

March to May

WELCOME

Welcome to our Spring edition of the Village News 2022.

It's been nice to see the bulbs coming out in the garden in recent weeks. The snowdrops always make an early show and battle on, despite some truly appalling weather. The winds have been so bad that the long standing church noticeboard at St.Thomas A Becket here in Kirkhouse was completely destroyed. Spring is hopefully just round the corner.

In this edition we feature a competition from our highly rated local hotel and restaurant, Farlam Hall Hotel. It has undergone some very significant improvements in recent years due to investment from its American owners, and is looking to garner favour with international guests as well as those of us locally. Claire and I have enjoyed several meals and afternoon teas there in recent months. It's exciting to have such a growing and ambitious business on our doorstep.

It's always good to have so many events and meetings going on locally, not just live but online as well. I've recently joined the Alston Moor Historical Society on the back of their brilliant programme of speakers in 2022, which began with a talk in February on the Fell Foot Forward Project, given by Fiona Knox. Their full programme, and those of other local groups is given inside this edition. If you are involved in any groups or meetings not mentioned in here, do feel free to get in touch and tell us about it. We want to promote' local 'as much as we can.

Many of you are, like us, delighted to hear about the progress locally of our native Red Squirrel. Inside, you can read about the work of our local group, the Brampton and District Red Squirrel group. They are working really hard to encourage local people to help create an ideal environment for this lovely little creature to thrive in.

As always, we welcome content from you, our local readers, so please come forward and tell us about what is happening, or going to happen in your area. If you've attended an event, and would like to review it in here, please do so. Please don't assume it won't interest others locally.

In our next edition, I'd like to feature more local events, meetings, concerts and places to visit. Give us your suggestions, listings and reviews. I'd like to feature the Solway Aviation Museum and the newly re-opened Fleece at Ruleholme in our summer edition, so if you've visited them, tell us what you thought. There is also a new Yoga and Tai Chi group that's started on Wednesday nights in the Village Hall, Hallbankgate. It's only likely to continue if its supported, so come along and it give it a go. Details in this edition.

Please contact us at hallbankgatevillagenews@yahoo.com with any news, views or articles for the Summer issue, which will be hitting your doorstep in June. Deadline is **Saturday 21st May**

Paul & Claire Skeates

FARLAM 100 CLUB

January Winners:

1st Prize £25: No10 Kathleen Beasley
2nd Prize £15: No 135 Alison Cheetham
3rd Prize £10: No 107 Bill Armstrong

February Winners:

1st Prize £25: No 61 Paul Smith
2nd Prize £15: No 44 Edward Johnsen
3rd Prize £10: No 140 Brian Watson

(December winners were published in the last edition)

LET US PRAY...

Lent is a season for the renewal of prayer.

Prayer is an expression of the human need and desire to relate to God, to the divine. In any relationship there are many modes of communication, such as conversation; silence; arguing and questioning; listening; written messages; body language; the use of signs and symbols, even singing! And all of these can also be modes of prayer in our relating to God.

I especially like the following lines from an old Methodist hymn: "Prayer is the soul's sincere desire, unuttered or expressed, the motion of a hidden fire that trembles in the breast".

However we may pray, the true source of prayer is our desire for God. Prayer is an expression of love.

Gandhi spoke truly when he said: "In prayer it is better to have a heart without words than words without a heart". But sometimes we can have both.

Then there's a kind of prayer that I've not yet mentioned: praying for others. This is what Church calls Intercessory prayer. Such prayer is a way of loving others.

If there are people you know who are walking a difficult path at this time, and you'd like them to be prayed for (and have their permission), please don't hesitate to get in touch. Indeed, it maybe that you yourself are aware of your own particular need for prayer too. I'm always happy to include those for whom prayer has been requested in my own private prayers. If we are given permission by the person concerned, we can also name people in our prayers in some of our church services. We can do this in our small, simple daily services in each of my six churches, or in Sunday worship. At Hayton we have also have monthly evening service with prayers for healing. And there's a small parish prayer group who will pray for individuals but also keep names and situations confidential.

Someone once said: "Prayer changes things, starting with the one who prays". And one of the most important ways in which prayer changes things, is that it strengthens the power of love in the life in the one who prays. So let us pray!

