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Church Letter

*From the Revd. Stephen Radford,
Methodist Superintendent Minister*

'Great is Thy faithfulness, O God, my Father'

Four years ago, I had a sabbatical, starting in late-February, which saw us travelling to the Shetland Isles. It was a brutally cold fortnight, but the beauty of the barren landscape (no trees!), was enhanced by the brooding skies and the clear cold blue waters which lapped around these jagged islands. We travelled there to see friends, and the warmth of the welcome in the various chapels we visited was in contrast to the biting, bitter winds which blew across the peat moorlands, just like the wild winds which have recently swept across the upper reaches of the Eden and Lune fells.

As I write this, the Nine Standards are snow-capped and a chill wind is blowing snow flurries across the distant view. I am reminded of the 'Weather Song' by Flanders and Swann – 'January brings the snow, makes your feet and fingers glow; February's ice and sleet freeze the toes right off your feet'!! The song (which continues in a similar vein!) always brings a smile to my face as I remember wading through the snow on my way to school.

The grey skies and cold of winter can leave us feeling down and lethargic and, sometimes, far away from God. The writer of the book of Lamentations probably felt like that. Overall, the book is sad, and even a bit depressing, but right in the middle is a brilliant ray of light – 'Because of the Lord's great love ... His compassions never fail. They are new every morning. Great is Your faithfulness!' (*Lamentations* 3 v 22-23). These words were taken by Thomas Chisholm for his well-loved hymn, 'Great is Thy faithfulness, mercy and love'.

Like a ray of sunshine breaking

from between the dark clouds, God's love can break into our lives, lifting us up, warming and inspiring us, as it reaches deep into our lives. We have a God who IS alive, who loves us and who longs more for us, than we do for God.

God has wonderful blessings for us today and every day, not least the promise of His peace and presence, even when 'skies are grey'.

At the end of February, we reach the season of Lent, beginning with Ash Wednesday, which marks the start of a journey towards Easter. The days get longer, the sun strengthens and the grip of winter is released. We journey with Jesus, marking the days of His love and passion for us, recalling His words that 'I am with you always!' – whether skies are bright or dark, whether winds are balmy or wild – for God IS faithful, His love is eternal and He is always near.

Look at your hands – see God's touch and tenderness.

Look at your feet – see God's path and direction.

Look at your heart – see the fire of God's love for you.

Look at the cross – see God's Son and our Saviour.

This is God's world – let us sense God in it.

May Christ's love shine in our lives and God's peace fill our hearts and homes.

May God bless you all

Stephen

PS. Finally, a word of thanks from Heather and myself, for your warm welcome and prayers; and we pray for Rev Alun Hurd as he prepares for his new role among us.

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. Next deadline: 13th February 2017

Cover picture: Red squirrel near Orton Hall (photo by Ivan Griffin)

Dull and snowy (Ullswater's north end frozen by 10th February). Thaw on 14th February. A five day blizzard in January and another one on 3rd February. Hundreds of fell-sheep lost but two survived for 40 and 43 days, a record. 1916 was the second wettest year on record here (the wettest was 1903). Threshing machines drawn by traction engines are doing their rounds but their wheels, spiked to get grip in ice are wrecking the roads. London forbade spikes; the Cumbrian farmers protested; a compromise reached.

Ravenstonedale's annual Wesleyan Methodist Sunday School Party on 1st January in the Chapel, had 130 at tea. The Roll is 38. Each child was given one shilling (gift of two locals) and edibles. One shilling = £4 now. Five days later, Charles Metcalfe, 22, badly burnt and scarred as a child and now has fits, cut his throat in henhouse. Was son of Mr. James Metcalfe, foreman platelayer. The late Mr. Butt's second son Herbert is now 2nd Lieut. And gone to India (war). He enlisted at Newquay and was a teacher like his father. Died at Bridge House on Tuesday, 13th, Mr. James Fawcett, 78, one of the two donors of the Wesleyan Sunday School's one shilling each. Lifelong of Ravenstonedale he was for years Bandmaster of Ravenstonedale Brass Band and played the church's harmonium for over 20 years before it got the organ, and sang in the Church Choir for over 60 years. A big funeral!

