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Summers Past, Present: - and Future?

The long daylight of June and July gives us time to be out and about, whether working hard to make the most of the season or taking time out to enjoy some warmth after a very long, chilly winter and late spring.

At last the natural world, pent up waiting for warmth to come, has exploded into summer with trees in full leaf all around. The long winter has taken its toll, with late snow and frosts holding back the grass and making lambing difficult this year for upland farms.

May Day heralded the beginning of summer in the ancient calendar and in some ways that continues in the agricultural world – we still have to wait for the grass to start growing. By June and into July, our forebears worked long hours to ensure any crops and stock were grown on, in time for the harvest and another turn of the year towards winter. Daylight brought hard work outdoors as well as inside, freshening the air and clearing out the dust and moulds of damp winter.

Rushbearing was part of the summer round, harvesting the fresh rushes from Grasmere to lay on beaten earth floors anew. Clearing out the old and bringing in the new was part of community life and we echo that rhythm in our annual Rushbearing Festival. On 14th July this year (the second Saturday), we'll process through the village with the Ulverston Brass Band playing, led by the cross, choir and Rush Maidens, followed by schoolchildren and villagers carrying the bearings (wooden frames) that have been wound with rushes by patient hands in the days before.

Some of the bearings dates back a long way and most are symbols with meanings. Families used to carry particular bearings and some large frames took two strong people to process them. Some have been carried in past years by young men who served our nation in the **First World War**, including sons and brothers whose names are on our war memorials who did not return. This year we are remembering the final summer of that sobering time of conflict.

A hundred years ago, our nation was war-weary. This year, as the bearings are processed once more for Grasmere Rushbearing, we will remember former rush bearers, the Fallen of our village from 1914-18. Brave and strong, we will remember them as we process again.

Two weeks later, on **Saturday 28th July**, we will gather to remember **Nurse Nellie Taylor**, who gave her life in war service 100 years ago. There will be a

talk by her great-nephew, Mr John Taylor, and an organ recital by Ian Hare, St Oswald's Church organist and director of music. The organ was donated by Nellie's parents in her memory and has been played for 95 years, bringing outstanding music to accompany the singing in our village gatherings, concerts and our worship.

There are a number of initiatives in Grasmere to remember the conflict of 1914-18, culminating in Remembrance Sunday in November, this year on Armistice Day itself. Poppies are being made for a display and installation. Grasmere Primary School are preparing their contribution. A century on, may our Rushbearing honour those who carried the bearings faithfully before the war years who did not come home. May we take part in our turn and keep our village memories alive, passing on the stories and traditions to our children, *lest we forget*.

Let us remember the Fallen, Nurse Nellie and all the people who supported the serving soldiers on the front, in field hospitals and evacuating casualties home. Everyone played their part, including behind the scenes back at home.

Will there be a summer when the rushes grow in Grasmere without us cutting them? Will there be a summer in the future when we do not process? To pass on the stories and keep the festival going, villagers all play their part. This year, if enough people are willing to take part, the rushes will again be cut, wound, processed and laid on the church floor. **This centenary year, together let us remember, and in loving memory keep the Grasmere Rushbearing festival alive.**

May God bless our village, vale and visitors this summer. Gill

Update on Gill's research

Those who attended the Grasmere Fellowship opening talk last September will know that Gill (our parish priest, part time) is involved in doctoral research with the University of Chester, about marriage in the Church of England. She is completing her 7th year of part-time study and research and now it's 'crunch time' when the thesis has to be written up and submitted.

Due to her mother's surgery last summer and death earlier this year, Gill suspended from the course for four months and now has a final deadline of January 2019. This means a full first draft submission is due this September,

for her supervisors to read and require further work prior to submission for external examination. The doctoral progress is rigorous, as you would expect, so that the research is valid and useful to others in the field of pastoral ministry and also international academic research. The writing deadline means that Gill will be based at home in Hawkshead for much of each week, except for her parish duties, till the end of September first draft is in. No holidays till it's done! *GH*

WI NEWS

April's speaker Ron Davies spent 25 years as head gardener at Winderwath in Temple Sowerby, where he has raised from seed a wonderful collection of rare Himalayan, New Zealand and alpine plants. His colourful photographs illustrated a year's cycle in this Cumbrian garden. Even the most green-fingered members were impressed with Ron's knowledge and skill.