Edward Johnsen

HELP LINES

Victim Support Including information and advice for those affected by domestic violence

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Childline Counselling: 08001111

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Farm Community Network: 07002 32632

THANK YOU

I would like to thank the Farlam Parish Council and the farmer Mr. Dean for the removal of the hedge, on the left hand side of the junction of the A689 and the Narworth turn off. When turning right off the A689 you now have a clear view towards Milton. Thank you from one that uses the turn off every day to walk our dog.

Alan Shaw

BAPTISMS

We welcome into the family of the Church:

Zach John Bell, baptised on 21st November 2021

LENT GROUP

We're planning to run a Lent course in Talkin Village Hall - 7pm on Tuesday evenings in Lent (8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th March and 5th April). Get in touch to find out more, all are welcome.

CONFIRMATION

Are there any adults or young people out there who would be interested in exploring confirmation in 2022? We already have an adult who's interested so an adult class is a possibility. Just get in touch with Edward the vicar with any questions or expressions of interest.

LENT, HOLY WEEK and EASTER

The season of Lent, a season of preparation for the celebration of Easter, begins on Ash Wednesday (2nd March). There will a service for all our local parishes that evening at Lanercost Priory at 7pm.

On Maundy Thursday (14th April) there will be a reflective service at Talkin Church, 7pm. The Talkin Singers will be participating.

On Good Friday (15th April) there will be a Deanery Service at Lanercost Priory 2pm – 3pm.

On Easter Day (17th April) we will hold an Easter Day service at Farlam Church at 11am.



Carol singers brave the cold for a simple Carol Service outside the Belted Will on 21st December 2021.

BRAMPTON FARMERS MARKET

Brampton Farmers Market, run by Sustainable Brampton, is held on the last Saturday of the month outside the Moot Hall from 9am to 1pm.

PARISH JOURNAL

We continue to live with the Covid situation, and this has had an impact on church life too as we've journeyed through the winter and towards spring.

We still held an Act of Remembrance at the war memorial at Farlam church on Sunday 14th November – thank you to Revd Janice for leading the service.

Since then, it has been a quiet season for us at the church. However, it was a joy to christen Zach Bell on 21st November. Then our Carol Singing at the Belted Will on 21st December was held outside the pub rather than inside, but it felt very festive under the decorative lights outside, and a huge thank you to Stephen for battling and eventually succeeding in getting an outdoor heater working for us! And, of course, special thanks to Fiona Stobbart whose accordion playing helped the service to go with a swing.

Since Christmas we've all been blown about by the various storms coming through, and our church noticeboard has been a casualty. However, inside the church, the big news is that finally we have our new carpet! It looks fantastic. Thank you to everyone who has donated to the carpet fund in various ways, I hope you'll get along to the church sometime soon to have a look at the way it transforms the feel of the place. One opportunity to do so, as you'll see elsewhere in the Village News, is the Spring Fair in the church in early May. It's also nice to have the carpet in place in time for the three weddings which are booked at Farlam over the next 18 months.

Finally, just a quick update on our Church Youth Work in Brampton - the Green Door Centre is now hosting the following in term-time (ring Ruth on 016977 42123 for more info):

Wednesday Youth Drop-in (for 12 – 18 yr olds). 6.30pm – 8pm

Thursday After School Drop-in (Secondary School age) 3.20pm – 5pm

Friday Night Light 7.30pm – 9pm (yrs 7 – 9 on the 1st & 3rd Fridays of the month, yrs 10 – 13 on the 2nd & 4th Fridays of the month)

God bless,

Edward Johnsen



The new carpet that was laid in Farlam Church in the first week of January 2022.

THE EDEN, GELT AND EDEN TEAM MINISTRY

Team Rector: Revd Stephen Robertson (016977 41304)

Team Vicar: Revd Edward Johnsen (01228 670 248)

*The Team Rector has pastoral responsibility for the parishes of Brampton, Irthington, Crosby-on-Eden and Scaleyby; the **Team Vicar has pastoral responsibility for the parishes of Farlam, Talkin, Hayton, Castle Carrock, Cumrew and Cumwhitton.** Please contact Edward for christenings and weddings enquiries.*

Revd Janice Murray (016977 46400) is resident in the parish of Farlam and as a retired priest is very involved in ministry here.

