

DIARY DATES (further details elsewhere)

Dec	Mon	3 rd	Colton Parish Council Meeting - Rusland Reading Room - 7pm Satterthwaite Parish Council Meeting - Forestry Offices, Grizedale - 7.30pm
	Tues	4 th	Oxen Park Cinema Club - <i>In the Fade</i> - the Cart House - 7.30pm
	Fri	7 th	Travellers' Tales - Oxen Park Reading Room - 7.30pm-
	Mon	10 th	Christmas Flower Workshop - Rusland Reading Room - 10am Rusland and District WI - Christmas Carol Evening - Satterthwaite Church - 7.30pm
	Fri	14 th	Christmas Flower Workshop - Summer Hill Country House, Hawkshead Hill - 9.30 am -12.30pm
	Sat	15 th	Oxen Park Cinema Club - <i>The Party</i> - the Cart House - 7.30pm
	Mon	25 th	Carols Round the Tree - Satterthwaite Church - 6pm
Jan	Sat	5 th	"11 th Night Party" - Satterthwaite Parish Room - 7.30pm
	Tues	8 th	Oxen Park Cinema Club - <i>Sweet Country</i> - The Cart House - 7.30pm
	Tues	15 th	Rusland and District WI- Satterthwaite Parish Room - 7.30pm

AND IF YOU CAN'T MAKE THE FLOWER WORKSHOP AT RUSLAND

Please join us for a half day workshop from 9.30 to 12.30 on Friday 14th December at Summer Hill Country House on Hawkshead Hill, unless numbers demand more space, in which case, we'll hopefully be at Satterthwaite Parish Room.

We will be making a beautiful Christmas table centrepiece with Hannah from Millefiori and Modello florists. Hannah teaches excellent floristry skills (we won't just be sticking bits of holly in oasis!) and if last year's workshop on wreath making is anything to go by, we'll acquire some brilliant skills and end up with something beautiful.

The cost will be £22 per person to include tuition, all materials and tea/coffee/cake
Please email patsyderry@hotmail.co.uk or tel 015394 36180 to book your place.

Copy date for Jan/Feb edition, 10th January. Please send to: - Liz Cringle Tel: 01229 860274, liggerc@hotmail.com; Colin Barr -Tel: 01229 861408, cjbarr50@gmail.com (please note change of email address); Gordon Wilkinson - Crosslands Tel: 01229 860253; or Frances Townsend - Pepper House, Satterthwaite Tel: 01229 860206, pandftownsend@gmail.com.

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266TH EDITION

This edition is sponsored by All Saints Church, Satterthwaite.

LET THE FESTIVITIES BEGIN!

CHRISTMAS FLOWER WORKSHOP.

10th December at 10am in Rusland Reading Room.

Joan will demonstrate

A Door Welcome,

A Table Arrangement,

A Landscape Arrangement

And an Arrangement in a Terracotta Pot.

£10. Bring your own lunch

Please ring Anne Robinson to book and for further

details - 01229860242

OXEN PARK READING ROOM - TRAVELLERS TALES

Next up on Friday 7th December is Clare Dyson's friend Ross Bower talking about 'Traditional Travels in the Canadian Wilderness'

Book with Carol or Gill of Oxen Park. £4 on the door.

CAROLS ON CHRISTMAS EVE IN SATTERTHWAITE.

Meet round the Christmas Tree at the back of the Church at 6.00pm for a rousing sing-along. There will be a bucket collection as usual on behalf of the C of E Children's Society.

FESTIVITIES AT THE MANOR

The special Christmas Menu is available from 1st to 24th December. It features all your seasonal favourites including smoked salmon, turkey with all the trimmings and a Christmas Pudding tart, as well as various other options.

CHRISTMAS OPENING:

23rd December: the Ulverston Brass Band will be playing a variety of Christmas Carols. You are invited to join in and also enjoy mulled wines and mince pies. Start 8pm.

Christmas Eve: open from 5 pm serving meals.

Christmas Day: open for drinks from 6 pm.

Boxing Day: open for drinks from 5 pm.

27th-30th: open as usual.

New Year's Eve: starting at 7 pm, there will be a party with a FREE buffet, disco and fireworks.

New Year's Day: open for drinks from 5 pm.

For bookings and information, please ring 01229 861345

Rusland and District WI

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CAROL EVENING

Satterthwaite Church - Monday, 10th December- 7.30

Sing your favourite carols, hear the handbell ringers and items by the Satterthwaite Choir.

Wine and mince pies in the interval.

Retiring collection in aid of a defibrillator for Satterthwaite village.

RUSLAND HORIZONS

PRACTICAL CONSERVATION VOLUNTEER DAYS

Tuesday 4th December, Tuesday 8th January, 9 - 4pm

Join our monthly volunteer day to help with woodland restoration and other conservation work. Booking essential via the website. Meet at National Park Southern Office, Lane Ends, Haverthwaite, LA12 8AB.

THE BIG CHRISTMAS BASH

Sunday 9th December - 10 am to 2.30pm for activities, then from 3 pm at The White Hart.

