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IN THE BLEAK MID WINTER

and it certainly is, as I write this! The thaw has set in at last, but the main topic of conversation is still the weather – first the floods then the big freeze. No doubt there will be many tales told about the last few weeks, not least, the aid given to Joe Jackson by the Mountain Rescue Team and a Paramedic, to get him to Hospital. Thank you to all my helpers and contributors. I wish you all a Happy New Year and please keep sending me the news!

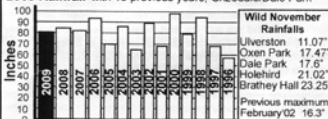
GREEN SHOOTS

Plan your entries now for the Spring Show!
Saturday 27th and Sunday 28th March at Rusland Reading Rooms.
Schedules available at the end of February.

SATTERTHWAITE PARISH CALENDAR 2011

The 2010 Calendar is now sold out and has raised £500 towards Satterthwaite Parish Room funds. Thanks go to all who helped in the production and sales; without you this wouldn't have happened. After the success of the 2010 calendar, we are looking to produce one for 2011. This time we would like to use YOUR photographs. To submit your photos - any season or topic within the Parish of Satterthwaite - please send digital copies (high quality JPEGs, max size 2000 pixels by 1450 pixels) to admin@satterthwaitepc.org.uk or hand in prints (high quality only please) at the Eagles Head. The best 13, to be judged independently at this year's Rusland Show, will be included in the Satterthwaite Parish 2011 Calendar.

2009 Rainfall with 13 previous years, Grizedale/Dale Park



from Forestry Commission, Environment Agency & Hilary Collins, via Chris Steady

A TOAST TO RABBIE!

BURNS' NIGHT AT THE EAGLE'S HEAD MONDAY 25TH JANUARY.

Following the success of last year, and by popular demand of those who were there, Rob and Rebecca are hosting a Burns' Supper, which starts at 7.30pm. There will be a three-course dinner of appropriate fare @ £14.95, which of course includes a wee dram. Accompaniments include a guest piper, an address to the haggis and a few recitations of Robert Burns' poetry. Booking is advisable - please ring the Eagle's Head on 860237

HAVE A FLING!

Scottish Dancing has started again- Satterthwaite Parish Rooms at 7.00pm on Monday evenings. Liz Pollock is organising, and teaching; sister Joan is aiding and abetting. The mulled wine was very popular on our first evening after New Year, though not sure it helped us distinguish left from right! Great fun, just come along - £1.50 a session, going towards the maintenance of the Parish Room

BOY (AND GIRL) RACERS GET READY!

It's the Annual Scalextric Challenge at the Eagle's Head on Monday March 8th. Racing starts at 8pm. Look out for the posters and come along to join in the fun! Contact Rob on 860237 to book your slot.

CHRISTMAS EVE IN SATTERTHWAITE

We had a slightly reduced gathering for Carol Singing round the Christmas Tree, largely due to the weather, but at least it all looked suitably white, sparkly and seasonal. Our carols had musical accompaniment this time, thanks to Joan Pollock and friends. Bob Fletcher's bucket collection raised well over £60 for the Children's Society. Many thanks to all who organised, helped with and participated in this traditional event.

GEORGINA MALLALIEU formerly of Lands End Farm, now living in France, has published a book about her experiences in Africa. The book is called *Swimming with Swallows* and is available at www.authorhouse.co.uk

A BIG THANK YOU to the two parish clerks, Mandy Lane and David Glanville for their efforts to get us all clear roads, snow ploughs, and extra salt and grit.

COLTON PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

We have all been tearing our hair out! For the second winter running, Colton Parish has been devoid of salt/grit. This is despite our complaints last winter, promises from Highways for deliveries this winter, and our sending in a detailed map of bins and salt-heap requirements. Needless to say, we are already working with Highways and our County Councillor (Rod Wilson) to sort out what went wrong (again!) and to make sure we get properly supplied next winter.