Several members enjoyed a 'grand day out' in Keswick to visit the museum's special exhibition "HERstory" illustrating Keswick's story through the eyes of women, to celebrate the centenary of women's suffrage. The large group travelled by bus in time for lunch in the adjoining cafe, followed by a guided tour of the Museum.

The May meeting was cancelled so that members could attend the memorial service for Bob Allen. Sadly, after the tragic death of Matt Campbell, the planned talk by Cecilia Campbell cannot take place before she leaves for Sweden. We send our heartfelt condolences to Lin, Cecilia and their families.

The speaker at the next meeting is Peter Taylor. His talk will cover his role as a chaplain in schools and in the workplace as well as his current role as chaplain of Ulverston's hospice. This will take place on Thursday 10th June at 2pm in the Tithe Barn. Visitors and non-members are always welcome at meetings, £4 including refreshments.

There is a change to the meeting on 12th July, which will take place at 2pm in St Oswald's Church where members will be busy rushwinding in preparation for Rushbearing on 14th July. Doreen Harrison will instead host the meeting in May next year, when her garden at Fox How should be in full bloom.

North West Air Ambulance have now confirmed that, with most items now sold, the total raised at our Gather Day in February is £1896:00 - our best ever

total! Thank you once again for supporting the event and raising funds for this essential service.

Myra McCraith

Knit and Nat

In June we will meet on Friday 8th and Tuesday 26th. Our dates in July dates will be: Friday 13th and Tuesday 24th. The Reading Room is open by 2pm and we stay until 4pm. As usual, we welcome anyone, any age, to join us for the afternoon, or any part of it; with knitting or just to nat.

We have all been busy and to date we have gathered in 350 poppies which are counted and bagged thanks to one of our organised members. There is no panic yet but if your poppies are finished we will collect them from you or you could bring them to one of our meetings.

We now have the challenge of how we are going to display them to do justice to such a memory. Naturally, as you would expect, there have been many suggestions from the very first one where we thought it would be possible to create a waterfall rather like at the Tower of London using netting, this progressed to creating a figure of a soldier out of chicken wire and covering it in the knitted poppies. It was even suggested that as I had been on a willow weaving day I should be able to create a soldier from willow to be covered with poppies! At our May meeting someone had the idea of making small soldiers from polystyrene which we could then cover with the poppies (my vision was of something rather like Terracotta Army). Google has generated further ideas for our discussion: making a trail of poppies leading from church to the war memorial in the park, making a massive cloth poppy on a wall hanging and attaching the knitted ones onto it along with a relevant quotation and creating a very large wreath decorated with knitted poppies. We will meet with Gill and other church members to come to a final decision soon, hopefully before the next magazine is published.

There is still time if you haven't yet done any poppies and would like to be part of this project. We have used up all our donated wool but I have bought more and it is available from me for £1.40 a ball. Do contact me and I will bring some to you.

Christine Batey

Grasmere Book Group

April's book group discussed Tove Jansson's short stories *Letters from Klara* (published in 1991 but translated into English for the first time in 2017). Most people found the stories engaging and awkwardly charming. Some people found them simply awkward. All agreed they stuck in the memory with last sentences and hidden meanings to make you think. Conversation also dwelt on Jansson as culturally Swedish, given the interesting position of Jansson as a Swedish-speaking Finn and on questions of translation.

May's meeting covered Jackie Kay's memoir *Red Dust Road* (2010), the story of her search for her birth parents. Kay, the current Scottish makar, was born to a Nigerian student and a nurse from the Highlands and adopted by white Glaswegian communist parents. The book takes us to such exotic locales as Nairn, Nigeria and Milton Keynes as Kay reconnects with lost family members. Conversation touched on the difficulties faced growing up Black in a predominantly White Glaswegian community, surprise at her birth parents religious conversions and the role of song and togetherness in creating a sense of extended family.

Thank you to all who came to Emma's Dell in May to hear visiting Canadian novelist Kathleen Winter discuss her work. Look out for more author events soon.

Our next meetings are 8pm on Thursday June 14th and Thursday July 12th in the Foyle Room at the Wordsworth Trust. June's meeting will discuss Zadie Smith's latest novel, *Swing Time* (2016). In July we'll be reading a classic French novel in the form of Emile Zola's *Thérèse Raquin* (1867). We've suggested reading poet Adam Thorpe's 2013 translation.

