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Tackling Climate Change: Playing Our Part



This year the United Nations, Climate Change Conference (COP26) is being hosted in Glasgow from 31st August to 12th November. Climate change can be a polarising issue, I have heard many arguments over the years, but I am prepared to stick my head above the parapet and declare that I am persuaded that human activity is currently the key contributory factor to the rapid rise in global temperatures and the increasingly devasting consequences.

COP21 took place in Paris in 2015. For the first time ever, something momentous happened: every country agreed to work together to limit global warming to well below 2 degrees and aim for 1.5 degrees, to adapt to the impacts of a changing climate and to make money available to deliver on these aims. Progress has been made in recent months to bend the temperature curve closer to 2 degrees; but the science shows that much more must be done to keep 1.5 degrees in reach. The world needs to halve emissions over the next decade and reach net zero carbon emissions by the middle of the century if we are to limit global temperature rises to 1.5 degrees (ukcop26.org).

Most of the above I was aware of but was I was less well informed of was the effect on biodiversity. The recent Government Environmental Audit Committee states,

'The world is witnessing a colossal decline in global biodiversity. One million animal and plant species are threatened with extinction. Most terrestrial biomes are damaged. Since 1970 there has been a 68 percent decrease in population sizes of mammals, birds, amphibians, reptiles, and fish. This global picture is reflected in the UK, one of the most nature-depleted countries in the world. 15 percent of UK species are threatened with extinction. The abundance of the species of greatest conservation concern; the UK's priority species, have declined by 60 per cent.'

Of the G7 countries, the UK has the lowest level of biodiversity remaining. At a minimum, the UK has failed to meet 14 of the 19 Aichi biodiversity targets, the global nature goals the UK committed to meet by 2020 (HC 136 Published on 30 June 2021 by authority of the House of Commons).

The Creation story in Genesis describes the relationship between the earth its creatures and plants: a mutual dependency and synergy between all living things. Whether you are a creationist or evolutionist, I think we can agree that it is imperative to work together to protect the natural world our shared home for our immediate well-being but more importantly for the future of generations to come.

Recently we enjoyed the visit of two groups of pilgrims journeying through to COP26. One group called `Camino to COP' introduced us to the `Coat of Hopes', brought along by the pilgrims which has collected embroidered and decorated patches on the way. The coat carries and represents the hopes and concerns of all the people it has encountered on the journey. When I tried it on, I felt the physical weight of it and all of the collective concerns for our planet and the voices of the peoples who have told their stories as it has passed through their community. We have added our stories and prayers and will be contributing a patch to be sewn into the coat.

So, we send our prayers with them and all who gather for COP26 and pray for God to continue to transform our response to his Creation and to take responsibility for the part we play as individuals and communities to protect our world for all peoples and creatures everywhere.

Rev Wendy Thornton



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Picture by Robin Ree Forgiveness and Looking for the Light

During October, I had the pleasure of spending time at St Mary's School with Year 3, looking at the topic of forgiveness. Together we thought about various Bible stories that explore forgiveness and the power behind the word 'sorry'.

One explanation that a young person gave me as to why forgiving is important was: 'You must forgive because one day you will probably do something that upsets that person and then they will need to forgive you back'. It captured the deep understanding that all humans will make errors and that by living and working alongside other humans there is a need for harmony.

This harmony can only be found by learning how to forgive when a person hurts you but also with the understanding that one day you too will be the person

Volunteers Needed

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You'll be helping children in the UK and overseas. You'll gain new skills, boost your CV and make new friends. Join our friendly team Full training given seeking forgiveness perhaps from the person you are forgiving now. Something about this explanation struck a chord, capturing the connected nature of being community.

Throughout December the Family Project and See and Know are co-ordinating the Living Advent Trail. The trail is a display of windows throughout Kirkby Lonsdale decorated with a display that reflects this year's theme of 'Looking for the Light'. We will have one window opening on the eve of the 1st Sunday of Advent (Saturday 27th November) and then the rest will open one day at time, from 1st December until 24th December, just like an advent calendar. Each window will be lit from 6pm until dusk. If you would like to take part in creating a window for this year's Living Advent Trail, please be in touch:

lol@cilfamilyproject.org mob: 07413689311 or Heather on 07727845226

Barbon and Middleton Branch North West Cancer Research

Wednesday 10th November

at Whelprigg, Barbon by kind permission of Mr Henry Bowring.

From 10 am to 12noon

Cake, white elephant, tombola stalls,

Christmas cards, big raffle.