The Big Christmas Bash is a fun day doing conservation activities. It's for everyone and a chance to get your hands dirty while at the same time helping local community and wildlife. After the activities which include Coppicing, Drystone Walling, Tree Planting, Boardwalk Building, Path Improvements and a Bird Box Woodland Walk, we will head to The White Hart in Bouth from 3pm to warm up with hot stew and mulled wine. If you are unable to do any of the activities and would rather just pop in for a drink and a natter please join us.

For full details and to book your place on the Big Christmas Bash or any of our events please visit www.ruslandhorizons.org/whats-on

RUSLAND SPRING SHOW

Now is the time to make sure you will have plenty of entries for the show. So, why not visit your favourite Garden Centre and buy some bulbs - they are often reduced at this time of year.
Happy planting!

OCTOBER RAINFALL

Ulverston Oxen Park Dale Park Brathay
4.42" 6.46" 7.1" 7.1"

The total for November, to 20th, in Dale Park is 5.18"

OXEN PARK CINEMA CLUB

Our December films are IN THE FADE on Tuesday 4th and THE PARTY on Saturday 15th. Two amazing but very different films.

In January we have SWEET COUNTRY on Tuesday 8th and IN BETWEEN a Saturday Supper Special at Finsthwaite on Saturday 18th (not Tuesday as in the programme)

Try 'Googling' a film or look at the OPCC website, check the reviews and find out if it's your style and worth watching.

We continue to fill up so book ahead to be sure of a seat. All films start at 7.30pm.

COLTON PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

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Lengthsman: As the rains of the winter started so Archie turned his attention to making sure as many of the drains in the parish are as clear as possible. It does seem to be a never-ending task, but time spent now not only helps prevent flooding of roads and land but it also means that the roads are less icy when winter really sets in. The councillors are also thinking towards the colder weather and are checking the amount of grit in the grit bins within the parish, if anyone notices a bin which is running low then this can be reported directly to Highways through the online system; go to www.cumbria.gov.uk then roads, report a fault, winter service.

Parish Clerk: After two years of looking after the administration of Colton Parish Council the current clerk has decided to hand over the role. Karen would very much like to thank all the current and previous councillors as well as the local residents for making her job enjoyable and achievable. It does, however leave the council with a gap; we are therefore now in the process of recruiting a new clerk and hopefully will have someone in place in the near future.

Broadband update: Provided by broadband champion, Mike Postle.

93% of Cumbria can now get Superfast broadband and 95% have >10mb. The Connecting Cumbria contract is well under way and general message is if it is not happening now it won't be for a while. Blawith could be connected soon which will help Nibthwaite. Connecting Cumbria has £3.9m but nothing is likely to happen with this until 2020 as the government has stated all properties should have fibre to property rather than fibre to cabinet. Fibre to property is a more expensive option that the £3.9m won't cover. Most of Colton PC can now get fibre either to the property or to a cabinet. Two remaining spots are parts of Colton Hamlet and the area to the North of the parish on the Satterthwaite exchange. Community Fibre Partnership Scheme (CFPS) is now our best hope. Another alternative is using 4G and buying a router that uses mobile data to provide home internet.

Change in contact details: Please note that the email address for the parish council has changed. If you wish to contact us use clerk@coltonparishcouncil.org.uk Our next parish meeting is to be held on Monday 3rd December, 7pm at Rusland Reading Rooms. All are welcome to attend.

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION POPPY APPEAL

The house-to-house collection total for Satterthwaite was £151.26, and the total so far for the district is approximately £3700. Thank you to all who gave so generously to this wonderful organisation.

GRIZEDALE STAGES RALLY

This takes place on Saturday 8th December. ALL tracks on the west side of the forest will be closed.

SATTERTHWAITE PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

We had Kath Smith from Coniston & Catchment Partnership give a presentation at the September meeting.

Coniston & Crake Catchment partnership looks at the health and condition of the subsidiaries feeding the river Crake and Coniston Lake. They received funding for the project for 3 years from the Lottery Fund and are already a year into the project. They monitor water quality and species in the catchment area. They have discovered that Salmon and Eels are in decline and are looking to improve the habitat by advising people on water projects and septic tanks. They also spend time in schools educating the children on the water environment and how to prevent pollution.

They have volunteers who help with the monitoring of the water quality.

The Parish Council have purchased and installed a football net for the playground. Tony Sanders will be making the repairs to the slide in the near future.

We have also asked Coniston Ground Care to clean the tennis court for us.

Pandora Signs are to make a sign for the park and the tennis court from the road end so that people are aware it is there for anyone to use- approximate cost £50.

The road down to the playground is in need of some repair. We are looking into obtaining some stone to fill in the holes, which hopefully be repaired in the New Year.

The Parish helped to get Poppies for the Servicemen from Satterthwaite, who lost their lives serving their country, which are on display in the village.

There is a priority register for essential services which Gary Thomason has been tasked to manage. Due to having vulnerable members of the community this will ensure we get up to date information on supply problems.