For those planning ahead, our August book will be Kamila Shamsie's *Burnt Shadows* (2009).
Polly and Will

ONE MAN AND HIS SHEPHERDS HUT

New local resident seeking to rent or purchase space on a piece of land, from a garden corner to a small field, to locate my Shepherds Hut. Please contact
Greg on 07917 061974 email: travelspace@msn.com

Facebook page: @GregsShepherdsHut

Music Notes

June is relatively quiet from a musical point of view this year, but there are a number of events coming up in July and looking ahead to August. On **Saturday 7th July at 7.00 p.m.** there will be a concert, given by young Music Scholars from **Glenalmond College** in Perthshire, which has a very strong musical reputation under the Director of Music Tim Ridley. The following week on **Saturday 14th** the **Ulverston Town Band** will lead the Rushbearing procession and later give a **concert in St Oswald's at 5.00 p.m.**

On **Saturday 28th July at 7.30 p.m.** there will be an important **Organ Concert** at which the Organ Appeal will be officially launched. As we have discovered at recent recitals, there are various mechanical faults which are symptomatic of the need for a thorough renovation of this fine instrument. The aim is to achieve this in good time for the organ's centenary in 2023, at a probable cost of £150,000 - £200,000. The concert itself will be based around the theme of the Great War Anniversary, with appropriate music by Elgar, Walford Davies and others. The organ was donated by Mr & Mrs John Taylor in memory of their daughter Nellie, and the current John Taylor will be speaking about the impact of the Great War on Grasmere and its people.

Sunday 5th August is St. Oswald's Day, and the church choir will sing **Evensong at 4.00 p.m.** to mark this historic link with our patron saint.

Ian Hare

Events at the Wordsworth Trust

Now the summer season is well and truly underway, we've got lots of events and activities for all ages and interests taking place every week here in Town End.

Discover Poetry with Polly Atkin will continue on Thursday 7th June and Thursday 5th July at 7.30pm with shared reading and discussion of some seasonal poems in Dove Cottage (or the garden if it's sunny!). The poetry writing group **Dove Cottage Poets** will also meet on these dates, at 2.30pm, for anyone who feels inspired to write their own poetry. It is an informal self-led group and you would be very welcome.

Grasmere History Group are meeting on Friday 8th June and Tuesday 3rd July. The June date has moved to facilitate an evening with author Toby Litt to celebrate his new book *Wrestliana*, inspired by his ancestor William Litt who was a champion Cumbrian wrestler and author in the early 1800s. We will enjoy a talk by Toby and then a glass of beer in Dove Cottage, kindly donated by Paul and Beth Abbott at Grasmere Brewery.

Our Saturday talk in June is **The Opium-Eating Editor: Thomas De Quincey and *The Westmorland Gazette*** with Rob Morrison on Saturday 9th June at 4pm, in celebration of the 200th anniversary of our local paper and its first editor, who was living in Dove Cottage at the time. On Saturday 28th July, we welcome back Alison Critchlow and Alex Jakob-Whitworth for a close look at some of the treasures in our fine art collection in **Artists on Art**. Their perspective on our watercolour landscape collection in a similar event last autumn was fascinating listening and enjoyed by a large audience.

If you've ever wanted to know more about the day-to-day work of the Trust in caring for Dove Cottage and garden, the Wordsworth Museum and a collection of over 65,000 artefacts, now is your chance to find out in a brand new series titled **Introducing...** Every week from now until September, we will be giving a short informal talk on Wordsworth's poetry (Tuesdays), the garden (Wednesdays), the exhibition (Thursdays) and the Jerwood Centre (Fridays). All start at 11.30am and all are free to join so do pop in if you wish.

There are Wordsworth-themed guided walks with volunteers from the National Park and the Wordsworth Trust around Ullswater on Saturday 2nd June and Sunday 8th July – meet in Glenridding at the Information Centre to join us.

Finally, during the July summer holidays there will be plenty of great things for kids to do – storytime for the little ones, craft and play afternoons for children age 3 and over and Outdoor Explorer sessions looking at the plants and animals living around Dove Cottage. We're really pleased our 3-day **Culture Camp** is back and this year we're partnering with Theatre by the Lake in Keswick to add some drama activities to the schedule, please check our website for more information.

As always, please visit our website or contact us on 015394 35544 for more information about any events or activities. We look forward to seeing you soon.

Alice Carthy Events Officer The Wordsworth Trust

Grasmere Village Society

The sad news that Paul Hebson, a well-loved member of our community, had died unexpectedly and was to be commemorated on 19th April, led to our decision to postpone our AGM as a mark of respect. We were intending to repeat last year's convivial gathering and informal social evening, but it did not seem appropriate on the day of Paul's funeral, a very moving occasion, attended by a packed church. In the evening Paul was commemorated in the Reading Room, which he had served so well through the years.