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The Rotary Club of Lunesdale

During the past month club members have enjoyed a fellowship meeting which provides an opportunity, when we do not have a speaker, for members to enjoy having a meal together and then relax and catch up with personal news. We did have an excellent talk by Alistair Richards and his colleague Charlotte Ellwood from North West Cancer Research. Alistair explained that the priorities are to tackle the cause, improve the care and to find the cure of this dreadful disease. Charlotte's job is a community fund raiser in Lancashire.

There are occasions also when some members are away attending meetings at other Rotary Clubs within our localities. Occasionally you know from previous reports that sometimes clubs link up for a special event using the Zoom facility so we certainly have variety.

At the time of writing we are looking forward to an event at Hornby Institute

on 20th October at 7.30pm which is about how we as individuals can do something to mitigate climate change. There will be speakers from Lancaster University and an opportunity for questions from the audience.

Tickets for The Defenders concert on Saturday 6th November are on sale at the Tourist Information in Kirkby Lonsdale or from Nigel Pullen on tel 01524 732873.

We are looking forward to a really enjoyable evening with this popular group and their music at QES. Hope to see you there. Kirkby Lonsdale First Responders

The First Responders give initial emergency support with oxygen and a defibrillator while awaiting the arrival of the ambulance. As well as assisting the person who is ill, the First Responders can also help, reassure, support and advise relatives and friends.

Kirkby Lonsdale First Responders were one of the first groups set up in Cumbria, 20 years ago! Many of you have done sterling service in the past, providing a literally life-saving service to the community.

The group covers a very large area around Kirkby Lonsdale, including Middleton, Barbon, Casterton, Whittington, Hutton Roof, Lupton and Mansergh and we urgently need more volunteers in every area.

You do not need to have any medical experience; you will be fully trained in conjunction with the North West Ambulance Service with regular refreshers with the rest of the team. Training is both online and practical sessions.

You will meet different people and become part of a group – you will also get a lot of satisfaction from helping local people when they most need it.

If you are interested in finding out more check out <u>https://www.nwas.nhs.uk/get-involved/</u> <u>volunteering/community-first-responder/</u> or contact Karen Hodgson (76226).

Thank You!

Keep well, keep safe.

Lilian

KL Gardening Association

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 17 November at 7.30pm in the Lunesdale Hall when we welcome back the excellent Sarah Hopps from Thirsk who will talk about Touring the Gardens of Europe. Her passion for plants and gardening developed when she ran her own hardy plant nursery from her garden near Thirsk.

A former panellist on BBC Radio York gardening programmes, Sarah now enjoys escorting groups as a tour guide around gardens in Britain and Europe. She is also very involved with the Harrogate Flower Shows as a judge and a contributor in the question-and-answer sessions in the gardening theatre. She will be bringing plants for sale.

We then take our winter break in December and January and resume evening talks in February.

Our meetings are open to all and new members are always welcome to join our group, £3 for a single person and £5 for a couple.

For further information please contact Membership Secretary, Maureen Dwyer, tel 015242 72594.

If you would like to receive notifications about the Gardening Association by email, please register your interest via <u>kirkbylonsdalega@gmail.com</u>

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Community Cupboard Update

As the darker evenings are creeping up on us and the leaves on the ground remind us that we are well and truly in the Autumn months, it is heartening to know that the Community Cupboard is feeling quietly confident about its readiness for the months ahead.

Following several Harvest collections at local churches and our own Primary School at St Marys, our cupboard shelves are filled and ready for those who call on the Cupboard. We are so grateful for their kind-hearted generosity towards their community.

Financial donations have also been received from individuals along with touching messages of kindness and support.

Our most recent donation has been from The Kirkby Lonsdale Rugby Club with President, Liz Burke, very generously nominating The Community Cupboard for a share of their fundraising total. We are very heartened and grateful to have Liz's support and continue to be grateful for the ongoing support from the Club in housing the Community Cupboard and all its activities.

Community Lunches are now in full Winter warmer mode with beef stew and dumplings appearing on the menu for November and an enticing Christmas menu promised for December. Each week, on a Monday, between 30-40 hot meals go out from the Rugby Club kitchen, some to homes around town and others to The Lunesdale Hall where a regular crowd of residents come along to enjoy each other's company and make new friends, a lovely and growing luncheon club.

Why not come along and give it a try; pre booking is required by Thursday of the previous week, just call the Hub on 015242 36404. Lunch is served at 12:30 each Monday.

Please help us to reach all the community by letting neighbours know about the lunches if you feel they may enjoy them, mention the Community Cupboard to neighbours, friends, relatives if you feel they could financially use a helping hand with food items <u>klcommunity.co.uk</u>, email <u>enquiry@klcommunity.co.uk</u> or call The Hub 015242 36404 10am-1pm for advice on how to request help or if you need physical help with shopping or prescription collection.