The WI have kindly said they would like to donate the proceeds from this year's Carol Concert to the fundraising for the defibrillator.

The road down to the play area is needing some repairs Dawn to see if she can get some gravel donated to fill the potholes.

Car Parking – Gary Thomason is to send in an application for planning permission for the proposed Car Park behind the Church in Satterthwaite and also see if any funding is available for local community improvements.

The lengthsman is busy with other jobs at the moment but we have been asked if he could have a look at the drains in Dale Park. If anyone has other sites that may need looking at, please email Dawn Yoxall clerk.satterthwaitepc@gmail.com

Gary Thomason is to speak to the Highways Department regarding the road at the double gates near Bowkerstead.

Our next meeting will be on 3rd December at 7.30pm

CHURCH NEWS

Dear Friends,

I want you to imagine a child on Christmas day. his child has just unwrapped a present that we can immediately see is perfect. This one present has eclipsed all the others. It's already obvious that when bedtime comes, this present is going on the bedside table or under the pillow. There were other presents, perhaps lots of them, but in the end there is only one present that mattered. This one is the precious one. This one is Christmas. Now, if you are still with me imagining this child, some part of your brain may well have gone ahead to wonder where this is going. You might have guessed that, this being the vicar's letter, we are the child and the present is the gift of Jesus. But look again, who is this child clinging to the present with such love and joy? This child is God who made the world as a place of delight and wonder. The child is God who adores us so much that he'll go to any lengths to be with us, who bears the cost of our folly in his own body. If you get near to that child you can hear her whispering, humming and singing to the present about how cherished and beloved it is. This child is God. And so that means that the present the child is holding is you. For you God longs and yearns and dreams and hopes. Christmas is the moment in history when we see into the heart of God. And what we see is that God could have any present in the universe, God could have stars or waterfalls or meteors or big bangs or rainbows or galaxies or black holes or comets. But at the end of all things, when all the wonders of creation are lying littered across God's living room floor, what do we see but God, a small child, cherishing, relishing, holding, beholding the one thing that really matters to God: us and the world around

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CHURCH SERVICES FOR DECEMBER AND JANUARY

	Sunday	Colton	Rusland	Satterthwaite
Dec	2 nd	9.30 Morning Worship	5pm Evensong	9.45 Holy Communion
	9 th	9.30 Holy Communion	11.15 Holy Communion	6pm Evensong
	16 th	9.30 Morning Worship	5pm Evensong	5pm Celtic Evening Prayer
	23 rd	3pm Carol Service		4pm Carol Service
	25 th		9.30 Holy Communion	11.00 Holy Communion
	30 th	10.30 Combined H.C.		10.00 Joint Benefice H.C.
Jan	6 th		5pm Evensong	9.45 Holy Communion
	13 th		11.15 Holy Communion	
	Sunday	Hawkshead Church	Methodist Chapel	Sawrey
Dec	2 nd	9.30 Morning Worship	6pm Churches Together H.C.	11.15 Holy Communion
	9 th	9.30 Holy Communion		11.15 Matins
	16 th	9.30 H.C.with Sunday School		11.15 Holy Communion
	23 rd	9.30 Holy Communion	6pm Christingle	11.15 Morning Worship
	24 th	11pm Midnight Mass		6pm Carol Service
	25 th	9.30 Holy Communion		11.15 Holy Communion
	30 th	10.00 Joint Benefice Service at Satterthwaite		
Jan	6 th	9.30 Morning Worship	6pm Churches Together H.C.	11.15 Holy Communion
	13 th	3pm Choral Evensong for the re-dedication of the Bell Tower		11.15 Matins

In aid of Rusland & Satterthwaite Churches

By popular demand and to lift post-Christmas spirits we are repeating last year's

12th Night extravaganza by putting on:

"THE 11th NIGHT OF CHRISTMAS"

Saturday 5th January 2019 at 7.30pm in Satterthwaite Parish Room

A star cast will perform a medley of excerpts from "The Winter's Tale"

And there will be singing, feasting and general carousing!

To book contact: Sue Brooke (01229 860 250), Hilary Collins (860 312), Giles (860 300), Susan King (861 173).

RUSLAND and DISTRICT WI

The Annual Meeting was held in November, starting with wine and canapes. Sally Lister was re-elected as President and Rachel Lumsden and Judy Shaw continue as Secretary and Treasurer. Rachel read the report of the year's most successful activities and we have been so busy that it ran to more than one page! We now have 28 members. The £10 challenge had been an enormous success raising more than £1,000. There were many willing volunteers to fill all the necessary roles to keep the branch running smoothly. We were delighted to welcome Karen Hanks, our Federation's new Chairman who gave us a most amusing talk about her childhood, mostly taken from her brother's book "Five Boxes." The meeting closed with the customary tea, coffee and cake. Our December meeting is the Carol Evening on 10th December and our January meeting will be held in Satterthwaite Parish Room on Tuesday, 15th January at 7.30 p.m. when we are looking forward to a talk entitled "Travels through the Rockies." Everyone welcome.