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# *A LETTER FROM TIM HARMER*

## **Trust and Obey**

Have you heard the one about the man who was in the men's loo at a popular coffee shop where someone had written on the wall "What Would Jesus Do?" Another person had written directly underneath that, "Wash His hands." Then a third person had written, "And your feet." Witty, irreverent, believable and true to what being a Christian is all about.

I write this a few days after the general election and by the time you will read this the composition of the next government will be known. But one thing we all do is look to the politicians to keep their promises and with the hung parliament, to work for the national interest. We judge the politicians by high standards but do we as Christians live up to our promises and be true to what being a Christian disciple is all about?

Jesus just before he was arrested and crucified told his disciples that he would be leaving them and going to the Father. This wasn't to be a cause for despair but for joy because he was going to be with the Father. And he left the disciples with his peace and also the 'advocate' sent from the Father, the Holy Spirit. God with us to guide us day by day.

Just as the country will hold our politicians to account for the pledges they made during the election campaign we need to understand that the way forward for the church is to remain true to the promises of Christ's teaching. The way to find peace in the context of an increasingly secular society disinterested in faith and in fact hostile to it, is to remember the truth of the gospel. That God loves everyone and Jesus died for you and I to enable us to draw closer and into an intimate relationship with the Father.

How do we make sure we remain true to our calling as disciples of Christ? By meeting together, praying together and learning together, which is what the church has done down the centuries.

Are our politicians serious about their call to public service and serving the national interest or are they just interested in their own advancement? We have to trust that it will be the former. Are we serious about the gospel of God's love for all in Christ, if so, we need to remain true to Christ's teaching and trust in God the Holy Spirit to guide us today.

In the words of the old hymn, trust and obey, there is no other way, to be happy in Jesus but to trust and obey.

*Tim Harmer*

# FROM THE REGISTERS



## Weddings

24<sup>th</sup> April  
Crosthwaite

Thomas Wale and Helen Wilson at St. Mary's,



## Funerals

26<sup>th</sup> April  
Crosthwaite

Ernie Shepherd (81) Funeral at St. Mary's,

## Ernie Shepherd

Ernie was born in Yealand in 1928, but moved to Broad Oak in Crosthwaite when he was just 18 months old. He was above all a Countryman; a farmer, a lover of nature and a true Lakelander. He also loved the hunting tradition in Lakeland. He went to school at Cartmel Fell, joking that he went to "High School" because the school was high up on the fell! He married Rose on his 21<sup>st</sup> birthday in 1949, with whom he had two daughters, and they farmed at Broad Oak following in the steps of his parents. After Rose's sad passing, Ernie married Wendy and he continued to enjoy his love of country life, farming, hunting and gardening. He was also a popular member of the Bowls club in Crosthwaite. Scotland was a place Ernie often visited and it became a land very close to his heart. Above all we should remember Ernie as the true Countryman he was; with his particular jolly demeanour and Lakeland farming sense of humour – his impish smile – his laugh and real sense of fun. That over 270 people attended his funeral is testimony to the respect in which he was held.

## **Holy Days in June**

- 1 Justin, Martyr at Rome, c.165 - Lesser Festival
- 5 Boniface (Wynfrith) of Crediton, Bishop, Apostle of Germany, Martyr, 754 - Lesser Festival
- 8 Thomas Ken, Bishop of Bath and Wells, Nonjuror, Hymn Writer, 1711 - Lesser Festival
- 9 Columba, Abbot of Iona, Missionary, 597 - Lesser Festival
- 11 Barnabas the Apostle - Festival**
- 16 Richard, Bishop of Chichester, 1253 - Lesser Festival
- 22 Alban, first Martyr of Britain, c.250 - Lesser Festival
- 23 Etheldreda, Abbess of Ely, c.678 - Lesser Festival
- 24 The Birth of John the Baptist - Festival**
- 28 Irenæus, Bishop of Lyons, Teacher of the Faith, c.200 - Lesser Festival
- 29 Peter and Paul, Apostles - Festival**

# ***CALLING ALL PARISHIONERS***

## **ORDINATIONS @CARLISLE CATHEDRAL.**

Michelle Woodcock & Brian Crowe are to be Ordained on Sunday July 4<sup>th</sup> @ 10.30am.

