



# RUSLAND & SATTERTHWAITE NEWSLETTER

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## TIME FOR A FRESH START!

### GIVE YOUR VIEWS ON CUMBRIA COUNTY COUNCIL'S DRAFT BUDGET

At Cumbria County Council we are once again assessing how we can best spend the money we have available to us, in order to provide the best possible services to our residents.

Last year we had to reduce our budget by £44 million as a result of national budget cuts. We carefully reviewed all of our services, re-engineered the council and made big changes.

Now we again have to make further savings for 2012/13. Thankfully because of the decisions we made last year the amount still to find is a comparatively modest £2.8 million.

Once again we are keen to hear your views about how we should make these savings: How can we minimise the effects of having considerably less money?

We have put together some proposals to save money, which you can give your views on now.

You can read about them on our new budget consultation website at [cumbriabudget.ning.com](http://cumbriabudget.ning.com). There you will find detailed information; details of public events you can attend; online surveys; and an online discussion forum you can take part in.

If you wish to get involved please ensure you have your say before this consultation ends on 31 January 2012.

We are looking forward to hearing from you.

Eddie Martin, Leader, Cumbria County Council

**STRICTLY SCOTTISH DANCING** continues with vigour in Satterthwaite Parish Rooms at 7.00pm on Monday evenings. All are welcome, no experience necessary; £2.00 a session, going towards the upkeep of the Parish Room facility.

### THE SPRING SHOW! ARE YOU GETTING READY?

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> March  
Rusland Reading Rooms

And on the subject of Spring.....

Gordon Wilkinson reports that a daffodil was flowering at Ickenthwaite in November!

### DON'T FORGET!

## THE RUSLAND ENTERTAINMENT EVENING

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Date: Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2012

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Administrator-Giles Wingate-Saul

If you would like to take part, contact Giles by 31<sup>st</sup> January on [gilesws@btinternet.com](mailto:gilesws@btinternet.com) or 01229 860 300 or by post at The Dower House, Whitestock, Rusland, Ulverston, LA12 8LB

### FIRST RESPONDERS WANTED

The Satterthwaite and Hawkshead Community First Responders (which includes Rusland) are looking to recruit more team members. So if you are interested in becoming a First Responder or, at least, in finding out what it involves then you are very welcome. Please contact David Higgs on 860239.

### ????????? SATTERTHWAITE QUIZ NIGHT?????????

Saturday, 21st January 7.30 p.m. in the Parish Room.

A few remaining Tickets at £6, to include supper, available from Hilary Collins, Kevin Baverstock or any member of the committee.

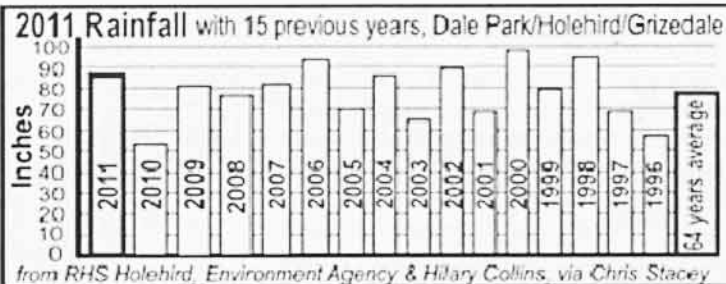
### A NEW COOKERY BOOK? PERHAPS.....

We are hoping to compile a Jubilee recipe book in aid of Rusland and Satterthwaite Churches. If you are willing to share a favourite family recipe, old or new please get in touch with Caroline Peet or Jean Crabtree on 01229 860021.

### OXEN PARK DOG CLUB

Tuesdays 5 – 6pm by and in the village hall.

Some obedience, some agility and lots of fun. People with dogs preferred! Interested? Contact Carol 861507



### SATTERTHWAITE PARISH COUNCIL

The only reportable piece of information is that the planning application for Stricely Fell for the erection of poly tunnels and a shed, has been withdrawn!

### COLTON PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

**Grit Bins:** You may have noticed that we now have more grit bins in the Parish. Three have been bought by the Parish Council, and others provided by County. Some have, however, been placed in unexpected locations, and some are as yet unfilled, so we will be 'taking stock' at our next meeting!

**Field of Pigs, between Ealinghearth and Finsthwaite:** We are very aware that the flooding here arising from the 'pig field' is worse than ever as is the slurry pollution into the becks. We are pressing hard for a resolution and are awaiting developments from the Environment Agency. We understand that Highways are unable to deal with the flooding until the pollution problem is resolved. Along with Haverthwaite Parish, we are also trying to resolve the issue of pigs escaping into the surrounding woodland. Please report any sightings of escaped pigs to the Clerk (contact details below).

**Community First Responders:** We are pleased to hear that the Hawkshead and Satterthwaite Team's area has now been extended a bit further south to include Oxen Park and Bandrake Head. If you are interested in finding out more about what First Responders do and to what sort of incidents they might be called to, then have a look on the North-west Ambulance Service website: [www.nwas-responders.info](http://www.nwas-responders.info) or chat with a local Responder.