On the positive side, i) the road from Penny Bridge to Hawkshead WAS routinely gritted as promised, which helped those living on this route a great deal, and ii) eventually Highways offered a large delivery of salt/grit to a single location in the Parish; we received it in Oxen Park the next day and various heroes (Colin Barr, Dave Higgs, Kevin Pike, and Frank and Zella Slater amongst others) worked hard to distribute it to the worst affected areas.

Two key concerns have emerged from a police survey of residents in the Rusland area: i) deer poaching and ii) illegal behaviour by off-road vehicle users. Arrests for poaching have been made recently using DNA evidence and there is an ongoing investigation into four deer carcasses found at a location in Ulverston. Poaching of the Rusland deer herd is a now a serious concern and there is a great deal of suffering when deer are brought down by dogs. PC Baldwin urges anyone seeing anything suspicious to contact him on his mobile: 07971 140533 or if you can't reach him by mobile, then ring 01229 848535.

Our next meeting is on **Monday 22nd February**, 7.30 pm at Firstthwaite Village Hall

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RUSLAND & DISTRICT W.I.

At the Carol Evening on December 8th in All Saints' Church, Satterthwaite, there was a warm welcome for Mrs. J. Hawkins who represented the Great North Air Ambulance, the W.I.'s chosen charity this season. £480 was raised for that worthy cause. There were congregational carols, four items by the W.I. Choir, the W.I. Players performed "The Shepherd's Play" based on a mediaeval mystery play, and the Junior Benefice Choir performed "The Twelve Days of Christmas." Refreshments were served in the Parish Room and a raffle was held. Sincere thanks go to everyone who worked so hard towards the success of the evening – there were many people involved. Further events are planned to raise yet more money for the Great North Air Ambulance. The Choir joined Cragg Attak to sing carols in the Eagles Head on 17th December. £61.60 was raised for the Great North Air Ambulance making the total raised for that worthy cause £561.60. Well done to all involved and all who gave so generously.

Why not join the W.I. as a new activity for 2010? You would be very welcome. The next meeting will be in Satterthwaite Parish Room, on January 19th when our very own Jean Crabtree will delight us with a cookery demonstration, and on the 23rd February, at Rusland Reading Rooms, Mrs. H.A. Sandys will talk about "Life in Glen Lyon." Both events are unmissable! Look forward to seeing you there.

OXEN PARK CINEMA CLUB

Due to the weather (a local saying) we had to cancel *I Have Loved You So Long*. This is the first film we have had to cancel in 3 years of film showing.

Whatever the weather (another local saying) we hope to show *Kung Fu Panda* at 4pm and *Of Time and the City* at 7.30pm at Rusland on 16th January.

Our first February film is *Kitchen Stories*, on Tuesday 2nd. This dry humoured Norwegian film, by the same director as *Elling* (remember?), is a treat you are unlikely to see anywhere else.

We then have our annual 'Coro' book and film event. This year we have chosen *The Manchurian Candidate*, the 1962 classic version with Frank Sinatra, Lawrence Harvey and Vivien Leigh – now how can you miss that? We have booked Alan Sennett, a film, politics and history lecturer, to speak about the book and film links. We hope this will be the same outstanding success as last year. It's on Tuesday 16th February.

Millions – a great family film and we are showing it at Penny Bridge Primary (1.30 as part of a curriculum film week) and Leven Valley Primary on Thursday 11th February at 6.30pm.

The Keswick Film Festival runs from February 25th – 28th and always has some treats.

There is an evening of the best of the Kendal Mountain Film Festival on March 24th at the Brewery.

What a good start to the film-watching year. Contact Carol for bookings. 861507.