Finally THANK YOU to everyone who is supporting The Community Cupboard by donating through Churchmouse at Barbon, Cowan Bridge Stores and St Marys church porch and to the team of volunteers who just keep on giving of their time with patience, kindness and the loveliest of smiles, you are all STARS.

Janet Bradshaw

Kirkby Lonsdale and District Civic Society



We held our AGM on Monday 12th October. It was well attended with members being treated to wine and nibbles whilst the AGM business was underway. All the committee members were re-elected for another year. The accounts were duly signed as correct.

We then had an interesting talk by Kevin Lancaster about the Washingtons of Sedbergh and Kirkby Lonsdale. Tracing the family was helped by the generations alternating just two names in the male line, Simon and Henry.

The Next Talk for the society will be on **Monday 8Th November 2021** when Dr Jean Turnbull will be speaking about Morecambe Bay Jean has spent the last 12 years researching the history and impact of motor transport in Westmorland, looking at the changes that took place in the years 1820 to 1970. This talk makes the journey 'Round Morecambe Bay', from Morecambe to Lindale, looking specifically at improvements undertaken to the road system as well as the roadside businesses that grew up over the period.

The presentation is well illustrated with photographs and other images – many from the early 20th century.

The talk starts at 7.30 pm and is held in the Lunesdale Hall. COVID precautions in place. Entrance is ± 2.50 and refreshments included.



Baptisms

Reuban Eric Dawson, son of Oliver and Anna Dawson, St Bartholomew's, Barbon, 20th June, 2021

Arthur Burnett, son of Ian and Hannah Burnett, St. Mary's, Kirkby Lonsdale, 22nd August, 2021

Sophie Mary Metcalfe, daughter of Stuart and Nicola Metcalfe, St. Patrick's Church, Preston Patrick, 29th August, 2021

Weddings

James Hodgson and Georgina Cartmell, St. Mary's Church, Kirkby Lonsdale, 26th August, 2021

Darren Rose and Michelle Hall St. Mary's Church, Kirkby Lonsdale, 28thAugust, 2021

Wesley Brewer and Isobel Woodhouse, St. Mary's Church, Kirkby Lonsdale, 25th September, 2021

Funerals

Shelia Atkinson, aged 86 years, All Saints, Lupton, 28th June, 2021

Cynthia Penwarden, aged 85 years, St. Mary's Church, Kirkby Lonsdale 29th June 2021

Jean Baines, aged 79 years, Holy Trinity, Casterton, 30th July, 2021

Marjorie Mellor, aged 90 years, St. Mary's Church, Kirkby Lonsdale, 5thAugust, 2021

John Makinson, aged 71 years, Holy Trinity, Casterton, 19th August, 2021

Dorothy Penny, aged 88 years, Beetham Crematorium, 3rd September, 2021

The Church in and around Kirkby Lonsdale

Eleven churches comprising Anglican, Methodist and Roman Catholic congregations, committed to growing as disciples and serving our communities together.

Unless there are changes to the plan for easing restrictions these are the services during November.

Please continue to follow all the social distancing and hygiene guidance. (The type of service may change after AKL goes to print. Please check church notice boards and kl.church website for up to date information)

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4 Thu Kirkby Lonsdale	10.30am Holy Communion	KL Methodist Church	10.30am Remembrance Service with St Mary's
7 Sun 3 BEFORE ADVENT			
Kirkby Lonsdale	11.00am Holy Communion	18 Thu Kirkby Lonsdale	10.30am Holy Communion
Preston Patrick	9.30am Holy Communion	21 Sunday CHRIST THE KING	
Lupton	9.30am Morning Service with Remembrance	Kirkby Lonsdale	11.00am Morning Service
Barbon	10.30am Morning Service 9am Mass	Preston Patrick	9.30am Morning Service
St Joseph's RC		Lupton	9.30am Holy Communion
KL Methodist Church	10.30am Morning Service	Barbon	10.30am Holy Communion
KE Methodist Church		St Joseph's	9am Mass
11 Thu Kirkby Lonsdale	10.30am Holy Communion	KL Methodist Church	tbc, check kl.church
14 Sun REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY		25 Thu Kirkby Lonsdale	10.30am Holy Communion
Kirkby Lonsdale	10.30am Remembrance Service in the Churchyard	28 Sun ADVENT SUNDAY	
Preston Patrick 9.30am Morning Service with	Kirkby Lonsdale	11.00am Holy Communion	
Barbon	Remembrance 10.50am Remembrance		6.30pm Advent Lights with QES
	Service	Preston Patrick	9.30am Morning Service
Casterton	Service	Casterton	10.30am Holy Communion
		Hutton Roof	10.30am Morning Service
Hutton Roof 10.45am Remembrance Service		St Joseph's RC	9am Mass
Mansergh	11.00am Holy Communion with Remembrance	KL Methodist Church	10.30am tbc, check kl.church

Compline in the Kingdom Season

As last year, I will be saying Compline by Zoom during the Fridays of the Kingdom Season, that is the Fridays of November 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th. The zoom link will be made available by email and on the weekly church notice sheet**s**.

