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Parish News

Since our last Newsletter a lot's been happening in the village...

We had a very successful switch on of the Christmas lights.

The concert in the Sports Hall was very well attended and enjoyed by everyone thanks to Egremont Town Band and Father Christmas. The lights were magic thanks to Tony Holman and all the volunteers who turned up to help put up the lights and on the day in the Sports Hall and Pavilion. Special thanks to Lois Holman who decorates all the windows in the hall. Sadly, Tony Holman is no longer going to put up the lights and through these pages on your behalf I would like to thank him for the last 14 years of Christmas Lights.

January 7-8 saw the devastating gales – nearly everyone suffered some damage. We hope you are all managing to get your repairs done and are getting back to normal.

We have had two Neighbourhood Forums discussing two of the most important issues in our area; the future of our NHS Hospital and the possible detrunking of the A595 south of Calderbridge. These meetings are important to you; they give you a chance of putting forward your views and worries to your District and County Councillors.

Over 10 years ago we had many complaints about the long grass on the verges throughout the village; this was because the County Council reduced the cuts to two a year. We had a meeting and negotiated a price for a further 12-14 cuts a year. We had to put the cost of this on to the Precept putting up your Council Tax.

Unfortunately some of you are parking or driving on or over verges causing them to be churned up and leaving deep ruts. This makes the areas unsightly and also is wasting ratepayer's money. If we don't have pride in our village no-one else will.

Our Annul Parish Meeting will be on Thursday 14 April at 7.30pm in the Methodist School Room. This is your chance to come and tell the Parish Council what you would like to see happening in the village. We tried last year to get interest in the Village Plan; but the turnout was poor so we've made no progress. Please watch notice boards for information on speakers at this meeting.

All the signs of spring are here and it will be good to see the youngsters out on the playing fields and enjoying the beach; also the cricketers and bowlers out enjoying all our excellent facilities.

Don't forget all the walks you can do without getting in your car. Booklets are available from Councillors and local shops.

Good news – at last we are getting a village policeman back. He will be stationed, we hope, in the coffee bar in the Sports Hall.

Eileen Eastwood Parish Council Chairwoman

The Sports Hall

The Sports Hall still needs new committee members.

Don't forget that every Tuesday morning there is a men's keep fit class at 10.30am. Badminton is on Wednesday and Thursday evenings.

The hall is available for private hire for children's parties and equipment is there for badminton, football, basketball, softball, tennis, unihoc and table tennis.

Contact Jen McClemmens, Eileen Eastwood or Myrtle Harvey.

Arch Hill Improvements

Hopefully by the time you receive your Newsletter the Parish Council will have received the 'Agreement' allowing the Parish Council to turn the area into a tidy, colourful place with seating.

I started with the word 'hopefully' – it will be two years on 2nd April 2005 since I first asked Network Rail if the Parish Council could have permission to tidy the area and put a couple of seats on the grass. The latest obstacle to be put in our way is that the design and planting has to be done by a responsible authority – those of you who know Tony Magean of Copeland Borough Council will know there is no-one better to give us expert advice. The design is now in the hands of Citex who work on behalf of Network Rail.

Barbara Ramsden

Could you be a Parish Councillor?!

We have two vacancies on the Parish Council and would like to see some younger residents taking an interest in village life.

You have to be over 18 years and have lived in the area for two years. Why not come along to a meeting held on the first Wednesday in the month and see what it's all about?

Seascale Parish Council Clerk - Mrs B Simcock

Age Concern

Following Age Concern NW Cumbria's Egremont 'Drop In' launch, we have successfully dealt with issues such as entitlement to disability and age related benefits, Pension Credit, home insurance, housing and council tax benefits etc.

If you are aged 55+ (50+ for insurance) and need information about and help with possible benefit entitlement, or have an unresolved consumer issue or general query, why not come to the Drop-in, Methodist Church, Main Street, Egremont between 10am and 12 noon on the second Friday in every month, or call Age Concern NW Cumbria at Whitehaven on 01946 66669.

