

Out & About

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Green Road Station (with station house)

This photograph, taken in LMS days, is of the station as it was from 1922 to the late 1940's when the old buildings were replaced. There was a signal box, crossing gates, an extensive goods yard with sidings, crane and weigh-bridge.

Village History. The Village hall Committee have set up a small group to collect and collate materials concerning the history of The Green and surroundings. They would be very grateful for information that will eventually form a permanent display at the Village Hall and on the website. Pictures and written materials that can be copied are needed as well as anecdotes that can be written up.

If you are able to help please contact a committee member or ring (01229) 773284.

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West Lakeland Orchestra Concert

Saturday, 9th March 2013

The Palladium Millom at 7:30pm

Programme:

- Overture Don Giovanni K527 Mozart
- Sinfonia Concertante for Viola K324
Soloist: Julian Cann (Violin), Robert Dick (Viola)
- Ballet Music from "Faust" Gounod
- Meditation from "Thais" Mozart
- Symphony N° 100 in G (Military) Haydn

Tickets at the door £12 including programme. Accompanied children under 14 free



Thwaites Village Hall now has its website up and running with a link to the Out and About.

www.thwaitesvillagehall.co.uk

The Hill Village Hall

Soup & Tea Lunch

Make a date to come along and meet up with friends for a bowl of home made soup by the fire.

12 noon – 1:30p.m.

Tuesday 5th February

Proceeds to go to the West Cumbria Hospice at Home.

We look forward to seeing you all

A Romantic Valentines Evening

A mixture of informal songs

Sung by local singer

Claire-Charlotte Ball

(Graduate of Liverpool Theatre School)

Friday 15th February at 7:30pm

Entrance £8 on the door.

Bring your own nibbles & drinks.

>>>>>>> Dates for your diary <<<<<<<<

• Sat. 2nd February Social Evening

• Thursday 21st March An evening with guitarist Cive Carroll

Thwaites Village Hall

Soup & Sandwich Lunch

Wednesday, February 13th & 27th 12:00 – 1:30 p.m. £3-00

Why not pop in for a meal and a good natter.

Thwaites Craft Group

Wednesday, February 13th & 27th 1:30 -- 3:30 p.m.

Wanted Necklaces, particularly crystal glass or shiny beads for use by craft group.

Zumba Gold – Weekly Classes

Every Tuesday, 6:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m.

£4-50 per session.

FUN QUIZ & COTTAGE PIE SUPPER

Saturday, February 2nd at 7:00 p.m.

Teams of 4 (max) £3-50 per person (including Supper)

Bring your own drink. To book a table ring Jennifer 772885

St. Anne's Youth Group

Meet Friday Evenings in Thwaites Village Hall 7:00-9:00 p.m.

11-16yrs £2-00. Why not come along and see what's on offer?

PLEASE REMEMBER:- If you have difficulty in getting to the Village Hall either due to mobility or lack of transport.

Please give Hazel a ring on 770383.

Thwaites Gala Committee

Deadline Auction & Cream Tea **Sunday, 17th February 2:00- 4:00p.m.**

Many great items to bid for !

Admission £1:50 (including Cream Tea)

If you have any new or nearly new items that you would like to donate they will be very gratefully received as all the monies raised goes towards the Gala.

Please contact Alice on 772979 or Hazel 770383

Setting up – We are looking for help to set up the tables and put out the items on Saturday, 16th February at 2:00p.m.

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Located on our doorstep, the Duddon estuary is a Site of Special Scientific Interest and a Special Protection Area. The estuary is a complex system and offers an important variety of habitats which supports a diversity of wildlife including, Natterjack toads and wintering and passage birds. The area has strong and fast tide movements and as a consequence there are many flood prevention measures that surround the Cumbrian coast; these include tide doors that govern many rivers and becks. These are simple structures that close with tide pressure and re-open again as the tide returns. However, these structures impede migration for many species that require inter tidal movement to complete their life cycle.

This important project at High Shaw, Lady Hall aims to deliver improved eel and elver (juvenile eels) access to the river catchments of South Cumbria by providing easier passage to High Shaw beck, which has a tidal flap gate with no current fish pass solution. Added benefits of this scheme include similar improved access opportunities for Salmon, Sea Trout, lamprey, shrimp, flat fish etc. to pass this barrier.

High Shaw beck tidal gate was identified as a priority site by 'The Duddon River Association' (DRA) as the gate was in need of repair due to natural wear and tear. DRA and South Cumbria Rivers Trust worked to produce a tide door design complete with fish pass to replace the old door, made possible through permission from the Environment Agency (EA) and funding from DEFRA. The old frame and door were removed and the new frame and door put in place by divers. It was important to use divers for the removal and installation work so as to minimise intrusion of this highly designated site.