Please call or email me if you have any questions on <u>sueoloughlin.so@gmail.com</u> and telephone 01539 324483 or 07900 530849

Cowan Bridge Methodist Chapel

Unfortunately, due to lack of heating we will be unable to hold services in the Chapel during the winter period after 7th November. Arrangements for worship are currently being discussed and we will notify people once a decision is made. If anyone has any questions, please contact me.

Rev Wendy Thornton

Sue O'Loughlin, Deacon



Lighting up the community differently this year

We are delighted to be staging the Christmas Fair in Kirkby Lonsdale this year from Friday 3rd – Sunday 5th December. We have taken the decision to make it a community-focused event with a slightly different programme than usual. You can look forward to: a smaller, well-spaced chalet village, indoor market and late-night shopping; a community-focused Christmas light switch-on, lantern procession and carol singing; a community play called Peter's Promise; and guided lantern walks over the Christmas Fair weekend.

We are placing an emphasis on #shoplocal #belocal #staylocal and we hope that by Christmas 2022 we will be able to put on a fully fledged Christmas extravaganza.

Chalet Village and Indoor Market

When? Friday 3rd - Sunday 5th December

Where? Market Square and Lunesdale Hall

How much? Free to enter

Discover the Chalet Village in Market Square this year where you can shop the chalets and browse the festive goodies on Friday 4pm-8pm, Saturday 10am – 7pm, and Sunday 10am – 5pm. Lunesdale Hall will host an indoor Christmas market on Saturday and Sunday 10am – 5pm where you can warm up and browse country produce and crafts. There will be a reduced number of chalets on the square and stalls in the hall to allow for spaciousness and air flow, so that everyone can celebrate the festive season at ease.



Friday 3rd December Market Square, 4pm



Christmas Light Switch-on and Lantern Procession

When? Friday 3rd December, from 4pm

Where? Market Square

How much? Free to enter

Peter Pan and Hook will lead the Christmas light switchon at 4pm on Friday 3rd December, where locals will gather in the Market Square to see the magic of Christmas fill the streets! Tinkerbell and Santa's helpers will hand out sweets to the best-dressed fairies, lost boys and pirates while willow lanterns are handed out and the lantern procession commences. Peter will lead you through the town and St Mary's Churchyard where you will be welcomed by lantern-lit carol singing.

Kirkby Lonsdale Christmas Fair 2021



Can you help light the way for Peter?

Can you help make 300 willow lanterns? We need lanterns for a Lantern Parade at the Christmas fair on the weekend of 3rd, 4th and 5th of December.

Kirkby Lonsdale Community Interest Company has received a grant to make willow lanterns for the 3rd December Friday Night Christmas Lights Switch On.

This whole project is volunteer led. We have 9,000 sheets of tissue paper, 50 rolls of sticky tape and 3,000 willow canes! With some help we can turn these into 300 Lanterns.

Jayne Davies, a local and very talented creative producer, has written a play called 'Peter Promise'.

Lantern-making Workshops

When? Throughout October and November

Where? Various Locations

How much? Free or buy a pack from the Information & Gift Shop on Main Street.

We are encouraging members of the community, individuals and groups, to join us in making eco-friendly lanterns out of willow and bamboo so that we can fill the streets of Kirkby Lonsdale with magical light as we process through the streets after the Christmas light switch-on. We need over 300 lanterns to boost the Christmas magic and bring the festive community spirit alive! If you are interested in taking part or leading a lantern-making workshop, please contact Janet Nuttall by email: janetmistle@yahoo.co.uk. A DIY option is also available from the Information & Gift Shop on Main Street. The play has been written specifically for Kirkby Lonsdale. Jayne has recruited some very well-known local personalities to take the leading roles. We have a fabulous duo playing Captain Hook and Peter Pan but shhh – it's a secret!

Captain Hook and Peter Pan will appear in the Square, above the Christmas chalets, to switch on the festive lights. They will call for the people below to help light the way, with our handmade lanterns, to the Glebe field where carol singers will be waiting for us in a beautifully decorated marquee.

We really want this Christmas Fair to be our community event of the year!