War News Missing since mid November, Private W. Fothergill of High Stennerheugh; since 18th November, Pte A.B. Cowperthwaite, Border Regiment, of Street Farm, Orton. Orton's Gunner F. Guy, carting hay to Athlone Barracks, Ireland, the load shifted; arm broken (17th February report).
1917 – Ravenstonedale Charities

– 26 got a bit (5shillings to 25 shillings) and Newbiggin School got 27shillings and sixpence of it. 20th January, 1917 – Mr. Joseph Wilson, yeo, Tebay and aged 93 rode to Chapel House (his horse is 25) and thence afoot to Orton shops. His wife is 80; their “girl” been there for 57 years (report 3rd February).

150 years ago John Jackson, 80, one eyed and of Bull Flatt, was walking to Orton and fell in beck. He shouted “Lost, lost” till rescued.(20th January).

Joke Ma, why's Pa's hair in your locket?

Ma - To remind me that he had some once!

**Thank you Jeremy Godwin for
the Notes**

**FUNDRAISING FOR
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THANK YOU... to all who supported this fund-raising effort. By the time you read this I will have sent off quite a large bag of your unwanted items for re-cycling. Every little helps!

Ronnie Elliott

A Christian Alphabet—An occasional series by Christopher Jenkin

W

War: The Old Testament is full of stories of war; then, as now, there were frequent conflicts between the nations of the region, and the nation of Israel was often involved. Though they had been given the commandment, “Thou shalt do no murder”, it seems that this did not apply to killing in time of war. In the New Testament, we often read of soldiers; soldiers came to ask John the Baptist what they should do to show repentance before God, and he did not tell them to leave the army; he said: “Don’t extort money; don’t accuse people falsely; be content with your pay.” (*Luke 3:14*) Jesus met the Roman centurion who asked him to heal his servant; and Jesus commended his faith (*Matthew 8:5-10*) – nothing was said to imply he could not be a soldier and a believer in Jesus. Throughout Christian history there have been pacifists – people who feel that taking part in war cannot be reconciled with being a follower of the Prince of Peace; and many have suffered for that conviction which one must respect. The one thing that Jesus made absolutely clear was that his followers were *not* to fight with earthly weapons for his cause (*John 18:36*). Paul wrote, “The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of this world.” (*II Corinthians 10:4*) Sadly all too often over the centuries Christians have betrayed their Lord by trying to defend the “Christian cause” by force and the results have almost always been disastrous, often with a legacy of hate and mistrust that lasts for many centuries.

Wisdom: The Bible is full of references to wisdom; a whole chunk of the Old Testament is known as “wisdom literature”. It is important to grasp that wisdom is not the same as intelligence or cleverness. It is quite simply a matter of knowing what is the right thing to do, and how to live one’s life. The Book of Proverbs, one of the “wisdom books”, emphasises that “the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom” – that is, that a right relationship with God must be the first step in seeking wisdom. The opposite, “Folly” or “foolishness”, comes from ignoring or rejecting God (*Psalms 14:1*). In the New Testament, Paul, who had been educated not only in Jewish faith and traditions but also in Greek philosophy, made a sharp distinction between human wisdom or philosophy, and the true wisdom which is centred on Jesus. “We preach Christ crucified: a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those whom God has called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God”. (*I Corinthians 1:23-24*)

SUNDAY SERVICES IN OUR CHURCHES FOR FEBRUARY 2017

Sunday 5th February

The Fourth Sunday before Lent

Liturgical colour Green

Lessons Isaiah 58.1-9a[b-12]; 1 Corinthians 2.1-12[13-16]

