast of the Epiphany

9.00am	Holy Communion	Tatham
10.00am	Morning Service	Wray
11.00am	Family Service	Tatham Fells

9.30am Family Service – Melling, 11.00am Sung Eucharist - Tunstall

Church Contacts:

Revd Mark Cannon, Wray Vicarage (21030)

Readers: Ann Dawson (62936), Peter Osborne (61029),

Mary Winter (21784)

To find out more about IT courses scheduled to start at the Victoria Institute, Caton on Friday 18th January Tel: Judy on 01524 771733

B4RN Udate

Free connections to hyperfast broadband.

If you know anyone who really needs a connection and can't afford one, then friends of B4RN may be able to help, please let them know by using friends@b4rn.org.uk

The first 14 connections are live in Quernmore with 9 more scheduled. Arkholme fibre to light the hub was blown last Wednesday, fusion is happening now, with many houses getting installed ready for connection. Arkholme village hall will be lit soon, and we hope to hold an event where people can try it all out with their own laptops/phones/tablets etc. but we haven't had time to arrange it because digging has been going on in many areas. If you have any spare time to give to the project please contact any member of the team who will be glad to take you up on it.

The current share issue offering free connections finishes on December 15th, so make sure if you are wanting to purchase a foundation share of £1500 you do so before the first year is over as this may not be available in the next share issue. Now is the time to invest to get even more value for your money. If you are a taxpayer you also get 30% tax back so don't delay too long. The foundation share saves you £150 on install and £30 a month for the first year of your connection. (that bit isn't available for tax relief). Please consult your financial advisor, and remember you don't need to buy shares to get connected, but all those who have done are enabling our network to be built and the more who invest the sooner we can reach everyone.

If you are looking for a different sort of investment, B4RN is exploring the terms under which we would be interested in borrowing money - we expect to be able to offer a better return than a normal savings account, and your loan will help the community accelerate towards the broadband coverage we are planning. We would be very happy to explore with you how best to structure a loan to ensure that it fulfills your investment needs while also providing a benefit to the Lune Valley.

We are also exploring the possibility of bringing the fibre over the Lune from Arkholme to Melling via the railway bridge, so if anyone has any contacts in Rail could they please let us know?

Digging is progressing well in several places, and volunteers are always welcome. Also if you are digging and need help please let us know and we'll try to mesh up the volunteers where they are needed.

info@b4rn.org.uk or keep an eye on our facebook page where people tend to post things, you can skip the login screen if you aren't on facebook and just read the updates.

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/B4RN-rurul-broadband/105319176241916> and our website news section also has all the latest info in date order.

<http://b4rn.org.uk/latest-new-2>

Currently there is a lot of digging going on in Arkholme and if you want to have a look to see what is involved when you get started, they will be more than happy to show you around - of course, feel free to bring a spade. If you contact David Smith (or call into the post office) - dgsmith2009@hotmail.co.uk - he will be able to tell you when and where digging is taking place. The routes are changing as people come up with great ideas to save time and costs, and the generosity of people helping their neighbours has to be seen to be believed. This really is building a network of people, and as usual the cream is rising to the top, and many of these volunteers will be offered employment in the future. There is also a fully qualified technical team who have worked tirelessly in their own time with Barry to help us make this network a reality. Well its happening, its fast, its good, and it will be coming your way soon. Are you ready to dig to a gig? Or have you found someone to help you? Can you help others? Together we Can Do It.

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Events in Hornby Institute in December:

Saturday 8th December- Bingo Evening, 7.00 p.m. Refreshments from the bar, tea and coffee available.

Thursday 20th December - 6.30 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. Christmas Farmers' Market.

Monday 31st December. New Year's Eve Dance. Limited tickets £30.

Copy Date for the Wrayly Mail

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

wraylymail@woodengates.net by the 14th 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.

Please could a name and contact number accompany each item. (Diary Dates can also be put in tin if preferred).

If you would like a page on the village website please email chris@wrayvillage.co.uk or if you would like a link to your own website on ours just ask. A link back to us is the only payment required.

<http://www.wrayvillage.co.uk>

