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A thought from the Vicarage

by the Revd Beverley Lock

On my kitchen window sill is a beautiful card.

It is not professionally printed or laminated. It is a child's card with a lovely message inside.

It has been created with great care and concentration to detail but its real beauty is its simplicity. Coloured paper stuck on in precisely the right place – at least in the eyes of the person creating it. Just the right depth of coloured pencil to create the letters; each letter placed on the page where it should be. The card is an expression of the child's love of colour and form.

I wonder if we asked the child whether they were pleased with the result what they would say. I imagine that they were pleased by how it was received and rightly – it was a kind act and meant a lot to me and the person who sat alongside the child while they were creating it.

However I think that in years to come, when this child has grown up, she may look back on this card and see where she then, as a grown up, may want this or that to have turned out differently. She will have more skills and techniques at her disposal. Then because the creativity in her now has been nurtured and allowed to grow – she will be even better as she has more experience. I look forward to what she will become.

The Christian story starts with a story of creation. It emphasises that God is most himself when he is creating and making things grow to their full potential. The Bible is also fairly clear that there are other forces in this world that oppose this.

Just as a child's early creativity

can be destroyed by mean and spiteful comments; any of us can be deterred as easily by indifference. For creativity to grow in us it must be encouraged and nurtured.

This month we have two exhibition weekends in Tebay and then in Orton Churches. There will be other events over the summer months in our parishes that allow our friends and neighbours to express their creativity in myriad ways. It is this 'playfulness' in the human make-up that mirrors God's creative joy in making the environment that sustains whales and kangaroos, alpacas and frogs - such richness, such variety!

I know for many of us these events and the opportunity to get together are a highlight of the year. The encouragement we receive from each other when we come together to share our stories and enjoy building our communities are very important to us as individuals and as communities. It is what makes people and communities grow, develop and deepen the bonds between us.

I am very much looking forward to seeing the creative offerings of our community and through them learning a bit more about our creative God at work in our community here in High Westmorland.

Orton "Drop-In"

Every Wednesday
from 10.30-noon in the cosy
schoolroom at Orton Chapel.
Coffee/cakes and a chat with
friends. Everyone welcome!

NOTE - The management committee of the Link regret that it is unable to distribute literature for other organisations. Articles received after the 13th may be held over until the following month.

Cover picture: Good Friday Devotional Walk at Shap Abbey

Notes from The Herald, May 1914

Useful rain at start then fine and warm except mid-month's cold snap.

Orton: Dr. Graham's St. John's Ambulance Class this winter (31 Tebay railwaymen) went to Kendal for their exam, 26th April. Results not given. Mr. and Mrs. C.R. Rivington going home by car to Castle Bank, (Appleby) were going up Orton Scar's steepest bit on Sat afternoon, 25th April, just above Bullflatt when the clutch failed as did the brakes. Despite their chauffeur's skill the car shot backwards downhill, ploughed through a wall and overturned in a field. Out came the Moffats of Bullflatt and took them home in their car, having first put the Rivington's car into the Bullflatt barn. The Rivingtons were badly bruised. Orton's gentry went to Brough Church on Sat 2nd May for Dr. Abercrombie's funeral. He had retired to Augill Castle.

Orton's P.C. Bell on his beat was at Chapel Waste at 4pm on 11th April when he saw Richard Fothergill taking 3 peewit eggs and arrested him. Richard Fothergill is 35, a labourer of Leegate, Tebay. He was fined 1 shilling per egg and 12s6d costs (£4 now).

"Well done Orton" (headline) for having 80 at the vets evening classes this winter, each week.

The R.D.C. steamroller is now working on Cross Bank Road, Ravenstonedale, thence Ravenstonedale village, High Lane, Newbiggin on Lune, then on to Orton.

1864 Orton's Butter Market opened at last on Wed, late May and bucked the downward trend of butter prices in Penrith, Kendal etc.

Died at Orton 11th May 1864, Sarah Thornborrow, 60

1914 The Fell Pony Stallion Show at Shap on Monday 4th, had 8 entries for a £40 prize for best stallion to travel the farms of Orton, Shap, Bampton. Won by Heather Blossom, aged 4, shown by Mrs. Davies, Daniel Hill, Orton. Big crowd came. The Fell Pony Assoc. thought 8 stallions "a good entry".

Tebay Council School still seeks a Certificated Female Teacher. Big do

in Tebay for Hospital Sunday on 10th May (all proceeds to the local hospital) – procession of collectors led by Tebay Temperance Band, collecting as they went. Made £5.9s30d, up a bit on 1913s (now = £420.)

The R.D.C. is to prepare a sewage scheme for Tebay Station and Tebay's south half at LNWR's request. The ladies' output of knitted items etc this winter were sold for Church funds in Tebay Parochial Institute on 14th. A lot were there and various competitions caused considerable amusement.

The Ravenstonedale Habitation (Branch) of the Primrose League (a Tory body) crowned their May Queen at Old Tebay on Friday, 29th, a wet day. She was Miss Cissie Capstick. The P.L. was named after Disraeli's favourite flower, the primrose.

Ravenstonedale's Conservatives presented Mr. J. Butt, their secretary, with a purse, well filled, at a supper in the Black Swan Assembly Room, paid for by Mr. G.M. Beck. A concert followed.

R.D.C. at Kirkby Stephen has had only one tender for sorting Gars Hill Bridge – from Mr. W. Potter and accepted. "The Weasdale bridges will be built soon". Minor repairs ordered for Town End Bridge. The steamroller is now in Ravenstonedale.

Died at Greenside, Ravenstonedale: on 17th: George William, only son of Edmund and Mary Brown. He was aged 9 months.

Joke: She: My, your dancing's improved since we got married! You no longer tear my dresses.

He: Aye. I wasn't buying them then!

Thank you Jeremy Godwin for sending the notes.



After two failed attempts to meet, Russell Crowe, the star of Noah, has finally met with Pope Francis.

Crowe said, 'I think considering the controversy surrounding this movie, it would have been so easy for the Vatican to rescind that invitation and just let it be that way, but the kindness to actually let that invitation stand though is consistent with who he has been.' The film is released 4 April in the UK.

A Christian Alphabet—An occasional series.

E

Easter: the festival of Christ's resurrection, and the most important day of the Christian year. The entire Christian faith rests on the historical fact that Jesus rose from the dead. Without that, there is no faith – no forgiveness, no hope of life after death, nothing but the dashed hopes and disillusionment that the disciples had after Jesus died. But Christ is risen! Alleluia!

Eucharist: Another word for Holy Communion. From the Greek word meaning "Thanksgiving" – the very specific thanksgiving for the salvation which Jesus won for us by his body being broken and his blood shed.