ORTON 9.30am

Sidesman Mary Jenkin

TEBAY 10.30am

RAVENSTONEDALE 10.00am

Holy Communion Sandra Ward

Prayers David Aspden

Joint Songs of Praise at the Methodist Church

All Age Worship Fran Parkinson

Readers

Mary Jenkin Iris Wilding

Tim Parkinson Diana Fothergill

Sunday 12th February

The Third Sunday before Lent

Liturgical colour Green

Lessons Deuteronomy 30.15-20 *or* Ecclesiasticus 15.15-20; 1 Corinthians 3.1-9

ORTON 8.30am

Sidesman David Aspden

TEBAY 10.30pm

RAVENSTONEDALE 10.00am

Holy Communion BCP Phil Rigby

All Age Holy Communion Ian Elliott

Holy Communion Sandra Ward

Readers

John Dunning

Michael and Sally Metcalfe-Gibson

Sunday 19th February

The Second Sunday before Lent

Liturgical colour Green

Lessons Genesis 1.1-2.3; Romans 8.18-25

ORTON 11am

Sidesman Mary Jenkin

TEBAY 11.15am

RAVENSTONEDALE 9.15am

Family Service Chris & Olive Bland

Service of the Word Rosemary Campbell

Service of the Word Chris Jenkin

Readers

David and Caroline Morris

Sunday 26th February

The Sunday next before Lent

Liturgical colour Green

Lessons Exodus 24.12-18; 2 Peter 1.16-21

ORTON 9.30am

Sidesman Andy Glanville

TEBAY 11.15am

RAVENSTONEDALE 3pm

Morning Prayer Service of the Word Sandra Ward

Prayers Laura Wren

Holy Communion Sandra Ward

Evensong Chris Jenkin

Readers

Susan Basnett Andy Glanville

Janet Barlow Anthony Metcalfe-Gibson

Sunday 5th March

The First Sunday of Lent

Liturgical colour Purple

Lessons Genesis 2.15-17; 3.1-7; Romans 5.12-19

ORTON 9.30am

Sidesman Jim Milburn

TEBAY 10.30am

RAVENSTONEDALE 10.00am

Holy Communion Chris Jenkin

Prayers Angela Milburn

Joint Songs of Praise at St James Rosemary Campbell

All Age Worship Fran Parkinson

Readers

Iris Wilding Jackie Huck

Suesi Windle Clare Stafford

SUNDAY SERVICES IN OUR CHAPELS FOR FEBRUARY 2017

		5th	12th	19th	26th
Tebay	10.30 a.m.	S of P PC	W Riley	D Askew HC	OA
Orton	10.30 a.m. 6.30 p.m.	S Harrison B Staley	J Fox CS @ Appleby	K Coward T Dent	P Gorst S Radford HC
Newbiggin-on-Lune	10.30 a.m. 6.30 p.m.	Family Svce OA OA	J Morton CS @ Appleby	S Radford HC OA	D Askew
Ravenstonedale	2.00 p.m. 6.30 p.m.	D Askew	A Collinson CS @ Appleby	S Radford HC	LA

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

A VIEW FROM TEBAY

By Reg Capstick, Reader Emeritus

2017 has started strangely for me. It is the first time in many years that I have been in Tebay for New Year's Eve and the first time I can remember that I was in bed before Midnight. Since the 1970s I have spent New Year in Staffordshire, at my cousin Joan's. I could not help recalling all the happy times with her and all her friends. Those memories made me feel sad.

That said, the Christmas season was busy enough to keep my thoughts positive. The exhibition at the Chapel was stunning, the RBL lunch was as good as ever, albeit without Phil, and our Church services were well-attended and successful. I particularly enjoyed the concert by the Community Choir, whose repertoire has become both wide and innovative.

Over the months since Beverley's departure we have been blessed by all those, too numerous to list here, who have led worship and kept St James' going so well. As from January we are part of a combined parish with Orton, going back to the days before St James' became a separate entity. We had the first joint PCC meeting the other week and I feel certain that we will be able to work together very amicably to further God's purposes in the two villages, even though I personally will not be able to take a very active role. As some people know, I have been trying for a while to retire as Churchwarden and I will do so as from the APCM.

By then our new Vicar, Alun Hurd, will be in residence at Shap and finding his way around the area. If he approaches the task as

ably as his Methodist counterpart has done I'm sure he will quickly get his bearings. Co-operation between Anglicans and Methodists in Tebay has always been amicable – in my adult lifetime, at least – and I see no reason to doubt that it will remain so.

As I watch and listen to the news these days, with all the speculation about Brexit and Mr Trump's many tweets, plus whatever Mr Putin decides to do next, I cannot help wondering what will happen to us in the future. Whatever does occur, I feel sure life in Tebay will not change dramatically – at least not for me.

I do not foresee my life altering all that much and with God's grace I look forward to a peaceful and healthy year.