Embroiderers' Guild

Why not join the Embroiderers' Guild? We meet each month in the Seascale School Community Centre for demonstrations and talks on all aspects of needlework, e.g. cross stitch, blockwork, crewel work, hardanger etc. We also have informal stitch days on a Thursday morning once a fortnight.

Please ring 01229 717003 for further information.

Contact for contributions to the next Seascale Newsletter is the Editor, Lois Holman, tel: 019467 28941. e-mails to: loisholman15@aol.com

The Dell

Thank you. To whom? I don't know – someone has been kind enough to remove the soil at the bottom of the steps caused by moles and heavy rain.

My thanks also to whoever is helping my husband and myself keep the culvert clear, allowing the water to flow freely.

Vacancy – Beck Watcher

My husband and I have done this job since 1996 and would like someone else to take over.

Hours: Winter and wet summers – 1 hour per week, i.e. 45 minutes on Monday and 15 minutes on Thursday. Dry weather – ½ hour per week

Job Description: To make sure the Dell stream flows freely to prevent flooding and keep both culvert grills free of plastic and other rubbish. To check on the steps, seating, bridge and 'our friends' the moles; also the wheelchair and seating area for broken glass and rubbish.

Pay: What pay! You will get a big thank you from Barbara and Neville Ramsden and the Parish Council.

Applicants – please apply to Barbara on 28126.

The Roman Occupation of North West England

Does the idea of the Roman legions marching across the fells stir your blood?

If so, come along and find out what we know of the Roman conquest and how local people gained from occupation by Rome. See where the gaps in our knowledge lie, and how we might set out to fill them. There will be an afternoon visit to a local Roman site.

Where? Muncaster Castle Education Suite. When? Thursday 21 April, 7pm (four weekly sessions and a field trip on Saturday 14 May).

To enrol please contact the University of Lancaster on 01524 592623/4 (the course code is RAV0404). They can also give you information about other courses in the area.

Mother & Toddler Group

Swings on the Beach Play Area...

Fundraising activities are going very well with funds now standing at £2,390. We still have a way to go yet before we reach our £4,000 target.

Thanks must go to all who supported the raffle at the Christmas Lights Switch on; by giving prizes and buying tickets we raised a total of £242.

A huge thanks has to go to Phil Robinson and Eve West who organised a sponsored haircut and raised a staggering £850.00. Many thanks to Phil for saying goodbye to his locks, it's in a very good cause and thank you Calder House for holding the event.

Donations have also been received from 'Sellafield Community Support', Help a CFM Child Appeal' and the 'Sellafield Contractors Group Charity Committee', so a big thank you to all for your support.

If you have any fundraising suggestions or are willing to help out, it would be much appreciated.

Please contact Barbara Simcock, tel 27970, Tina Bayliss, tel 28815 or Sam States, tel 27032.

'OPEN MIND' (WEST LAKES U3A)

Avocets, ancestors, art – what on earth might all these have in common? The answer lies in U3A or the University of the Third Age.

The third age is the "age" after retirement – the first being the age of full-time education and the second the age of work. It's a time to continue our personal learning and development and maybe even pass on some of the skills and knowledge that we have gathered over the years.

The West Lakes U3A, or 'Open Mind', is based around Gosforth and Seascale. We have about 150 members living mainly between Egremont in the north and Bootle in the south.

There are a number of topic groups – local history, bird watching, family history, art appreciation, topical discussion, as well as a reading group.

There is also a general meeting with a speaker each month, outings to the theatre and the whole group meets about three times a year for lunch.

As well as keeping the mind active, U3A also provides many opportunities for social interaction, which is very important when you reach retirement, especially in rural communities.

There is also a quarterly newsletter that keeps everyone informed of what's happening.

Because the U3A is for people of retirement age, we have an empathy with each other and get on really well – single people, couples, husbands without their wives, wives without their husbands, all mixing up together.

It is a joy to meet up and we have many laughs. And, of course, we learn a great deal along the way.

For more information on Open Mind contact:

John Hall (019467 28542) or Joan Bell (019467 28713).