SATTERTHWAITE PARISH COUNCIL

Date of Next Meeting

Monday January 18th 2010

7.30pm at Graythwaite Hall

All members of the public are welcome

Items for Consideration

Parish Plan

Turbine at Farra Grain

Orchard Cottage Building Completion

Dog Fouling

WINTER UPDATE

We have now collected all the Parish Plan questionnaires and are in the process of collating the information. We had 70 responses which has provided us with valuable information. A huge thanks to all who provided input.

Clearly, everyone is concerned about the state of the roads at present. We have been assured that the main route from Penny Bridge through Satterthwaite to Hawkshead will remain a priority so long as there is grit available. As a consequence of the shortage of grit no other roads will be gritted using the usual mixture. However, an alternative is being used which is a mixture of sea washed chippings and salt. We have received a delivery of this and we have tried to reach most of the roads that would not be gritted by the County Council. We have a limited quantity left which must sustain us through any more cold weather. If anyone is experiencing access problems please let the Clerk know and we will try and help. Please note however that we cannot grit private drives using this mixture.

We have tried to identify people who need visits from doctors etc to ensure that access can be obtained. If we have missed anybody again please let the Clerk know.

CHURCH NEWS

Dear Friends,

As a child I remember longing for snow with all my heart, and even though most of that urgency has disappeared over the years, I still feel a bit of excitement about it. But as I write this, there is still snow about, and like most people, I am getting a bit fed up with it. And for some reason, the Dixon snowman wasn't a patch on last year's. What a good snowman that was!

For some reason he was named Reggie and he had a head, abdomen and thorax (the consistency of the snow demanded a three-part approach). He had a parsnip for a nose and coal eyes, a hat and a scarf. And then the thaw came in the form of heavy rain, which was not good for poor Reggie. His black eyes began to run, like a tragic mascara. His nose fell off, and he looked very miserable out there in the cold rain. Soon his head fell off and eventually he disappeared altogether. He had been a very vivid reminder that nothing lasts forever in this world. Everything we make is provisional. Hopefully many buildings and structures will last longer than poor Reggie, but in the end they will all go the same way.

I believe, though, that this world, though, is twinned with another world, the world of God, which very much is permanent. We only know anything at all about this other world because God has chosen to reveal it to us. God can and does reveal some of his mysteries to us, through the person of Jesus, and no doubt in other ways too. He can and does share in this temporary world of ours. He can and does participate in our world. And he looks forward to the day when we can properly share his world with him.

John

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Sunday	Colton	Rusland	Satterthwaite
Jan 24 th	9.30 Holy Communion	11.15 Holy Communion	No service
31 st	10.30 Christingle Service, Penny Bridge	10.00 Joint Benefice Service	No service
Feb 7 th	10.30 Morning Worship	5pm Evensong	9.45 Holy Communion
14 th	10.30 Benefice Communion, Lowick	11.15 Holy Communion	6pm Evensong
21 st	9.30 Holy Communion	5pm Evensong	9.45 Service for All Ages
28 th	9.30 Holy Communion	No service	11.15 Holy Communion
Mar 5 th (Friday)		2pm Women's' World Day of Prayer	

Sunday	Hawkshead	Sawrey
Jan. 24 th	9.30 H.C. with Sunday School 6pm Evensong	3pm Evensong
31 st	10.00 Joint Benefice Service at Rusland	
Feb 7 th	8.00 Holy Communion (1662) 6pm Healing Service,	11.15 Holy Communion, CW
	9.30 Service for All Ages Hawkshead Methodist Church	
14 th	9.30 H.C. with Sunday School 6pm Evensong	11.15 Matins
17 th	6pm Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes.	
21 st	9.30 H.C. with Sunday School 6pm Evensong	11.15 Holy Communion, 1662
28 th	9.30 H.C. with Sunday School 6pm Evensong	6pm Evensong

SHROVE TUESDAY SUPPER - 16th FEBRUARY RUSLAND READING ROOMS - 7.30PM

Come and enjoy a winter's evening of convivial company!