In the weeks that followed we heard of the deaths of three other individuals who made important contributions to our community: Bob Allen, Alf Henderson, who looked after the church organ for many years and Allen Green, a founder member of the GVS and long-time postmaster. It is a reminder of how important individuals are and how we should cherish them.

GVS AGM and Open Evening, 8th May

This was again a great success and attracted even more people than last year. Display boards were put around the hall to give the latest information on red squirrels, the Village Hall improvements, future plans for a sensory garden at the Wordsworth Trust and the Broadgate Meadow playground equipment along with the Environment Agency's ideas on how to stop the Village from flooding again.

The Lake District National Park Rangers displayed some of the immense task of repairing all the flood damage from Storm Desmond. They also showed details of the Park's new Local Plan, including the allocations of land for employment and housing. There had been many suggestions of sites but in the end only one had been allocated. Reasons for rejection included the unwillingness of landowners to sell the land. This left one site for housing, which is off the A591, almost opposite the new housing estate at Smithy Bridge. There was a great deal of interest in this and many comments both for and against. Everyone is invited to take part in the consultations on this proposal.

Chairman's Report on 2017

This highlighted the work of the committee and commended the many people with different talents who are prepared to work for our community. Our Vice-chair, Nick McCraith is working on the Grasmere Emergency plan as well as with South Lakes District Council on our main project for the year:

improvements to Broadgate Meadow. The display at last year's AGM prompted a generous donation of £10,000 from a benefactor to add to the £20,000 grant from South Lakes District Council plus £3000 from GVS and £2000 locality money. Six items of adult activity equipment are already in place and well-used, with plans for the children's play area and the infrastructure, paths and drainage.

Liz Harrison is concerned with Broadgate Meadow and the war memorial, keeping both clean and tidy. Peter Coward looks after the Cygnet bus shelter and the water fountain. Stuart Fawthrop oversees our posters and organises the litter picks; he purchased new equipment for GVS this year. Lee Rollitt looks after the riverside. Paul and Anne Truelove have been responsible for clearing litter from the lake shore. This has grown increasingly difficult so Paul organised a gallant band of stalwarts to clear up the stretch adjacent to the A591, collecting 144 bags of rubbish in 2 days. Paul is also our planning champion. No threat to the unique character of our area escapes his eagle eye.

Mary Bass, our General Secretary, is an expert at writing letters to councils, government departments, organisations like United Utilities and at the moment the Highway Authority on the dangerous T-junction on the A591 at the northern entrance to Grasmere. Sharon Savasi continues her attempts to get effective action against alien species. Our excellent Treasurer Marguerite Jenkinson also perseveres in the face of frustrations, such as bank changes. Yet again David Dodgson has done a splendid job with the GVS Newsletter as well as being Minutes Secretary.

Tony Lawrence has continued to work hard as Membership Secretary maintaining a high number of members and increasing the level of voluntary donations. Vicky Hughes and Alan Riley who were elected last year have proved valuable members. Vicky organises the monthly farmer's market and involved some local mothers in the Broadgate Meadow project. Alan provides a valuable agricultural viewpoint on issues. Will Clark was co-opted on to the committee towards the end of the year, and has already proved enthusiastic and energetic. We believe in teamwork and co-operation with others such as the new Flood Action Group (on which Tony Lawrence, Paul Truelove and myself sit), the Grasmere Business Partnership, the Buffs, the First Responders and the Women's Institute.

Andrew Saalmans has retired from the committee. He did great work chasing up difficulties with street lighting and looking after Moss Parrock bus shelter.

A new member, Tegan Sharp, was nominated. With this addition Dee Rogers proposed that the whole committee be voted in. Melissa Harwood seconded. The vote in favour was unanimous.

The next meeting of the new committee is Tuesday 12th June. Please pass on any ideas and comments

Vivienne Rees

Grasmere Reading Rooms

Grasmere Reading Rooms continues to be the place to meet socially for league snooker (Thursdays); Pool and Darts; bingo (Friday from 9pm); entertainment nights some Saturdays and quizzes/dominos Sundays. Opening hours are Thursday - Sunday 8-11pm.

The club has two snooker teams in the Milnthorpe and District League and this year saw both holding their own in the league, with the A team making the semi-finals in the knockout League Cup.

