

WRAYLY MAIL

FEBRUARY 2011

DIARY DATES

- Thurs 3 **Yoga** 7.45 p.m. to 9.15 p.m. in Wray Institute and on each following Thursday except half-term (24th February). £5 per session. Mats provided. All welcome. Tel: Kathy Cartledge 61567.
- Fri 4 7.30 p.m. Bentham Agricultural Society Annual Quiz, Bentham Town Hall. Further details available from Val Lawson 61606 or John Whitfield 21187.
- Sat 5 ***Join us for a celebration of the life of Patsy Everett.*** Born July 1920 Canada, died 4th December 2010 at home. From 12 noon and all afternoon in Wray Institute. Sharing of memories 12 noon. Come and share her party with fun and laughter. Informal clothes. Bring happy memories. Peter, Toby and Rod.
- Sat 5 2.00 p.m. Grand Jumble Sale held by the Friends of Tatham Fells School at Ingleton Community Centre.
- Sat 5 7.30 p.m. Tatham Fells Village Society in the Old School Lowgill. 'Vintage touring in France' an illustrated talk by Mike Garstang. £2 including tea/coffee and biscuits.
- Tues 8 7.30 p.m. Tatham Fells W.I. in the Old School, Lowgill. Ceilidh Evening, Lowgill Ceilidh Band. Comp: A pair of dancing shoes. Visitors very welcome.
- Wed 9 8.00 p.m. Wray with Botton Sports Committee Meeting.
- Thurs 10 Ceilidh Dancing. Called dances, recorded music/ Everyone
and welcome. No previous experience necessary. Come on
Thurs 24 your own or with a partner. Tatham Fells Old School.
7.30 p.m. to 9.30 p.m., £1.

- Sat 12 Hornby District Ramblers. The walk will be at Hest Bank and the canal. Approx. 5 miles. Led by Mary Dobson 21828. Meet on Hornby Car Park at 9.30 a.m. Bring packed lunch and suitable footwear. No dogs allowed.
- Tues 15 2.00 p.m. Wray Over Sixties in Wray Institute. Tea and chat afternoon - favourite teatime recipe tasting. Visitors very welcome.
- Fri 18 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 18 7.45 p.m. Countryside Society in Hornby Institute. AGM and Members' Evening of slides and exhibits. Any interesting contributions of Natural History or Local History will be welcome.

Advance Date

Friday 4th March 2011. Wray with Botton Sports Domino Drive at 7.30 p.m. in Wray Institute. Everyone very welcome.

Weight Loss Challenge Classes: Thursday's 6.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m. in Melling Institute. Contact Sarah Rycroft, Tel: 015242 21166 to pre-book and for further information. January 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th. **Book your place now** for next 12 week challenge starting Thursday 3rd February.

The contact number for Wray Institute is 015242 22311. Frank Gretton is the caretaker.

Two Coach Holidays for 2011

Highlights of Southern Ireland - 8 days in the Emerald Isle - 14th - 21st May 2011, 3 excursions inc. £584 - based on two sharing. (Half board throughout).

Lake Balaton - Hungary, 12 days. All inclusive at our main hotel. 2nd to 13th July 2011, 4 excursions inc. £789 - based on two sharing.

Both holidays leave from Lancaster/Bentham areas: All excursions are included in the price. Single rooms available: No overnight travel or feeder coaches. We use Executive coaches with on-board toilet facilities. For more information about either holiday please contact Susan Adams 015242 61182.

New Year's Resolutions - Do you want to stop smoking? Support and advice can make all the difference.

Your local NHS Stop Smoking Service is holding a weekly clinic from 3pm to 5pm at Caton Health Centre on Thursday afternoons. Evening appointments are also available. For advice and support, including nicotine replacement and other products on prescription, please contact the Stop Smoking Service on 07717667472 or 01524 845145 for further information.

Wray Scarecrow Festival and Fair - update and themes for 2011

This year promises to be extra special. Not only does the Scarecrow Festival overlap with Easter weekend but there is a Royal Wedding in the calendar as well. The organising committee has met a couple of times already and is exploring how best to arrange events this year to take advantage of the extra bank holidays. This may include some additions to the programme over the Easter Weekend and ways to complement village celebrations for the Royal Wedding.

In the meantime, it has been agreed that the themes for this year's Scarecrow Festival will be: a) "Royalty: Past and Present" (inc. the Royal Wedding), b) "Austerity Measures", and the regular categories of c) Topical, d) Traditional and e) Moving. The theme for schools will be "Kings and Queens".