Are you a group of friends, neighbours, a bridge or book club, a church group or any group that would like to be involved?

We have run a couple of workshops already with great success, our helpers include Janet, Izzy and Rosie from the Community Cupboard, Lol from Messy Church and Laura from the Cubs and Scouts. We have also contacted Brant Howe and St Marys School. However, 300 is a lot of lanterns to make and we need more people to help.

So, if you can help, please get in touch with Janet Nuttall by emailing janetmistle@yahoo.co.uk or leave a message at the Information and Gift Shop on 24 Main Street. Janet will show you how to make the lanterns and give you everything you need.

All material and workshops are FREE.

Look out for updates on the town website www.kirkbyonsdale.info and <u>https://</u> www.facebook.com/KirkbyLonsdaleTown

Thank you for all your help and support!



Kirkby Lonsdale Christmas Fair 2021



Peter's Promise

When? Sat 4th and Sun 5th December, 4pm and 7pm Where? St Mary's Churchyard, meet at the main gates. How much? Free, but book tickets in advance.

An 'awfully big adventure' is coming to Kirkby Lonsdale this Christmas as Peter Pan searches for the last of the Lost Boys and tries to keep a Christmas Promise. A sequel to J.M Barries' Peter Pan, Peter's Promise is a magical piece of outdoor winter theatre created especially for Kirkby Lonsdale by creative producer Jayne Davies and a cast of community performers. Performed outside at various locations in St Mary's Churchyard and concluding in a magical marquee on the Glebe Field. Bring a hot chocolate or mulled wine and join us under the wintry star-lit sky for a truly magical event. Suitable for all ages. Please dress for the weather and wear appropriate footwear. Tickets are free but need to be booked with a refundable deposit in order that numbers can be monitored. Tickets can be booked at the Information & Gift Shop on Main Street (015242 97177) or online at www.kirkbylonsdale.info. Book early!



Lantern Walks

When? Dates TBC – keep an eye out on our Facebook and website (@KirkbyLonsdaleTown, www.kirkbylonsdale.info)

Were? The Monument in the Market Square

How much? £6pp, Under 16s FREE

Join us for a lantern-lit journey through town as the tales of Kirkby Lonsdale are brought to life! Our local guides are leading lantern walks during the Christmas Fair weekend so you can learn about our rich cultural history before joining the festive activities.

You will meet your guide under the Christmas tree in Market Square where you will be greeted with mulled wine and mince pies. Tours last 50 minutes and everyone will have their own lantern to light their way.

Make sure to book in advance by contacting the Information & Gift Shop on 015242 97177 or booking online at www.kirkbylonsdale.info



Late Night Shopping

When? Friday 3rd and Saturday 4th December, till 7pm Where? Kirkby Lonsdale shops

How much? Free to enter

Our wonderful independent shops will be staying open late over the Christmas Fair weekend so that locals can get all their Christmas shopping done in time. Shops will be open until 7pm on Friday 3rd and Saturday 4th December. Expect Christmas carols in the street, mince pies and mulled wine and maybe even a magical dusting of snow!

Peter Pan and Kirkby Lonsdale

What's The Story?

J M Barrie, the author of Peter Pan, may never have visited Kirkby Lonsdale but the boy who inspired his most famous creation certainly did. George Llewelyn Davies and his brothers (Jack, Peter, Michael and Nico), the original Lost Boys and the inspiration for the Peter Pan, often came to visit their grandparents at the vicarage in Kirkby Lonsdale. In 1906, twelve-year-old George even wrote a poem about the town to his Aunt Margaret when he was unable to visit for the holidays:

(Extract taken from https://jmbarrie.co.uk/ a database curated for over 40 years by Andrew Birkin about the life and work of J M Barrie and the Llewelyn Davies family, who inspired him to write Peter Pan).

The boys' nurse and guardian, Mary Hodgson, was born on Mitchelgate in Kirkby Lonsdale and was only 12 years old when she first went to work for the Lewellyn Davies family as an under-nursemaid. J M Barrie drew on Mary Hodgson and his Newfoundland dog Luatha to create the character of Nana in Peter Pan!

Neverland magic will be sprinkled across town this year when Peter's Promise, a sequel to the Peter Pan story is performed as part of the Christmas Fair celebrations! Dear Aunt Margaret, The fatal word is spoke, and mother says I may not see the walls of Kirkby town, I may not see Miss Davenport, and Joan, And Mrs. Tatham, and young Eddie too: No bike rides with Miss Harris shall I go; No walks with Peter and his mistress fair; I shall not look for birds' nests in the woods, Nor walk upon the moors with thee, fair aunt. Alas! 'tis finished, and at Ramsgate I Must pine away, and pipe my little eye.

