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Respect everyone

- be considerate to those living in, working in and enjoying the countryside
- leave gates and property as you find them
- do not block access to gateways or driveways when parking
- be nice, say hello, share the space
- follow local signs and keep to marked paths unless wider access is available

Protect the environment

- take your litter home - leave no trace of your visit
- do not light fires and only have BBQs where signs say you can
- always keep dogs under control and in sight
- dog poo - bag it and bin it in any public waste bin or take it home
- care for nature - do not cause damage or disturbance

Enjoy the outdoors

- check your route and local conditions
- plan your adventure - know what to expect and what you can do
- enjoy your visit, have fun, make a memory

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St Wilfrid's Church
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The Melling Chronicle

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MELLING CHRONICLE

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Please send items for the Melling Chronicle to the editor:
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Please supply text as a Word document or by email. Photographs are always welcome at a high resolution. If you have an interesting, relevant, high resolution image for the front or back cover, please send it in for consideration.

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News From Melling And Wrayton



MELLING VILLAGE HALL EVENTS



The Village Hall needs some **NEW COMMITTEE MEMBERS.**

Why not contact:

Mary 07970705496 or Sandra 07713883632
for more info.



MELLING VILLAGE HALL PUB NIGHT

Friday 1st September, bar opens 7.30pm

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



Making use of our audio-visual equipment we proudly present our next **MOVIE NIGHT:**

OPERATION MINCEMEAT (12)

Friday September 22nd, doors open at 7.00pm and the film starts at 7.30pm.

Book with **Mary 07970705496.**

Operation Mincemeat is set in 1943 as the Allies are determined to launch an all-out assault on Fortress Europe. But they face an impossible challenge - to protect a massive invasion force from entrenched German firepower and avert a potential massacre.



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The winners for **July** are :

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| R. Taylor. | £27 |
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The winners for **August** are :

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| M. Owen. | £27 |
| I. Gardner. | £9 |
| E. Procter. | £9 |

LOOKING AHEAD.....IN MELLING VILLAGE HALL

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|  | Pub Night | Fri 1st Sep |
|  | Movie Night: Operation Mincemeat Colin Firth and Matthew Macfadyen face an impossible challenge in 1943. | Fri 22nd Sep |
|  | Pub Night | Fri 6th Oct |
|  | Movie Night: The unlikely pilgrimage of Harold Fry An unremarkable elderly man (Jim Broadbent) embarks on a walk ... of 450 miles. | Fri 20th Oct (Rearranged from August) |
|  THE SCRIMSHANKERS | Pub Night with music: Featuring the Melling based band 'The Scrimshankers', singing sea shanties and other folk songs. Come along and support them! | Fri 3rd Nov |
|  | Movie Night: Elvis Baz Luhrmann directs Austin Butler as Elvis and Tom Hanks as Colonel Tom Parker. | Fri 24th Nov |



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!

Your kind donations keep the building running and the church an active place of worship.

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



NEWS FROM ST. WILFRID'S CHURCH

There are lots of things happening at St. Wilfrid's Church.
Please read below to find out more...

COFFEE MORNINGS

We are now holding a coffee morning on the first Monday of each month, from 10am to 12 noon. This is an opportunity for anyone from the local community to pop into church and chat, over a coffee. All are welcome and we hope that many of you will feel able to join us.

ALPHA COURSE

The Alpha course is open to anyone who wishes to know more about the Christian faith, whether you are a church-goer or not. It is a series of weekly presentations, with the opportunity to explore areas of faith and ask questions, in an informal setting. This course will begin on Tuesday 12th September, with a choice of attending in person or on Zoom. There are fliers in the back of church or for more details please contact Jennifer Brook-Thompson (jenniferbrookthompson@gmail.com).

CHURCH ROOF

As many of you will know the church roof needs extensive work to fix leaks and repair various areas. We have carried out a detailed survey & the next stage will involve applying for grant funding, in order to progress the project. We need help from the community. If you, or anyone you know, is able to assist in exploring and applying for such grants, we would be very grateful for such help. If you are able to assist in any other way, please let us know. We are only a small congregation and will not be able to tackle this huge task without help from the community. You can contact any member of the church or use the email below.

