

RUSLAND & SATTERTHWAITE
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SHOWTIME AGAIN!

RUSLAND HORIZONS

You may have wondered what happened about our bid to obtain some funding from the Heritage Lottery Fund for the Rusland Valley and Fells. Under the title 'Rusland Horizons: Working a Lakeland Landscape', our aim is to raise funding to help improve the local landscape, with a special focus on woodlands, and to preserve some the traditional countryside skills, archaeological sites, oral history and wildlife of this special place. Our first bid in 2011 was not successful but we were encouraged by HLF staff to re-submit. We have spent longer in preparation this time, involved more people and have taken into account the feedback we received last time. At the end of May we submitted the revised bid and have been told that it will be considered at a meeting in October – fingers crossed. In the meantime, if you want to know more, details can be found at www.betweenlakes.org Colin Barr (Rusland Valley and Fells Partnership).

DAMAGED SCULPTURE REINSTATED

The sculpture "Last Rays of an English Rose" by artist Keir Smith was badly vandalised at the beginning of the year. The sculpture, located on the Bowkerstead walking trail has been delicately and beautifully repaired by cabinet maker and furniture restorer Edward Carefoot of Kendal. The sculpture has been reinstated for everyone's enjoyment.

Such an incident is very rare at Grizedale however a camera positioned to deter any further damage to the sculpture has sadly been stolen from a nearby tree and was taken by someone climbing with professional tree climbing spikes.

THE GRIZEDALE FREERIDER

On Monday-Friday throughout August there is a free bus, run by Blueworks Taxis Ltd, from Lakeland Leisure Park (Flookburgh) to Grizedale via Merlewood – Lakeside Hotel – Stott Park Bobbin Mill – Rusland Pool Hotel – Greenodd - Colton – Oxen Park – Satterthwaite – Grizedale (& return)

Buses depart LLP 08.15, 10.15, 12.15 & 16.15
And depart Grizedale 09.15, 11.15, 13.15 and 17.15.
Why not get a bus ride & walk or run home? Dogs welcome but no bikes. Call 07553 506291 for info.

FIRST RESPONDERS

Did you know that the Rusland Valley has a number of First Responders tucked away, who are willing to drop everything at a moments notice day or night, and rush to your aid in a medical emergency? If you have been unfortunate enough to require this service you will have witnessed the quiet caring efficiency of these Volunteers. They arrive in response to a 999 call, and are with you well before the ambulance arrives. Perhaps we should issue Rusland Medals in recognition of their services to the community. We are all getting older and more frail.....

We would like to thank Dave Higgs and Janet Dobson for their particular care over these past months. We are very fortunate to have them as part our rural idyll.

Chris and Jan Benefield

28 DAYS LATER (18)

GRIZEDALE FOREST CAMPSITE, 10th AUGUST

Picnic Cinema returns to Grizedale Forest this summer with a screening of Danny Boyle's post-apocalypse, horror fantasy, 28 Days Later. This year's screening is a camp-over event hosted at Grizedale Campsite. Pitch your tent, picnic and enjoy some forest horror, then stay on to enjoy the atmosphere at one of the best campsites in the Lakes.

From 5.30pm, Film at Dusk.

Grizedale Campsite Bowkerstead Farm, Satterthwaite, Ulverston, Cumbria. LA12 8LL

TICKETS ON SALE NOW - WWW.PICNICCINEMA.CO.UK

LEVEN VALLEY SUPPORT GROUP, ST MARYS HOSPICE

The annual Summer Fair and Car Boot Sale surpassed all expectations by raising the magnificent amount of £5000! The weather was warm and sunny for a rather poignant occasion, the first Fair since the death of Geoff Wilkinson, our chairman for 17 years, raising the grand total of £80,000 for the hospice! Corio Raptors drew in the crowds with their wonderful owls, the magician enthralled the children with his tricks and Taffy Thomas the Storyteller took them on a journey to another world with his stories.

Many thanks to all our friends and volunteers for helping us make the day such a success.

Dorothy Crabtree, Chairman.