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"THEN CAME AUTUMN ALL IN YELLOW CLAD"

COMMUNITY FUND TO TACKLE RURAL CRIME

We live in an area of outstanding beauty with a wonderful range of wildlife that includes the ancient Furness Red Deer herd. We also live in an area where tranquillity and peace is treasured by us all. Unfortunately, poachers and thieves have targeted our peaceful parishes.

Over the past year the number of poaching incidents has increased dramatically in the area. Nine known deer carcasses have been found by the South Lakes Deer Management Group (SLDMG), many of them pregnant hinds and most of them killed in the Grizedale area using dogs. The use of dogs to pull down deer and then dispatch them with club or knife has increased during the last year. There are serious welfare issues regarding the poaching of deer. It is illegal to shoot female deer between 1st April – 31st October to prevent the killing of pregnant females and those with dependant young.

In the last year there have also been various thefts in the area, including the theft of two Land Rovers and a further two attempted thefts of Land Rovers, which may be linked to poaching activity.

Katherine Patterson, Marketing & Communications Manager for the Forestry Commission, submitted a bid for funding on behalf of Colton Parish Council, Satterthwaite Parish Council and the SLDMG. The group is excited to announce that the application to the Cumbria's Police and Crime Commissioner's Community Fund has been successful.

Partners, including the parish councils, SLDMG, the Deer Initiative and the Forestry Commission, are discussing the next steps in tackling rural crime in our area. Plans include an Anti-Poaching Awareness Campaign which will arm locals with knowledge and key guidance on anti-poaching and rural crime. We hope that all residents will give their full support in an attempt to stamp out these loathsome crimes.

AN AMAZING ACHIEVEMENT

Many readers of this newsletter will be interested to learn that during this summer season of flower shows, Donald Wilkinson, formerly of Crosslands, Rusland, has won more than 100 first prizes with his beautiful dahlias. You, who remember Donald living in Rusland until he retired, will also feel that congratulations are in order, especially as the championships and special prizes are not included in the number of firsts. Very well done Donald!

TRACTOR RUN

Nearly 100 tractors of all makes and vintages left Old Hall Farm on Sunday 18th September to complete a circuit of South Lakeland which included a traverse of Wrynose Pass. The aim was to raise money for two cancer charities, Alder Hey Children's Charity and Marie Curie Cancer Care. Several familiar smiling faces were spotted at the start and among the local people involved was Henry Watson, from New Close Farm, who has raised £325. The final total for the whole event won't be known just yet but is expected to be around £3,000. Well done to all involved!

TRAVELLER'S TALES

On Friday 7th October Jim Dobson starts us off with "Nepal – Then and Now".

These presentations will be in The Carthouse Cinema so limited seating necessitates tickets (£4) from Gill McKinnon or Carol McNeill.

OXEN PARK DOG CLUB started on Tuesday 20th September and runs for six weeks, 5:00-6:00pm. £2 per dog. Just turn up!

RUSLAND SPRING SHOW 2017

Now is the time to get planting your bulbs for next Spring! There were a lot of entries this year but we want to have an even bigger display next year so please get busy with your pots and bulbs.

As well as welcoming Spring to our valley, the Show raises funds for the Reading Rooms so your support is needed.

Not sure what to do? Contact the organisers and we will email or post our planting notes to you. Telephone 860390 or

email judiwinterson@gmail.com

RUSLAND AND DISTRICT WI

At the September meeting we had a Produce Sales Table which raised over £60, to be divided equally between Cumbria/Westmorland Federation and our own branch, Members admired the Rusland Heritage Trophy which we had won at Rusland Show with our 2015 Scrapbook. We were fortunate to have as our speaker, Mr. David Fellows, who gave a fascinating account of his visit to Norfolk Island (more or less 5 miles square) in the South Pacific where he discovered a Cumbrian Link. Christian is a common surname on the island and they are descendants of Fletcher Christian of HMS BOUNTY. The following day 10 members enjoyed an excellent production of Dial M for Murder at the Theatre by the Lake in Keswick. The next meeting is at Satterthwaite Parish Room on Tuesday, 18th October at 7.30 p.m. when Mrs. Lynne Pritchard who will talk on Genealogy.

OXEN PARK CINEMA CLUB

On Tuesday 4th October we are showing " Mad Max Fury Road". This is Brendan Bolland's (of The Syke) choice.It is a bit mad but wonderfully made with the actors working their own stunts because it was such good fun. Booking recommended.

On Saturday 15th October we have "Slow West" - a modern western with a traditional moral tale. - this a Supper Special so booking is essential. OUR AGM WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY 25TH OCTOBER AT THE CARTHOUSE CINEMA, OXEN PARK, 7.30PM. The meeting will be preceded by a couple of short films made by children from Leven Valley Primary School, their entries for the Rusland Show film making competition.