Obviously this project will also involve fund-raising and we are planning a concert later in the year, in addition to our annual Christmas Fair. We know that these events will be well supported by the community, as the church is such a central part of the village.

Cathy Brough (br1016585@gmail.com)



COOKING CORNER ... FRUIT CRUMBLE CAKE

INGREDIENTS

- 225g butter
- 225g golden caster sugar, plus 1 tbsp
- 3 medium eggs
- 275g plain flour
- 2 tsp baking powder
- 50g ground almonds
- 2 tbsp milk
- 1 tsp vanilla or almond extract
- 3 tbsp blackberry jam or if that's not available a berry jam of your choice.
- 150g blackberries
- handful of flaked almonds

Or for a change why not use raspberries, plums, apricots...



METHOD

1) Heat the oven to 180C/160C fan/gas 4, butter a 20cm square tin and line with baking parchment.

2) Beat 200g of the butter and 200g of the sugar together in a large bowl using an electric whisk until light and fluffy. Beat in the eggs, one at a time, until well combined. When smooth and creamy, add 225g of the flour, the baking powder, almonds, milk and vanilla, and mix to combine.

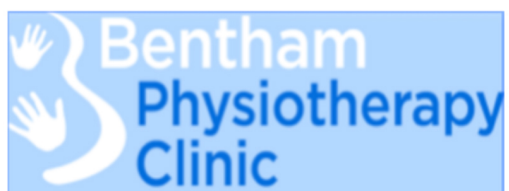
3) Scrape the mixture into the greased tin and level the surface with a spatula. Dot over teaspoons of jam, then scatter over the blackberries, pressing them in gently.

4) To make the crumble topping, weigh the remaining 25g butter and 25g sugar into a bowl, add the rest of the flour and a pinch of salt. Rub the ingredients together between your fingertips until they are a crumbly consistency. Mix in the flaked almonds, then scatter the crumble over the cake. Scatter with the 1 tbsp caster sugar and bake for 45 mins until a skewer inserted into the middle comes out clean.

If the cake isn't ready, return to the oven for 5-10 mins more, then check again.

Leave for 10 mins before cutting into squares and serving warm as a pudding—serve with cream, ice cream or custard.

Or, leave to cool for at least 30 mins in the tin before slicing and serving as a cake.



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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

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- Community
- Planning
- Climate changes and weather
- Links with other organisations in the wider district
- Green spaces
- Footpaths
- Biodiversity

Commitment:

- 5 evening meetings a year
- Communication via email between meetings
- Pick areas of the Parish Council to get more involved with

Eligibility:

- be at least 18 years old
- be a British citizen, or an eligible Commonwealth citizen.
- meet at least one of the following four qualifications:

a. You are, and will continue to be, registered to vote in the parish/ community.

b. You have occupied as owner or tenant any land or other premises in the parish during the whole of the 12 months prior to the day you join.

c. Your main or only place of work is in the parish during the whole of the 12 months prior to the day

d. You have lived in the parish or within three miles of it during the whole of the 12 months prior to the day you join.

For more information, please contact: **Claire Helme**, Clerk to Melling-with-Wrayton Parish Council:

mellingwithwraytonpc@gmail.com

Sandra Towers, Chair Melling-with-Wrayton Parish Council:

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FOOTPATHS AND ACCESS TO FIELDS

The Parish Council has mentioned about the large amounts of dog mess left near the entrance to Melling Moor and many of you will have read Hannah Towers' message to the Melling with Wrayton Community Facebook page back on in July. The Parish Council appreciates that many villagers are disappointed about the farm owners' decision to lock the access from Selby Lane, the Parish Council are in contact with the farm and will update you if anything changes.