We are organising a coach from Crosthwaite to Carlisle departing Punch Bowl at 0815 arriving Carlisle 1000 and departing Carlisle 1500 arriving Crosthwaite 1600/1630.

Cost depends on numbers. Would anyone wishing to book a place please contact John Holmes on 015395 68599 [cjh@coyote-software.com](mailto:cjh@coyote-software.com).

## **COMPLINE AT CARTMEL FELL**

There will be a service of sung Compline at St. Anthony's, Cartmel Fell at 8.00pm on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June. Bring your own candle to make this a special way to round off the day in evening candlelight.

## **PATHFINDERS**

Pathfinders meet at The Vicarage, Crosthwaite this month on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> June from 4.45pm – 6.45pm. We will have a hot meal together followed by ice cream and then spend some time exploring the Christian faith together in active and interesting ways. All young people in Year 5 and above are welcome to attend, but please let us know if you are coming so that we have enough food!

We are also planning our first social event this month – a visit to a 10 pin bowling alley. This is on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> June and we will meet at The Vicarage at 4.30pm for a hot meal before heading off to enjoy some social time at the bowling alley together.

## **ALLEGRI "CONCERT SERVICE" at CROSTHWAITE 6.30pm Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> June**

The Allegri Singers and Players return to Crosthwaite to perform a Concert in the context of our Sunday evening Service. This "Concert Service" is at 6:30pm on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> June in St Mary's, Crosthwaite and is of course free entry. Proceeds from a voluntary retiring collection, however, will be shared between choir and church funds. We will enjoy an exhilarating programme for singers, wind and brass. The first half of the programme contains highly contrasted settings of the Magnificat by Monteverdi and Vivaldi. In the second half they perform Handel's exuberant Te Deum, written by to celebrate the peace of Utrecht. Allegri's twenty-five singers are joined by strings, oboes, trumpets and organ in this exciting programme.

## TWO VALLEYS EMERGENCY PRAYER CHAIN

Here is an updated version of our emergency Prayer Chain - please note the changed order. Should an urgent matter for prayer occur (e.g. an accident, or someone taken ill suddenly, or an operation about to take place) and prayer be needed quickly, those at the top of the list are informed, who then telephone the next person down on the list, who then telephones the next person, and so on. Very quickly a “*chain*” of prayer is set up, and each person commits themselves to pray for the situation there and then. Here is our Prayer Chain for the villages in our Two Valleys team of parishes. Why not cut this page out and keep it by your telephone.

If you want to use the Prayer Chain, call up the people at the top of the list. If they are in, they will pass on the message to the next person on the chain. The prayer request will then travel down the list. In the event of someone being out, a message is left on an answerphone if possible and the next person on the list is contacted - we will try to ensure that the request gets through to everybody in the end.

Do use the Prayer Chain again for follow up information - e.g. if you send a message that someone is extremely ill, please follow up with a message to say what the outcome was, so that those who are praying are informed. If you wish your request to be kept confidential within the Prayer Chain then make that very clear when you contact the first person and ensure they understand to pass that message on.

*If anyone would like to be added to this Prayer Chain list then please contact Rev. Michael Woodcock*

Michael & Michelle  
Woodcock  
015395 68276

June Childe  
015395 60945

Rodney & Margaret  
Sale  
015395 68785

Anne Bennett  
015395 31405

Dorothy Dobson  
015395 68334

Anne Ratcliffe  
015395 52107

Shirley Holt  
015395 68479

June Harmer  
015395 68865

Diane Woollard  
07502182804

### Summer Evening Concert

**At St John's Church Helsington  
on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30pm.**

A varied programme of choral works (including Bruckner, Palestrina,  
Rachmaninoff, Rutter) sung by  
**The Lakeland Singers.**

£7 for entry to include a glass of wine and refreshments during the interval. Tickets available at the door or from PCC members.

## **DAMSON DAY**

Yet another Damson Day has come and gone, and this year as I drove down the Lyth Valley in early afternoon, I couldn't believe what looked like a sea of heads bobbing around marquees, gazebos, refreshment stalls, or returning from orchard walks. It was a perfect day for the event, and the crowds proved that.

