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# THE MELLING CHRONICLE



Make a Christmas Wreath  
Cooking Corner...Christmas Chutney  
Pub Night - The Scrimshankers

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3 Nov	Pub Night - Melling Village Hall	7.30pm
4 Nov	Dominoes Evening - Hornby Institute	7pm
5 Nov	Morning Service -St Wilfrid's Church	9.30am
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25 Nov	Blue Moose - Annual Showcase - Betham Town Hall	7pm
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## MELLING VILLAGE HALL EVENTS



The Village Hall committee is delighted to welcome Robert Turner as its new chairman. It still needs some **EXTRA COMMITTEE MEMBERS**.

Why not contact:

**Mary 07970705496 or Sandra 07713883632**  
for more info.



### MELLING VILLAGE HALL PUB NIGHT

Friday 3rd November, bar opens 7.30pm

Featuring entertainment from the Melling based group **The Scrimshankers**.

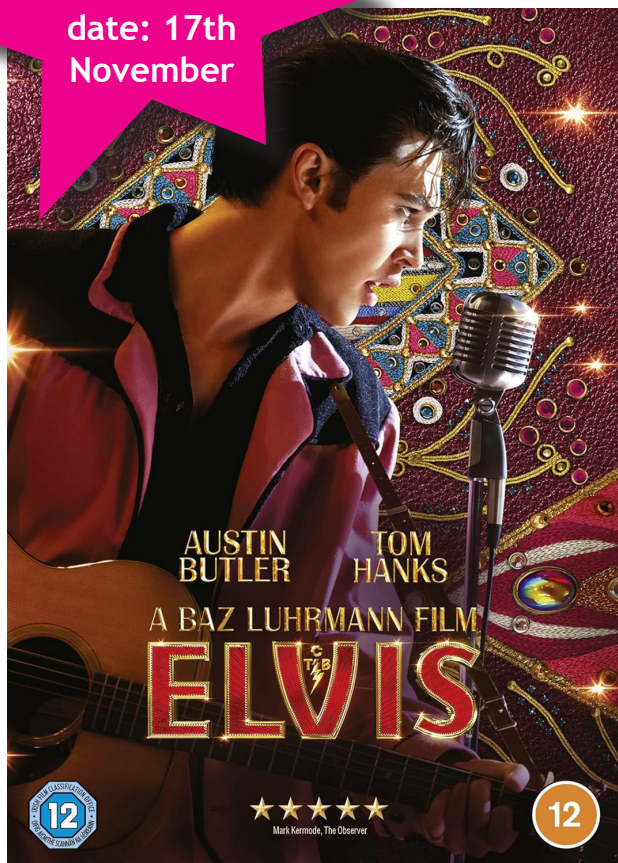
**THE  
SCRIMSHANKERS**

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Why not come along, meet up with friends and have a great start to the weekend.

Please **NOTE**  
new cinema  
date: 17th  
November

Making use of our audio-visual equipment we proudly present our last **MOVIE NIGHT** until after Christmas:



### ELVIS (12)

Friday 17th November, doors open at 7.00pm and the film starts at 7.30pm.




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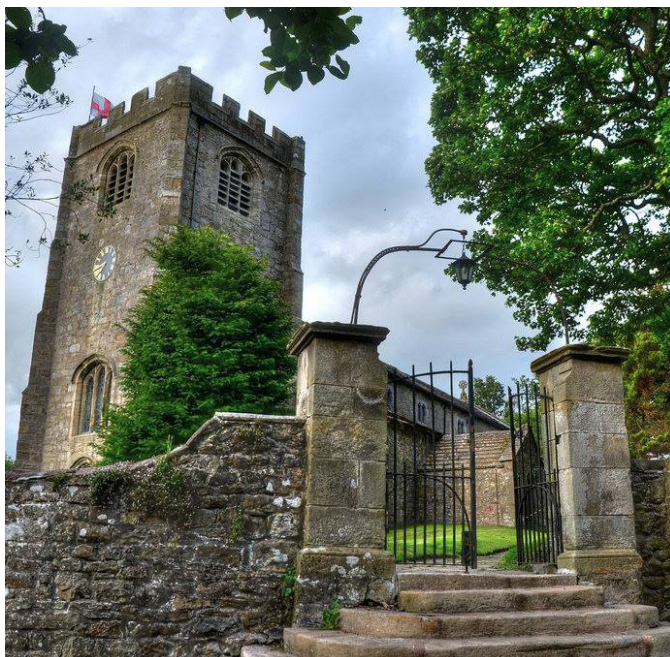
The film explores the life and music of Elvis Presley (Austin Butler), seen through the prism of his complicated relationship with his enigmatic manager, Colonel Tom Parker (Tom Hanks). The complex dynamic between Presley and Parker spanning over 20 years, from Presley's rise to fame to his unprecedented stardom, against the backdrop of the evolving cultural landscape and loss of innocence in America. Central to that journey is one of the most significant and influential people in Elvis's life, Priscilla Presley (Olivia DeJonge).