F

Faith: The Bible speaks of three kinds of faith: (a) Bare faith, head faith, factual faith: faith in a doctrine, such as believing that there is a God. Of little worth by itself, though a good starting point. (b) Saving faith: trusting in Jesus to save us from sin and judgement by his death and resurrection; the faith which receives Jesus as Lord and Saviour, and which receives the free gift of eternal life. (c) Living faith: the faith that trusts God day by day; that God who knows and loves us is the invisible factor in every situation.

SUNDAY SERVICES IN OUR CHURCHES FOR MAY 2014

<u>Sunday 4th May</u>	<u>The Third Sunday of Easter</u>	<u>Lessons</u>	<u>Liturgical colour</u> White
ORTON & TEBAY	10.30am Holy Communion Beverley Lock Joint Service at Tebay	Acts 2.14a,36-41; 1 Peter 1.17-23	
RAVENSTONEDALE	10am All Age Worship Tim and Fran	Readers	Clare Stafford, Janet Barlow

<u>Sunday 11th May</u>	<u>The Fourth Sunday of Easter</u>	<u>Lessons</u>	<u>Liturgical colour</u> White
ORTON Sidesman David Aspden	8.30am Holy Communion BCP Beverley Lock	Acts 2.42-47; 1 Peter 2.19-25	
TEBAY	4.00pm 2@4 Beverley, Ian & Ronnie	Reader	John Dunning
RAVENSTONEDALE	10.00am Holy Communion Beverley Lock	Readers	M. Metcalfe-Gibson S. Metcalfe-Gibson

<u>Sunday 18th May</u>	<u>The Fifth Sunday of Easter</u>	<u>Lessons</u>	<u>Liturgical colour</u> White
ORTON	11am Family Service Sandra Ward & Laura Wren	Acts 7.55-60; 1 Peter 2.2-10	
Sidesman Gerald Weston			
TEBAY	11.15am Holy Communion Ian Elliott		
RAVENSTONEDALE	9.15am Morning Prayer Chris Jenkin	Readers	David Morris, Caroline Morris

<u>Sunday 25th May</u>	<u>The Sixth Sunday of Easter</u>	<u>Lessons</u>	<u>Liturgical colour</u> White
Joint Service at All Saints' Church, Orton			
Holy Communion 10.30 am			
Beverley Lock			
Sidesmen Mary Jenkin, Chris Bland			
Lessons: Acts 17.22-31; 1 Peter 3.13-22		Readers	Jackie Huck, Iris Wilding
Prayers Angela Milburn			

<u>Sunday 1st June</u>	<u>Sunday after Ascension</u>	<u>Lessons</u>	<u>Liturgical colour</u> White
ORTON	9.30am Holy Communion Sandra Ward and Chris Jenkin	Acts 1.6-14; 1 Peter 4.12-14, 5.6-11	
Sidesman Jeff Mawson	Prayers Chris Bland	Readers	Mary Jenkin, Sarah Ward
TEBAY	10.30am Joint Service with Methodists in Tebay Chapel		
RAVENSTONEDALE	10.00am All Age Worship Fran and Tim	Readers	TBA

SUNDAY SERVICES IN OUR CHAPELS FOR MAY 2014

		4 th	11 th	18 th	25 th
Tebay	10.30 a.m.	Songs of Praise 2pm P Dew B 6.30 p.m. LWPT at Orton	T Longworth	P Dew HC	D Birkbeck
Orton	10.0 a.m. 6.30 p.m.	M Rossall LWPT	R Colpus LA	A Woof I Elliott	US at PC LA
Newbiggin-on-Lune	10.30 a.m. 6.30 p.m.	LA FS LWPT at Orton	I Ellershaw To R'dale CA	M Harris LA	C Capstick *
Ravenstonedale	2.00 p.m. 6.30 p.m.	J Motton LWPT at Orton	M Capstick CA M Capstick CA	T Dent *	J Morton *

Vineleaf Fellowship: Every Sunday in Orton Market Hall, 10.30 a.m.

A VIEW FROM TEBAY

By Elizabeth Crossley

In April the BBC showed two documentaries/ short plays about the beginning of the First World War in 1914. There was the documentary about the three cousins - George V of England, the Kaiser of Germany and Tsar Nicholas of Russia. It is hard to imagine that they were all related to Queen Victoria and all fought against one another. The BBC also documented the events leading up to the beginning of the war and the happenings in the Austro-Hungarian area. The assassination of the Arch-Duke Ferdinand and his wife by a Serbian who just happened to be in the 'right place at the right time' in the Balkans in the early summer of 1914. Last week on BBC 1 I began to watch the series called Crimson Fields, about the nurses and VAD 'nurses' who went to serve in the field hospitals in France - a fictional story but with a lot of historical background which will have been carefully researched.

For the past 2 weeks the Westmorland Gazette has been asking its readers for photos, letters etc which they can use for an exhibition/ documentary for the paper. This weekend's Herald showed the opening of an exhibition at Dalemain, the home of the Hazell-McCoshes, by Ullswater, which talks about the families before, during and after WWI which will run until October. Penrith are hosting/ exhibiting 18 events over the coming months, called Penrith Remembers.

Orton and Tebay History Society are also beginning to collect material for an exhibition about WW1 as are many local history societies around the country.

People have said that it is wrong to celebrate war - we are not, but we are commemorating that so many men were willing to fight for what they believed was right - whole villages, whole estates, whole factories enlisted, although they all believed that it would be over by Christmas. At that time a treaty had been signed between the UK and Belgium which said that we would defend Belgium if any nation overran the country. Germany used Belgium as a back door to France and so we became involved. There were atrocious conditions on both sides but also a lot of bravery on both sides. 21

million died during the 4 years of war which was on an industrial scale.

During the war a complete social revolution began. Women, large numbers of whom had never worked before, began to work in highly specialized engineering, making detonators for bombs, working in transport, down the mines, in aircraft factories and in shipping. It was the first time that women from all strata of society began to nurse (Crimson Fields). The campaigners for women's suffrage put aside their campaign to support the war effort. Girl Guides and Boy Scouts also helped.

What did the UK gain from the war? It changed the face of British society - it enabled the campaign for suffrage to be realized and the emancipation for women for they were promised a vote after the war - it did come eventually but women had to be 25 to vote. Within a Christian perspective it began to pave the way for women priests. The loss of so many officers from the ruling

classes changed the social order - it gave women a feel that they could succeed in many fields of work they had taken on during the war, even though when the men returned they had to relinquish many of their newly found skills as the men returned to their old jobs. In medicine some strides were made in the treatment of severe wounds and amputations. Many big houses were left in disrepair as they lost the heirs and spares and the workforce. Eg the Lost Gardens of I-ligan have only just been discovered and restored during the last 10-15 years and the National Trust acquired a lot of the great estates eventually.

The war redefined the face of Europe - 3 royal dynasties collapsed - German, Austro-Hungarian and Russian.

So, this year, 100 years after the start of WWI, we commemorate the selfless sacrifice of millions of men across Europe and the Commonwealth in pursuit of what they believed to be the moral right.