RUSLAND HORIZONS FELL CARE DAY Get involved and have fun carrying out practical conservation tasks in our wonderful landscape on 3rd November at the Fell Care Day being organised in association with Friends of the Lake District. There will be activities to suit all interests; dry stone walling, red squirrel conservation, woodland working, path creation at Stott Park Bobbin Mill The meeting point will be Colton Church Hall LA12 8HF. Fuel in the form of tea and cake will be available!! Booking is essential. Please contact Ruth Kirk on 01539 720788, email ruth.kirk@fld.org.uk, or book online at www.friendsofthelakedistrict.org.uk. The team are now based in the National Park Southern Office which is at Lane Ends in Haverthwaite. We will be inviting you for coffee once we have settled in (and located the kettle!!)

THE WEATHER

The total rainfall for August was 8.28". There were 13 days without measurable rain and it was the third wettest month of the year. September, up to the 26th, measures 6.24" with only 9 dry days. If the rain continues then it will easily overtake August's record!

COLTON PARISH COUNCIL NEWS Old Hall Wood, Bouth: A community meeting was held with the Rusland Horizons (RH) project team in Bouth Village Hall on 24th August to discuss restarting the Old Hall Wood 'community woodland' initiative. The meeting was very well attended with much enthusiasm for RH working in the wood with local volunteers and apprentices to clear paths, coppice some areas and work on drainage where required. The Forestry Commission management plan, as originally agreed with the local community in 2012, would guide operations. Paul Holden (Bouth) was nominated as the community liaison link with Rusland Horizons and Colton Parish Council. Highways: It is now 31/2 years since your Chairman sent in his road markings survey of the Parish to Highways, and we are still waiting for road markings to be carried out in Bouth, Rusland and Oxen Park. We have been told in July that plans have been moved forward for Colton Parish and that they will be carried out 'in the next few months'. It is also 3 years since we requested and were promised a replacement for the rotten finger-post at the turn to Rusland Church; we have been trying to get an update from our County Councillor. Lastly, we have been told that the Highways Hotline is the only formal way for anyone, including Parish Councils, to submit defects and problems on the highway, so please, use the hotline on 0300 303 2992, email: highways@cumbria.gov.uk or go online to the Cumbria Highways website (www.cumbria.gov.uk

'Report a Fault' page).

Deer Poaching and Rural Crime: Colton and Satterthwaite parish councils have together submitted an application to the Police and Crime Commissioner for resources to help tackle rural crime, and deer poaching in particular. Poaching of deer has become a serious problem over this summer, with incidents recorded on a regular basis. If you witness unknown people in unfamiliar vehicles lamping local fields and woods at night, then they are almost certainly poaching. The only exception to such lamping activities at night would be local people carrying out legitimate fox or rabbit control. If you see anything suspicious, then please report it IMMEDIATELY to the police on the '101' service (or '999' if an emergency or a crime is in progress). Please note that i) It is an offence for anyone to shoot deer at night ('night' is defined as one hour after sunset to one hour before sunrise), ii) Female deer cannot be shot between April 1st and October 31st to prevent the killing of pregnant females and those with dependant young, and iii) It is illegal to use anything other than a licensed firearm of the correct calibre to kill deer.

Next meeting - Monday 24th October in Bouth Village Mandy Lane (Clerk), T: 01229 861408. Hall, 7pm.

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CHURCH NEWS

Dear Friends.

Someone I know visited a handsome church while on holiday in Italy. Over its west door was written: 'Non patet impils', which he kindly translated for me as, 'It's no for the likes o' us.' (He is Scottish by the way!). With some pleasure my friend contrasts this with the motto of the Law Society of Scotland, which is 'Nihil humanum alienum puto', which apparently means, 'If it's human, it's our business'. I am getting the message, but

he goes on: Edinburgh's Royal Infirmary puts it even more succinctly: 'Open to all'.

His point is that the church has a lesson to learn from these secular institutions, and I am sure he is right. We do try, though, to be 'open to all' and things have changed a great deal since that Latin inscription in Italy. In this Benefice we are lucky that we are able to keep our buildings unlocked, and in that way we are 'open to all', but our aim is to be 'open to all' in whatever ways we possibly can be.