Sadly the blossom needed another week or so to put in an appearance but even that didn't stop visitors. There was plenty to see and do, let alone eat and drink. Most of the food and craft stalls had a highly successful day, and the entertainment provided by musicians, children's activities and the cooking and cheese making demonstrations were enjoyed. People watched dry stone walling, dog displays, tried their arms at archery and got a feeling of spring seeing the baby farm animals. There were Fairground rides and felt making workshops for children. Alpacas and sheep were on display and for those interested in damsons, lots of young trees for sale. Balloons and decorations added colour to the scene. The well stocked plant stall was kept busy, and the ice-creams went down a treat. It was good seeing people meeting up with friends and relaxing on hay bales to compare news, or have their lunch. Damson Day is the forerunner of hopefully a successful crop of the fruit in September. In January the Crook Morris dancers of Kendal did their bit wassailing round a chosen damson tree in an attempt to frighten away evil spirits, or to waken the good spirits of the orchards. It's an old custom and you never know, we could have a bumper crop as a result!

A Sunday morning Church Service in a Marquee at Low Farm completed a happy and successful Damson event. We hope to see you all again next year

### **2010 Burton-in-Kendal Art & Craft Society Exhibition 5/6 June**

Entries invited for the 6th Burton-in-Kendal Art & Craft Exhibition in the Burton Memorial Hall, Burton-in-Kendal, Cumbria.

Taking place in the Burton Memorial Hall, Main Street, Burton-in-Kendal, on Saturday 5th and Sunday 6th June, 2010, the exhibition will once again showcase around a hundred paintings in a wide range of painting styles along with craft works ranging from woodwork, glass and ceramics, to textiles and hand-made cards. The Exhibition will be open from 10am-6pm on Saturday and from 10am-4pm on Sunday, and admission is free on both days.

Entries for both the paintings and craft categories are invited now, and more details and entry forms may be obtained from Mrs Kath Hayhurst on 01524 781613 (crafts) or Mrs Paula Firth on 01524 781984 (paintings).

## **NEW EDITORIAL TEAM**

We're very pleased to announce the new editorial team for your Two Valleys News magazine! They are Lorraine Brierley from Crosthwaite parish, who was the magazine's editor from 2004-2008, Emma Taylor from Crook with strong family connections in Underbarrow and Witherslack, and Charles & Ros Walmsley from Windermere, who are members of St. Mary's Crosthwaite and keen bellringers there. Dorothy Grace is part of the team at present but, all being well, will be replaced later in the year by a couple who plan to move permanently to Witherslack in the autumn. Initially the new editors will edit two consecutive editions, and thereafter we may move to a single month rota, with each editing three magazines each year.

Each of the editors can access the [twovalleysnews@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:twovalleysnews@yahoo.co.uk) email inbox when it is their turn to edit, so please continue to use this email address to submit items for the magazine. Items by post should go as usual to the Vicarage in Crosthwaite from where they will be passed on to the relevant editor. Please be patient with us as we get to grips with the editing process!

# ***NOTICES FOR INDIVIDUAL PARISHES***

## **CARTMEL FELL**

### **BLUEBELL WALKS**

Although only a small number of walkers turned up for the Bluebell Walks this year they all enjoyed seeing the spectacular carpets of bluebells during the walks. Cream teas were served afterwards in the Parish Hall and this was then followed by a short evening service in St Anthony's Church led by Rev Michael Woodcock. Thanks to Julian Lambton and Tony and Jenny Boothman for leading the walks and to all the ladies who made scones and helped with the teas in the Parish Hall. £105 was raised which will be sent to Christian Aid.

### **CARTMEL FELL HISTORY SOCIETY**

There will be a guided walk around Kent's Bank to see Thomas Mawson houses and gardens on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30pm. You are very welcome to join us and we will be meeting at the level crossing nearby.