Churchwarden of St Thomas a Becket, Farlam Parish Church (in Kirkhouse):
Mr Timothy Arndt (016977 46942)

Services at Farlam Church take place on the first and third Sundays of the month at 11am and all are very welcome to join us. When there is no service at Farlam we encourage people to worship instead at Talkin Church.

See also our church website: farlamparishchurch.co.uk

FARLAM SERVICES MARCH - MAY 2022

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| SUNDAY 6th MARCH | FARLAM CHURCH | 11am Simple Holy Communion |
| SUNDAY 20th MARCH | FARLAM CHURCH | 11am Simple Holy Communion |
| SUNDAY 3rd APRIL | FARLAM CHURCH | 11am Simple Holy Communion |
| Easter Day SUNDAY 17th APRIL | FARLAM CHURCH | 11am Holy Communion with Hymns |
| SUNDAY 1st MAY | FARLAM CHURCH | 11am Holy Communion with Hymns |
| SUNDAY 15th MAY | FARLAM CHURCH | 11am Holy Communion with Hymns |

TALKIN CHURCH has a service every Sunday at 9.15am, except on the second Sunday in the month when it is held at 11am.

DAILY PRAYER IN THE WEEK

All welcome to these simple services of readings, prayer and silence, lasting about 20 minutes.

| MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
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| 9.30am Morning Prayer FARLAM | 9.30am Morning Prayer CUMREW | | 9.30am Morning Prayer HAYTON | 9.30am Morning Prayer CASTLE CARROCK |
| | 5pm Evening Prayer CUMWHITTON | 5pm Evening Prayer TALKIN | | |

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Regular meetings on the 3rd Thursday in the month,
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£2.00 includes tea/coffee and biscuits

March 17th 'Botchergate Carlisle in 1962' (Stephen White)

April 21st Spadeadam' (Paul Cronin)

May 19th 'Kirkoswald and Renwick' (Richard Brockington)

SPRING CRAFT FAIR

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Saturday 9th - Saturday 16th April

10am - 4pm Daily

Admission £1, accompanied children free

ALSTON MOOR HISTORICAL SOCIETY TALKS

ONLINE MEETINGS March to June 2022

March 3rd 7pm: An Introduction to Hexham Priory - Hugh Dixon, Chairman, Hexham Abbey
Conservation Advisory group

April 7th 7pm: AGM and The Story of Rampgill Ore-Dressing Mill - Alastair Robertson, AMHS

May 5th 7pm: Shap Abbey - Jean Jackson, Shap LHS

June 2nd 7pm: The Industrial Archaeology of Tynehead - Graham Brooks, Chair,
Cumbria Local History Federation

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88215388013>

Membership is £10 a year. Join from the following link: <https://alstonmoorhistoricalsociety.org.uk/membership>

BRAMPTON FILM CLUB

All the films listed below are on at Brampton Community Centre
Members £4 Non Members £6

Saturday 12 March 7.30pm: 'The Father' (Cert 12A) - **Film Club AGM will precede the showing of the film**

Saturday 2 April 7.30pm: 'The Man Who Sold His Skin' (Cert 15)

Saturday 23 April 7.30pm: 'Promising Young Woman' (Cert 15)

Saturday 14 May 7.30pm: 'Summerland' (Cert 12A)

FARLAM PARISH TRUST

The Trust meets in the Village Hall at 6.45pm on the 2nd Wednesday in March and September, prior to the Parish Council Meeting. Our next meeting is planned for 13th March 2022.

If you already have a 'Project' that you would like the Trust to consider please download and complete the PDF application form and email or Post it to the Administrator. The current application form is available on the website: <https://www.farlamparishcouncil.com/grantsparishtrust>

For further information please contact the **Trust Administrator** Mr C Raine, Farlam Farm, Farlam, Brampton CA8 1LA. Email charles.raine@youngsrps.com

BRAMPTON AND DISTRICT RED SQUIRREL GROUP

Brampton and District Red Squirrel Group are a group of volunteers who work within a large area of North East Cumbria to preserve red squirrels in their natural environment. The group is a registered charity, relying on donations and grants to finance their expenditure.

There have been many sightings of grey squirrels in the area, but also a few sightings of red squirrels locally. Red squirrels are native to our country, but their numbers have fallen significantly during the last century and they are now classified as endangered.