Tebay Exhibition W/E

Sunday May 4th –

Monday May 5th

2pm – 4pm

Celebrating the

Commonwealth

**In the year of the Friendly
Games**

Tebay Community Hub Library and Drop In

Every Monday morning

10.00am - 12.00pm

All ages welcome

Refreshments

Books to borrow and buy

‘Twinkles’

Tue 9.30—11.30 a.m. at

Tebay Methodist Hall

All welcome with or without children

Voluntary run playgroup

Activities changed on a weekly basis

**Activities include; Painting,
playdough, drawing, cutting, dressing
up, slides, bikes, music, reading.**

**For more information contact
Amanda James 07733 180305**

Family Time at St James's Sunday 11th May @ 4.00 pm



**Calling all ages – parents,
grandparents, aunts,
uncles, friends and children!**

**4.00 pm Refreshment time and
activity for children.**

4.20 pm Short service/epilogue.

Tebay Methodist Church COFFEE MORNING on Saturday 17th May

10.0 a.m. till 12 noon

Cake Stall etc.

Come and enjoy!

Friends of Tebay Primary School

The committee would like to say a huge 'Thank You' to everyone who supported and made the 'Auction of Promises, Dinner & Dance' at Shap Wells on 29th March. It was such a success, the event raised over £5500, a fantastic amount which will make such a difference to our school, so thank you!

THE HUB ST JAMES' CHURCH, TEBAY

DISPLAY OF PAINTINGS AND DRAWINGS BY KENDAL ARTIST, JAMES COOKSON

Produced in India during World War I and
not previously publicly displayed

SATURDAY 10th MAY
SUNDAY 18th MAY
2 p.m. - 4 p.m. each day
Refreshments available

TEBAY METHODIST CHURCH

An All Day Breakfast was held on Saturday 29th
March from 9.0 a.m. to 1.0 p.m.

Over one hundred breakfasts were served. Those
attending enjoyed a breakfast which started with
fruit juice, toast and marmalade, and a main
breakfast which consisted of eight items including
bacon, eggs, sausages, black pudding etc.

A raffle was held offering a good range of prizes.

The total income after expenses amounted to
£654.

The church very much appreciates the support
given.

**The next event will be a Coffee Morning on
Saturday 17th May at 10.0 a.m.**

Tebay – 'Hub' of the Universe?

(connected to the world by road, rail and river
- and with God through prayer)

J'UNCTION – a new logo for a new initiative.



Why the apostrophe?
Answer – Unction is an
Old Latin word meaning
'anointing'. J stands for
Jesus, so J'UNCTION =
'Jesus' Anointing'

We want Jesus to bless us as Methodists and
Anglicans meet from time to time to pray together.
We met for 4 Tuesdays in February and plan to
meet again in 'The Hub' on
Tuesdays 3rd, 10th, 17th and 24th June
from 7.30 to 8.30 pm.

Stricklandgate Flower Festival

3rd 4th 5th May 2014

May Day Bank Holiday

Saturday 3rd 10am-4pm

Sunday 4th Music Afternoon

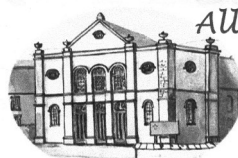
Monday 5th 10am-4pm



*Over 40 flower displays to enjoy on the
theme of poetry. Money raised will be
split 50/50 Stricklandgate Church Funds
& North West Air Ambulance.*

Refreshments & Lunches

Flower, Craft & Cake Stalls



*All welcome -bring your friends!
Admission by programme £3
(children free)*

Stricklandgate Methodist Church, Kendal LA9 4QJ
Stricklandgatemethodists.com

Flood Relief Coffee Morning

The Coffee Morning hosted by Tebay WI on Saturday
22nd March at Tebay Methodist Church in order to
raise funds to help those affected by the flooded
Somerset Levels raised a total of £441.

Tebay Senior Citizens

Lunch & Trip

Tuesday 20th May

**Invites to Tebay Parish residents age 60 and
over will be released at the beginning of
May. If you are new to the Parish and/or
you have turned 60 before this date, please
let us know before**

Friday 9th May 2014

**If you would like more information
and/or would like to join us,**

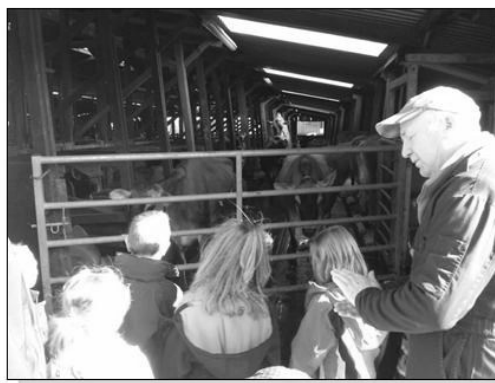
Tel: Ann Walker on 24371

Tebay Community Primary School News



Where does food come from?

Class 1 have been having a fascinating time finding out where food comes from, visiting Abbot Lodge Dairy Farm and finding out at how cheese is made at Wensleydale Creamy!



Class 1 have also been raising money for Guide Dogs by having a sponsored walk. A guide dog came too and were most impressed to find the children walking up the fell, rather than just around the playground! The children's sponsor money came to over £400!

Dinner Dance

Many thanks to FOTS for organising a super Dinner Dance at Shap Wells Hotel. A superb evening was had by all and lots of money raised! A big thank you to all who contributed both donations and time. Well over £5000 was raised!



SPACE MAN and the BREWERY DANCE

Class 3 had a star struck time on the Brewery stage, with meteoroids nearly colliding and orbiting bodies making up part of their dance performance.



Class 3 have had a strict and Victorian time! A morning was spent experiencing Victorian lessons with slates and dip in pen and ink. Some boys incurred the wrath of the teacher by daring to enter the room with muddy hands! Class 3 also visited the Museum and Archives in Kendal in their mission to use primary evidence sources whilst researching how the Victorians lived.

Orton

Orton Mothers' Union

Our next meeting will be:
Tuesday 6th May, 11.30am
in All Saints' Church

Holy Communion
with Revd Beverley
followed by
Bring and Share Lunch

We extend a warm welcome
to anyone who would like to
join us.

If you would like information
please phone Laura on
015396 24654

Mothers' UNION
Christian care for families

Orton Farmers' Markets

The next three of these
popular markets will be:

May 10th
June 14th
July 12th

Join us for refreshments
and a chat in a friendly
atmosphere.

In April we raised **£477.55**
to help us to continue God's
work at All Saints. Many
thanks for your continued
support

Orton Market Hall

This year marks the 150th
Anniversary of the building of the
Hall. It is planned to hold an
Exhibition in the Hall at the August
Farmers' Market.