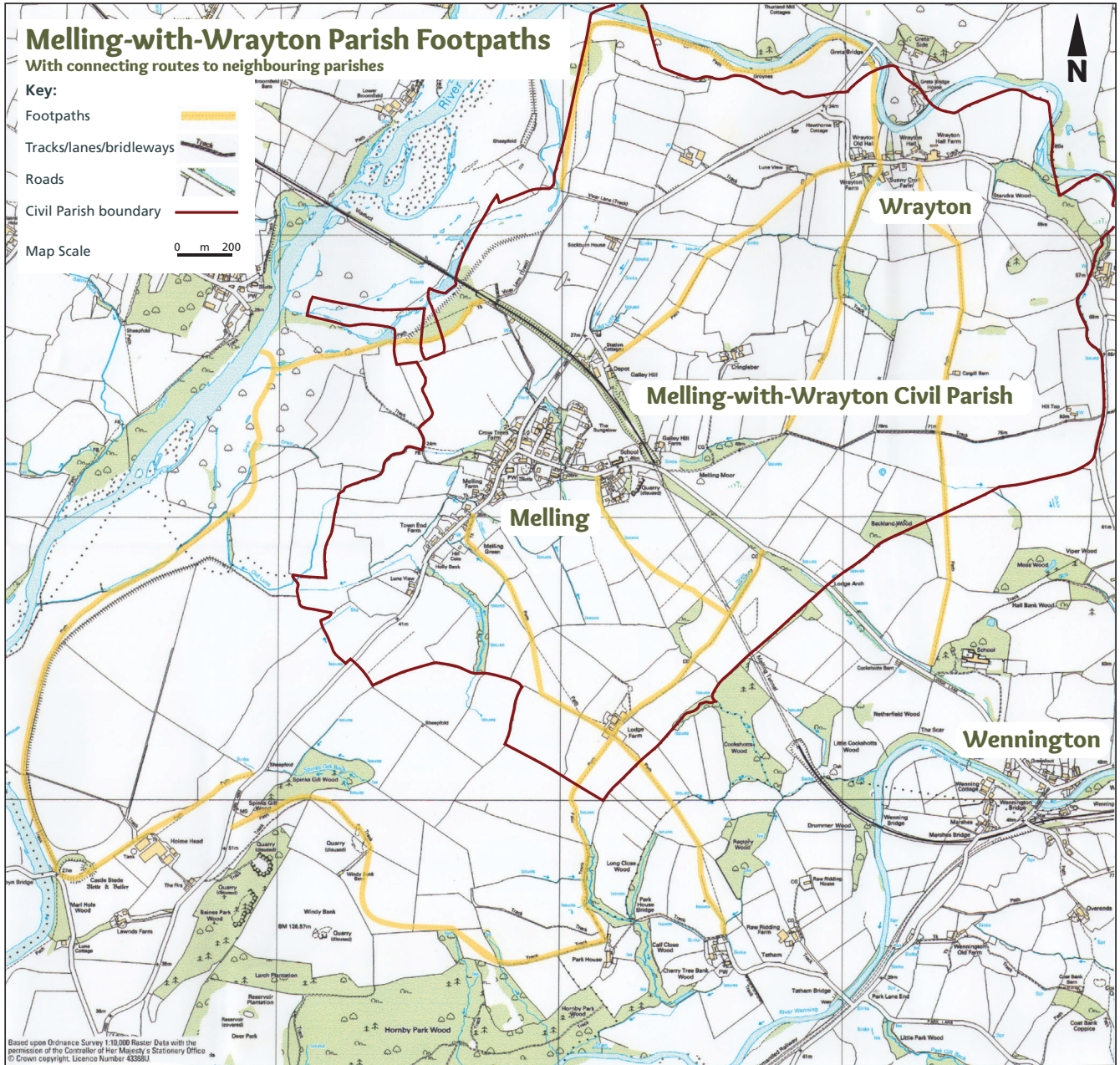
Please familiarise yourself with the countryside code (see front cover) and follow it.

The Parish Council will also re-issue the footpath leaflet within this Chronicle for your information.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on **Wednesday 27th September** starting at **6pm** with the public forum and **6.30pm** for the meeting proper.