Unfortunately, the invasive grey squirrel out-competes the red squirrels for food, and some greys carry a virus which doesn't appear to affect them but is deadly to red squirrels.

The charity is able to provide live-catch traps to help remove grey squirrels from an area in order to help the red squirrels survive. They also keep a record of sightings of any squirrels to help monitor numbers in the area. Therefore, if you see any squirrels, either red or grey, in your garden or in the local area, then please let Brampton & District Red Squirrel Group know.

If you would like to know more about the charity and the work they do, find out more about red squirrels and how to protect them, report squirrel sightings or speak to them about grey squirrel control, please contact Paul Bassindale on 07917 877303 or email: banddrsg@gmail.com

Other ways of keeping up to date, or communicating with the group:
facebook page: BramptonDistrictRedSquirrelGroup or Twitter: BandDRSG

Paul Bassindale

HALLBANKGATE WI


We are a group of women from Hallbankgate and surrounding areas, meeting on the 4th Thursday of every month (7.30pm) at Hallbankgate Village Hall. Members of Hallbankgate WI enjoy a variety of talks, great suppers and good company at our monthly meetings plus a range of events including pub meals out.

Currently we have 20 members and we welcome new members. Or come along as a Visitor and see what it is all about.

We look forward to seeing you soon.


Yoga and Tai Chi Classes
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Wednesdays Tai Chi 6-7pm Yoga 7.15- 8.15 pm
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Yoga for Wellbeing

Yoga for wellbeing, we go through standing postures and sit on the floor for some of the postures. Yoga is great for balance, regaining flexibility, relaxation and stamina.
Beginners welcome

Yoga

Regular Yoga is good for you it helps with your everyday life. Through practise it has many benefits. You dont have to be bendy you just do what you can.

Tai Chi

Tai Chi another form of movement and breath. It is popular around the world. Suitable for all ages. Tai Chi is a set of slow movements and is low impact on your joints. Again with practise it helps with stamina, balance and strength.

Pop along and have ago friendly classes.
Bring own mat if possible
Contact me for more details.
All Welcome

Message or Call Hilary 077544 16188

COMPETITION TIME!



Afternoon Tea has long been a favourite pastime, so we have partnered with the beautiful 4 Star and 2 AA Rosette, Farlam Hall Hotel & Restaurant, to offer the winner of this competition and a friend a chance to indulge in one of their fabulous Afternoon Tea's.

To be in with a chance of winning, simply find the words listed on the next page and return them to us here at the Village News.

Entries can be made by scanning the completed page or taking a picture of it and sending to: **hallbankgatevillagenews@yahoo.com** or drop it in the Porch at Lowthian Hall, Kirkhouse (opposite Farlam Church).

One entry per household.

Thank you to Farlam Hall Hotel and Restaurant for their kind and generous support with this competition.

One entry will be picked at random after the deadline of **Friday 29th April 2022**.

Good luck.

Farlam Hall Wordsearch competition:

Words to find: Restaurant / Chef / Cedar / Rosette / Crockery / Farlam Hall / Tasting Menu / Luxury / Tablecloth / Dinner / Service / Sandwiches / Lunch / Gardens / Relais Chateaux / Cocktail / Champagne / Bedrooms / Handmade / Cake / Napkin / Pastry / Bar / Lounges.

Words may run either forwards or backwards, in a horizontal, vertical or diagonal direction, but always in a straight unbroken line.

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BRAMPTON CHAMBER CHOIR

A Spanish Nativity

A Review

I found myself arriving a little early for this concert at Lanercost Priory on Sunday, December 12th, but so glad I did. As I approached the entrance, the beautiful O Magnum Mysterium by Morten Lauridsen could be heard enjoying its final rehearsal. A sound to warm and gladden anyone's heart on a cold winter's evening. This is surely one of the best pieces of choral music written in the last hundred years, and skilfully executed by the members of the choir

The concert took us on a wonderful journey through the 16th/17th century Spanish choral music of some of its star composers, Victoria, Guerrero and Lobo. These later two composers enjoyed a significant partnership at Seville Cathedral, whilst Tomas Luis de Victoria moved from Avila to Rome before returning to Spain, and settling in Madrid.