TEBAY METHODIST CHURCH

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J'Uction in February



7th, 14th, 21st, 28th
7.30-8.30 pm

Tebay Methodist Church
All welcome as we meet
to pray for the churches
and Tebay community.

Tebay Methodist Church

wish to thank all who supported the
Christmas exhibition. Money raised
through donations totalled £414
which has been donated to
the blood bike fund.

Tebay Methodist Church

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dressing up, slides, bikes, music,
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Amanda James - 07733 180305**

Tebay School

New Head teacher at Tebay

This year at Tebay School we have a new head teacher, Geoff Norman, who came from another school to teach us at Tebay; he plans to be a good head teacher and to help improve our school even more. He will also introduce new and exciting ways of teaching.

Mr Norman, new head teacher.



Pinocchio At The Theatre

Last term, Classes 1, 2 and 3 visited a theatre in Lancaster to see Pinocchio performed live. Everyone enjoyed it and I am sure that everyone would recommend it.

Nativity performance

In the Christmas spirit, the entire school performed a nativity play with a Strictly Come Dancing theme. It was a very fun play to perform and after playing my own part I can say that it was equally fun to learn.

Christmas Jumper Day

In the weeks coming up to Christmas Tebay School had lots of fun Christmassy activities, including Christmas jumper day. Every student came in to school wearing a Christmas jumper and it was a fun day for everyone. We also raised £50.00 for Save The Children

Non Uniform Day and Cake Sale For Children In Need.

Last year we had a non uniform day for Children in Need, we raised more than £70.00 and also had great fun



Christmas Display in Chapel

In the chapel next-door to the school at Christmas there was an amazing display with lots of colours lights and decorations of all kinds. They kindly let us come and see it as a school and we are very grateful.

Carol Singing at Westmorland services

Tebay went to sing carols at Westmorland services and raised over £300.

I'm sure that everyone at Tebay school would like to say a very big thank you to Westmorland services for letting us sing at their wonderful services.

By Rufus Welshman

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

**"Am I Being Unfair to You?"
Praying for the Philippines**

Friday 3rd March

**NEWBIGGIN-ON-LUNE
METHODIST CHURCH**

7.00 pm

ALL ARE WELCOME

**This is an INTERNATIONAL and
INTERDENOMINATIONAL
Service**

The day will begin when the sun rises over the island of Samoa, and continue until it sets off the coast of American Samoa some 35 hours later.

Orton Manor Court

Grass Lettings

1st May 2017 - 1st April 2018

- **Meldykes Quarry** - Approx, 9 acres (No horses)
- **Howes Quarry** - Approx. 6 acres
- **Small parcel of land at Field Head/Park Lane**

Sealed bids to:

Richard Percival,

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2 Addison Cottages,

Orton

Before 7th April 2017

Tebay Annual Charity Night

SATURDAY 25TH FEBRUARY

7.30PM UNTIL LATE

TEBAY SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB.

Live music from 'The Deadheads'

Auction of Promise and a raffle.

All in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support and

Hospice at Home.

£5 a ticket, all tickets must be purchased before the night.

For tickets, contact, Becky Morland,

Catherine Richardson, Stacey Graveson,

Keeley Morland, Tebay Club and Tebay

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Interviews will take place this month

Speaking Volumes Christian Book Grants

Emma Pomfret, Headteacher at Orton CE School writes; 'We found out about Speaking Volumes at the diocese conference in September. Following a short application process we were informed we had been successful in being awarded £500 to spend on Christian books for our school.

We were able to choose the books from the Speaking Volumes website where they are also subsidised and they chose a local Christian book shop to supply us with the books.

We are delighted to have received a large selection of books and DVDs suitable for children from Nursery to Year 6. These resources are invaluable and will support teaching of Christianity in our school both now and into the future.'

From Carlisle Diocese Schools Newsletter

Orton



New Priest-in-Charge

It was announced in December in all five churches of the High Westmorland Unit that a new Priest-in-Charge has been appointed to lead our benefice from early March 2017.

He is the Revd. Alun Hurd, at present Priest-in-Charge in seven rural parishes in Essex: St Andrew's, Rochford with Sutton and Shopland, Barling Magna and Little Wakering, and Great Wakering and Foulness.

He and his wife Sharon will live in Shap Vicarage.