Have you any memories or
photographs you could share with
us? If so please contact Wendy
Higgins, Secretary to the Trustees,
West End Cottage, Orton; Tel.
015396 24780.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The Altar flower rota is in church.
Please add your name if you
would like to do so. It is a lovely
way of remembering a special
person and celebrating an event
in your life. If you would prefer
to use the vases rather than
placing flowers around the
candles please do so. The vases
can be found beneath the Altar.

SOFT FRUIT FOR SALE !

Having just made a few pots
of top quality raspberry jam
(eat your heart out,
Tiptree !) I can confidently
recommend the local-grown
soft fruit, frozen straight
after picking, from David
Leathes, who lives between
Kirkby and Brough.
Raspberries £ 2.75 per lb.,
Blackberries £ 2.00 per lb.
(much cheaper than the
supermarkets !)

Please contact David on
017683 71713

MJL

SILVER YARD
— GALLERY —

WORKSHOP

Thursday 28th May
CROCHET with Sue Simmons
10-4, Orton Market Hall
£55, including all materials,
tea, coffee and lunch

Enquiries: Jan Hicks 015396 24249;
Ivyhall.hicks@googlemail.com
Or visit Silver Yard Gallery

More information about the ANNUAL EXHIBITION

IN THE GARDEN

24th – 26th May

in ALL SAINTS' CHURCH
*(Details in the poster on the
back page)*

If you are still wondering what
you can do towards the annual
Exhibition, here are a few things
we are looking for. Remembers
gardens are not always neat and
tidy. There are all types and we
hope to recreate as many as
possible.

- ⇒ Trees, shrubs or flowers in
pots or planters
- ⇒ Bunches of flowers or some
cut greenery
- ⇒ Garden gnomes/bird tables
or a bird bath
- ⇒ Hanging baskets
- ⇒ Items for "Behind the
Shed" – an old
wheelbarrow, old tools etc.
- ⇒ Some wood – large and
small pieces for a "Wood
Pile"
- ⇒ Sods with long grass for
"The Bottom of the
Garden" and fairies too
- ⇒ Garden games – cricket/
football/ crochet etc.
- ⇒ A hammock or a deckchair
- ⇒ Paintings of gardens or
flowers
- ⇒ A photograph
of your garden.

These are ideas
that will help turn
the church into a
huge garden. To do this we need

lots of patient
helpers. COME
AND JOIN THE
FUN.

Contact Angela
Milburn on

015396 24382 or any PCC
member.



T★Orton's Got LENT

Have you got a special talent?

DANCING **Singing**
Sporting Skills *Animal Tricks*
Ventriloquism Musical Instrument

ALL PERFORMERS GET A PRIZE!!!

Saturday 17th May at 6.30pm

at Orton Market Hall

Entry forms available from

Mrs Mounsey at Orton School

ULTRA DISTANCE RUNNING

*From half-marathons to the 104 mile Ultra
Trail du Mont Blanc*

A talk by Alun Lewis

in aid of The Spinal Injuries Centre, James
Cook University Hospital, Middlesbrough

at Orton Market Hall

Friday 30th May at 7.30pm

with an overview of the amazing work of the
Centre

by Specialist Nurse Kathy Rogstad

For tickets @ £5 please contact Alun or

Menna: e-mail: alunilewis@btinternet.com

tel: 015396 24546

christian
aid

Don't forget

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

in Orton & surrounding areas,
11th to 17th May.

All Saints Church & Orton Chapel invite you to a "Simple Shared Lunch" on Saturday May 17th 12pm to 2pm in Orton Market Hall. There will be a range of delicious home-made soups, rolls, cheese and biscuits, tea/coffee. No charge but donations are welcome for Christian Aid; & Gift Envelopes can be returned on the day. If you are unable to come on the day and wish to support Christian Aid, please give your envelopes to any Church or Chapel member. Hope you can make it, last year's lunch was wonderful. Looking forward to another great day with friends. Olive & Chris Bland.



Christian Aid - how it started.

The worst winter of the last century was 1947. All over Europe living conditions were appalling for most people, with food shortages, bomb damaged housing and poverty exacerbated by the deep freezing snow.

In Germany the plight of 80,000 refugees was brought to the notice of a Church of Scotland military chaplain with the British forces. It was a former Luftwaffe bomber pilot who approached him and took him to see the camp where babies were wrapped in newspaper in a desperate attempt to keep them from freezing to death.

In spite of initial strong opposition from Military High Command who called it "fraternising with the enemy", the chaplain gained permission to appeal for help from churches of all denominations throughout Britain. "The Inter-Church Refugee Service" was formed and in time it was renamed **CHRISTIAN AID**.



Did you know that we have quality homes to rent to local people in this area!

If you're interested or would like further information please do not hesitate to contact the Customer Advisor Team at Eden Housing Association

Tel: 01768 861470 or Email:
enquiry@edenha.org.uk

2014 Greenholme Show 14th June

Entries to Secretary by 6th May
Entry fees-sheep £1 per entry,
Produce, confectionery,
photography and handicrafts 50p
per entry, children free
01539624414

greenholmeshowsecretary@
gmail.com

Schoolmasters House, Greenholme

ROUGH FELL SHEEP CLASSES

1. Ewe with lamb at foot
2. Gimmer Shearling with Lamb at foot
3. Gimmer Hogg 4. Tup Hogg
5. Shearling Tup 6. Aged Tup
7. Best female that has not won a prize in classes 1-6
8. Best male that has not won a prize in classes 1-6
9. Best pair of Gimmer Hogs,
10. Best legged in Bone and Colour, Male
11. Best legged in Bone and Colour, Female
12. Best overall in Bone and Colour
13. Best pair, 1 Male, 1 Female.
14. Best collection of 3 sheep: 1 Aged Ram, 1 Shearling Ram, 1 Tup Hogg.
15. Best Ewe, Best Gimmer Shearling, Best Gimmer Hogg.
16. Best Male or Best Female shown in the Breeders hands

TEXEL SHEEP CLASSES

(All Texel classes are for Non-Accredited Sheep only)

17. Ewe or Shearling that has reared a lamb this season
18. Gimmer Hogg
19. Tup Hogg
20. Aged Tup
21. Shearling Texel Tup
22. Texel Tup Lamb
23. Texel Gimmer Lamb
24. Pair: 1 Male and 1 Female.
25. Pair Females
26. Pair Males