### **ST ANTHONY'S ROTAS COFFEE**

13th Audrey Smith  
27th Bridie Prichard

### **FLOWERS**

Anne Ennett; Jean Berry  
26th Wedding

# CROSTHWAITE

**Calor Cumbria Village of the Year  
2009**

[www.crosthwaiteandlyth.co.uk](http://www.crosthwaiteandlyth.co.uk)

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE ARGLES MEMORIAL HALL, CROSTHWAITE**

To be held in the Hall on  
Tuesday 8th June at 7.30pm

### **AGENDA**

1. Apologies
2. Appointed and elected members
3. Minutes of the last AGM held on 27th May 2010)
4. Matters Arising
5. Chairman's Report
6. Treasurer' Report and Annual Accounts
7. Election of Officers/Trustees
8. Chairman
9. Vice- chairman
10. Secretary
11. Treasurer
12. Any other business

**ALL RESIDENTS OF THE PARISH  
ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND**

### **ANNUAL JUMBLE SALE**

We on the hall committee would like to thank all the helpers who turned up on the Friday night and Saturday afternoon to help with the annual Jumble sale. There were one or two other attractions on that weekend also, but we made a grand profit of £815 for hall funds. It was nice to see everyone either from the village, or further afield. Thank you for your contribution. Jim Gordon Marilyn and Roger

### **CROSTHWAITE FLOWER SHOW**

**Saturday 7th August 2010**

Schedules are now available at Crosthwaite Exchange and from Bowland Bridge Post Office. Vonnie Sharpe will be holding some flower-arranging classes again, prior to the show, which will be open to anybody. More details later.

### **THE EXCHANGE— DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Strawberry Tea – July 14th

We look forward to welcoming you to one or all of these great events!

### **ST MARY'S ROTAS COFFEE**

**13<sup>th</sup> June Margaret & Rodney Sale.**

**27<sup>th</sup> June Caroline & John Holmes.**

### **FLOWERS**

**6<sup>th</sup> June From Wedding 30/5/10.**

**13<sup>th</sup> June Volunteers please.**

**20<sup>th</sup> June Volunteers please.**

**27<sup>th</sup> June Volunteers please.**

**Note: Will Volunteer for Flowers please contact either Vonnie Sharp (52005) or Eileen Alston (68565) – Thank you.**

### **CROSTHWAITE HELPLINE**

Please contact:

Geraldine & Arthur Wilson on 68836

## **HELSINGTON**

### **SECOND SATURDAY COFFEE MORNING**

The 'Second Saturday' Coffee Morning will be held at High Chambers, Brigsteer, on Saturday, 12th June 10.30-12noon. Please 'phone Charlie and Susie Bulman, 68083, for details. Everyone will be most welcome

## **HELINGTON PARISH COUNCIL**

The next meeting of Helington

Parish Council will be held

on **Wednesday 7th July 2010**

starting at **7.30pm** in

**Underbarrow Village Hall**

*Parish Council meetings are open*

*and the public and press are*

*cordially invited*

## **UNDERBARROW**

### **Grow your own Marrow**

Underbarrow Marrow Day Committee is grateful to George Atkinson of Fallen Yew for donating marrow seeds to us from last year's prize-winning marrow. It's still not too late to grow your own marrow for this year's competition on 12<sup>th</sup> September.

If anyone, in particular children, would like some seeds then please contact John and Irene Matthews on 015395 68495.

### **Auction of Promises for Cancer Charities**

Underbarrow Marrow Day Committee would like to thank everyone who supported our Auction of Promises from those who donated to those who attended what was a very successful evening. A special thank you to Colin Tomlinson, our auctioneer who helped us raise a total of £3394.96.

### **UNDERBARROW AND B RADLEY-FIELD SPORTS AND FUN DAY**

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> July, 1.30pm prompt

There will be various races followed by a rounders match and tea in the Institute at approximately 4pm

## **UNDERBARROW HELPLINE**

Please contact:

Frank Hodson on 01539 728280

Mabel Evans on 015395 68481

Tom Handley on 01539 724013

## **WINSTER**

### **SUMMER VILLAGE SERVICE**

**11.00am Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> June**

***followed by BUFFET LUNCH for everyone in Winster***

This year we would like to invite the entire population of Winster to a special Summer Village Service at 11.00am on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> June. This will be an informal Songs of Praise style service with many well known hymns and songs interspersed with appropriate Readings and Poems. We will then offer a Buffet Lunch in the Old School next to the Church immediately afterwards. This new event is designed to bring the whole village together as we celebrate living in this wonderful little community. We do hope you can come and do feel free to invite friends and family as well. A warm welcome awaits.