Melling-with-Wrayton Parish Footpath Map



Melling Village Hall



The old arch on Lodge Lane, Melling Moor



Flooding in the Lune Valley

Melling-with-Wrayton Parish Footpath Map

The Civil Parish of Melling-with-Wrayton lies 11 miles north of the City of Lancaster and 14 miles south of Kendal. Situated in the centre of the Lune Valley, Melling nestles between the Lake District and the Yorkshire Dales, on the edge of the Forest of Bowland, an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

The Parish has an interesting and well maintained footpath network, some of which links in to the larger circular Lunesdale Walk* (the footpath network for the parish can be found on Page 11).

Melling derives its name from the Angles who settled around 570AD. It is the place where the followers or family of Mealla settled. It has a Norman Motte which is still visible behind St Wilfrid's Church.

St Wilfrid's Church, once known as the Cathedral of the Valley, is a prominent and important historic building within the village. The churchyard is designated a



St Wilfrid's Church

Biological Heritage Site within the county of Lancashire due to the number and rarity of many of the lichens found on the gravestones. A 10th century preaching cross suggests that Christians have worshipped at Melling for over 1000 years. The ancient Norman church was largely destroyed by a Scots raid in 1322 and was re-built sometime in the mid 14th century. The first major change to the building took place in 1693, when the thatched roof was replaced with stone. This was then raised to its present height in the mid 1700's and the clerestory was added.

Few changes then took place until William Bent Greside became vicar in 1855. Canon Greside was one of the more noteworthy and at the time venerated clergy of the valley. He was a friend of Ruskin and a keen Gothicist. He was a vicar until 1913 and set about 'restoring' the church with the help of wealthy parishioners, and the work of Lancaster ecclesiastical architects Austin and Paley. Their efforts put the church in its present state of thorough order and repair, but sadly destroyed valuable medieval fabric and furnishings.



Canon Greside

The church clock is worthy of note, being made by the famous clocksmith, Dent of London, who also contracted the Big Ben Clock. On the outside of the tower on the lower left of the window below the clock



face can be seen a pair of scissors chiselled into the stone work. It is said that this is the 'badge' of John Selby, resident tailor to the village, who lived in and gave his name to Selby Cottage across the road from the church, adjacent to Selby or Coffin Lane. Coffin Lane was so called as this was the route that coffins were brought from the Parish of Arkholme via a small boat ferry to the church. Until the mid 19th Century the Church Parish included Melling, Wennington, Hornby, Farleton, Roeburndale and Arkholme. St Wilfrid's is now part of a united benefice of three churches, with St Peter's, Leck and St John the Baptist, Tunstall.



The Parish also has many other interesting features. The Village Green at the south of the village is home to a Victorian water pump and has an interesting collection of rare marsh and wetland plants to the top of the hill. A special cutting policy has been adopted to protect these species and a pathway through the woodland to the top of the green was made available in 1998.

The village hall was built in 1922 and has an attractive mosaic next to the road created to celebrate the millennium by parish residents under the professional guidance of resident international mosaic artist Maggy Hawarth.



John Selby and his family outside Selby Cottage

The A683 road, which cuts through the centre of the Parish and joins Wrayton to Melling, acts as a connecting point between various footpaths and may be used to create circular routes between footpaths. A concessionary path is available through the churchyard which avoids the dangerous narrowing of the road and pavements at the centre of the village.



The mosaic prior to installation

News From Melling And Wrayton



Some interesting milestones are situated along the road side and can be seen clearly from the road. To the east of the village lies Melling Moor, a lovely vast expanse of ‘Common

Land’, another Lancashire County Biological Heritage Site for its natural moorland flora and fauna.

On the corner of the old coach road passing over the moor and the road known as Spout Lane can be found an old stone trough known locally as the ‘Vinegar Well’. This is said to date back to the time of the Great Plague, when food was placed close to the trough, and the people from the plague infested houses took the food and dropped money in payment into the ‘vinegar water’ where it could be washed to disinfect it.

