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AUTUMN LEAVES

MOSSES VISIT

(Rusland Mosses SSSI - Proposed Restoration Plan by Natural England)

As most of you will know Natural England (NE) would like to make significant changes to the Rusland Mosses (as detailed in the November 2011 edition of the newsletter).

In summary, NE would like to create an environment where Rusland Mosses return to a favourable condition. This means raising the water level on the domes of the Mosses so that sphagnum moss could grow. In order for this environment to be created this could potentially result in the following taking place on Rusland Moss:-

- felling and removal of large numbers of trees
- large earth works
- blocking of peat cuts
- changes to watercourses

"So what?" I hear you cry - "Isn't that great news?" It might be, but any work carried out to Rusland Mosses will impact on the following:-

- Indigenous Red Deer herd that lives on the mosses
- Red Squirrels - currently a project is underway to promote their survival in the valley
- Bird community - Buzzard, Spotted Flycatcher, Wood Warbler, Tawny and Barn Owls.
- Insect and arachnid populations on the mosses
- Butterflies and rare plants including carnivorous plants
- Wetting / flooding farmland and local area. Some residents have voiced their concerns about possible flooding of their properties.

Based on the feedback at the public meeting, along with views gathered from locals, these potential changes have not been received positively by the community, as NE are unable to provide information on how the potential changes will impact on the existing environment and have not yet formed a clear view on how these potential changes should be implemented.

HOW CAN YOU GET INVOLVED?

In order to bring to life the potential restoration work at Rusland Moss, NE have agreed to run through the restoration works that have already been carried out at Foulshaw, Meathop and Roudsea Mosses by taking interested parties round the Mosses on Saturday 13th October. The day will then conclude with a walk across Rusland Mosses so that NE can talk through what the potential changes will be.

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MOSSES VISIT continued

If you are interested in having a say on what goes on in the valley and you want to understand what potential changes might take place, then please come along on the 13th October. In order to ensure that the day goes smoothly, please can you inform Antony Meanwell if you would like to attend.

TIMETABLE FOR SATURDAY 13TH OCTOBER 2012

9:30 am - Meet at Foulshaw Moss then onto Meathop Moss.
12:00 - Lunch - Café Ambio, Motor Museum, Haverthwaite
1:30 pm - Roudsea Moss then onto Rusland Moss
Further details can be obtained from Antony Meanwell.
email:- a_meanwell@msn.com Telephone - 01229 860076
Text - 07967 991155 Tweet to @ameanwell
Letter to: - The Syke, Rusland, LA12 8JT

THE GREEN DOOR STUDIO'S ART TRAIL

Chris Benefield, Tina Balmer and Angie Flynn will be showing their recent work at

JANE MEADOW, HIGH DALE PARK

On Friday 5th October, 12-5, Saturday 6th 11-6, and Sunday 7th 11-5

Light lunches and teas available at a modest charge

OXEN PARK CINEMA CLUB COFFEE MORNING

The Coronation Hall, Ulverston, Thursday 15th November.
Cakes, Bric a Brac and Book Stalls

Any donations for the stalls would be very welcome.

Bring a box full of a film or drop it off at Carol's at Oxen Park or Jane Chaloner (861283) can collect anything and store, so please make this an opportunity to have an autumn clear out before Christmas!

LEVEN VALLEY SUPPORT GROUP FOR ST MARYS HOSPICE

Due to popular demand the Support Group proudly present
"AN EVENING with VOCE" the male voice quartet,
The Café Ambio, Lakeland Motor Museum, Backbarrow
12th October 2012 at 7.30pm.

Tickets £7.50 to include refreshments. Raffle.

All proceeds from the evening will go to St Marys Hospice.
Tickets available from Dorothy Crabtree- 015395 30132, Sylvia Chadwick- 015395 31685, Marion Wilson -015395 31779

SPRING SHOW

Let us all plan for a bright and colourful Spring. Now is the time to plant your Pots and Bowls or any container with all your favourite Bulbs.

So get cracking and let's make a wonderful Show for everyone!

SATTERTHWAITE PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Satterthwaite Parish Council last met in the Parish Room on 11th September.