### **WINSTER ST. GEORGE'S DAY CEILIDH. APRIL 23RD**

A big thank you to all those who joined us for a Ceilidh in Winster Village Hall. A brilliant night was had by all and everyone joined in the dancing with great enthusiasm. Cornerstone played a lot of the old favourites, but also introduced us to some new ones, which caused much hilarity and a lot of confusion. £150 was raised towards Village Hall Funds—thank you all very much.

## **GARDEN OPEN TO SUPPORT WINSTER CHURCH**

By kind permission of Mr. & Mrs.  
K Scowcroft, their gardens at Rosthwaite  
Farm will be open on Sat 17th July 2010 to  
support Holy Trinity Church, Winster and  
St Martins, Bowness. Please make a diary  
note - further details will be published  
nearer the time.

For further information contact Yvonne  
Bradbury 015394 42945

## **BOOK AND PLANT DAY**

Sat 26th June 10.30 - 4.30  
Old School House (next to Church)

We hope that the weather will have  
warmed up for this month's Book and Plant  
Day so that sunny days outside become  
the norm. This year our books seem to be  
getting better and better. Consequently we  
are selling more so please let us have your  
surplus books. With such a cold start to the  
spring plants have been slow to come along  
but if you have any spare we would  
appreciate them. Look forward to seeing  
you in June

Contact Yvonne or Margaret on 015394  
42945/42325

## **HOLY TRINITY FLOWERS**

6th & 13th Penny Porritt  
20th & 27th Marion Chapman

**WITHERSLACK**  
[www.witherslack.org](http://www.witherslack.org)

## **WITHERSLACK COMMUNITY SHOP**

Monday 7.45 – 6.30  
Tuesday 7.45 – 6.30

Wednesday 7.45 – 12.30  
Thursday 7.45 – 6.30  
Friday 7.45 – 7.00  
Saturday 9.00 – 4.00  
Tel. 015395 52188

## **COME AND SING - 5.30PM Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> June**

We plan to hold another time of learning  
some new music, hymns, songs, etc. at  
5.30pm on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> June. Why not  
come along to Witherslack church and have  
a good sing before we break for a cup of tea  
and then continue with a shortened service  
of Evensong at 6.30pm. We did this last  
year with great success and it boosted our  
confidence in singing out in church as well  
as energising those lungs. Singing is very  
good for you – a natural human outlet for  
all that is going on inside us.

## **SPECIAL "SUMMER VILLAGE SERVICE" 3.30PM SUNDAY 11<sup>th</sup> JULY at Witherslack Church**

We would like to invite everyone in  
Witherslack, Meathop and Ulpha to another  
special, one-off "Summer Village service"  
at Witherslack church. Perhaps you haven't  
been to church for a long time? Perhaps  
you have never been? Or perhaps you  
come regularly? Whoever you are and  
whatever your experiences we want to  
throw this open invitation out to you to  
come along and see. People are often  
pleasantly surprised by what they find at  
church these days. The service will last just  
 $\frac{3}{4}$  of an hour or so and we plan to serve  
special refreshments afterwards. Remember  
3.30pm on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> July. Why not come  
with a friend or neighbour? Come and see.

## **WITHERSLACK CHURCHYARD**

It has come to the attention of the Church  
Council that there are several graves in the  
churchyard which have artificial flowers

placed upon them. We need to remind parishioners gently that no plastic or artificial flowers are permitted in our churchyards in accordance with the Regulations set down by the diocese, true throughout the Church of England:

*“Artificial flowers are not allowed except for Remembrance Day poppies (on graves of men and women who served in the armed forces) and traditional Christmas wreaths but these should be removed after no more than 2 months” Regulation 4.1.7.*

We would like to ask that all artificial flowers and dead wreaths are removed from graves by the 19<sup>th</sup> June. Any that remain beyond that date will be removed. We are sorry that this may cause inconvenience or any distress and it may be that we can suggest alternatives to artificial flowers;

*“Wreaths or cut flowers may be laid directly on the grave or placed in authorised sunken containers which preferably should be made of unpolished aluminium. Dead flowers are unsightly and disrespectful. Those placing the flowers should remove them when they appear withered and should not be upset if those responsible for the churchyard remove dead flowers as and when they observe them”. Regulation 4.1.6.*

We can also suggest the planting of spring bulbs that are a living, permanent reminder of life, instead of using artificial flowers. We thank you for your co-operation in all this and hope that everyone will abide by the Regulations so as to be fair to everyone else and to ensure our Churchyard remains a sacred and respectful place.