Whilst enjoying the various performances of O Magnum Mysterium from Victoria, Iguualador and Lauridsen, the spirit of the season and a different age were remembered from the Basque region with its Noel tales of 'The Infant King', 'I Saw a Maiden' and 'Gabriel's Message', arranged by British composers. This added considerably to the rich layer of choral music the audience was exposed to.

As is the tradition of these concerts, the choir presented us with some of the lesser known figures of the age with enjoyable pieces from Juan Esquivel and Inigo Iguualador, whilst Musical Director Simon Mortimer introduced us to each piece in his usual informative and knowledgeable way. This is of considerable help to all of us still listening to, and learning, the vast choral repertoire we are presented with across the centuries.

For any music lovers out there, can I heartily recommend you come along and try these concerts. We are blessed to have such talented choral performers in our area, and they really are deserving of a wider supporter base. If you attended this concert, and plan to attend others, could I suggest we all try and bring a friend or friends along to the next one? I am sure they will give them as much pleasure as it does us

Here is a list of their future concerts in 2022:

Saturday 2nd April Easter Concert in Lanercost Priory @ 7.30pm

Friday 27th May Words and Music about Early Celtic Saints in St. Cuthbert's Church, Carlisle.
Time to follow. This features the brilliant local historian, Max Loth-Hill.

Friday 15th July Songs, Stories and Stones, part of the celebration of 1900th anniversary of Hadrian's Wall in St. Martin's, Brampton @ 7.30pm, again featuring Max Loth-Hill

Sunday 17th July. The same concert as 15th, but hosted at St. Augustine's Church in Alston at 7.30pm

Slip these dates in your diary and come along, and keep an eye on their website
www.bramptonchamberchoir.org.uk for further details and updates

The Wordsworth Singers will be performing their next concert as a celebration of the Early Baroque master, Heinrich Schütz and his contemporaries. They will be singing at St Anne's Church, Ings, between Kendal and Windermere. The performance is at 7.30pm on **Saturday 12th March.**

LOCAL HISTORY

A look to the 1890s in the Farlam Parish area

Hallbankgate Football Club.

A match was played at Hallbankgate, on Saturday, March 22nd, 1890, between South Vale Wanderers and Hallbankgate, which resulted in a win for the visitors by 2 tries and 3 minors to 2 minors; the following played for the home team. Back, J. Farish; Three-quarter backs, J. Alderson, E. Steel, Jas. Wilkinson; Half-backs, William Chipchase (captain) and T. Pratt; Forwards J. Armstrong, J. Chipchase, J. Allison, T. Nicholson, J. McCormack, D. McLagon, J. Proud, R. Dodd, and Jas. Wright.

Steel and Wilkinson made several good runs, but (the visitors playing a very close game) they could not succeed in scoring; Wm. Chipchase played well at half-back, and McLagon, J. Armstrong, J. Chipchase, J. Proud, and J. Allison, played an excellent forward game, and a rough game ended in a victory for the visitors as above.

These snippets are of interest from the Parish Magazine in 1890 showing two particular local items:

Hallbankgate Rugby team (Rugby Football). The home match against South Vale Wanderers naming all 15 Hallbankgate players and a method of points scoring, namely "Tries and Minors" which is a new way to me of describing it. Unfortunately on this occasion the local team were defeated. I wonder where the opposition came from and where the Rugby Football pitch was 132 years ago?

Tour in Belgium.

Having been asked by several parishioners what the approximate cost of a week or ten days holiday in Belgium would be; we have made such enquiries as we could, with this result:

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Note:—The 'Twelve Train' from Brampton meets that evening's boat at Harwich.

A Trip from the 12am train at Brampton Station to Carlisle Station to Belgium for 9 or 10 days including all train fares, ferry crossings, excursions, tour of Belgium, all accommodation, MEAT Breakfasts and Dinners every day for the grand total of £12 per head. Sounds very cheap to us now but £12 back then equates to £1,500 in today's money.