Bootle & Seascale Neighbourhood Forum

Meeting Dates and Venues for the year 2005/2006

DateLocationThursday 12 May 2005SeascaleThursday 21 July 2005ThwaitesThursday 13 October 2005WaberthwaiteThursday 26 January 2006Silecroft

All meetings start at 7pm, mailing goes out 2 weeks prior to a meeting and grant applications need to be in the office at least 3 weeks before.

Please note that Neighbourhood Forum meetings can't be held until after the County Council Elections, which are on 5 May 2005.

Please contact Marilyn Pritchard on 01946 855023 if you would like any further information about Neighbourhood Forums.

"Wish You Were Here"

The Wishing Well Parish Council Notice board located in front of the jetty alongside the foreshore car park is the ideal place to advertise.

Charity organisations, community groups and local businesses are invited to promote their events or facilities here.

This is a focal point for villagers and visitors alike.

For this free service contact Steve Ainley 019467 28538

2ND SEASCALE SCOUT GROUP

Just when you think that things are settling down, it's all change again. We are very sorry to say goodbye to Stuart and Ellie. Stuart has just left us to take up a new job in Lincoln (why he would want to leave Seascale is beyond me, but maybe I'm biased), and Ellie will be following later in the school year. Stuart has made a great contribution to the group, and will be very sadly missed – we wish them both all the best for their new life in Lincoln.

That has led to a reshuffle in the group – Paul will now be running the scouts with Helen's help, and we welcome Nick McKerrow who has joined us to run the cubs. This will be guite a daunting challenge for Nick - but I am sure that he will rise to the challenge, and he can be assured of support from all of us in the group. I am also very pleased to welcome Sue Allen, who has joined us as group treasurer. It is a great help to me personally, not to have to worry about the financial side of things at the same time as organising the group. During the term, we have also been joined by Alix Grant, who is helping with beavers - the more adults who can help us out, the easier it becomes for all of us, and we can all enjoy the activities. It can be as much fun for the adults helping in

scouting, as for the youngsters, and we do appreciate all the help which we receive from the village – we couldn't run anything without you.

This term has been a hectic one – GADS knew that Seascale beavers, cubs and scouts were there, and even presented a Chief Scouts Award to one of our cubs – Daniel Yetts. Just got our voices back from that, and it was off to Dumfries for ice skating. One or two bumps, but all returned safely, and a few even got to be quite confident skaters. The beavers have been on a sleepover in Coniston, and the scouts managed a cycle ride which seemed to find the wettest and muddiest tracks in the area. Great fun!

There are cubs and district trips in the offing – covering wind, water and rail, a county rally for the scouts, and the group camp in June, at which we hope to see a return visit by Stuart.

There's plenty going on, and there's always room for more adults who want to help, as well as youngsters who want to join – just give me a ring.

Graham Worsnop, Group Scout Leader 019467 28296

SEASCALE PRIMARY SCHOOL TRAFFIC SITUATION

The Staff and Parents of Seascale School are very concerned about the traffic situation surrounding the school. At a recent public meeting there was very strong concern about the possible reduction in school crossing time. It was felt that the half hour at the beginning and end of each school day is a necessity for the safety of children, and strongly urge the Council not to reduce this as has been proposed. A survey of the crossing patrol took place in September, but the traffic situation surrounding the school has changed considerably since then and we urge the council to undertake a further survey.

In addition, members of Seascale community, residents and parents feel that the traffic situation around the school has become very dangerous since the County Council closed off their land adjacent to the school. Whilst we appreciate this land was not there for the convenience of parents it did alleviate the situation at peak times.

We would like to encourage all residents and parents to support us in our campaign by writing to express concerns regarding the situation. We have a sample letter available from school if you would like to put your name to it, or please feel free to write and express your own opinions. The address to write to is:

Mr Johnathon Marriott, Copeland Local Committee, c/o Community Division, Richmond House, Catherine Street, Whitehaven, Cumbria

Seascale Village Funday

As we head into the Spring/Summer season, plans are being put forward for the Seascale and Calder House Charity Village Funday which will be held on Saturday 9 July 2005.