He will be inducted on Monday 6th March at 7.00 p.m. in St Michael and All Angels' Church, Shap

Orton Farmers' Market and Coffee Morning

The next two of these popular markets will be:

Saturday 11th February
and **Saturday 11th March**

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

In December we raised **£1,213**
and in January **£382**
to help us continue God's work at All Saints.

And many thanks for your continued support!

All Saints' Church Exhibition

The theme for this year is 'A Scarecrow Wedding'. We have been meeting on Monday nights in the chapel room and making scarecrow heads. This starts again on Monday 16th January at 7p.m. If you have any ideas and would like to join in please come along.

We will need clothes to dress the scarecrows, so if you have any clothes you don't need any more we would very much appreciate them.

Adults' and children's dresses, trousers, shirts, suits, hats, shoes, handbags etc.

For more information please contact:

Brenda Iveson: 24617, Helen Wearmouth: 24066,
Pat Brass: 24818

**The theme for the village Scarecrow Competition this year is 'Celebrations'.
Put your thinking caps on and let's make it our best yet!**

Orton Surgery

A note from Shap Medical Practice

Orton surgery is usually open from 9.15am to 10.30am on Tuesdays and from 4.00pm to 5.45pm on Thursdays.

There will be no Orton surgery on Thursday 16th February, nor on Thursday 23rd February, but on the 23rd prescriptions can be collected between 3.0 and 3.30 p.m.

Shap Practice: 01931 716230
Out of hours: 03000 247 247

ORTON MARKET HALL BOOKINGS

For all future bookings for the Hall, please contact Nigel Coward, Orton Village Shop, 015396 24225

All Saints' Charity Collections

- The cash collection at the carol service on Sunday 18th Dec. was £264.56. With other monies received and with a donation of the Gift Aid from the church, Bill Lawler, our treasurer, sent a cheque for **£375** to "Crisis at Christmas".
- The noble band of Carol Singers around Orton village on Christmas Eve raised £176 for the C. of E. Children's Society and £176 for Action for Children. Bill has sent a cheque for **£560** to the Children's Society for monies received from the Orton Christingle service, the Christingle boxes and the village carol singing. (The Tebay Christingle service raised **£132.31** for Children's Society.)
- Bill has also sent a cheque for **£410** to Hospice at Home from the money donated for the refreshments after various services at All Saints' Church - this has accumulated over the last two and a half years or so.

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News from rton School

Last days of school before Christmas

On the last Tuesday of school we all had a yummy Christmas dinner made by Mrs Davidson and Mrs Douthwaite, most of us ate it all and enjoyed it lots!

On the last Wednesday morning of school the Orton School Choir sang at the 'Drop In' at the chapel, we were very thankful for all the refreshments that we got!

Also in the afternoon we sang at Westmorland Services; we had lots of fun, had more refreshments and raised lots of money!

On the last Thursday of school we all came to school wearing our Christmas jumpers! Even the teachers performed a little dance routine dressed up as reindeers!

Then in the afternoon we played party games and had some party food! It was great fun!

On the last Friday of school we all walked up to the Church and sang some carols and then Year six read out the Christmas Story.

Also me (Jenny) and Issy played our clarinets/jingly bells alongside Mrs Simpson on the piano!

Jenny

We went to Upfront Gallery to see **Pinocchio** performed by puppets. We were shown how the puppets worked.

Aaron



Mr Martin

Mr Martin is class 4's Student Teacher.

He is really cool and was in the army.

He's good at sports and always helps people. He's really nice, fun happy and tall!

Rueben

Gymnastics

Our new term sport is Stretchy Gymnastics!

We practice every Monday as we will be going to a small competition.

We shall doing 3 routines, but we can only have 6 competitors.

So start getting bendy, for it's in a few weeks time!

Anna



Swimming

For the next 10 weeks we are going swimming at Appleby pool.

Everyone loves it and it is great fun.

There are 2 buses that take us and we have 7 swimming groups. 1 in the learner pool, 2 in the shallow end, 2 in the middle and 2 in the deep end.

Tom P

Guinea Pigs Winter Holidays

The guinea pigs went on a winter holiday. They are being looked after then they are going to be returned to school.