RAFFLE - TABLE QUIZ - BEETLE DRIVE

Tickets £6.50 (children free) to include Cottage pie and choice of puddings. Wine and soft drinks available.

Contact: Elsie Wilkinson-860253, Giles Wingate-Saul-860300, Susan King-861173, Jean Crabtree-860021, or Edward Collins-860312

CHRISTMAS MEMORIES

Sadly the gritter wagon broke down on Sunday, December 20th and the Carol Service at Satterthwaite Church had to be cancelled due to the snow.

Family Communion was celebrated in Satterthwaite on Christmas Day in a candle lit church. The Rev. John Dixon took the service assisted by Andrew Duncan. Joan Pollock and Harry Crabtree played the organ and Stephanie Elstrub the violin. Susan Brooke and Caroline Peet read the lessons and around thirty people attended.

The joint service for Satterthwaite and Rusland congregations scheduled for December 27th had to be cancelled due to the bad road conditions.

FIFTH SUNDAY SERVICES

Every year, there are four months with five Sundays and - very conveniently - there are four parishes in our United Benefice of Hawkshead, Sawrey, Rusland and Satterthwaite. So on fifth Sundays, the four churches take it in turns to provide the venue for a joint Benefice Service, which is the only service in the Benefice that day. These joint services are special occasions. People from the four Parishes come together in a spirit of community and enjoy being part of a larger congregation than usual and the company of their friends from the other parishes.

Whether or not you regularly attend services in one of the four churches, it is well worth making the effort to come to these Fifth Sunday Services. They are always at 10 a.m. The next one is on 31st January at Rusland. The others this year will be on 30th May at Sawrey, 29th August at Hawkshead and 31st October at Satterthwaite.

DIARY DATES

Jan	Mon 18 th	Satterthwaite Parish Council Meeting – Graythwaite Hall – 7.30pm
	Tues 19 th	Rusland and District WI – Satterthwaite Parish Room – 7.30pm
	Mon 25 th	Burns Night at the Eagles Head – 7.30pm
Feb	Thurs 28 th	Colton 2020 Quiz and Supper – Rusland Reading Rooms – 7.30pm
	Tues 2 nd	Oxen Park Cinema Club – Kitchen Stories – Rusland Reading Rooms – 7.30pm
	Tues 9 th	Mothers Union – Haverthwaite Church Hall – 2pm
	Tues 16 th	Oxen Park Cinema Club – The Manchurian Candidate – Coronation Hall, Ulverston – 7.30pm
	Mon 22 nd	Joint Benefice Shrove Tuesday Supper – Rusland Reading Rooms – 7.30pm
	Tues 23 rd	Colton Parish Council Meeting – Finsthwaite Village Hall – 7.30pm
Mar	Mon 8 th	Rusland and District WI – Rusland Reading Rooms – 7.30pm
	Sat 27 th & Sun 28 th	Annual Scalextric Challenge – Eagles Head – 8pm
		Rusland Valley Horticultural Society Spring Show – Rusland Reading Rooms

PERSONAL

THE SAMARITANS

Whatever you're going through, we'll go through it with you. Phone 01229 825656 or 08457 909090

- Our sympathies to Terry & Lorraine McCready and their family on the death of Terry's mother, Irene.
- Our sincere condolences also to Louise and Mark on the death of Evan Thomas who lived at Abbots Reading for 50 years.
- Very best wishes from us all, to Joe Jackson, recovering in Furness General Hospital from a fall at home.

Last date for items for March Newsletter is 24th February. Send to: Liz Cringle Tel: 01229 860274, email: lizzigerc@hotmail.com, Colin Barr-Oxen Park Tel: 01229 861408, email: cjb@barrecol.co.uk, Elsie Wilkinson- Crosslands Tel: 01229 860253, Frances Townsend- Pepper House Tel: 01229 860206, frances.townsend@virgin.net, Sylvia Chadwick- Monks Cottage Tel: 015395 31685

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