As a charity, memberships are key to ensuring the sustainability of this village resource. New, existing and lapsed members can join for £10 for full membership (£5 Associate Members) payable from June 14th for 2018/2019. Bar prices are kept to a sensible level to allow local people to come and enjoy themselves with friends.

The Trustees would like to express their most sincere thanks to founding member and club stalwart, Paul Hebson who sadly passed away in March, after 16 years of quietly working hard to ensure the club remains at the heart of village life and the place to meet and socialise.

If you would like to join, volunteer to help, or to get involved by suggesting or sponsoring entertainment, please contact either Alan Coates or Gavin Clayton.
Gavin Clayton, on behalf of the late Paul Hebson.

Paul Hebson

A heart felt thank you to all who came to St. Oswalds Church on 19th April for the service of thanksgiving for the life of Paul Hebson.

As a family we were humbled by the huge number of friends honouring their connection to Paul through their presence; kind words; cards and donations. We will all treasure our memories of Paul together.

From Barbara, Stephen, Debbie and family.

Farewell to Bob Allen, a Local Celebrity

Bob Allen was a well-known figure in Grasmere. Following a long, successful career in the carpet industry and a secondary one as a writer, he moved to the village with his wife, Lin, in 2005. Bob became an established member of the community, a stalwart who contributed to the Grasmere Players, St Oswald's Church and Probus. He became Chairman of both Grasmere Fellowship and Ambleside Arts Society. In all his roles, he was respected for his boundless enthusiasm, deep commitment and hard work



An ex-President of The Climbers' Club, Bob's celebrity status stemmed mainly from his prowess as a mountaineer: climber, scrambler, walker, fell-runner, ski mountaineer and ice-climber. He was also known through his many walking and scrambling guides to the Lake District, Yorkshire Dales and Snowdonia. Written in his inimitable style, and superbly illustrated with his own photographs, these books have a loyal following, near and far. When not writing about his exploits, Bob was often giving one of his inspiring talks on exploration. He was also an enthusiastic and respected water colour painter.

Bob passed away in hospital on 18th April, aged 82, and his Memorial Service was held in St Oswald's Church on 10th May. His cheerful, engaging personality will be missed by all who knew him. Our sympathy goes out to Lin, their son Jonathan and his family.

Richard Beskeen

Lin Allen would like to thank everyone for their condolences and good wishes following the loss of Bob. She is very grateful for the letters and support from their many friends.

Grasmere Players

Grasmere Players' summer production is Alan Ayckbourn's wonderfully dark comedy "**Neighbourhood Watch**"

Martin and Hilda are hopeful of a lovely quiet life in their new home. Whilst waiting for the neighbours they have invited round for a housewarming drink, Martin spots a young trespasser in their garden.

The gathering decides to form a Neighbourhood Watch and all are hopeful for a tranquil existence - until that is, someone lobs Monty, Martin's beloved garden gnome through the lounge window.

Performances **every Wednesday and Thursday** from **June 13th** until **July 12th**. There will be an extra show on **Friday 13th July**.

All performances at **Grasmere Village Hall 7.30pm**

Tickets **£10** from Barney's Newsbox (35627 during shop hours)

Annie Miller

Grasmere Needs You

Grasmere First Responder group desperately needs new volunteers to train to become Community First Responders. We are now down to 3 volunteers from an initial group of 18 when we started in 2002. Without new people the group cannot continue for much longer.

If you would like to be trained in the use of defibrillator, oxygen cylinders and basic life-saving skills, have a calm and caring disposition, a car and a rough local knowledge of the Grasmere area then we would love to hear from you.

It is purely voluntary and you will only be called by the ambulance service when you are able to attend.

To register an interest or for further information please call Trevor and Helen Eastes at Grasmere Pharmacy or ring Grasmere 35553.

Thank you, *Nigel Prickett (Chairman)*

Grasmere Sports 2018

The forthcoming Grasmere Sports and Show is to be held on **Sunday 26th August**. More details at the website www.grasmeresports.com, where tickets will be available from mid-June. To gain a locals discount they can also be purchased at the National Trust shop in Grasmere on production of evidence that you live within the area, eg. a council tax bill.

Christine Shaw, Grasmere Sports Committee

Grasmere Sports Field, flooding and drainage

Recently I attended a meeting with Grasmere Flood Action group following an Environment Agency meeting in late February. The Directors of the Sports understand the great difficulties endured by residents at the time of Storm Desmond and are aware that EA have a priority to protect homes and businesses, and we wish to work with the Group to achieve a satisfactory outcome. However, the Directors would also like to see the best possible outcome for the sportsfield, as the floodwater goes across the field to escape to the lake below. This puts the field itself at risk, and in particular the pavilion.