## LOOKING AHEAD.....IN MELLING VILLAGE HALL

 <b>THE SCREMSHANKERS</b>	<b>Pub Night with music:</b> Featuring the Melling based band 'The Scrimshankers', singing sea shanties and other folk songs. Come along and support them!	<b>Fri 3rd Nov</b>
	<b>Movie Night: Elvis</b> Baz Luhrmann directs Austin Butler as Elvis and Tom Hanks as Colonel Tom Parker.	<b>Fri 17th Nov (new date)</b>
	<b>Pub Night</b>	<b>Fri 1st Dec</b>



## ST. WILFRID'S CHURCH

You can now donate to the upkeep of our beautiful ancient church by contributing to our new online fundraiser. Scan the QR code to get started!

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We deeply appreciate all the funds we receive. Thank you!



## NEWS FROM ST WILFRID'S CHURCH

We would like to give advanced notice of a couple of events happening at church so that you can keep the dates free...

### CHRISTMAS FAIR

This annual event will be held in Melling Institute on **Friday 24th November**, from **4-8pm**. There will be a range of high-quality craft stalls, grand raffle and refreshments will be served. Why not come along & browse the stalls, with a glass of mulled wine. We time the event in the early evening so that families can come along and have their tea. It is an ideal opportunity to pick up some early, unique Christmas gifts. It is one of our main fund-raising events & we hope that it will be widely supported in the community.

### COMMUNITY CONCERT

We are excited to host a Christmas concert for the community. This will be in addition to our regular Christmas programme of services and is intended to be a light hearted event for all of the family. It is to be held at **3pm on Sunday 10th December**. The Parish choir will be leading the event and light refreshments will be served. We do hope that the community will support this event and take the opportunity to come into church at the beginning of the festive season.

A full list of Christmas services will be published nearer to the time and details can be found on the church FaceBook page. *Cathy Brough*



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- *Full day: £24 (A school lunch can be provided upon request for £1.10)*



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# **Christmas**

## **Gift & Craft Fair**

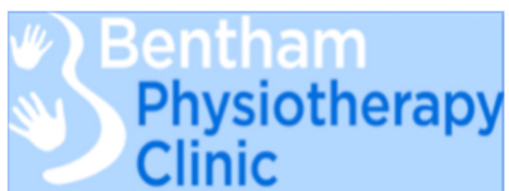
### **Melling Institute**

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November**  
**4pm ★ 8pm**



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## CHRISTMAS WREATH TABLE CENTRE PIECE MAKING

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To include all equipment and foliage, mulled wine, tea/coffee, mince pies. Booking essential, as numbers are limited to 15: [juleswoody56@gmail.com](mailto:juleswoody56@gmail.com)

Please indicate if you want to make a wreath or a table centre piece.

**This is a not for profit event, last year we were able to donate £50 to church funds.**



### PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

The Parish Council were delighted to welcome two new councillors,

**Phillip Howson** and **Andrew Stevenson** at the meeting at the end of September.

The main issues discussed were the green spaces; footpaths and bridleways; jobs and priorities for 2024.

The next meeting will be held in December.





## COOKING CORNER ... CHRISTMAS CHUTNEY

(THINK AHEAD!)

### INGREDIENTS

- 900g cooking apples, peeled, cored, and cut into 2cm dice
- 300g chopped dates
- 300g dried apricots, cut in half
- 400g raisins
- 150g dried cranberries
- 50g preserved ginger in syrup, cut into ½ cm dice
- 2 medium onions, peeled and finely diced
- 750g Muscovado sugar
- 2 teaspoons of mustard seeds
- 2 teaspoons ground ginger
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 700ml cider vinegar



### METHOD

1) Place all ingredients into a large pan. Bring to a boil, reduce heat to a simmer and cook for 40-50 minutes until thick, stirring occasionally.

2) Remove from the heat and transfer into dry, clean, sterilised jars and seal. Store in a cool dry cupboard for at least a month and for up to a year.

### TIP

If you like your chutney with a little extra crunch, add some walnuts. Lightly toast 150g, roughly chop (not too small) and add to the pan with the other ingredients.





## MELLING ST WILFRID CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

'FOR THE LOVE OF LEARNING, FRIENDSHIP AND FAITH.'

We have had a great half term with a fantastic group of children.

The last morning of our half term consisted of a toast fest - thanks to Harry and Kendall who at the Great Yorkshire Show won a delivery of delicious Jacksons bread. All the children were invited into school for an early start of toast and fresh juice before school. It was lovely to see parents as well and a lot of toast was consumed.