Say Cheese

Kirkby Lonsdale WI invites you to our forthcoming meeting on 3rd November at which John Natlacen, of The Churchmouse at Barbon, will delight us with his Cheesy Journey from when he first visited Kirkby Lonsdale on his honeymoon in 2002 before embarking on establishing the Churchmouse Cheeses. Since that time, he has been awarded various accolades, including UK Family Business of the Year. The evening will include samples of cheeses, many of which will be available to purchase

Visitors, non-members and gentlemen are all welcome. If you do join us, please bring some loose change for the raffle, refreshments and to buy some cheese. A sale of Christmas cards in support of Derian House has also been organised by Joyce Clark who has volunteered at the children's hospice for over twenty years.

It was with great sadness we learnt of the passing of June Peckston, one of our much-valued and special members. Dearest June will be missed and we wish to express our sincerest condolences to her family.

We would like to thank Karen Hanks, Chair of the Cumbria-Westmorland Federation WI for speaking at our last meeting. Karen entertained us with humorous reminiscences and readings from 'The Five Boxes', her brother's book about growing up in the 60s and 70s. We are extremely grateful to Karen for stepping in at such short notice as our scheduled guest speaker had to cancel owing to extenuating circumstances.

And if you're feeling 'crafty'... the 'Craftivism Competition' article on page 22 of the current edition of WI Life magazine invites members to make something which represents the WI's worthy ovarian cancer campaign. Submissions will be exhibited online and the judges' favourite will be featured in the Spring 2022 edition of WI Life.

Please follow us on social media and don't hesitate to get in touch if you would like further information about our meetings or want to join; it's always a pleasure to hear from you. *Patsy*

Email: <u>kirkbylonsdalewi@gmail.com</u> Tel: 015242 98587 or 0776548094. Web: <u>www.klwi.co.uk</u>

Bereavement Support Group

We continue to meet on the second Tuesday of each month at 10.30am in St Mary's Church. We are open to anyone who has experienced bereavement and we share our experiences and support each other. In December we will meet in the Methodist School Room in Kirkby Lonsdale. Any questions or for other information please email me on <u>sueoloughlin.so@gmail.com</u> or call telephone 01539 324483 or 07900 530849.

Sue O'Loughlin

Casterton WI

The well-attended October meeting opened with a reminder that the Annual Meeting is coming up next month and volunteers for the committee would be very welcome. The Parish Council have been in touch regarding the planting of a tree to commemorate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee next year, and it was suggested that a crab apple tree be planted on the Village Green.

The speaker, historian Jean Turnbull, formerly of Lancaster University, took members on a journey through time, from Stainmore, near Kirkby Stephen, to Morecambe, via Sedbergh, Casterton and Kirkby Lonsdale. She explained how the development of roads and railways led to the expansion of tourism. Better roads meant more traffic, often in the form of coaches or charabancs, very popular in the summer for trips to the seaside. Casterton has two reminders of those early days. Toll Bar Cottage dates from the eighteenth century when roads began to be turnpiked, while the garage was formerly a smithy, important in the days when horses, rather than the combustion engine provided the motive power for travel. Jean also spoke about the popularity of Morecambe as a resort with its Winter Gardens, Theatre and the Midland Hotel, a reminder of the importance of the railway network in bringing in tourists.

More information on the programme of talks can be found on our website <u>www.castertonwi.co.uk</u>.

1st KL Scout AGM and review of the year

AGMs are a great time for both glancing back and looking forward. I never cease to be amazed at the range of experiences and learning opportunities provided to our young people. Also, the adaptability and invention of our leaders who continued through lockdown #SkillsForLife.

What we did miss was days away and camping. Normally this is where we do most of our scouting and the greatest adventures occur. Fortunately, these are now back with suitable precautions and everyone will get a chance for a night away this term. Looking forward, Mel Schofield, our excellent Executive Committee Chair for the last 10 years, stood down and Tess Pike, local bluebadge guide, took over. The Executive Committee does all the behind the scenes work and we're grateful for all their support. Tess joins as our adult and young people numbers increase and we have exciting plans for a new scout hut as soon as we find a site: ideas welcome. Boys and Girls aged 6 to 106 very welcome to join us as young members, helpers, skills instructors or leaders. We're not just for Kirkby Lonsdale but cover a wide area and have members from 5 miles and more away.

Contact Lol or Tom <u>alunaesu@gmail.com</u> for Explorers, or Skip (Nigel) <u>Kirkby Lonsdale Scouts@live.co.uk</u> for the younger sections.