Our next Parish Council meeting is on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February, Finsthwaite Village Hall, 7.30pm.

### ANOTHER MILESTONE FOR BETTY!

**A HUGE THANK YOU** to all those who attended Betty Kirkland's 90th birthday party. You made it a very special day for her which we will all remember. Well done to Kevin Baverstock for the idea and the organisation and for producing a superb video of Mum's history. Thank you also to the Parish Room Committee and to the Church Wardens, in particular Edward and Hilary Collins, for generously providing the wine and to all who helped on the day. Mum was quite overwhelmed by the generosity and goodwill she received. Thank you to those who brought food, gifts, flowers and cards. Patricia Kirkland on behalf of Mum and Caroline.

**THANK YOU** to Rob Bruce and the patrons of the Eagles Head Satterthwaite for the donation of £100 to Cumbria Rural Citizens' Advice Bureau. It was much appreciated.

### OXEN PARK CINEMA CLUB

On 7<sup>th</sup> February we go to Greenodd Village Hall for *Oranges and Sunshine* and Tim Fleming's new film *In Vitro*. Why not venture out and join us?

Then we have another Supper Special at Rusland on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> February – This will NOT be the French film - *The Kid with a Bike!* Having won at Cannes months ago we presumed (wrongly) that the DVD would be out – maybe next season.

Instead we have managed to get hold of *Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy*. So put this in your diary and book yourself in with Carol.

The family film (which will be *Cars 2*) scheduled for 9<sup>th</sup> February at Leven Valley School will now be on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> February in the new Outback Hall at 3.45pm – after half term, so we don't clash with the harp lessons! - Look out for flyers the week before.

### MARCH DIARY

6<sup>th</sup> March – *We Need To Talk About Kevin* – 7.30  
Rusland

31<sup>st</sup> March – *The Wildest Dream – The Conquest Of Everest* with local Everest summiteer Robin Beadle -  
Leven Valley School Outback Hall

### WORKERS WATCH OUT!

The Government is working on plans to reform Employment law, and some of these could come into effect as soon as April 2012 if the Parliamentary timetable goes to plan. CABs across the country are worried about many of the possible changes. *If you have a problem at work then get advice before April* to make sure you qualify under the current rules. So what are these proposed changes?

- At present, workers only get protection against unfair dismissal after they have been in their job for 12 months. This will increase to two years. CAB estimate that this will make the jobs of three million workers even more insecure than they are already.
- Amongst the changes to the Employment Tribunal process, claimants will face increased application fees, witness expenses will be abolished, a big increase in awarded costs for those losing claims, and judges will sit alone in making decisions.

The CAB view is that these changes will create a substantial barrier to justice for low-paid workers needing to defend their rights. Meanwhile, there are no proposals to help people get the money they are due from winning their employment tribunal case.

The Government has said that it will explore options for a quicker, cheaper alternative system for more straightforward claims, but so far there is no indication of what this might be, with April just weeks away.

You can help us lobby Government for amendments by letting us know your experiences, contact your local CAB or use our online feedback form:

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/VBXRJN7>

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## CHURCH NEWS

Dear Friends,

A few years ago we visited Bristol Zoo. I think I remember the very pleasant car park attendant with his ticket machine, who used to work there, so I was very amused to hear the story about him.

The car park outside Bristol Zoo has space for 150 cars and 8 coaches. Using his ticket machine the attendant charged £1 for cars and £5 for coaches. He had worked there for 25 years, and then one day he didn't turn up for work.

Bristol Zoo Management phoned up the City Council to get them to send a new parking attendant.

'But', said the Council, 'that car park is your responsibility...'

'No', said Bristol Zoo Management, 'the attendant was employed by the City Council, wasn't he...?'

'What attendant?' asked the Council.

While I find this story amusing, obviously for professional reasons I can't condone this type of behaviour. That would be irresponsible. As a Christian I believe that just taking what we do not deserve is wrong. Isn't it? Well, usually it is, but not always. Obviously this man was wrong: even though his entrepreneurial actions may bring a smile to our lips, ultimately he was a dishonest conman. But as a Christian I believe there are some things we can take, which we do not deserve- not car park money but God's love for us, of course.

Although dated and theologically unfashionable (even my spell-checker suggests I change his name to 'toilet!'), I very much like the words of Paul Tillich:

'It is as though a voice were saying: You are accepted. You are accepted by that which is greater than you, and the name of which you do not know. Do not ask for the name now; perhaps later you will find it. Do not try to do anything now; perhaps later you will do much. Do not seek anything; do not perform anything; do not intend anything. Simply accept the fact that you are accepted!'