The Theme of this year's event will be "A Celebration of the 1940's", commemorating the 60th anniversary of the end of World War II.

A wide range of entertainment has been secured, ensuring a fun filled day for all the family, capturing the mood of the 1940s. There will be a host of acts featuring a variety of music and song for all tastes.

New for this year we are including a Craft Fair with exhibitors from throughout Cumbria demonstrating their skills and offering their gifts for sale. There will be a wide variety of stalls raising money for our friends at West Cumbria Hospice at Home and for a small fee we are inviting any charity organisation or community group to set up a stall to raise money for their individual fund raising.

Firm favourites remain for the kids – Bouncy Castle – Magician – Tots Roundabout – Face Painting and lots more. A fantastic night of entertainment has been organised – housed in a fabulous "Starlight Marquee" starring the Big Band sound of The Musicmasters, playing favourite tunes from the Glenn Miller era with more acts to be announced later. Tickets will go on sale from 1 May (sorry, adults only) priced at £16.50 per head, to include a sumptuous gala buffet.

Tickets may be booked in advance by contacting Calder House Hotel as demand will be very high for this event.

To put us "In The Mood" we have arranged a special weekend of dance lessons to be held on Saturday 4 and Sunday 5 June at the Windscale Club, Seascale. Aimed at beginners, our professional teachers from '40s Swing with a Zing will take us through the basic steps of popular dances of the 1940s. Doors open at 10am commencing with "The Quickstep" from 10.30am to 12.30pm. After an interval for a buffet lunch we will continue from 2pm until 4pm with a '40s style Jive and practice session. Sunday begins with "The Waltz" at 2pm followed by free time for practice until 4pm. The two-day course will cost just £15 per person with an additional £5 for buffet lunch, booked in advance. So even if you have two left feet – come and join us for what promises to be a great social fun weekend leading up to the Funday celebrations.

For further information or to book for any of these events – please contact Steve Ainley on 019467 28538

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SEASCALE TENNIS CLUB

With three all-weather courts adjacent to the Windscale Club, play can and does take place all the year round. However, the main season starts with the light evenings of British Summer Time.

For anyone who would like to try the game, an Open Session will be held on Saturday 7 May, 10am until 1pm. Racquets and balls will be provided and the only requirement is sports shoes which do not mark the courts. If you are interested just turn up between these times but if either the date or time is inconvenient, contact one of the Club's officers to arrange a special session.

It is hoped that coaching will be available from Friday 15 April (4.30pm until 7.30pm). Contact the Secretary for further information.

Teams are entered in the Men's Doubles, Ladies' Doubles and Mixed Doubles sections of the West Cumbria Tennis League. We are always on the look-out for keen competitive players to strengthen these teams.

The club holds three informal Mixed Doubles Tournaments on Sunday mornings during the months of May, June and July. The June Tournament is followed by a buffet and drinks at the Cumbrian Lodge (£10 per person), to which former club members are invited to renew old acquaintances in pleasant surroundings.

Club sessions, when everyone mixes in, are held on Sunday and Wednesday mornings and Thursday evenings. Tuesday and Wednesday evenings are reserved for matches. Otherwise play can be either by prearrangement between members or mixing in.

For further information contact one of the club's officers:

Chairman Peter Barnett Secretary Peter Simpson Treasurer Margery Willey Gosforth 25380 Seascale 28752 Seascale 28476

Seascale Parish Council is happy to accept donations for adverts placed in the Seascale Newsletter. The expected rate is £10 for a quarter-page, and pro-rata for larger advertisements. Contact: Eileen Eastwood on 28653.

Why Christianity?

An open meeting will be held at Windscale Club on Tuesday 7 June 2005 at 7.30pm.

Disillusioned by today's Church?

Dissatisfied with life?

Looking for something to help meet your spiritual needs?

An opportunity to ask questions or raise issues concerning Christian faith today. More details to be circulated in May.