The pleasant hamlet of Wrayton lies to the east of the village of Melling, and much of the footpath network connects



Looking north on Main Street, Melling



Hamlet of Wrayton

the two settlements. Some of the pathways pass along the Rivers Lune and Greta where a great deal of wildlife may be seen, including Curlew, Lapwing, Kingfisher, Dipper, Heron and geese. Many of these local scenes, flora and fauna have been beautifully captured in artworks by local residents.

Melling-with-Wrayton Parish Council wishes to express thanks to Green Close, the former Melling Arts Group and all the individuals who made this possible.



Reproduced in memory of Michael Gibson, former Chair of the Parish Council and Footpath Warden for many years.

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THE ROTARY CLUB OF LUNESDALE



A date for your diary is **Saturday 28th October** when **North West Cancer Research** will hold its annual **coffee morning** at **The Highwayman at Burrow**. The Rotary Club has supported this event in the past, which is in such a good cause, and we hope many of you will find the time to attend.

Members have enjoyed some really interesting talks at recent meetings with either slideshow presentations or providing different ways of audience participation. John Natlacen from The Churchmouse at Barbon was a most welcome guest speaker and chose 4 cheeses to talk about. John was extremely knowledgeable and he distributed samples of all 4 cheeses during his talk. He had also brought portions of the cheeses to sell which were quickly purchased. One of our newer club members on 3rd August gave a thought provoking talk about his working life in the police force. Another of our members gave a talk entitled "La Guerra Civil" obviously about The Spanish Civil War July 1936-April 1939 between the Republicans and the Nationalists. There were lots of questions at the end of both talks always a good sign of interest in the subject.

Finally our Rotary District is asking if anybody has spectacles and/or hearing aids which are no longer in use would they be willing to donate them to a rotary project whereby they will be forwarded to South Africa and given to people who can make good use of them. Please tel **015242 73166** if you can donate.

Keep well, Keep safe. Lilian

TATHAM CHURCH GRAND JUMBLE SALE

Saturday 16th September
2pm at Hornby Institute

AN EVENT NOT TO BE MISSED

Bric a Brac & Bargains Galore

Thank You, Linda Kirkby: 015242 21486

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING



Please come along to this annual event
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on **Saturday 30th September**
10.00am - 12 noon

Refreshments, raffle, cake stall,
guess the weight etc.

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HORNBY PENSIONERS

EVENTS DURING SEPTEMBER



Dominoes Evenings will be held on alternate Saturdays on the ground floor of The Institute, beginning at 7pm. Those evenings being on September 2nd, 16th, and 30th.

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

COFFEE MORNING

Saturday 9th September

This will be held between 10am and 12 Noon in Hornby Institute.

HORNBY PENSIONERS TRIP IN SEPTEMBER

Tuesday 12th September

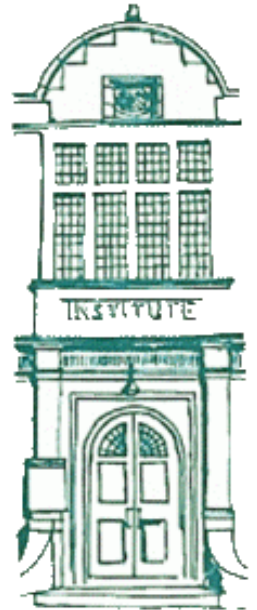
This excursion will be a shorter one, to Grange-over-Sands. There will also be a stop in Arnside on the way back.

The first pick up point near Hornby Bank will be at 10.00am and our return will be no later than 5.00pm.

The cost of each excursion will be £12 for members and £14 for non-members.

Our trips are open to all and are operated by Bibbys of Ingleton. They will pick up along the way if any of readers would like to join us.

Payment can be made to Kath Helme at the Institute on Tuesdays at 10am until 11am and Wednesdays from 10am until 12 noon.