Following the flooding, we have put in a lot of work to improve the drainage, in particular by opening up the large Victorian culvert which runs from north to south. There is however more to do, as the storm removed a considerable amount of subsoil, and the whole field needs to receive treatment to improve fertility of the grass sward. Further drains may need to be put in to get the water away to the main culvert.

Let us hope for a fine and sunny Sports Day, and a sunny summer altogether for the various users of the sports field, and for the fortunes of Grasmere Village.

Hal Bagot Chairman, Grasmere Sports Committee Ltd

Grasmere Marquee at Grasmere Sports

Grasmere Sports Committee would like to know if there is any interest in a 'Grasmere Marquee' at the sports this year. We envisage this being a collection of Grasmere businesses, groups and individuals who wish to promote Grasmere. We are aware many people come and don't leave the sportsfield all day and it could be a fantastic showcase for all things Grasmere. If anyone is interested please email Christine Shaw cragchris@googlemail.com and let us know your contact details. *Christine Shaw, Grasmere Sports Committee*

Get Will up a Hill

Following a successful ascent of Snowdon in 2017 which raised £9,500 for spinal charity The Back Up Trust, Will Clark will be setting his sights more locally on scaling the 3117ft fell of Helvellyn from Ullswater.

July 28th has been set aside for this challenge. The trip will be completed using the same specially adapted chair that was pushed up Snowdon.

All monies raised will help improve the parks in Grasmere and Greenbank, Ambleside to ensure the community has two more play areas to be proud of. The layout and equipment will be chosen in consultation with local residents and parents. It is hoped both parks will be completed by the end of the year.

We are still recruiting a team of 15, fit enough to push, and helpers but everyone is welcome to come along for the walk and summit picnic. For more information contact Will Clark. To donate towards the project please go to www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/getwillupahill. Paper forms will also be available closer to the time. *Will Clark*



Wanted: Conference Administrator

The Wordsworth Conference is a volunteer body that runs the long-established Wordsworth Summer Conference and Wordsworth Winter School. We are looking for a self-employed person or retiree with some administrative experience and computer literacy to provide secretarial support for the two events for some years to come. Duties include taking bookings, allocating bedrooms, issuing invoices and receipts, supplying some printed materials, keeping detailed spreadsheet accounts (template provided), and storing some equipment.

We pay £3,000 p.a. (paid at £250 a month). The person appointed will start work in September on the 2019 Winter School, and will need broadband access and a laser printer. Inevitably this work can spread thinly over long periods, but most of it is done in April/May and October/November (for bookings) and short spells in July, early August and early February (for materials).

**To apply, please send a c.v. to Richard Grivil,
wordsworth_conferences@hotmail.co.uk by 18 June.**

Our website: <http://wordsworthconferences.org.uk>

Ambleside Campus Events

The Buried Moon 29 Jun - 1 Jul

The Buried Moon combines storytelling and current scientific knowledge to search for a mythical moon beneath the lakes. The Buried Moon is a partnership project for Lakes Ignite.

Free entry, but booking necessary.

See website for dates/times and how to book.

Ambleside Campus www.cumbria.ac.uk/about/events/ Tel 30274

Lakes Ignite are looking for volunteers for The Buried Moon performances. Can you spare an hour and a half of your time to welcome and help guests on Fri 29th, Sat 30th June or Sun 1st July? Please contact Helen Ficorilli 07980992872 hficorilli@yahoo.co.uk to volunteer.