View from the Bridge

This week, we had the very sad news that June Peckston had passed away. She hadn't been in the best of health for some time. She will be sadly missed by the Chamber of Trade and by the Lunesdale Hall committee and many more folk in and around town. She was the mainstay behind the British Legion and, up till very recently, was the organiser of the local poppy collection and the Remembrance Day parade. RIP, June.

Who said a week in politics is a very long time? (Answer at the end of this column). Well, writing an article two weeks before publication is even longer and how things can change.

Some bad news: the sudden closure of the brow by Cumbria C.C. due to the onset of adverse weather conditions. It is hoped to find an alternative way of seeing Ruskin's view while the path is closed. Some good news: the kiddies play park has reopened but was delayed due to a shortage of materials for resurfacing. The entrance from Tram Lane has also been tidied up with the cutting back of the bushes by the gate.

The first Lunesdale Hall AGM in nearly two years was held on 4th October. Mike Burchnall stood down as chair to take up the role of secretary and Robin Ree has now taken over as chair. The monthly meeting of the Town Council was put back to 22nd October to allow time for the council to consider the draft 'Local Plan Review' published by SLDC.

There was an exhibition of the proposals held in the Lunesdale Hall on 12^{th} October, giving people the opportunity to express their views on the future of the town. The Town Council will give its formal response after its meeting. November's meeting will be held on 3^{rd} , not 17^{th} of the month in the Bective Room. All correspondence and questions should in the first instance be addressed to the Clerk at kevtherev7@hotmail.com.

The two planned CCTV cameras, which are made to order, are waiting for parts from abroad and we have no date when they will be installed. Work is still ongoing repairing the roof and cleaning the stonework on the monument in the square and should shortly be handed back to the town. It would be even better if we could get the square back.

My grandson is making very good progress and hopefully could be going home very soon. All that remains is to make my usual thanks to my fellow councillors and to Diane for her help.

For the younger generation the answer to the question is Harold Wilson (PM 1974-76).

Stay safe and best wishes

Cllr. Geoffrey Buswell







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Out of Africa-and into Barbon!

Out of Africa – the first in a series of six dinners to raise funds for Simon and Pauline Kaye's proposed ascent of Mt Kilimanjaro, supporting the charity of Children of Hope, Uganda. From the description of these events in the St Mary's church weekly online news, I thought this would be a companionable evening and at the same time support this splendid initiative. I was not in the least disappointed.

Comfortably settled in the relaxing surroundings of the home of Margaret and Peter Boggis in Barbon, we were soon anticipating the meal with a glass of champagne and smoked salmon nibbles. The first course was a colourful platter of tropical fruits, mango, pineapple, melon and more, all at a perfect state of ripeness; apparently not an uncommon starter in East Africa.

The main course – a delicious base ingredient of marinaded, slow-cooked goat's meat – was a curry introduced by the Indians to Africa in the 19th century and served at a banquet. This was accompanied by a myriad of side dishes: plain and spiced rice, Indian breads, sambals, chutneys etc. The dessert - a Dutch pastry (Meltert) reflecting the presence of those settlers in South Africa – lighter in texture but not dissimilar to our custard tart, made a mouth-watering end to our banquet. Kilimanjaro coffee, grown on the slopes of the mountain, teas and luxury chocolates still to come!

During the evening a DVD explaining the origin and development of the work in Uganda was shown.

Next up 'The Great European Tour' on Saturday, 13 November, 2021 (details below). Come alone or persuade your friends to join you for a most enjoyable and worthwhile occasion!

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Sat 13 Nov 2021, The Great European Tour; Sat 11 Dec 2021, Going North – North America; Sat 8 Jan 2022, Going South – South America; Sat 12 Feb 2022, Down East – South-East Asia; Sat 12 Mar 2022, Down Under – Australasia.

Cost £25 per person, bring your own drinks. All proceeds donated to the fund. Limited places – please email to book crmifundraising@gmail.com.

Kirkby Lonsdale Fireworks Display

5th November

Our annual fireworks display will, once again, be on 5th November. Drive-in tickets are available to purchase online via our website <u>shop.klrufc.co.uk</u>. We are currently working on our plans (in light of the closure to Ruskin's View) to enable the return of pedestrians who would like to come up on foot. Details will be released shortly. Please check our website or Facebook for further details.

Gentle Exercise and Contemplation

As I mentioned in last month's AKL, I teach t'ai chi and also qi gong (you might pronounce it something like 'chee kong'), which underpins t'ai chi and aims to promote health, flexibility and general effectiveness.