Organised by the Christian Churches in Seascale.

Parking in Seascale

During the evenings so many cars park haphazardly on both sides of our roads that it would be impossible for emergency services, especially a fire engine, to negotiate through them. Please park safely and sensibly, especially at night when everyone is at home. Lives are at risk with indiscriminate parking.

Parish Council

Seascale CDC

Seascale CDC congratulates Maureen Hogg on her new appointment at Millom School. We will be sorry to lose her as Manager but are pleased that she will continue to tutor courses for the foreseeable future.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who signed the recent petition; unfortunately it was decided to bring all CDC's under the umbrella of Adult Education Service. We will keep you informed of any implications.

Our congratulations go to Alix Grant, Elaine Elliott, Pauline Bailey, David Barnard, Julie Brown, Jeanette Davie-Kimber, Michelle Nicholls and Stephanie Speirs for gaining an ECDL qualification.

We would like to remind you that our conference facilities are available at very competitive rates. If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact:

Janice Eccles at Seascale CDC or on 019467 28403/21003

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FARMING CRACK

ceascale is a good place to live. There is just One thing I don't like – in fact it scares the daylights out of me at times - the terrible wind that we suffer occasionally. Having a farm with lots of buildings, which are mainly constructed of timber, for housing the livestock, I find it very worrying wondering what damage will be done. At the farm we got off lightly during the last big gales, when the main problem was lack of electricity and so we were unable to milk some of the cows for up to eighteen hours. This caused them a lot of discomfort, especially the high yielders, some of which were giving ten to twelve gallons a day. The Bulk Tank could not cool the milk so we had to dispose of two days' supply, which was quite a loss. Some farmers were unable to milk for several days, which would certainly cause problems for the cows during this lactation. If they are not milked regularly they cease milk production. What force the wind can have to cause the enormous amount of damage to some parts of the village, especially near the sea front, where very few houses escaped the worst winds for many years.

At the time of writing this article, the end of February, the current big scare is the cancercausing red dye used for colouring food. This is extremely worrying to everyone. It makes you wonder what long-term effects colourings and additives used in manufacture will have on you, not just food but also in soap powders, cosmetics and other things. It is quite a change for a scare to have nothing to do with farming!

The other worrying thing hanging over us at the moment is the Asian "Chicken" Flu, which appears to have crossed over from poultry to humans. It is, potentially, a world-wide disaster waiting to happen. Of those who have caught it in Asia there has been a 70% mortality rate. Britain has belatedly increased its order for vaccine but it will not be available at once, while other countries have taken the threat more seriously and already ordered enough to cover their entire populations. At the moment this country is still importing chicken and duck



products from these Asian countries, even though it is known to pose a risk.

Whatever you think about the foxhunting ban it's your business, but I think in this part of the country it has to be a bad decision. Foxes need to be controlled, especially in the Lake District fells where fell farmers make their living from rearing and keeping sheep. Foxes are a menace at lambing time when new born lambs are easy prey, especially during the first day or two of their lives. Someone I know was walking on the fells at Wasdale last year when down in the valley below they witnessed a fox trying to entice a sheep away from its new born twin lambs; eventually the fox succeeded in distracting the mother long enough to sneak around behind and make off with one of them. A lot of lambs disappear at this time of year and the fox is the main culprit, although badgers are known to have killed some and hawks take the odd one, which usually is already dead. With hunting, a fox either escapes or is killed instantly; the alternatives are shooting, trapping or poisoning. Unless the first shot is fatal a fox will certainly have to suffer a long, lingering death from its injuries. I have seen two foxes each with only three legs, having lost the other one in either a snare or a trap. I like to see the odd fox running wild in the countryside, and to see young cubs playing outside their den is quite a sight, but unfortunately they are ruthless killers, often

killing only for pleasure. Last week we moved the hen house to within 50 metres of the houses on Santon Way. The fox got amongst them and killed all 23 that were outside the hut at the time. They all had their heads bitten off in the classic way a fox kills; only one was taken, the rest were killed for fun. If it had only taken one or two for food we would not have minded so much, but this was a sickening sight.