By Clemency

School Play

On the 8th and the 9th of December 2016 we did 3 school performances of our nativity Superstar as I am sure you know. On behalf of Orton School I thank you for all the support you have given us. We hope you enjoyed it.

By Rowan.



Orton Churchyard Conservation Project

- **Children** from Tiny Hillbillies - Orton village toddler group - came to plant bulbs in the churchyard at the end of November, in beds dug and prepared by David Merritt.



- **Firewood:** several people have bought firewood, from the Leylandii trees already felled and sawn up, and have given donations to the funds; we are very grateful to a villager who has come with his chain saw - and wearing all the proper protective clothing! - to cut the trunks into accessible sizes. There will be masses more firewood available when more trees are felled and sawn up, but we are awaiting a few nights of hard frost, to render the ground hard enough to bear the tree surgeon's equipment.

- **Looking ahead:**

On 29th April the Sedbergh Young Rangers (Westmorland Dales) Group are coming to re-instate the footpath between the wooden stile (by the new gate) and the step stile over the stone wall. They have said that any young people of secondary school age from Orton are welcome to join them.

If you think that you (or your children) might be interested, please let me know in good time, as various bits of paperwork need to be completed. You will not be allowed to join in without this!

Mary Jenkin
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SHAP NEWS

An introduction to MULL, IONA, STAFFA AND THE TRESHNISH ISLES

An illustrated talk by Stephen Mott
Saturday March 4th at 7.30pm
at Shap Memorial Hall

Admission at the door: £6 per person or £15 for family tickets (2 adults and children under 18) to include refreshments. Raffle.

ALL PROCEEDS will go towards the upkeep of Shap Memorial Hall.

For further information contact Stephen Mott
tel. 01931-716122 or stephen@mott.me.uk

Highlights Performances at Shap Memorial Hall

Sunday 12th February at 7.30pm

'The Hut People' present an infectious blend of world folk on accordion and percussion.

One of the most unique, entertaining and best loved acts on today's UK folk scene arrive in Shap and will be taking audiences on a musical voyage across the globe with their hugely entertaining blend of 'world folk'.

Great music aside, a show from The Hut People is filled to the brim with spontaneity, often hilarious patter and a 110% commitment to their getting-the-crowd-involved ethos. Audiences can expect feel-good dancing tunes, audience participation and humour aplenty - with some Quebecois foot percussion & dancing thrown in for good measure.

Thursday 6th April at 7.30pm
Theatre by the Lake presents
'Two-Way Mirror'

Two-Way Mirror combines two beautiful and rarely performed one-act plays by the great American playwright Arthur Miller. Written in the 1960's, first presented in 1982 and not seen since 1989, this double bill explores illusion, love and the power of desire.

In the thrilling yet tender *Some Kind of Love Story*, a private detective is determined to expose a miscarriage of justice. But his fragile ex-lover seems to know more than she's telling and as the pressure grows, reality and truth prove harder and harder to grasp.

Elegy for a Lady follows a conversation between a shopkeeper and a man searching for a gift for his dying mistress. Confidences and secrets are shared in an intimate exchange through which we question how well we ever really know the ones we love.

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Orton Market Hall
Saturday 25th February at 7.30pm

Highlights Rural Touring and the Spitz & Co comedy duo are bringing some hilarity to Orton Market Hall with a riotously funny show revealing just what happens when a glamorous French actress and her hapless assistant stage their own unique version of Ridley Scott's Hollywood epic, *Gladiator*.

Gloria Delaneuf is well-versed in mime, mask, and the mysteries of stagecraft. Her UK tour manager, Josephine Cunningham, is not. Together they have created **Gloriator** - an awe-inspiring production of bravery, honour, and costumes made out of cardboard. Russell Crowe may not be available, but they are determined it will be a show you'll never forget.

Unique and eccentric, **Gloriator** is an inventive, physical, and very silly show for anyone aged 12 or over. It uses high-energy comedy theatre, non-traditional clowning and lots of cardboard to create what should be a some great entertainment.

Gloriator was created by Spitz & Co - the French/English female comedy duo of Susie Donkin and Pauline Morel. Susie is a comedy writer/performer who was one half of female double-act McDougall & Donkin, a member of the sketch group Bearded Ladies (Radio 4, BBC2, Channel 4) and a writer and performer in all five series of the BAFTA winning "Horrible Histories" for CBBC. Pauline is from France and is an award-winning actress and a producer. She ran her own theatre company in Paris, trained as a clown and is also a Giggle Doctor with the renowned Theodora Children's Charity.