PC Kevin Spedding gave a police update for the area: thefts of scrap metal and diesel are still occurring; there was a road traffic incident involving a cyclist; and, poacher watch is still operational. Cllr Fletcher reported three dead foxes left in a roadside field for a week; PC Spedding said he would bring this to the attention of John Baldwin. Cllr Thomason said there were still parking problems on the blind bend at Grizedale Lodge; PC Spedding noted the concern.

Judith Derbyshire, CHRT, talked about the results of the Satterthwaite Housing Needs Survey of April 2012. The need is mainly for rented properties, with 6 households needing housing at a low level of rent, approximately the level of the existing social rented properties (below £100/week). Most of the households do not have deposits available to access mortgages at present, and generally their level of income is too low to service a high mortgage. All of those households in need are living in the Parish at present. Most are working in the South Lakeland area, with some retired households.

As part of the Audit for the year ended 31 March 2012, the annual return has been approved and accepted by the council and the annual return and notice of conclusion of audit is being displayed.

A letter from Mr and Mrs Johnson led the parish council to consider issues relating to parking in Satterthwaite. Cllr Fletcher is to speak to the Planning Authority and Cllr Thomason is to contact the Highways Authority to determine how to improve road safety in the village. It was resolved to hold the next Meeting on Tuesday 9th October 2012 at 7.30pm in the Satterthwaite Parish Room.

VACANCY

Satterthwaite Parish Council is looking for a person to complete the council. Anyone willing to commit 3 hours a month to the service of the community, please contact David Fletcher on 01229 860234

OXEN PARK CINEMA CLUB

It's October already ...night's drawing in .Perfect for sitting back and watching a good film. Just imagine it's not a village hall seat but good company and an excellent night out. The most recent edition of the film Jane Eyre is well worth seeing. The story is from a different angle to the book and the acting is tremendous. So – Tuesday 2nd October at the Outback Hall behind Leven Valley Primary School. They have a very large screen and surround sound plugged in. (all past part sound problems sorted). Bring your own drinks and a cushion.

The next film for children is 'A Little Princess' also at Backbarrow, Thursday 18 October, 3:45pm – straight after school. We provide child care, a snack as well as carefully selected films. Children can be collected at 5:30pm. New programs from Carol McNeill T: 861 507.

COLTON PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

New Councillor in West Ward: We are very pleased to welcome Katherine Patterson of High Ickenthaite onto the Council; Katherine was co-opted at our 10th September meeting and will take up the position on 22nd October. Katherine has a background in public relations, communication and events management, and is currently working for the Cumbria Wildlife Trust. She is Chair of Hawkshead pre-school and a member of Hawkshead-Esthwaite School PTA. Now at High Ickenthaite Farm, she is a member of the Bethacar Moor Commoners Association, and keeps various stock on the farm as well as fell-ponies. Another Vacancy in West Ward: Councillor Ian Cunliffe has decided to resign after very long service on the Council – we think some 20 years! We will greatly miss Ian's helpful, practical 'let's get on with things' approach and extend a huge thank-you for all his hard work with our Lengthsman and Highway Stewards over the years. We also would like to thank his wife Joyce for doing the main foot-work for the newsletter round in that part of the Parish!

This of course means that there is another vacancy in west ward. According to the rules, we must first advertise to see if 10 electors wish to claim a bye-election (by 27th Sept - see notices on the boards and the website); if not then we can co-opt at our next meeting. We have one applicant at the moment; contact the Clerk if you would like to apply (you need to live in west ward or within 3 miles of it, be over 18 and a British or EU subject).

Lengthsman and Highways: Our Lengthsman, Tony Atkinson, continues to do fantastic job on our roads, and on the drains in particular. He and the Clerk met recently with the team from County Highways to discuss a list of items for them to deal with – some of which are badly blocked drains requiring excavation under the road. Now that the Highways teams have been brought back 'in-house' we find that they are relatively local people who know the area well – what a difference that makes!

Our next meeting is on Monday 22nd October in Bouth Village Hall at 7.30pm. Everyone welcome.