Witherslack PCC

## **SUNDAY CLUB**

The next Sunday Club will be on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> June. We meet at St. Paul’s church, Witherslack from 9.30am - 10.30am. All children aged 3 - 12 are welcome and will enjoy making friends with our small existing group who eat biscuits, play games and create craft items! For more details phone Michelle Woodcock on 015395 68276.

### **In Aid of St. Paul’s Church Special Coffee Evening -with special coffees!**

7pm Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July

In the Barwick Hall

£1 entrance includes a drink and cake

**Refreshments, raffles, cakes, plants,  
gifts, books**

*All contributions welcome*

## **WITHERSLACK SHORT MAT BOWLING CLUB**

Don't be shy, come along and have a go! A warm welcome is extended to all, bowlers and beginners alike. Enjoy the social atmosphere, refreshments and chat. We meet on **Wednesday evenings at 7.30pm** in Witherslack Village Hall. All equipment is provided. If you need more information, phone Ann on 52313 or Danny on 52202.

## **ST PAUL’S ROTAS SIDESMEN & READERS**

6th Anne Duffin; Hilda Jarvis

13th Danny Jackson; Clarence Bratherton

20th Richard Coates & Steve Hodgson;

Trevor Farrer

27th Val Pattinson;

## **FLOWERS**

Mrs J Cannon, Mrs J Atkinson

**They're Back! Those wonderful Church Bulletins! These sentences actually appeared in church bulletins or were announced in church services:**

*Low Self Esteem Support Group will meet Thursday at 7pm. Please use the back door.*

*A bean supper will be held on Tuesday evening in the church hall. Music will follow.*

*Next Thursday there will be tryouts for the choir. They need all the help they can get.*

*The ladies of the Church have cast off clothing of every kind. They may be seen in the basement on Friday afternoon.*



## **BRIGSTEER**

The W.I. meeting will be at Trevol, Brigsteer, on June 10th at 7.30pm. The speaker will be Christine Marshall, talking about 'Handbags to Reticule'. Please phone Elizabeth Bradshaw on 68434, for further details.

## **CARTMEL FELL**

.At the May meeting the Proposed Annual Resolution for "The mandatory labelling of food products' country of origin on all foods" was presented by Doris Aldworth, WI Adviser for Westmorland. Members discussed the presented resolution and also the process for the selection of annual resolutions. Members agreed in principle with the proposed resolution but considered that it was badly worded and impractical as it stands. It was suggested that proposed resolutions need to be professionally assessed before being put to the members

with an increase of time during the selection process for members to put forward their ideas before resolutions are adopted.

There will be a 'Walk around Kendal' on Wednesday 23rd June at 6.30pm followed by dinner.

Further information from Anne Ratcliffe  
015395 52107

## **CROSTHWAITE & LYTH**

Crosthwaite and Lyth W.I. held a very well attended open meeting, when Susannah Bleakley, the Chief Executive of the Morecambe Bay Partnership gave a fascinating audio visual presentation on the work of the Partnership, and the many and varied groups that work and play in Morecambe Bay. She explained how these groups are, after 12 years of hard work, now much more co-ordinated, and meet in a variety of forums. There has over the past 7 years, been a tremendous amount of volunteer time devoted to litter picking, with over 30 tons removed by close on 5,000 people. She explained how plastic does not disintegrated, but becomes tiny

particles on the beach and in the sea which are ingested by fish, leading to high levels of PCBs in populations where a lot of fish is eaten. This damages the immune system. Susannah gave us a very stimulating evening, and if you ever get the opportunity to hear her speak on this subject we would encourage you to take it. The next meeting will be the Summer Outing to Rydal Hall on Thursday June 17th, where we will be given a tour by the Head Gardner, followed by tea. Friends are welcome to join us. Please contact Mrs. Jean Seal on 68425