The flap valve that is now in place in the new door allows an extended time period in which species, notably eel, Salmon and Sea Trout, as well as the other species mentioned earlier, can migrate between freshwater and the marine environment for the purpose of spawning. The flap valve is controlled by an extendable arm with a float on the end and when the tide reaches a certain level the float will force the flap shut. This opening time of the pass can be easily adjusted by changing the length of the arm which allows modifications to be made if needed to meet changing local conditions whilst addressing any flood defence issues.

The tide gate with fish friendly valve is now fully in operation and the EA and SCRT are in the monitoring phase of the project. The site has been visited to check that the valve is in working order and visits will continue to happen especially in the spring for the eel migration.

Duddon River Association (Part of 'South Cumbria Rivers Trust')

[If you would like to receive an email copy of Out & About, which includes colour photographs of this Fish & Eel Pass please contact: jackgilesdh@gmail.com]

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February 3rd	Presentation of Christ.	11:00am	Parish Eucharist.
" 10th	Sunday next before Lent.	11:00am	Parish Eucharist
" 17th	First Sunday of Lent.	11:00am	Parish Eucharist.
" 24th	Second Sunday of Lent.	11.00am	Parish Eucharist.

Church Cleaning Rota for February & March 2013

Week Ending:

February	2 nd	P.Foord.
February	16 th	S.Slack & I.Park.
March	3 rd	J.Jones.
"	17 th	H.Chew.
"	31 st	P.Foord.

THWAITES WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

THE SMOKERY - What a start to our new year's programme of activities!! We were treated to an absorbing evening organised by two members of staff from the Smokery at Haverigg Prison. Morag spoke with a passion about her job, and how she continues to be inspired by the success of the project. Not only does the work at the Smokery provide life skills for the prisoners, giving hope for their return to society, BUT the revenue created from the sale of the products helps to offset the enormous costs of keeping prisoners per annum. (Haverigg is the second most successful prison in this country). Mary, in the meantime, was busy in the kitchen cooking up some of the Smokery's products for all the WI members to sample. In addition she created two recipes to demonstrate how easy tantalisingly tasty dishes can be quickly prepared. Our thanks went to them both for their time and energy.

The competition themed for the evening was for a smoked fish recipe with the winner being Kirsty Findlay.

Did you know that WI is an organisation which is growing and flourishing throughout the country? If you fancy taking a look at how WI is run in 2013 please join us for an evening. Our secretary is Helen on 776833 who will be happy to give programme details, or check the noticeboard at Thwaites Village Hall.

THWAITES SCHOOL ALLOTMENT

At Thwaites School we have a large allotment that the staff and children manage. However, due to long term sickness of the member of staff who leads the planting and growing, we would like to offer the allotment to anyone in our community who would like to take it on for themselves. If you are interested in finding out more then please get in touch with Mrs Jane Patton, head teacher on: 01229 772554 or head@thwaites.cumbria.sch.uk

The Punch Bowl

Many thanks to Andrew & Louise for their efforts in keeping the Punchbowl open for the last few years. The pub wont be closing on 6th February when they leave, opening hours will be as normal.

Andrew Gardner

Grateful Thanks

Sue would like to thank Hayley, Jayne and Mam for all their help and support.

All family, friends and neighbours Jean, Lesley and Andrew for the wonderful buffet and the use of the Punch Bowl. Also the Revd Robert Bracegirdle. And everyone for their cards, letters and donations.

Table Top Sale

Sunday 24th February
10:30-1:00pm

in the
Victory Hall Broughton
Free Entry

Refreshments Available
Tables £5:00 - to book
ring the
Information Centre
on 01229 716115.

Crakeside Meat – will be visiting:

The Green on Tuesdays:
February 12th & 26th
Millom on Wednesdays:
February 13th and 27th
(Van parked near William's carpets)

Broughton Film Club

Victory Hall
Friday 15th February
7:30pm



Meal Deal →

Your film for February 15th is:

'Anna Karenina'

(2012) Class 12A 129 mins
Leo Tolstoy's classic tale of a beautiful aristocrat, who scandalises Russian society with her reckless love affair with a cavalry officer. Starring: Keira Knightly and Jude Law.

Please book your meal at the Square Café by
Wednesday 13th February
Phone Jane on 01229 716388

To book:

- Thwaites Village Hall, The Green, please telephone: Hazel Eady (01229) 770383. [If no reply within 48 hours try Chris on (01229) 773284 or Peter on (01229) 777928 who are also key holders].
- Chris remains a key holder from whom the key may be obtained
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