John

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CHURCH SERVICES FOR OCTOBER

Sun	day		Colton			Rusland		Satterthwaite	
Oct.	2 nd	9.30	Morning Worship		6pm	Evensong	9.45	Holy Communion	
	9th	9.30	Harvest Service		11.15	Holy Communion	6pm	Evensong	
	16 th	9.30	Morning Worship		6pm	Evensong	9.45	Service for all Ages	
	23 rd	9.30	Holy Communion				11.15	Holy Communion	
	30 th	10.30	Benefice Holy Communic	n, Lov	vick				
Sunday			Hawkshead					Sawrey	
Oct.	2 nd	9.30	Morning Worship	6pm	Churches together Communion Hawkshead Methodist Church		11.15	Harvest Holy Communion	
	gth	9.30	H.C. with Sunday School	6pm	Celtic Evening Prayer		11.15	Matins	
	16 th	9.30	H.C. with Sunday School	6pm	Celtic Evening Prayer		11.15	Holy Communion	
	23 rd	9.30	Holy Communion	6pm	Celtic Evening Prayer		11.15	Morning Worship	

COME FOR A WALK

The next Benefice walk is planned for Monday 10th October. We will meet in the car park at Sizergh Castle at 10,30 a.m. to leave for a walk of about 6 miles. (The National Trust car park at Sizergh is free even for non-members.) We intend to visit St. John's Church, Helsington en route. Remember to bring a packed lunch. For more information please contact Sue or Mike Maxwell – 015394 36972. ALL WELCOME

FLOWERS IN SATTERTHWAITE CHURCH

There are one or two vacancies on the Flower Rota for Satterthwaite Church. If anyone would like to join the rota, please contact Hilary Collins (860312). Joining the rota involves putting flowers on the two stands which are by the altar, and usually the flowers last the two weeks for which you would be responsible. It is a very peaceful.

RUSLAND AND SATTERTHWAITE CHURCHES' COFFEE MORNING

We did better financially this year than in any year since the exceptional year of 2011, with a profit of £467.73. Well done everyone: the atmosphere and friendliness was exceptional which is a large part of what it is all about.

HARVEST AT COLTON

Our Farmers' Harvest will be held on Friday 7th October with a Service at 7:00pm. followed by Supper, the cost is £7.50 per adult and £4 for children 11 and under, Numbers to Sue Dean by Monday 3rd October, T: 01229 861 435.

POOR CREDIT CHECKS CAUSING PROBLEMS FOR PAYDAY LOAN BORROWERS

Some payday lenders are still failing to carry out basic checks to make sure borrowers can afford to pay back their loans, putting them at risk of serious debt problems.

Citizens Advice has reported on payday lending since the introduction of a cap on payday loan interest rates and fees in January 2015. Since then the number of payday loan problems has almost halved, and nearly 40% of lenders have left the market.

These are significant improvements, but lenders are still not legally obliged to find out how much potential borrowers earn and spend before approving their applications.

If you're thinking about taking out a payday loan it's important to find out the interest and charges before you borrow. Also make sure you are clear about what will happen if you can't pay it back.

If you are struggling with payday loan debts or need advice on managing your money South Lakes Citizens Advice is here to help.

Free, confidential advice and help is available from South Lakes Citizens Advice on any aspect of debt, consumer problems, benefits, housing, employment or any other problems. We have various outlets across South Lakeland and can also give advice over the phone – telephone 015394 46464 for an appointment and help.

			DIARY DATES					
Oct	Tues	4m	Oxen Park Cinema Club - Mad Max Fury Road - The Cart House - 7.30pm					
	Fri	7111	Traveller's Tales - The Cart House - 7.30pm					
			Colton Farmers' Harvest - 7pm Church Service, followed by supper					
	Mon	10 th	Benefice Walk - Meet at Sizergh Castle car park at 10.30pm					
	Sat	15 th	Oxen Park Cinema Club - Slow West - The Cart House, Supper at the Manor House, 7.30pm					
	Tues	18 th	Rusland and District WI - Satterthwaite Parish Room - 7.30pm					
	Mon	24 th	Colton Parish Council meeting - Bouth Village Hall - 7pm					
	Tues	25th	Oxen Park Cinema Club AGM - The Carthouse - 7.30pm					

OCTOBER EVENTS AT GRIZEDALE FOREST

Colour Me Happy! Autumn Trail -14th September - 1st November, Follow our Autumn trail to discover the amazing sights of Autumn, Join in the creation of an autumn masterpiece – the Woven Woodland, Free.

Exhibitions -Environmental Photographer of the Year exhibition is on until 1st January in the new gallery space. Free. Mariele Neudecker - Faintly Falling Upon All the Living and Dead - Mariele's sculpture transplants intricately cast, life size trees into the gallery. Free.

Big Draw -23rd -25th October 11am-3pm. Be part of the biggest drawing festival in the world! ALL ages and ALL levels of drawing welcome! Free/drop-in

Night Sky Safari -24th October 7.30pm. Professional astronomers will guide you on an incredible journey through the wonders of the deep, dark sky. Suitable for adults and children over 8. £10 adult /£5 child /£25 family ticket, booking essential. More details and how to book at forestry.gov.uk/grizedale

Xplorer - 27th October 11am-2pm -A family navigation challenge using a basic orienteering map to search for secret markers in the forest. Free / drop-in

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