## **UNDERBARROW**

Last month the WI guest speaker was Maureen Lamb who gave us an interesting account of the background to Farfield Mill in Sedbergh. In 1992 she became involved with it after hearing the existing building was to be demolished. She arranged a meeting in the people's hall which aroused some interest although the Chairman didn't hold out much hope of support. However the existing owners were prepared to sell it. The original structure was built in 1792, Sedbergh's first mill on 9 acres. During the 2nd world war, Avro Hanson needed aeroplane parts and Farfield mill was used. In 1992 Farfield was designated a heritage site and the Lottery gave two hundred thousand pounds towards it, and another thirty thousand came in for a feasibility study. In 1997 the locals raised another forty thousand and in 2001 the mill was re-opened. They now have a Cafe, run events, exhibitions and workshops, photography and weaving classes, all under the umbrella of the Sedbergh & District Arts Trust.

The fundraising Coffee, plants and cakes morning on the 21st raised nearly £500. A portion of this will go to the ACWW

Project in the Ukraine 'Training orphan girls for family life'.

## **WITHERSLACK**

Seventeen members attended the "Resolutions" meeting chaired by Tilly van Rees. The Federation Walks hosted by Witherslack went off well and all who had helped with baking, leading walks or other duties were thanked. Over 90 people came and the weather was good. Pru Dodgson was thanked for organising a visit to Swarthmoor Hall which had been much enjoyed. NOT enjoyed was the Lyth Valley Spring Group Meeting which did not come up to WI standards.

The collection for Pennies for Friendship was started and a draw for the free tickets for Holker Garden Festival made 2 ladies happy. The Summer Outing in August will be a train journey to Ravenglass, then a trip on "Lile Ratty".

Tilly van Rees gave a report on the Half Yearly Council Meeting. Ann Walshaw then took us through the one Resolution which will be discussed at the AGM. All voted in favour.

Carol Hayes who had been in the team that went to the Congo to the "Heal Africa" project, then spoke about her experience and answered a lot of questions. There will be a display in the Parish Hall on June 13th which will tell more. Jackie Ratcliffe was congratulated on raising £1000 for the charity.

Next meeting June 8th: The Life of Arthur Ransome by Robert Thompson. Visitors always welcome. Tel 52302

# REGULAR EVENTS

## BRIGSTEER

Scottish Dancing	Thursdays at 7.30pm at The Institute, Levens
	Contact Pauline Hampson 015395 68672
Table tennis	Tuesdays at 8pm in Underbarrow Village Institute

## CARTMEL FELL

For bookings contact Helen Caldwell Tel. 015395 68428

Women's Institute	First Wednesday in the month at 7.30pm
Local History Society	Second Monday in the month at 8pm during winter
Chi Kung (beginners)	Wednesdays 4-5pm
Tai Chi	Thursdays 4-5pm

## CROSTHWAITE MEMORIAL HALL

Check bookings online at <http://www.crosthwaiteandlyth.co.uk>

Art Club	Mondays 1.45pm now on its summer break
Rainbows	Mondays 4.30pm-5.30pm
Playgroup	Tuesdays & Thursdays 9.30-11.30am
Exchange	1st Wednesday 1pm-4pm; other Weds 2pm-4pm
Women's Institute	Every 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm

## UNDERBARROW INSTITUTE

Quilting class	Mondays 2-4pm
Billiards Club	Mondays from 7.30pm
Brigsteer Table tennis	Tuesdays 8pm (see above)
WI	Every 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm (1.30pm in Nov, Dec, Jan & Feb)

## WINSTER

Book & Plant days	10.30am-4.30pm last Saturday in the month
Keep Fit	Mondays 9.30am-10.30am
Line Dancing Classes	Mondays 7.30pm-9.30pm at Winster Village Hall

## WITHERSLACK

Indoor Bowling	Wednesdays 7.30-10pm
Parent & Toddler Group	Tuesdays 10am until noon
Tea & Chat Group	Every 1st Tuesday of the month at 2pm
Women's Institute	Every 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm
The Art Club	Fridays 9.30am-12.30pm