ANY OTHER BREED OF SHEEP

27. Female Ewe or Shearling
28. Male Aged Tup or Shearling
29. Gimmer Hogg.
30. Tup Hogg

31. Pair of Females
32. Pair of Males
33. Tup Lamb
34. Gimmer Lamb

New class

35. Young handler - To be entered on the day. 50p entry

HOME PRODUCE & CONFECTIONERY

36. 3 Brown Eggs
37. 3 White eggs
38. Best 3 sticks of Rhubarb
39. Jar of Pickled produce
40. Plaited Loaf
41. Loaf of brown Bread
42. Loaf of white bread made in a bread making machine
43. Rich fruit cake
44. Ginger bread
45. 3 Cheese scones
46. 3 Iced buns [yeast recipe]
47. Quiche - own choice of filling 6-8 inches
48. 3 pieces tray bake [not cooked]
49. 3 Almond tartlets
50. Queen cake
51. Lemon drizzle cake
52. 3 Slices Tray bake (cooked)
53. Best Chocolate cake [unfilled, undecorated and made in one tin]
54. Best Chocolate cake [filled, undecorated and made in one tin]
55. Victoria sponge [jam filling, topped with sieved icing sugar, made in one tin]
56. 6 homemade sweet truffles
57. 3 Cup Cakes
58. Best jar of Marmalade
59. Jar rhubarb jam
60. Banana loaf
61. Best Dish of rum butter
62. 3 slices Tea loaf presented on a plate
63. Damson/Sloe Gin or any Liqueur [in clear glass bottle, labelled]
64. Individual or small Cheese cake [not cooked]
65. 3 Chocolate Brownies
66. Honey cake - to set recipe see end of schedule
67. 3 Shortbread biscuits
68. 3 Pieces of Flapjack
69. 3 Chocolate chip cookies

SPECIAL CLASS - MEN.S BAKING

70 Chocolate cake [filled, made in one tin, undecorated]

HANDICRAFTS

Made since the 2012 show

71. Edible Jewellery
72. Homemade draft excluder
73. Knitted garment
74. Homemade - something stripy
75. Painting - any medium
76. Homemade sheep - any medium
77. Drawing
78. Novelty Egg cup
79. Homemade notice board
80. Needlecraft - inc cross stitch
81. Any other handicraft - Ladies/Gents
82. Best pot plant - flowering
83. Best pot plant - foliage
84. Flower arrangement in a kitchen utensil
85. Homemade felt article
86. Item made by Adult and child
87. Party invite
88. Decorated hair accessory
89. Something made from jam jar
90. Poem
91. Decorated stone
92. Flower arrangement for a table
93. Planted container

PHOTOGRAPHS

Unmounted. 7x5 inch or less taken since 2012 show

- 94 Any Photo - 'Home'
- 95 Any View -
- 96 Any Photo of Child/ren and Animal/s
- 97 Any Photo of Cows
- 98 Any Photo of a Cat -
- 99 Any other Photo
- 100 Any other Photo - with a caption
- 101 A Collection of 2 Photographs 'before and after'
- 102 A Colour Photo of an agricultural show
103. Best Action Photo
104. Best Photo - 'Happiness'

CHILDREN'S CLASSES

New age groupings - see below

105. PRE-SCHOOL - A Picture - any medium
106. Edible sheep
107. 3 decorated biscuits [biscuits can be bought or homemade]
108. Gingerbread family of three
109. 3 Decorated Sponge Buns
110. Something made from yoghurt pots
111. Photo - Animal/s (primary school age)
112. Dandelion with the longest root
113. Funniest 'Knock Knock' joke
114. Planted container [judged with class 125-combined class]

THE FOLLOWING CLASSES
WILL BE DIVIDED INTO
SCHOOL YEAR GROUPS. E.G

**Nursery, Reception,
Years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6.**

115. Picture - Any medium
116. Homemade kite
117. Decorated clothes peg
118. Handwriting - Poem
119. Any Handicraft - Girl/Boy
120. Decorated boiled egg
121. Item of paper weaving
122. Pebble pet

Secondary school age classes

123. Painted stone
124. 3 Cup cakes
125. Homemade Pizza
126. Any other handicraft
127. Planted container [judged with class 114-combined class]

Set recipe - Class 66 Honey cake

50g butter
25g caster sugar
125g clear honey
175g plain flour
1/2 tsp bicarbonate of soda
1/2 tsp mixed spice
1 medium egg
2 tbs milk
1 tbs clear honey to drizzle on top
Preheat oven to 180 degrees/350f/gas mark 4
Lightly oil and line the base of an 18cm /7inch deep round cake tin with lightly oiled greaseproof or baking paper.
In a saucepan gently heat the butter, sugar and honey until the butter has just melted
Sift the flour, bicarbonate of soda and mixed spice into the same bowl.
Beat the egg and milk until mixed thoroughly.
Make a well in the centre of the sifted flour and pour in the melted butter and honey. Using a wooden spoon, beat well, gradually drawing in the flour from the sides of the bowl. When all the flour has been beaten in, add the egg mixture and mix thoroughly. Pour into the prepared tin.
Bake in a pre-heated oven for 30-35mins or until well risen and golden brown.
Remove from the oven, cool for a few minutes in the tin before turning out and leave to cool on a wire rack. Drizzle with the remaining honey and serve.



The evening out which might change your life!

Women in Cumbria are being invited to take part in an evening event organised by local charity, ACTION with Communities in Cumbria (ACT). Designed to be fun and inspiring the next Fresh Start event for the south Eden area is at The Kings Arms Hotel, Kirkby Stephen on **Thursday 22nd May** from 7.00 pm to 9.00 pm.

Fresh Start will encourage women who might want to make a change in their lives to think about what they're good at and what they might want to do next.

ACT's Project Team Manager, Julia Wilson, said "We're hoping that any woman who feels like doing something different will come and join us for some inspiration and confidence building; you might want to get fitter, take up a new hobby, learn a new skill or find a new job. Whatever it is, we will be helping you to set some goals and take your first steps.

The event is free although booking is essential. To book a place, please contact Dani Hudson at ACT on tel: 01768 869511 or email:

danihudson@cumbriaaction.org.uk or download the booking form from www.cumbriaaction.org.uk.

There is also more information available on the Fresh Start Facebook page www.facebook.com/cumbriafreshstart



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Landscape Photography—Sat 10th May 9.30am – 3.30pm

Holiday Spanish—Thurs 8th May, 6 weeks 8.15-9.15pm

Making Tiaras—Sat 10th May 10-4pm

Felt Rugs—Sat/Sun 10/11 May 10 – 4pm

Netball Coaching—Starting 30 April for 10 weeks

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The Carlisle Diocesan Ministry Strategy

Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals

Who will do these when there are fewer vicars?

Baptisms

In the past most baptisms have been conducted by ordained clergy, but for many years it has been permissible in an emergency for a lay person to baptize. For example, if a baby in hospital is very frail and in danger of death, and if the parents wish it, a nurse can baptize the baby when a chaplain is not available, and the baptism is regarded as wholly valid; if the child recovers and goes home, it does not need to be baptized again, but it would normally be welcomed into the church family in the home church.

This principle, not only in situations of emergency, is being extended, and in this area an authorised lay Reader is shortly to conduct a baptism, with the full agreement of the family. There is no reason why this should not become more common.