CALENDAR

June 2018

2 Sat	09:30	Ullswater TIC	In the footsteps of Wordsworth
3 Sun	11:00	St. Oswald's	Trinity 1 - Parish Communion
4 Mon	11:30	Dove Cott. Garden	Introducing the Garden
5 Tue	11:30	Wordswrth Museum	Introducing Wordsworth's Poetry
6 Wed	11:30	Dove Cott. Garden	Introducing the Garden
7 Thu	11:30	Wordswrth Museum	Introducing the Exhibition
7 Thu	14:30	Foyle Room	Dove Cottage Poets
7 Thu	19:30	Dove Cottage	Discover Poetry
8 Fri	10:00	Village Hall	Antiques Fair -> 10th
8 Fri	11:30	Jerwood Centre	Introducing the Jerwood Centre
8 Fri	14:00	Reading Room	Knit & Nat
8 Fri	19:30	Jerwood Centre	History Group
9 Sat	16:00	Jerwood Centre	de Quincey & Westmorland Gazette
10 Sun	11:00	St. Oswald's	Trinity 2 - Parish Communion
10 Sun	14:00	Tithe Barn	WI
12 Tue			GVS Committee
12 Tue	11:30	Wordswrth Museum	Introducing Wordsworth's Poetry
13 Wed	11:30	Dove Cott. Garden	Introducing the Garden
13 Wed	19:30	Village Hall	Grasmere Players
14 Thu	11:30	Wordswrth Museum	Introducing the Exhibition
14 Thu	19:30	Village Hall	Grasmere Players
14 Thu	20:00	Foyle Room	Book Group
15 Fri	11:30	Jerwood Centre	Introducing the Jerwood Centre
16 Sat	12:30	St. Oswald's	Wedding
17 Sun	11:00	St. Oswald's	Trinity 3 - Parish Communion
19 Tue	11:30	Wordswrth Museum	Introducing Wordsworth's Poetry

19 Tue	17:30	Ambleside Campus	IFLAS Open Lecture
20 Wed	11:30	Dove Cott. Garden	Introducing the Garden
20 Wed	19:30	Village Hall	Grasmere Players
21 Thu	11:30	Wordswrth Museum	Introducing the Exhibition
21 Thu	19:30	Village Hall	Grasmere Players
22 Fri	10:00	Village Hall	Antiques Fair -> 24th
22 Fri	11:30	Jerwood Centre	Introducing the Jerwood Centre
24 Sun	11:00	St. Oswald's	John the Baptist - P. Communion
26 Tue	11:30	Wordswrth Museum	Introducing Wordsworth's Poetry
26 Tue	14:00	Reading Room	Knit & Nat
27 Wed	11:30	Dove Cott. Garden	Introducing the Garden
27 Wed	19:30	Village Hall	Grasmere Players
28 Thu	11:30	Wordswrth Museum	Introducing the Exhibition
28 Thu	19:30	Village Hall	Grasmere Players
29 Fri		Ambleside Campus	The Buried Moon
29 Fri	11:30	Jerwood Centre	Introducing the Jerwood Centre
30 Sat		Ambleside Campus	The Buried Moon

July 2018

1 Sun		Ambleside Campus	The Buried Moon
1 Sun	11:00	St. Oswald's	Trinity 5 - Parish Communion
3 Tue	11:30	Wordswrth Museum	Introducing Wordsworth's Poetry
3 Tue	19:30	Jerwood Centre	History Group
4 Wed	19:30	Village Hall	Grasmere Players
5 Thu	11:30	Wordswrth Museum	Introducing the Exhibition
5 Thu	14:30	Foyle Room	Dove Cottage Poets
5 Thu	19:30	Dove Cottage	Discover Poetry
5 Thu	19:30	Village Hall	Grasmere Players
6 Fri	10:00	Village Hall	Antiques Fair -> 8th
6 Fri	11:30	Jerwood Centre	Introducing the Jerwood Centre

7 Sat	19:00	St. Oswald's	Glenalmond Academy concert
8 Sun	9:30	Ullswater TIC	In the footsteps of Wordsworth
8 Sun	11:00	St. Oswald's	Trinity 6 - Parish Communion
10 Tue	11:30	Wordswrth Museum	Introducing Wordsworth's Poetry
11 Wed	11:30	Dove Cott. Garden	Introducing the Garden
11 Wed	19:30	Village Hall	Grasmere Players
12 Thu	11:30	Wordswrth Museum	Introducing the Exhibition
12 Thu	14:00	St. Oswald's	WI - Rushbearing preparation
12 Thu	19:30	Village Hall	Grasmere Players
12 Thu	20:00	Foyle Room	Book Group
13 Fri	10:00	St. Oswald's	Rushbearing Preparation
13 Fri	11:30	Jerwood Centre	Introducing the Jerwood Centre
13 Fri	14:00	Reading Room	Knit & Nat
13 Fri	19:30	Village Hall	Grasmere Players
14 Sat			Rushbearing - see separate notice
15 Sun	11:00	St. Oswald's	Patronal Fest. - Parish Communion
17 Tue	11:30	Wordswrth Museum	Introducing Wordsworth's Poetry
18 Wed	11:30	Dove Cott. Garden	Introducing the Garden
19 Thu	11:30	Wordswrth Museum	Introducing the Exhibition
20 Fri	11:30	Jerwood Centre	Introducing the Jerwood Centre
22 Sun	11:00	St. Oswald's	Mary Magdalene - Parish Communion
24 Tue	11:30	Wordswrth Museum	Introducing Wordsworth's Poetry
24 Tue	14:00	Reading Room	Knit & Nat
24 Tue	14:00	Foyle Room	Photography Techniques
25 Wed	10:30	Brockhole	Wordsworth Wednesday at Brockhole
25 Wed	11:00	St. Oswald's	School Leavers' Service
25 Wed	11:30	Dove Cott. Garden	Introducing the Garden
25 Wed	14:30	W. Tr. Family Room	Stories & Songs for Tiny Tots
26 Thu	11:30	Wordswrth Museum	Introducing the Exhibition