John The Vicarage, Hawkshead, 015394 36301. jjcedixon@btinternet.com

Sunday	Colton	Rusland	Satterthwaite
January 22 <sup>nd</sup>	No information available	11.15 Holy Communion	No service
29 <sup>th</sup>		10.00 Joint Benefice Holy Communion	No service
February 5 <sup>th</sup>		5pm Evensong	9.45 Holy Communion
12 <sup>th</sup>		11.15 Holy Communion	6pm Evensong
19 <sup>th</sup>		5pm Evensong	9.45 Service for All Ages
26 <sup>th</sup>		No Service	11.15 Holy Communion

Sunday	Hawkshead	Sawrey
January 22 <sup>nd</sup>	9.30 H.C. with Sunday School	6pm Evensong
29 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 Joint Benefice Holy Communion at Rusland	
February 5 <sup>th</sup>	8am Holy Communion 1662	11.15 Holy Communion
	9.30 Service for All Ages	
12 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 H.C. with Sunday School	11.15 Matins
19 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 H.C. with Sunday School	11.15 Holy Communion
26 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 H.C. with Sunday School	6pm Evensong

### A TREAT FOR A WINTER EVENING

There will be a Choral Evensong at 6 p.m. at Satterthwaite Church on Sunday, 12th February. The service will be sung by the Herwick Singers who all met at Oxbridge, now live in Cumbria, and get together to sing. They performed at Sawrey last year and are a joy to hear.

Please note that there will be no Evensong at Hawkshead on that evening, so do come to Satterthwaite instead!

### SHROVE TUESDAY SUPPER – 21<sup>ST</sup> FEBRUARY

This will be hosted by Sawrey Church at the Braithwaite Hall this year. Put the date in your diary and look forward to a congenial evening with friends.

### CHRISTMAS EVE IN SATTERTHWAITE

"Carols round the tree" happened inside the Church on Christmas Eve, singing round the indoor tree, owing to the rain. We had a good crowd of locals and their extended families, and visitors, all accompanied by Harry Elkington-Crabtree on the church organ, to whom many thanks. The bucket collection raised over £65 for the Church of England Children's Society,

### SATTERTHWAITE PARISH ROOM

Satterthwaite Parish Room will shortly be having much needed repair work done. All the windows of the main hall are being renewed and it will be a pleasant change to meet in winter without wind whistling through the missing panes. The chimney stacks will be removed and other roof work, including some new gutters, will be carried out. There is much other work of a smaller nature being carried out at the same time. We have been successful in obtaining grants to cover much of the work and we are having some fund raising events, the first of which is our Grand Quiz on Saturday, 21<sup>st</sup> January at 7.30 p.m. The committee is very grateful to those people who give annual donations, without which it would be very difficult to continue to provide this much appreciated facility in the village. A cleaning rota for the room has been set up, with the small committee covering the first six months of the year. If anyone would like to volunteer to clean the room once a year we would be delighted. Please let Hilary Collins (860312) know if you can help.



# DIARY DATES.

Jan	Mon	16 <sup>th</sup>	Satterthwaite Parish Council – Satterthwaite Parish Room – 7.30pm Colton Parish Council – Bouth Village Hall – 7.30pm
	Tues	17 <sup>th</sup>	Rusland and District WI – Satterthwaite Parish Room – 7.30pm
	Sat	21 <sup>st</sup>	Quiz Night – Satterthwaite Parish Room – 7.30pm
Feb	Tues	7 <sup>th</sup>	Oxen Park Cinema Club – <i>Oranges and Sunshine</i> and <i>In Vitro</i> – Greenodd Village Hall – 7.30pm
	Sat	18 <sup>th</sup>	Oxen Park Cinema Club – <i>Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy</i> – Rusland Reading Rooms – 7.30pm (supper first!)
	Mon	20 <sup>th</sup>	Colton Parish Council – Finthwaite Village Hall – 7.30pm
	Thurs	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Oxen Park Cinema Club – <i>Cars 2</i> - Family Film at Leven Valley School, Outback Hall – 3.45pm
	Tues	28 <sup>th</sup>	Rusland and District WI – Eileen Belshaw - <i>It Shouldn't Happen to a Nurse</i> - Rusland Reading Rooms – 7.30pm

## BIG GARDEN BIRDWATCH WEEKEND 28-29 JANUARY

Yes, it's almost time for the RSPB's Big Garden Birdwatch. This is the charity's most important event of the year when people across the UK look out of their window and spend an hour of their weekend recording how many birds they see. Last year, over 600,000 people counted more than 10 million garden birds. If you would like to step up for nature and take part, you can request a free Big Garden Birdwatch pack over the phone by calling 0300 456 8330. Alternatively, you can visit the RSPB website [www.rspb.org.uk/birdwatch](http://www.rspb.org.uk/birdwatch) for more information and to submit your results online.

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- Congratulations and Happy Birthday to Elsie Wilkinson who will be 80 on 12th February.
- We all wish Dick Burrow a speedy recovery after his recent stay in hospital.
- Very best wishes also, to Bob Fletcher, for a good outcome from his recent operation.

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