This year presents us with a great opportunity to generate even more funds for all the beneficiaries in the village but we can only achieve this with the help of lots of volunteers. Several people have come forward to strengthen the Committee but it goes without saying the more volunteers we have the better. If you can lend a hand for however much time you can spare (even just a few hours), we would love to hear from you. Please contact a member of the Committee if you know one or send an e-mail to: wrayfestivalandfair@gmail.com

Future meetings of the Committee will be held at Wray Institute at 19:30 on Monday 31 January, 28 February and 28 March and 18 April. Further details of this year's events will be posted on the village website and in future issues of the Wrayly Mail, so please watch this space...

The Wray Scarecrow Festival and Fair Committee

New time for Hornby Bridge Club - Hornby Bridge Club will meet from 2.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. at Hornby Institute on Fridays, starting 11th February 2011. New and old members welcome. (The Club no longer meets on Wednesdays.)

Wray Scarecrow Festival 2011- Important information for residents of Main Street

Following the last few years events and the use of a road closure last year, the police have again requested that a temporary road closure be instigated for Main street for the peak times of **10.00 to 16.00 on Friday 29th April, Sat 30th April, Sun 1st May and Monday 2nd May.**

This road closure will be through Lancaster City Council and under the

provisions of sec.21 of Town police clauses act 1847 which allows for the temporary closure for events such as ours. It applies to vehicular traffic only and will be from the junction with Wennington road to the tea rooms. A diversion route will be signed for vehicles wishing to pass through the village that will take them along Agnes Ings Lane.

The signs will be erected at 10 am each day and removed at 4 pm. The 'barrier' at Wennington Road will be staffed continually as will the barrier at the tea rooms. Following some concerns from last year, extra information signage has been made that will assist in explaining the diversion route to visitors. This will minimise people using the diversion route that don't need to.

Please be reassured that access remains open for residents on Main Street to park and get their vehicle in and out during the closure. Pedestrians are not affected.

If you need to move through the closure for access:

- * Be aware that pedestrians may not know you are approaching - they will think the road is totally free of vehicles.
- * Please move very slowly - 10 mph maximum.
- * Put your hazard lights on.
- * ***Think children***
- * Use the diversion route or go via Butt Yeats and School Lane for the bottom of the village.

If you have any concerns please contact me directly on 07966 330991

Thanks for your continued support and patience.

Dave Forshaw, on behalf of the organising committee.

Thankyou

The family of the late Stella Kenyon thank everyone who helped with their presence, support and condolences during and after Stella's illness. Also for the generous donations which raised over £1,000 for St John's Hospice.

Rory and Jess would like to thank everybody who came and supported their coffee morning and cake stall on 18th December. They raised an amazing £285 towards their Malawi trip in 2012. Thank you all for your generosity.

Wray Village Christmas Tree. Let's hope we have started a new tradition with the carols and mince pies to celebrate lighting the tree. Once again it looked magnificent thanks to the efforts of those who collected, erected, dressed and finally took down the tree.

And once again, special thanks to Mr. & Mrs. McIntosh of Lowgill for kindly donating the tree.

Vanished - My new sign coming into the village from Hornby has gone, have you seen it? Any information would be gratefully received.
Sheila, Wray Post Office.

Needing muck for your garden? Then look no further as the Vale O' Lune Young Farmers are holding their annual muck haul on the weekend of the 19th and 20th February.

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Church Services in February

February 6th Sixth Sunday before Lent

8.00am Tatham Holy Communion

10.00am Wray Holy Communion

2.15pm Tatham Fells Evening Service

10.00 Melling Christingle Service 10.00 Tunstall Sung Eucharist

February 13th Fourth Sunday before Lent

8.00am Wray Holy Communion

10.00am Wray Morning Worship

11.00am Tatham Holy Communion

11.00am Tatham Fells Christingle Service

10.00am Tunstall Sung Eucharist for Tunstall, Melling and Leck

February 20th Third Sunday before Lent - Septuagesima

9.30am Tatham Fells Holy Communion

10.00am Wray Morning Worship

10.00am Melling Sung Eucharist 10.00am Leck Morning Worship

6.00pm Tunstall Holy Communion

February 27th Second Sunday before Lent -Sexagesima

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

10.00am Leck Sung Eucharist 6.00pm Melling Holy Communion

Friday March 4th Women's World Day of Prayer Service

2.00pm at Holy Trinity Church, Wray.

Everyone is welcome to this ecumenical service, led by members of our ten local churches and in which children from Wray School will also be taking part.

March 6th Sunday next before Lent – Quinquagesima

8.00am	Tatham	Holy Communion
10.00am	Wray	Holy Communion
2.15pm	Tatham Fells	Evening Service

10.00am Melling Morning Worship 10.00am Tunstall Sung Eucharist

March 9th Ash Wednesday

10.00am	Tatham Fells	Holy Communion
7.00pm	Tunstall	Holy Communion

Church Contacts:

Revd Mark Cannon, Wray Vicarage (21030)

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

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