Mandy Lane (Clerk), T: 01229 861408,

E: coltonpc@btinternet.com

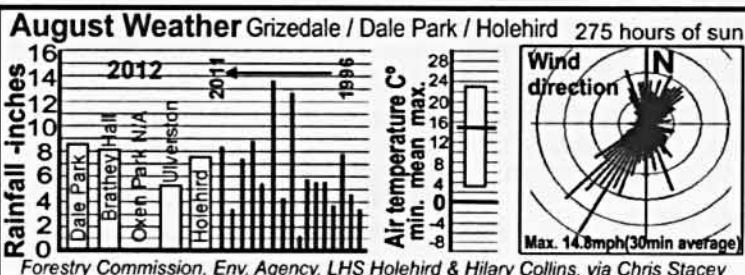
W: www.coltonparishcouncil.org.uk

RUSLAND & DISTRICT W.I.

At the September meeting there was much joyful chatter after the August break, and we were delighted to welcome four visitors.

Janet Taffs presided over the business part of the meeting, and then there was a fascinating talk by the herbalist, Sandra O'Neill whose timely talk was entitled "Winter Health with Herbs." We were able to sample various tinctures including hypericum (good for lifting the spirits and treating nerve pain) and echinacea (apparently very effective for dealing with colds). She was thanked by Helen Adams. The annual sales table was run by Judy Shaw and over £20 was raised for branch funds.

Members are looking forward to the visit to the Theatre by the Lake to see "Bedroom Farce" and the Christmas lunch is to take place in November at the Netherwood Hotel in Grange. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, 16th October at Satterthwaite when the speaker will be Julia Hoggard on "Gardening for Bees." All welcome.



CHURCH NEWS

Dear Friends,

I reflecting a few days after the closing ceremony of the Paralympics. I confess that I didn't see much of the coverage, but what I did see I found hugely inspiring. I wonder if this event could possibly I have had a permanent effect on our nation's attitude to disability. Here were athletes of skill and bravery and strength and dedication. They were not just objects of care and compassion, or catalysts for ensuring accessibility to buildings and compliance with equality legislation; they were people. I am reminded that we live in a world where all human beings are dependant on each other, whatever our disabilities. From a Christian perspective, we are all made in God's image, and all have a place in the Kingdom. Our society is not just a place where people with disabilities (and other marginalised groups for that matter) should be included, it is a place where they should belong. How wonderful to imagine a world where all people are not only included but welcomed and would be missed if they weren't there.

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

Sunday		Colton		Rusland		Satterthwaite	
Oct	7 th	10.30	Morning Family Worship	6pm	Evensong	9.45	Holy Communion
	14 th	10.30	Benefice Communion and Harvest	11.15	Holy Communion	6pm	Evensong
	21 st	9.30	Holy Communion	6pm	Evensong	9.45	Service for All Ages
	28 th	9.30	Holy Communion		No Service	11.15	Holy Communion
Sunday		Hawkshead		Sawrev			
Oct	7 th	8.00	Holy Communion	6pm	Healing Service	11.15	Holy Communion
		9.30	Service for All Ages		Hawkshead Methodist Chapel		
	14 th	9.30	H.C.with Sunday School	6pm	Evensong	11.15	Matins
	21 st	9.30	H.C.with Sunday School	6pm	Evensong	11.15	Harvest Festival
28 th	28 th	9.30	H.C. with Sunday School	6pm	Evensong	6pm	Evensong

A TASTE OF SCOTLAND

Friday 30th November – 7.30pm – Satterthwaite Parish Room
Culinary delights from North of the Border, with a dash of history.
Not a bagpipe in sight! Lots of sampling. Haggis?.....well, perhaps.
In aid of Satterthwaite Church.
Tickets £5. Raffle.

For further information contact Jean Crabtree on 01229 860021

START!

Start! is a very informal Christian introductory course which will be running over five Thursday evenings starting on 18th October at 7.30 pm at the Red Lion Inn, Hawkshead. It is an excellent opportunity for anyone to come and hear more about the Christian faith in a very relaxed and enjoyable way. For more information please contact Rev Nick Hallam (015394 36069).