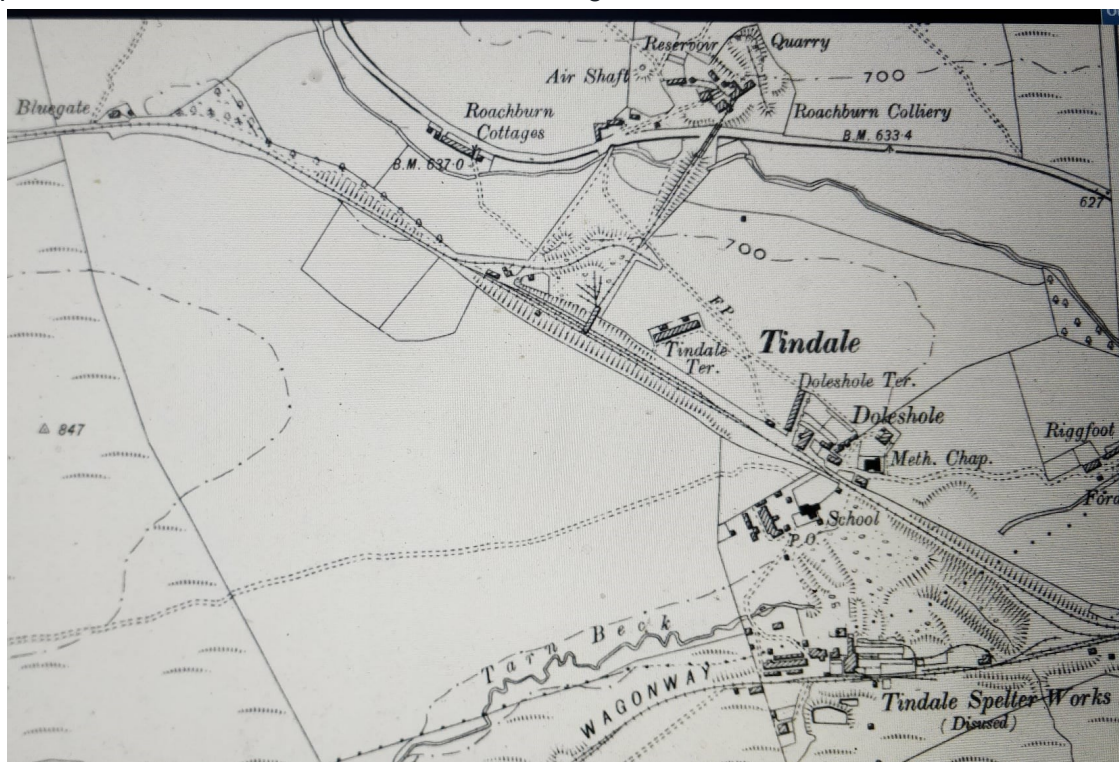
(thanks to Tom Park, Roachburn for supplying copies of the actual excerpts).



Another story from the same era about 1890 regarding the photo of Tindale Co-Operative: "The photo is of Tindale Co-Operative store in the late 1890s shortly after a storm had torn off the left hand gable. The repair was effected but omitted the original overhanging roof and hoist on the first floor. Like all the emporia introduced by Lady Carlisle, the store at Tindale had its own railway siding seen in the foreground. With the omission of the hoist it may indicate that days of the original principle of supply by rail was perhaps over."

(thanks to Nic Broomhead, Tindale for this info)

Also a map dated 1895 of Tindale and Roachburn, so again in the same era.



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HALLBANKGATE HUB COMMUNITY SHOP & CAFÉ

HAPPENINGS AT THE HUB

Green shoots are starting to show and whilst Spring is still some time away, it feels like Spring has arrived early at the Hub. The Gallery walls are full of joyful colour with our Mixed Media exhibition featuring local artists Sheila Pinder and Charlotte Draper.

#AFlowerADay by Sheila began as a search for hope in the face of lockdown and covid restrictions. Missing her extended family and looking for something to brighten daily life, flowers in the local landscape became her lifeline. So began a quest to photograph, and post on social media, a new flower each day during 2021, using nothing but her mobile phone, in the company of her dog and on foot within her local area. This exhibition is a colourful and vibrant snapshot of the work and her journey throughout 2021. Accompanying the exhibition is a limited edition signed book which includes all the flowers and the comments Sheila posted with them.

Charlotte is a multi-skilled practitioner, currently working as both an artist/creator and a baker who has made Cumbria her home since she came to study Applied Arts at the university in Carlisle. Her exhibition – **A Moment Captured** - is a mixture of digital work and mixed media inspired by the nature and natural surroundings of Cumbria.