"Catch them now before they're selling out the Albert Hall"

Mel Giedroyc, Woman's Weekly Magazine

Date/ Time: Saturday 25th February from 7.30pm.

Venue: Orton Market Hall

Tickets: Adult £9, Child (under 16) £5 and a family ticket for £20

Bookings: Tickets are available from Orton Village Store, from Sally on 24732 or online at www.highlightsnorth.co.uk

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Saturday 11th March, 7.30 p.m. start

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Proceeds to Newbiggin on Lune Village Hall

Ravenstonedale Dance Club are organizing a Ceilidh in Newbiggin V.H. on Saturday 11th March. All proceeds from the evening will go to the V.H. funds.

We hope that as many local people as possible will come along to support this event & support the local hall. It will be an evening for everyone to join in and enjoy themselves. Your support would be very much APPRECIATED. Please see the poster for more details & ring for any more information.

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LUNE LADIES PROGRAMME Spring 17

All visits and meetings are held on the
1st Wednesday of the month
and meetings start at 7.30pm
at Newbiggin-on-Lune village hall
(unless otherwise indicated)

1st February - Guide Dogs, a talk by
Jean Bunting

1st March - Jessica from Royal
School of Needlework.

5th April - Visit to Haughey's
Antiques Kirkby Stephen with wine
and nibbles. Please note visit starts
at 7pm prompt.

Please let Carole know if you intend to
join any of the trips.

Tel: 015396 23226

**RAVENSTONEDALE PARISH
HISTORY GROUP**

**WEDNESDAY 15th FEBRUARY
7.30 p.m.**

**Ravenstonedale High Chapel
Community & Heritage Centre**

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688057 or e-mail history@ravenstonedale.org



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NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting is on
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Psalm 114: 8 *'Who turned the rock into a pool, the hard rock
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Transcribed Parish Registers from 1650–1826
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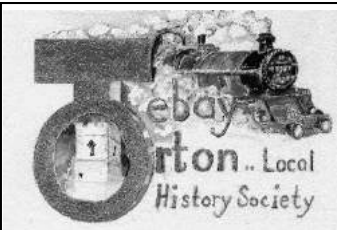
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**Orton & Tebay
Local History
Society**

December and January: No meeting

Thursday 16th February

"Weather Lore" with Jean Scott-Smith
7.30 p.m. at Orton Methodist Church

Thursday 16th March

**"All kinds of things": Alan Head with his
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Orton & Tebay Local History Society

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one day a week - you can guess what day - to save paying
rent.

Moss Reeve: an official who oversaw contracts to cut
peat for use as fuel

Muffin Maker: made small items such as plates and
bowls in the pottery industry.

Ravenstonedale

Forthcoming events *Spring 2017*

Monday, 6th February

Bible Discussion Group
at 3 Hilldale View, Gaisgill, Tebay
7.30pm. All welcome

Wednesday, 15th February

Ravenstonedale Parish History Group
7.30pm Talk by Jean Scott Smith
'Over Shap, by track, road & rail'
High Chapel Community Centre 7.30pm

Shrove Tuesday, 28th February

Soup & Pancakes £8.00
12noon-2pm
Studfold, Fell End

Monday, 13th March

Bible Discussion Group
7.30pm. All welcome
Venue to be arranged

Sunday, 19th March

St Oswald's Church
Annual Parochial
Church Meeting
After 9.15am service in Church

Mothering Sunday, 26th March

Special service 10.a.m
St Oswald's Church

Saturday, 20th May

Concert -
Intermedii Choir
St Oswald's Church

Ravenstonedale Folk Dance Club

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anybody who is interested or wishes to enquire more
deeply into the Bible and Christian faith (or lack of it).*

You are all most welcome

(Also Monday, March 13th
venue to be arranged)

Parish Registers

Funerals

7th December 2016: Elizabeth (Betty) Dent (92), of Brantwood, Newbiggin-on-Lune: service and burial at St. Oswald's Church, Ravenstonedale.