Weddings

In the Church of England only an ordained priest can conduct a marriage and pronounce the Blessing. Because the Church of England is the Established Church, an ordained Anglican priest who conducts a wedding is legally regarded as his own Registrar; when weddings are conducted in churches of other denominations the local Registrar must be present to conduct the legal part and register the marriage. These provisions will still apply in the foreseeable future.

Funerals

Though some people nowadays want no kind of religious ceremony at their funeral, the majority still expect some form of Christian involvement. While regular worshippers will normally want their own vicar or at least a minister of their own denomination to conduct a funeral for a member of their family, whether in their local church or elsewhere such as at a Crematorium, already it is the case that this need not be an ordained minister; many lay people have been trained and authorised to conduct a Christian funeral, and some of them are very gifted in this ministry and people have been well satisfied with the sensitive and thoughtful way in which their service has been conducted. Funeral directors are not infrequently asked specifically if a particular lay person can officiate.

The great majority of funerals are conducted on behalf of families with little regular church connection; and while many might still ask for the service to take place in a church building in their local community, the denomination of the person conducting it will be in most cases a non-issue. Few such families would specify "We definitely want an Anglican to do the service." (Many might be quite uncertain what the word means!) If in the past they have attended a funeral service which they felt had been well led, they are likely to ask for the same person to conduct their relation's funeral; most will probably be totally unconcerned which denomination the

person taking the service belongs to.

So in the future when there are fewer and fewer paid and ordained clergy available, it is likely that increasing numbers of lay ministers will be trained to do this work, including of course visiting the family and discussing the arrangements they want; and most people will be well satisfied with the way the work is done. Though ministering to the bereaved has always been and will continue to be an important aspect of the work of clergy, it is regrettable if – such as when a service takes place 40 miles away in a Crematorium – a larger and larger proportion of their time is taken up with this work, so that they have less and less time available for other aspects of their ministry. So increasing lay involvement is much to be desired.

STEPPING OUT

God's call and our response
With Bishop James and the vocations team



**An opportunity for you to explore the possibility
of Ordained or Reader Ministry**

**Saturday May 17th, 10.30am - 2.45pm at
Waterton Hall, Warwick Square,
Carlisle CA1 1LB**

Jesus said,

'The fields are ripe for harvest but the workers are few'.

How do we respond?

*This day will give you time to hear, consider
(and answer?) God's call'.*

(Refreshments will be provided,
please bring your own lunch)

**To reserve a place, please contact
admin@lctp.co.uk (tel. 01228 815405)**

Orton and Tebay **Local History Society**

May Meeting

Because we have been unable to get the evening at Appleby Castle we are now going to Lowther Castle and Garden on Thursday 15th May meeting at the car park at Lowther Castle for 7.30p.m. This is largely an outdoor tour of the historic gardens and the restoration work taking place. People who booked for Appleby Castle will get first refusal of the Lowther Castle trip and we have an additional 5 places on this trip. Please contact Mary Jenkin to book you place and the cost of this is £7.50 per head.

100th Anniversary of the outbreak of World War 1: Our meeting on Thursday 27th November will mark this notable Anniversary. We plan to have an Exhibition on Friday 28th-Saturday 29th at Tebay Methodist Church. If anyone has any mementoes, photographs or anything else that would be relevant to such an event, please tell one of the Committee, or phone Mary Jenkin (015396 24410) or Heather Ballantyne (015396 24623).

"The Permanent Way"

On March 20th the Annual General Meeting of Orton & Tebay Local History Society, held at Orton, was followed by a talk by Len Clark. The speaker has described his life and varied career in Tebay in his autobiography On and Off the Rails: the Life of a Westmorland Railwayman (Helm Press 2003). In this talk Len focussed on his experience of maintaining the local railway track, the permanent way.

Over the period he worked in this role, 1960-2001, Len saw many changes in both rail technology and the organisation of its installation and maintenance. He brought along a fascinating collection of track components to illustrate this.

At the start of his career the railway was just beginning to come to the end of an era of steam trains, labour-intensive manual tasks and extremely detailed direction, exemplified by the lengthy standard issue rulebook. Tebay itself was still an important railway centre. Reliable track maintenance relied heavily on local first-hand knowledge. Thus Len was one of a team of five men with exclusive responsibility for three and a half route miles. The tradition of such track gangs competing for the honour of "Prize Length" had only just

ended when Len started work. The standard working week was five and half days. However low basic wages were supplemented by sometimes very lengthy bouts of Sunday overtime work, often at a distance from Tebay. Essential to the work were the many small huts or cabins offering shelter from the weather and a coal stove providing hot water for the essentials of tea and washing filth from hands.

Whilst much time and energy was given to keeping the track in good nick, by, for instance, ensuring that the gaps between the ends of the 60 foot long rails were of the approved size, there was also work that was a response to the unplanned: shovelling snow, clearing ice from Dillicar water troughs so that steam trains could replenish their water supply there, and extinguishing lineside fires sparked by steam engines. Detonators were always carried so that should an obstacle to trains such as a fallen tree be found, a warning could be given to drivers by clipping the detonators to the rails, resulting in a noisy explosion when the engine's wheels crushed them.

Quite early in Len's career the long tradition of these practices began to change. The rails themselves were installed in long lengths, and were positioned not with wooden sleepers but

by concrete ones. The track layout was simplified as stations and goods yards were closed. Changes to signalling meant that there were no longer signal boxes every few miles. Len, who earlier had worked as an engineman based at Tebay, contrasted the smooth ride of modern trains with the 'rock and roll' of steam locomotives at speed.

The mechanisation of track installation, maintenance and signalling went hand in hand with the ending of track workers being responsible for daily surveillance of short stretches of route. Besides the speed and quietness of modern trains meant that workers on the line were only really safe when none was scheduled and the track engineers had what is known as possession. In the days of steam, the engines' noise usually provided adequate warning of their approach, often removing the need for a "sentry".

The daily walking of the route has been replaced by far less frequent inspections, and the prospect of these ending completely, with the condition of the track being assessed instead entirely by specially-equipped trains. However the old-fashioned way would, Len pointed out, almost certainly have averted the major Pendolino derailment at Lambrigg, on Len's own former 'length', in 2007. **Oliver Coles**

Radiance

I went into town the other day and came across a product in Boots I hadn't seen before, 'Simple's Illuminating Radiance Cream' which promises the recipient *immediate, radiant looking skin!* Now, I don't consider myself vain, but like all of us I am advancing in years and need to consider the options. Plus it was part of a 3 for 2 offer so it was, for a bargain hunter like myself, a no-brainer.

As a Christian I'm fascinated to read in the Bible that Moses had a radiant face, not because of any such cream, but because he came face to face with God. 'God is Light' the Bible tells us, and what Moses reflected was the glory of that light.

Not that long ago I met a lady whom I would also describe as 'radiant'. Her passion and enthusiasm for her faith was so real that she was positively glowing, and after ten minutes of being with her I found myself breaking the 10th commandment (*Thou shalt not covet*) and thinking 'I don't know what it is she's got, but I want it!'