Several foxes have been seen in gardens in the village recently so beware – a pet rabbit or cat will make a tasty meal for a fox.

Wild Life

Last year I wrote an article about the grey squirrel invasion into this area. There are now, unfortunately, lots of them at Muncaster, Santon Bridge and last month one was sighted at Gosforth. Being twice the size of the indigenous red squirrel not only do they frighten the red away but they can live on lots of different types of food including the few that the red squirrels rely on. Worst of all they carry a virus, which they are immune to, but it kills the red ones. Drastic action needs to be

taken now while there are still some red squirrels around.

Springtime is the time for wild flowers to appear but it is illegal to pick most of them and certainly illegal to dig any up. Every year the daffodils at Moffat's corner seem to catch it, which spoils everyone's pleasure. I saw the following verses which are appropriate:

Nature's Treasures

These fragile flowers are nature's treasure, Provided not just for our pleasure. For they exist without mankind, We must preserve them where we find, Them struggling to survive, for we In trust control their destiny. Their sights we see, their scents we breathe, As we inherit so we bequeath. Leave only footprints, Take away only memories.

A couple took their grandson to MacDonald's for his birthday treat. When asked what he would like to eat he insisted that he wanted a "Dog Burger". Eventually it turned out it was a Hot Dog he was after. Good news for the dog!



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A LITTLE MIXED UP...

Just a line to say I'm living That I'm not among the dead Though I'm getting more forgetful And 'mixed up' in my head.

I've got used to my arthritis
To my dentures I'm resigned
I can manage my bifocals
But oh dear, I miss my mind.

Sometimes I can't remember When I'm standing by the stair If I should go up for something Or I've just come down from there

And before the fridge so often My mind is filled with doubt Now did I put some food away Or come to take it out?

And sometimes when it's night time With my nightcap on my head I don't know if I'm retiring Or just getting out of bed.

If it's not my turn to write dear
I hope you won't get sore
I may think that I have written
And don't want to be a bore.

So remember I do like you And wish that you lived near And now its time to post this And to say goodbye my dear.

At last I stood beside the postbox And my face it sure got red Instead of mailing this to you I opened it instead!

I have no idea who wrote this or where it came from. It was found in a drawer of a house I was emptying. I thought it might raise a smile!

Barbara Ramsden

The Seascale Recreational Association (SRA)

The S.R.A. held its Annual General Meeting in the Windscale Club on Monday 21 February 2005.

The following is a resume of what the SRA is:

In the nineteen fifties, the Recreational Field (more commonly called the Cricket Field) was left in trust to the village.

The management of the field is the responsibility of the SRA Management Committee which is voted into office annually. To become a member of the SRA and so be allowed to vote at the AGMs and Special Meetings, residents (over 18 years) of Seascale and the surrounding district need to pay their annual subscription (currently £1.00).

The Committee includes representatives from the user groups, currently the Cricket Club and the Dog Club.

The village is very fortunate in having such a fine field for village activities and it would be a great pity if it were ever lost, due for instance to lack of funding. The sources of monies required to pay for maintenance (fences etc), grass cutting, rates and insurance is raised by rents from the user groups, annual subscriptions for SRA members and donations and, as with most voluntary organisations, money is always in short supply.

Why not become a member and give your pound annual subscription and/or donation to one of the officers of the S.R.A. committee TODAY – Andrew Lee (Chairman), Jenny McClemens (Secretary), Steve Brown (Treasurer) or any Committee Member, and ensure that this valuable village asset is retained for all time?

Derek Le Voi (Trustee)

Seascale & District Horticultural Society

The Society hut is now open for business:

March: Sundays from 10am to 11am

April and May: Wednesdays from 6.30pm to 7.30pm. Sundays from 10am to 11am

The Annual Flower Show will be held on Saturday 13 August 2005. The show was very well supported last year in the majority of classes, which we hope will be repeated this year, however we would also like to encourage more children to enter.