'Movement and Stillness' is a class I particularly enjoy doing. It lasts an hour, and we use some very simple-tolearn qi gong warm-ups and exercises and some guided contemplation to settle down, gently energise and put our worries to one side a bit. It's going well but there is still space; we meet on a Friday morning from 9 to 10 am upstairs at the Lunesdale Hall (Bective Road entrance). I ask £5 a time. For more details, my email is <u>andichapple@gmail.com</u>, my number is 07891 908025, there is a small website at <u>www.freakout.biz/taiji</u> and you can look for Elephant Mountain Taichi on Facebook.

Best wishes,

Andi Chapple

Preston Patrick

Soil that was ordered for immediate use was not used as intended. The sand and chippings were bought trade, delivered to the Old School and taken up to church by Eddie Galbraith. The wall at the top has been taken down and part rebuilt. Part of the car park, which has been taken over by turf, is being cleared and used to fill in depressions.

The Memorial Garden is progressing, and Alan Gardner has worked hard to bring this to completion. Unable to source locally, Alan had to go to Preston to pick up the greenery.

Frank

Mansergh Church

Thank you to everyone who supported the jumble sale by donating or buying at our recent sale. Thanks also to all who helped on the day. We made £434 for church funds.

Brenda

The Zero Pantry: A New Chapter As you all know, not only am I passionate about reducing

Hopefully, by the time you read this The Zero Pantry will be starting to pack up and move to their new premises on 55 Main Street (in between Avanti and Natwest Bank). We are super excited as the move will mean a larger shop which, in turn, means more exciting products for you. We will be increasing our selection both within the food section as well as the home/ personal section. The planned moved is 15th November, so fingers crossed we manage to do all that needs to be done before then! If we are missing in action for a few days, please be patient - we will be with you shortly.

This new chapter ties in nicely with what we have managed to achieve over the past 16 months of trading. On 1st August 2020 The Zero Pantry opened its doors for the first time and it was more than we ever expected. The community of Kirkby Lonsdale and surrounding areas welcomed the concept of plastic-free shopping, so much so that just a few months later we opened a further store in Sedbergh on 1st December. Together we have refilled over 3,670 plastic bottles, eaten over 900kg of rolled oats, washed our clothes with 1,020 litres of eco-friendly laundry liquid and composted over 250 bamboo toothbrushes. Well done everyone!

As you all know, not only am I passionate about reducing plastic in our homes but I am also a keen advocate of supporting local businesses. Within our stores we sell products from over 20 local suppliers; ranging from locally made soaps and candles to our very own local honey; toasted muesli to locally roasted coffee. Each and every time you buy one of these locally made products you are not only supporting myself and the staff I employ, but also those small independent businesses that supply me. The chain of happiness with every sale made runs long.

With Christmas just around the corner it would be lovely to see our townsfolk support local shops, whether that be in Kirkby Lonsdale, Sedbergh, Ingleton etc. Spend some time looking around the amazing selection that is on offer and make a promise to yourself that you will buy at least one Christmas present this year locally gosh, why not buy them all!! And remember 'when you buy from a small business an actual person does a little happy dance'. So spread those warm fuzzy feelings this year - support local, shop local, eat local, spend local.

Kim Bradshaw

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Lunesdale Probus Club

Lunesdale Probus Club continues their monthly programmes with another round of wonderfully entertaining speakers and wide-ranging subjects.

On Monday 4th October Sue Bull gave us a fascinating comprehensive history of Hornby Castle, the site, various structures and owners, from Norman times right up to the present day.

In contrast on Monday 17th Andy Crossley talked about being a crew member on a large luxury yacht being delivered from Rhode Island to Cuba via Bermuda. Many good salty tales involved!

In November we have two more interesting talks lined up as follows. On Monday November 1st there will be a presentation on Climate change – The Past, Present and Future. This very topical subject will be covered by our speaker Robin Mcilveen.

On Monday November 15th, one of own members and noted historian, Christopher Robson takes us back to Medieval Lancashire, with an emphasis on the life and times of Lune Valley residents.

Lunesdale Probus Club meet in the Hornby Village Institute on the first and third Monday of each month.

For further information please contact Roger Carter, Hon.Secretary, Hornby Lunesdale Probus Club 015242 22283

Lunesdale Swimming Pool

The Trustees are pleased to announce that we have a new Pool Manager. Kieran Smith joined the team on Monday 27th September and was able to spend time with Chris for a short handover period.

Kieran has experience at both public and private leisure and swimming pools in the area. The Trustees feel he will be a great addition to the team as we continue to move the pool towards sustainably serving the local communities. Kieran would be pleased to meet you at the pool and around the area as he settles into his new role within the community. We have also recruited additional poolside teaching staff and lifeguards to meet increased demand.

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