What she had, of course, was what Moses had, evidence of a life lived in the presence of God, and one that reflects that light back to others.

And yes, I admit that the radiance cream works - of a fashion - because there are tiny particles in it that reflect the sunlight and give the appearance of a healthy glow; but I know which I'd rather have. And let's be honest, spending time in God's presence won't cost me anything!

Fran Parkinson

ORTON C OF E SCHOOL



Egg competition



On Friday 4th of April, we had a decorated egg competition. There were lots of amazing entries. The winners from Class 3 were Olivia Madeleine, Kayleigh and Jenny. Class 2 winners were Olivia and Franky. Class 1 winners were Nathan and Finn. Mrs Davidson and Mrs Douthwaite judged all the entries and found it really tricky. The prizes for the winners were a little chocolate egg and a soft finger puppet or a wind up toy. By Olivia

Easter Service

On Friday 4th April we had our Easter service at Church. We had Yr 6 telling the Easter story in a rap, lots of prayers, stories and bible readings. Our service was a great success and it was so lovely to see so many parents. We hope to have one as good as that next year.

By Molly

"A LUCKY TREAT"



One Thursday afternoon two Police Officers came in to school and brought in some lovely police dogs. The dogs were called Lucky and Gwen. The dogs found hidden items in our playground. We all got to investigate the police van - we even got to listen to the siren. Mrs Green got locked into the back of the van but fortunately they let her out again!!!

Sport Relief Mile

On Friday 21 March Orton School set out to do a sport relief mile. Some of us decided to run, some were jumping and some of us were even doing three, four or five legged races! In the afternoon we did a bike obstacle course. It was fun. We raised around £109 altogether.

By Katie and Harriet

Swimming Gala

We have had 10 swimming sessions this term and on the last Wednesday we held our annual swimming gala at Appleby swimming pool. We did front crawl, back stroke, breast stroke, sea-horse race, running across the pool and relays. The ending results were: 4th=Green 3rd=Yellow 2nd=Reds 1st=Blue. By Thomas & Seb

MOTHERING SUNDAY

On the 30th March some children went to church to sing songs and give posies to their mums. We made a diploma for them. We also had communion (where adults get to have bread and wine) and at the end we all had tea and coffee and biscuits.

By Madeleine and Megan



THE ORTON SCARECROW COMPETITION 2014

REMINDER

We hope you've been thinking about the Scarecrow competition, which this year is 'Gardens & Gardening' in line with the Church Exhibition.

You should have your entry forms by now; if not, they are available at the shop, or can be obtained from me. Two classes this year:

1. The General Senior Scarecrow Competition
2. A Scarecrow Competition for children of Primary School age.

Judging as in previous years will be 'by the people'. Maps will be available from the church, shop, The George, Silver Yard and the chocolate factory, with the Scarecrows numbered, and anyone looking at the Scarecrows will be able to vote for their favourites.

Scarecrows will need to be displayed within the village perimeter. If you have no front garden or live outside the village you can still take part, by displaying your Scarecrows in the garden of someone else (with their permission) or on one of the many grass verges within the village. This will concentrate the Scarecrows for a good display, and make judging and the awarding of prizes fairer and easier. Scarecrows displayed outside this area, will not be put on the map nor judged.

Timetable:- Entry forms to be returned by Monday 12th May. PLEASE NOTE LATE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED as the judging maps will already have been printed. Competed forms can be left at the Shop, or handed to Jackie Huck, Dot Coates, Wendy Higgins or Marion Robinson.

Scarecrows to be displayed sometime on Friday evening 23rd or early Saturday 24th. Judging will take place over the weekend, and finish by 5pm on Monday 26th. Completed forms to be returned to the Church.

Prize winners will be announced, prizes given out and lists posted on Tuesday 27th.

Those entering are asked to keep their Scarecrows in place, until Friday 30th May (Weather permitting).

SO COME ON, LET'S HAVE LOTS OF ENTRIES, AND MAKE THE 2014 COMPETITION SOMETHING REALLY WORTH COMING TO SEE.

Best wishes Jackie Huck
Mill House

Upper Eden Food Bank

A very big "thank-you" to all of you who continue to support the food bank so generously either by donating food items, or by transporting the donations to Appleby. It is very much appreciated.

Sadly, the need is ongoing and will continue to be there. An S.O.S. has come through for **jams, biscuits and cereals** in particular. Any donations of these, and any other suitable food items can be left either at the Drop-In at Orton Chapel on a Wednesday morning, or be left with Paula at the P.O.

Thank you all very much.
Olive Bland

RAVENSTONEDALE PARISH HISTORY GROUP

Come along on Thursdays
2.00pm – 4.00pm
to High Chapel Community &
Heritage Centre

(other times by arrangement)
to view

Transcribed Parish Registers from
1650 – 1826
Poor Relief Returns for 1780,
1856, 1867, 1869 & 1871
showing occupiers and
owners of properties
Transcripts of British
Newspaper Archives reports
which mention

Ravenstonedale plus old
locally collected newspaper
cuttings
Many old photos including
school photos with pupils
named

AND MUCH MUCH MORE!

For more information
Contact: Chris Elphick on
01539 620605 or Val Fermer
on 01539 623693 or
e-mail history@ravenstonedale.org

Ravenstonedale

Forthcoming events

Spring/Summer 2014

Tuesday, May 6th

Bible Discussion Group-7.30pm
Manor House, Ravenstonedale

Sunday, May 18th

Rogation Sunday Service -
9.15am, Lytheside Barn

Saturday, July 12th

Concert-Sacred &
Secular songs
St Oswald's Church

Ravenstonedale Methodist Chapel

The monthly weeknight meetings have been held during the winter months. The November one was a lively talk on Dry Stone walling by Mr Chris Fawcett of Sedbergh who said how he noticed every new piece of walling as he drove around the countryside and related it to everyday living. At the end of December we held our carol service led by Mr W Ousby. At the January meeting the speaker was Mr Frank Jackson of Reagill, Penrith, who spoke on part of St. John's gospel. The February one was taken by a group of young people from Wray led by its speaker and leader Mr Andrew Wright, who gave an interesting selection of songs and readings. Our meeting held in March was led by Mr Brian Park of Garsdale, who gave a very interesting account of how he became a Methodist local preacher.

All meetings ended with refreshments

Saturday 10th May
at Ravenstonedale Community &
Heritage Centre, 7 p.m.
Cocktails and Canapés Night
Pampered Chef evening
£7 admission
(to include cocktail & canapé)

Organised by the PTFA
to raise funds for school.

Seen on a church notice sheet

The Fasting & Prayer Conference
includes meals.



Ravenstonedale Endowed Primary School



Football Festival

Wednesday we went to Queen Katherine School in Kendal, with Warcop School, to play in a football Festival. We played four matches. We won two games and lost two games. We had lots of fun. There was lots of other schools there. Our journey home took longer than expected, the bus got a puncture!.