MOTHERS' UNION

"Sharing Day" at Cartmel was our first meeting of the year and time to catch up with old friends. The speaker, Lynne Tembey, although West Cumbrian, has held the office of 'York Provincial President' and been elected as 'Worldwide President', quite an honour for our region. Membership throughout the world is growing although sadly not in this county. Her speech was inspirational, documenting her years as a member and the part that the Mothers Union has played in her life. Our next meeting is on Tuesday 9 October, 2:00pm at Haverthwaite, the speaker, Anne Garland on the "AFIA", a Mothers' Charity.

LEVEN VALLEY SUPPORT GROUP FOR ST MARY'S HOSPICE

The group presented a cheque to Sue McGraw, Director of the Hospice for £6,700. The donation was raised by the group from their annual summer fair and fashion show which were held earlier on in the year. The group is made up of volunteers and raises much needed funds solely for the hospice.

MAKE ENERGY SAVINGS AND KEEP WARM

According to Government figures, 1 in 5 homes across South Lakes are defined as being in 'fuel poverty' spending at least 10% of household income keeping the home warm. Many more homes are close to this poverty level, struggling with fuel bills, with low or irregular incomes, or living in homes that cost more than average to heat. Many people do not realize that energy suppliers have to help customers repay fuel debts at an affordable rate and for cases of hardship there may be grants to help clear arrears and 'social' tariffs offering a cheaper rate. Across Cumbria there are also schemes to improve insulation or install a modern boiler and radiators in your home. It all depends on your circumstances, so why not find out more. Switching suppliers can be a baffling process and with rising utility prices and limited options in our rural area, many people need advice from an impartial source. Your local Citizens Advice bureau can help you. Our service is free and we do not receive any 'kickbacks' from energy suppliers so you can trust our advice is impartial. So why not get in touch and see if you could save money this winter keeping warm? Free, confidential advice and help is available from the Citizens Advice Bureau on any aspect of debt, benefits, employment, housing and any other problems. You can contact the Grange or Windermere Citizens Advice Bureau by phone or in person. Call 015395 33100 / 015394 46464. If you don't need us for advice, how about helping us by becoming a volunteer or making a donation? Not many people realize that we are a charity - see our website for details www.cumbriaruralcab.org.uk.

DIARY DATES.

October	Tues	2 nd	Oxen Park Cinema Club – <i>Jane Eyre</i> – Outback Hall, Leven Valley School – 7.30pm
	Fri	5 th	Green Door Studio's Art Trail Weekend through to Sunday – see advert on front page for our local studio
	Tues	9 th	Mothers' Union – Haverthwaite – 2pm
			Satterthwaite Parish Council – Satterthwaite Parish Room – 7.30pm
	Fri	12 th	"An Evening with Voce" – Café Ambio – 7.30pm
			Farmers' Harvest Service, followed by Harvest Supper – Colton Church – 7pm.
	Sat	13 th	Rusland Mosses Visit – Meet 9.30am at Foulshaw Moss.
	Tues	16 th	Rusland and District WI – Satterthwaite Parish Room – 7.30pm
	Thurs	18 th	Oxen Park Cinema Club – <i>A Little Princess</i> – Outback Hall, Leven Valley School – 3.45pm
			"Start" – Red Lion Inn, Hawkshead – 7.30pm
Nov	Mon	22 nd	Colton Parish Council – Bouth Village Hall – 7.30pm
	Thurs	15 th	Oxen Park Cinema Club – Coffee Morning – Coronation Hall, Ulverston, 9.30am – 11.30am
	Fri	30 th	"A Taste of Scotland" – Satterthwaite Parish Room – 7.30pm

PERSONAL

THE SAMARITANS

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

- Our very best wishes go to Jean Moreton, as she continues her convalescence following an operation for a hip replacement.
- A slightly warped table tennis table with nets, bats and balls needs a good home –excellent for ping pong! – contact Carol 861507
- 1980's G Plan type corner shelf unit – free to good home. 861507.
- Congratulations to Jimmy Johnson for winning best exhibit in the poultry section of the Westmorland Show and to Bob Fletcher for Best Craft Trade Stand.

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