Our KS2 class visited the Manchester Museum of Science and Industry which reinforced their learning in class about the digestive system and the human body. They also visited the experiment gallery where they found out about magnets and the textiles gallery which taught them about the weaving they had been studying in DT.

Back in school they completed their weaving projects in art and as part of

their DT lessons made cheesecakes with seasonal fruits.

Our KS1 have also been busy with some of our Y1 and 2 children forming a joint athletics team with friends from Tatham Fells School. The athletics rally was held at Carnforth High school and the children threw themselves into running, throwing and catching enjoying competing with all the other local schools.

We held a Festival of Light day and all the children from Tatham Fells school joined us on the day. We were lucky to be joined by Prags Birk from Cultural Educ-Asian, Sr Michaela from Hyning Monastery, Carnforth and our very own Rev Jane. The school was full of the joy of dancing, singing, craft and eating and we discovered that all the religions have lots of similarities. We learned Bollywood dances, had Henna mehndi, ate samosas and cake, made rosaries and Rangoli and Melling enjoyed showing their school to everyone. By the end of the day everyone was dancing.



*Fiona Ip, Headteacher*



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## News From The Neighbours



### LUNE VALLEY SWIMMING POOL - HORNBY

In October the Hornby Pool celebrated just 5 years since it reopened as a community pool.

Thanks to all the volunteers, sponsors, members, donors, staff and users who made it all possible.

We celebrated with a great weekend of activities and sincerely thank you all for your support over the past quite challenging years

We are very pleased to acknowledge receipt of £17k of support funding from the **Swimming Pool Sustainability Fund**.

This grant will be used to help meet the increased costs of utility and chemical charges.

During November we are also due to receive further support from the **Co-op Local Community Fund** for which we are most grateful.

As we move into December we will be promoting our usual Christmas Raffle with great prizes and a super hamper. Raffle tickets are available from Hornby swimming pool reception.

Over Christmas there will be family sessions, lane swims and the only days we will not be open will be the 24th, 25th 26th of December and 1st of January.

Always best to check on our Facebook page for all details.

For all Hornby Pool general enquiries please contact Georgia or Scott on 01524805666.

Please see contact details below:

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## HORNBY DISTRICT RAMBLERS 2023 PROGRAMME

Meet at Hornby Car Park to leave at 9-30 am prompt - Or at parking area for start of the walk

DATES	DISTANCE	LEADER(S)	AREA
NOVEMBER 11th	WALK-AGM and Lunch	COMMITTEE	To be decided
DECEMBER 9th	4-6 miles		To be decided

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# News From The Neighbours

## LUNESDALE PROBUS CLUB - HORNBY

### NOVEMBER MEETINGS

Our first guest speaker on **Monday 6th November** will be Martin Cooper and his subject will be - **Canals**. A look at our industrial past and use in the leisure industry today



And on **Monday 20th November** we welcome Christine Workman to tell us about **The Felt Hat Makers** of the Lune valley. Our local village of Wray was one such village. The use of Mercury in felt manufacture had significant impacts upon the workforce.

Lunesdale Probus Club meetings are held on the first and **third Monday** of each month.

Guests, friends and visitors are always welcome to join us at the Hornby Village Institute at **10.30am** for coffee and chat before each meeting.

No obligation to join - just come along and enjoy a nice social break from routine.

For further details or any information on this or other Lunesdale Probus Club matters please contact - **Roger Carter: 015242 22283**





## TATHAM HISTORY SOCIETY

### LECTURE PROGRAMME, WINTER 2023

**Saturday 11 Nov, 7.30pm, St James the Less church, Lower Tatham.**

Chris Workman: 'Wray's felt hat industry, c1750-1900'.

**Saturday 25 Nov, 7.30pm,**

**The Old School, Lowgill**

Melinda Elder: 'Anyone for port? Local connections with the Portuguese wine trade and siege of Oporto'.



**Saturday 9 Dec, 7.30pm,**

**The Old School, Lowgill**

John Wilson and Mike Winstanley: 'Crime and policing in 19th century Wray and Tatham: the day book of Sergeant Bull', preceded by short AGM.

[www.tathamhistory.org.uk](http://www.tathamhistory.org.uk)

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## HORNBY PENSIONERS



### EVENTS DURING NOVEMBER

Dominoes Evenings will be held on alternate Saturdays on the ground floor of The Institute, beginning at 7pm. Those evenings being on **November 4th and 18th.**

No previous experience of the game is needed, and everyone is welcome.

### HORNBY PENSIONERS POTATO PIE LUNCH

**Tuesday 14th November**

This event is not to be missed, it is a warming dish, ideal for the onset of winter, followed by a delicious dessert.



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