Last day of term we had an "Eggstravaganza"!! We could go to school dressed in Easter colours. We had an Easter egg hunt in the park and the woods. We found some plastic eggs which had little eggs inside, and chocolate eggs. There was a golden egg, whoever found this would get an extra prize. We had egg throwing competitions and egg rolling. We had lots of fun and enjoyed our last day before the Easter Holidays.



One morning we had an artist in school called John Kennet Hall. He told us to go round the school grounds to find sounds and record them. Sounds like a bouncing ball, ticking clock, a ringing bell and the river. We put them altogether and listened to them. He showed us some instruments he had made and some of us got to try them. The instruments were made out of tins, pipes, elastic bands, etc. We were making music from art. We also recorded it. We then edited it, either making it lower or higher or making an echo. Year 6s wrote a poem about sounds.



Easter Fair.

On Tuesday afternoon we had an Easter Fair in school; our parents and people from the community came to help us raise money for the school. We had lots of stalls; games like guess the number of eggs in a jar, the name of the lamb, bowling and hit the rabbit. We had a book stall and a cake stall.



Basketball.

In the morning we went to play basketball at Kirkby Stephen Grammar School. There was two teachers, they both played in a basketball team. The difference was that they played basketball in wheelchairs. One of them only had one leg, he had a false leg. He told us he lost his leg in a motor-bike accident. We got to play basketball in wheelchairs. It was very hard. We also did races in the wheelchairs. We had to go round obstacles.

Easter Service.

We went to the church at Ravenstonedale and had an Easter service. We did the service ourselves. We sung hymns, read poems and did a sketch. Some parents and people from the community came to our service to celebrate Easter.

The Navvies of Mallerstang

Ian Murray, a resident of Mallerstang and with longstanding family ties to the dale, gave a talk to the Ravenstonedale Parish History Group on February 19th on the topic of the Navvies of Mallerstang. It was about the people who built the Settle-Carlisle railway in 1869-76, and sorted out reality from myths about them. The section of the line from Dent Head to Smardale had 47 cuttings, 5 viaducts, 4 tunnels, 68 road bridges, and 100 culverts. Almost all of this work was done by human labour.

Working from local records, Murray overturned a number of common assumptions. The term "Navy" tends to be pejorative. A work by the Rev. Nicholls, published seven years after opening the line, contains hearsay and inaccuracies which have been substantiated by uncritical quotation in later works. Documentary sources including parish records, the 1871 census, newspaper and court reports, help put the record straight. The workers came mostly from Westmorland, Yorkshire, and Scotland, not Ireland and Wales as claimed by Nicholls. There was drinking, but not necessarily more trouble and mayhem. The Castle Inn opened in 1871 near Pendragon Castle to serve the population. This is now the vicarage.

Census records indicate the size and make-up of the population. Up to the mid-19th century, the Mallerstang population was in the region 250-300. The main occupations were agriculture and labouring. By 1881, the population was back to 270. The 1871 census shows a great spike in population to 586, with 83 households and a large number of single men. While the average family size was 4.39, the average household size was 7.05. Each house in the dale had an average of 2.6 non-family members in it. Nearly a third of workers lived in houses, not camps.

There were four Navy camps in this section: Aisgill Moor, Birkett Fell, Far Ground and Incline Huts. The largest huts housed 15-20 people. Each hut had a professional hut keeper, sometimes a woman. The workers were lodgers, sometimes with a family, and often returned very late. Birkett Moor still has traces of the platforms of huts, beside Tommy Road. A school was set up at the huts in 1874, with 22 children.

Newspaper reports and the journal of the assiduous Rev. Fletcher from the Bradford Mission give windows into life in the navy community. There were fights and assaults, some causing death; petty thefts like a stolen shovel, a pair of trousers and cash. There were accidents: dynamite going off in the face of "Birmingham Bill", a cart or engine crushing a worker's leg. The reports also illustrate family tragedies: women dying in labour, and family break-ups.

The workers did greatly increase the valley population. The amount of trouble was not however much greater than in the population generally.

The railway works allowed local people to work nearby and earn good wages, without moving to the cities. The speaker's great-grandfather was Thomas Murray from Crosby Garrett, and worked on the railway. A relative was deacon of the High Chapel - venue of this talk. In pictures, navvies looked like

respectable Victorian gentlemen. The "respectable" Mr. Ellwood got involved in a drunken fight. He was a resident, not a navy, and two of his daughters married workers. Many navvies married local brides, and settled down in the dale doing support work like platelaying.

Overall, the navy communities were not badlands. There were incidents - killings, fights, and accidents, but this reflects ordinary life everywhere at that time. The works did change the employment structure of the area. Workers came from nearby, and some settled down and became integrated in the community. Their life events were recorded in church registers and journals. They did drink, but worked hard, dressed respectably, had families, and were often highly religious.

Maulds Meaburn Village Institute

is pleased to present a performance by

Phoenix Strings

who will play popular light classical music.

'Music for a Summer Evening'

The concert will take place on

Saturday 17th May at 4.30pm
in the Institute

Phoenix Strings was established in 2007 and is based on the Fylde coast. The orchestra which has about 40 members, of which 20 will be playing on the 17th of May, plays a wide range of music with the emphasis on accessibility for both the players and the audience. They have collaborated with other musicians to provide lively performances most recently venturing into opera. Phoenix Strings are proud to undertake work to support charities and good causes and hope that you will enjoy the programme they will be offering in May. The musical director is John Foster, a performer and teacher of some reputation and experience having worked in Britain and the USA and with many different orchestras from the London Festival Ballet to the Bruce Forsyth Show.

The concert is in aid of St Lawrence Church,
Crosby Ravensworth
and Maulds Meaburn Village Institute.

Price of a ticket is £10 an adult and £5 for children aged 5-11.
The ticket includes Pimms, soft drink and nibbles in the interval.
Get your ticket/ program early for this welcome and unique event.

Tickets from Jane Owen 01931 715570
or Alex Barbour 01931 716001

Maulds Meaburn Village Institute

Rory Stewart

MP for Penrith and the Border
will be speaking at our Village Institute at
7.30pm on
Friday, 6th June

***'Borderlands: a walk through the vanished
Middlelands of Great Britain. The history of the
Border and some comparisons with Central Asia.'***

Advance booking: please ring Ron & Sheila Smith:
01931 715 509

Tickets are £8-00 (£4 for under 18s)

Newbiggin-on-Lune

Newbiggin on Lune Methodist Chapel.

Come and join us for:-

- Sunday Services – weekly at 10.30am until further notice.
- Sunday School – weekly at 10.30am
- Youth Club – fortnightly on Thursdays; 6.30pm – 8pm (year 5 upwards). Snooker, pool, table tennis, playstation, football & hockey (term time only).

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