The exhibition runs until 28th March and is followed by From Roachburn to Kirkhaugh with Coanwood, Featherstone, Lambley et al History Group.

The café is now serving a delicious range of soup and plans are afoot for events and workshops this Spring and Summer so keep an eye out on our website and facebook page for information

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Maureen Lawrie

FELLFOOT FORWARD LANDSCAPE PARTNERSHIP SCHEME

The Fellfoot Forward Landscape Partnership Scheme has grants available for groups and organisations who are involved in community and environment projects that benefit the sustainability and well-being of Fellfoot Forward communities. Examples of the type of projects that can be funded include:

- improvements to the village environment i.e. signage, bike racks, bird boxes or community artwork
- a workshop or event that will teach people new skills; this could include local history, archaeology, oral history, the arts and natural heritage
- equipment to manage communal areas or infrastructure such as fencing, new paths/gates to provide better access or planting to improve biodiversity or the visitor welcome.
- funds to help support a community building or create new or better community space.
- benefit pollinators, insects and birds with tree planting to create scrubby woodland
- benefit water wildlife by creating ponds and scrapes

Save the date - for a Fellfoot Forward weekend Festival of Nature, celebrating and connecting with wildlife, people, and landscape diary at Talkin Tarn on Saturday 18 & Sunday 19 June 2022. The festival will see nature celebrated through different themes and activities around the picturesque tarn. There will be something for everyone from nature spotting tips, crafts, information, outdoor activities, self-guided walks, and arts. We hope to bring together families, wildlife recorders, budding naturalists, farmers, environmental organisation, and communities to enjoy nature. If you would like to help us plan and grow our Festival of Nature, please email lizzy@northpenninesaonb.org.uk

The Fellfoot Forward Community Arts Programme has created artist opportunities for 2022 and we are seeking applications from artists living and/or working in the Fellfoot Forward area. We would like to commission three arts projects, that work with Fellfoot Forward communities and respond directly to the Fellfoot Forward scheme's priorities, and also award five micro bursaries for artists living or working in the Fellfoot Forward area to develop their practice.

We are also seeking individuals, communities and schools interested in working with the artists on the art commissions. Find out more at: https://www.northpennines.org.uk/what_we_do/fellfoot-forward/fellfoot-forward-community-arts-programme/

Are you a teacher or youth group leader interested in taking groups out for farm visits? Or are you a farmer interested in hosting an educational visit? We would like to support connections between farmers and those interested in bringing groups onto farms. Join us at Townhead Farm, Croglin for our farm education visits taster evening on Thursday 3 March, 6-8pm, to find out more about the positives and practicalities of farm educational visits. There will be opportunities to try some activities, discuss what you would like to get from a farm visit, and make some new connections. This free event is open to everyone, regardless of experience, but pre-booking is essential, book here: <https://www.northpennines.org.uk/event/farm-visit-taster/>



The Fellfoot Forward Landscape Partnership Scheme is led by the North Pennines AONB Partnership and funded by The National Lottery Heritage Fund.

Kate Stacey

Hallbankgate Hub Gallery

Mixed Media

Charlotte Draper & Sheila Pinder

Tues 15th February -
Sunday 28th March

Our Mixed Media exhibition features the work of two local artists – Illustrator, Charlotte Draper and Photographer, Sheila Pinder. Both take their inspiration from the natural world around them to produce work that inspires and connects the viewer to nature.

Charlotte's exhibition – **A Moment Captured** - is a mixture of digital work and mixed media.

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Admission FREE

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WANT US TO PUBLICISE YOUR EVENT/GROUP?

If anyone is a member of a local group or society and would like to have their events or meetings advertised and prompted in the local area, please feel free to get in touch with us at the email address given at the beginning of this Village News



Farlam Church Spring Craft Fair with Plants

**Saturday 7th and Sunday 8th May
at**

**Church of St Thomas a Becket,
Kirkhouse, Farlam**

To be held in the Church
from 11am to 4pm daily

**We will have craft and plant stalls
as well as tea, cake & home baking**

**Entry £3.50 which Includes Tea & Cake
Children £1 includes Squash & Cake**

Proceeds to go to the upkeep of the Church

Contact penny.raine@btinternet.com for further information