9th December 2016: Mary Richardson (89), formerly of The Gables, Ravenstonedale; died at Christian Head Nursing Home, Kirkby Stephen. Service and burial at St. Oswald's Church, Ravenstonedale.

9th January 2017: Joan Dickson (83), formerly of Wardle Barn, Orton: service and burial at All Saints' Church, Orton

10th January 2017: Major Philip Hartland Oulton (83), of Mobberley, Cheshire, formerly of the Old Hall, Kelleth: service and burial at St. Oswald's Church, Ravenstonedale.

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Monthly Lunch Club

Coffee and Chat

The church will be open every Tuesday morning. You are welcome to pop in between 10 and 12 for coffee, cake and chat.

We would love to see you every week or just once in a while.

It's good to get together.

Newbiggin on Lune Village Hall

Tatie Pie Supper

Saturday 25th February at 7-30pm

Admission £8-00 Children £3-00

Followed by Dominos and Raffle

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Newbiggin-on-Lune Men's Meeting

at the

Chapel Hall, at 7.30 p.m.

Wednesday 1st February:

Andy Miller on "The Dambusters"

Wednesday 1st March:

Stan Davis of Kirkby Stephen on "Stick Making"

Newbiggin-on-Lune Public Hall

Contacts:

Chairman : Ian Clayton Tel: 015396 23226

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The cost is **£10.00** for a main course, sweet, and coffee or tea.

It would be lovely to welcome new people - we are a friendly group and there is quite a lot of chatter!

Please let Sally Cannon know if you are able to come (015396 23230 or 07531 544048)

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Kirkby Stephen Station	10.35	10.35
Kirkby Stephen Square	10.45	10.45
Brough Clock	11.03	11.03
Middleton in Teesdale	11.45	
Barnard Castle	12.25	11.40
Barnard Castle	15.30	14.30
Brough Clock	16.05	15.05
Kirkby Stephen Square	16.15	15.15
Kirkby Stephen Station	16.22	15.22
Ravenstonedale School	16.30	15.30
Depot	16.40	15.40

MONDAY ROUTE 571: Brough to Kendal

	OUTWARD	RETURN
Brough Clock	10.05	16.15
Kirkby Stephen	10.20	16.06
Kirkby Stephen West Station	10.30/10.35	15.53/16.00
Ravenstonedale School	10.43	15.44 Garhill
Newbiggin on Lune village hall	10.48	15.40 on A685
Junction 38, Tebay	11.00/11.15	
Mount Pleasant bus stop, Tebay	11.18	15.26
Barnaby Rudge bus stop, Tebay	11.20	15.27
Kendal Morrisons bus stop	11.45	15.00
Stricklandgate	11.51	
Blackhall Road	11.55	14.55
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Blackhall Road layover 1.45 hours		

THURSDAY ROUTE 570: Shap to Kendal

	OUTWARD	RETURN
Ravenstonedale School	10.10	16.35
Shap	10.45	15.57
Orton	11.10	15.37
Mount Pleasant bus stop, Tebay	11.18	15.26
Barnaby Rudge bus stop, Tebay	11.20	15.27
Kendal Morrisons bus stop	11.45	15.00
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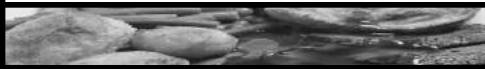
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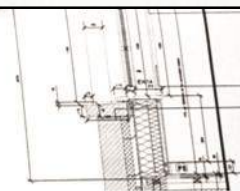
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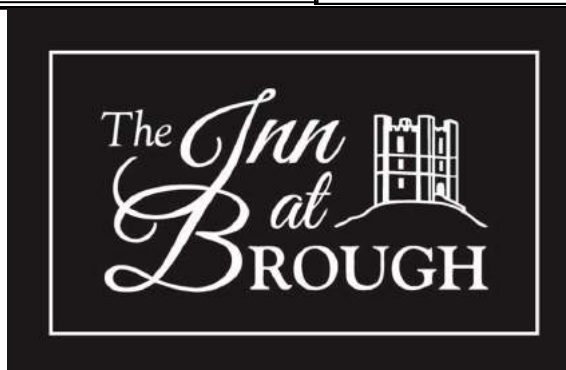
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