26 Thu	14:30	W. Tr. Family Room	Outdoor Explorers
27 Fri	11:30	Jerwood Centre	Introducing the Jerwood Centre
27 Fri	14:30	Foyle Room	Pop-up Poetry Café
28 Sat		Helvellyn	Get Will up a hill
28 Sat	15:00	Jerwood Centre	Artists on Art
28 Sat	19:30	St. Oswald's	Organ Concert - Taylor memorial
29 Sun	11:00	St. Oswald's	Trinity 9 - Parish Communion
31 Tue	10:00	Foyle Room	Culture Camp
31 Tue	11:30	Wordswrth Museum	Introducing Wordsworth's Poetry

August 2018

2 Thu	10:00	Buffs club	Antiques Fair -> 5th
5 Sun	11:00	St. Oswald's	Trinity 10 - Parish Communion
5 Sun	16:00	St. Oswald's	Choral Evensong

Rushbearing July 2018

Thurs	12th	14.00) Rushbearing preparation in the Church
Fri	13th	10.00)
Sat	14th	10.00)
Sat	14th	15:00	Collect Bearings from Church
		15:30	Procession Commences from School
		16:15	Rushbearing Service in the Church
		17:00	Concert in Church by Ulverston Brass Band

Help will be required in Church on Thursday afternoon, Friday all day and Saturday morning to wind the rushes and decorate bearings, move chairs for the concert and bring crockery over to church. Any contributions of Garden Flowers and Greenery will be most welcome in the church on Saturday morning.

The procession in the afternoon will need marshalls in the School yard and on the streets, and people to give out service sheets on Moss Parrock.

All offers of help gratefully received, please contact Sonia on 35603 or Gill 07712 270933. *Sonia Rickman Churchwarden.*

ROTAS FOR ST.OSWALD'S CHURCH

	Sidesmen / women	Coffee	Elements
3rd Jun	June Maddison Kay Adkins	<i>Shirley Hill</i>	<i>Ann Fawthrop</i>
10th Jun	John Rickman Trevor Eastes	<i>Ann Fawthrop</i>	<i>Pat Taylor</i>
17th Jun	Ann Fawthrop Pat Taylor	<i>Kay Adkins</i>	<i>June Maddison</i>
24th Jun	June Maddison Kay Adkins	<i>Pat Taylor</i>	<i>Ann Fawthrop</i>
1st Jul	John Rickman Trevor Eastes	<i>Tonia Wainwright</i>	<i>Pat Taylor</i>
8th Jul	Ann Fawthrop Pat Taylor	<i>Helen Bunfield</i>	<i>June Maddison</i>
15th Jul	June Maddison Kay Adkins	<i>Shirley Hill</i>	<i>Ann Fawthrop</i>
22nd Jul	John Rickman Trevor Eastes	<i>Ann Fawthrop</i>	<i>Pat Taylor</i>
29th Jul	Ann Fawthrop Pat Taylor	<i>Kay Adkins</i>	<i>June Maddison</i>
5th Aug	June Maddison Kay Adkins	<i>Pat Taylor</i>	<i>Ann Fawthrop</i>

CONTACTS

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Wardens: Mrs Sonia Rickman, 015394 35603 Mrs Helen Bunfield
Secretary: Vacancy Treasurer: Mr John Rickman
Organist: Mr Ian C. Hare MA MusB 017684 83886

Other church contacts

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Home Visiting and Communions

Please contact the appropriate Church and member of the clergy or minister in case of need and at times of sickness for Home Communion. Any of the churches would be happy to pray for any individual, please simply let any of us know the name of the person to be prayed for and that they are agreeable to being prayed for in public.

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