Hornby Drama Group

will present

'Crawl to be Kind'

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- Afternoon session: 12.30pm - 3pm, £10
- Full day: £24

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LUNESDALE PROBUS CLUB - HORNBY

AUTUMN SPEAKER PROGRAMME.....WATER, WATER EVERYWHERE!

After the soggy Summer break Lunesdale Probus Club meetings begin again in September with two very topical and fascinating subjects - **Water and Climate change!**

On Monday 4th Sept our speaker, Andrew White will give a talk on the history of crossing Morecambe Bay.



On Monday 18 Sept Robin Mcilveen will be speaking on Weather and Climatic Events, past and possible future. Robin has visited us previously to discuss weather and environmental issues, and on this occasion he will also address extreme weather and climate change. Subjects much to the fore these days ensuring lively discussion..

Two very interesting presentations, not to be missed. Guests are always very welcome.

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

Guests, friends and visitors are always welcome to join us at the **Hornby Village Institute at 10.15am** for coffee and chat before each meeting. No obligation to join - just come along and enjoy a friendly social break.

For further details or information on this or other Lunesdale Probus Club matters please contact - Roger Carter, Tel: 015242 22283 or Email: hornby.carts@ic24.net.

News From The Neighbours

theWI INSPIRING WOMEN

The members of Tunstall WI gathered for their May meeting but unfortunately the speaker was forced to cancel due to family commitments. This did give the members chance to catch up with each other over coffee and biscuits. Also in May, 5 members enjoyed a visit to Farfield near Sedburgh. After looking around the various outlets they enjoyed refreshments in the cafe. May also saw Tunstall WI's annual plant sale held on a glorious summer day at the home of one of our members.

At the June meeting the speaker, Brian Topping gave a very entertaining talk about his work as a customs officer. Also in June 9 members gathered for a leisurely stroll on the towpath by the canal at Crooklands and then coffee in the hotel.

In July Peter Rimmer came to talk to us about the history of shrimping and cockle picking in Morecombe bay. Coming up at the end of July is Tunstall WI's annual garden party held at a member's home where everyone will enjoy a buffet supper accompanied by wine and soft drinks. This is one of two events in the year when members can bring along their husbands and partners. Fingers crossed for fine weather!

The next meeting is in **Tunstall Village Hall at 7.30pm on the 13th September.** Visitors are very welcome. *Sheila Mitchell, President.*



OCTOBER: 5TH YEAR ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS FOR THE LVCS HORNBY POOL.

Good news! It is almost 5 years since the Lune Valley Swimming Pool in Hornby re-opened after being taken over and refurbished by the community.

To mark this notable achievement there will be celebration parties held at the Hornby Institute on **Saturday 21st October.**

There will be a family party in the afternoon and a 70s disco party for the 'grown-ups' in the evening. Fancy dress optional.

For more details and tickets please speak to Georgia, Scott or members of the team on 01524 805666.

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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 |
|----------------|--------------------|------------|--|
| SEPTEMBER 2nd | 4-6 miles | Peter Edge | Abbystead or Clapham |
| SEPTEMBER 23rd | 6-8 miles | Jenny | Littondale (Yorkshire Dales National Park) |
| OCTOBER 14th | 4-6 miles | Ros | Hawes |
| OCTOBER 28th | 6-8 miles | Peter Edge | Torver |
| NOVEMBER 11th | WALK-AGM and Lunch | COMMITTEE | To be decided |
| DECEMBER 9th | 4-6 miles | | To be decided |

2023 COMMITTEE

Chair: Jenny Herd, 015242 21690
Secretary: Peter Edge
Treasurer: Chris Kynch
 Richard Kenyon - Ken Sedgwick - Ros Davey

A contribution for 2023 towards fuel costs, if sharing £3 per person for the shorter distance or £4 for a longer distance.
 Phone Jenny Herd for details of walks:
015242 21690

CONSTITUTION OF THE CLUB

1. The club is Hornby District Ramblers
2. The club exists to provide guided rambles for the enjoyment of the members
3. A committee of a chairperson, secretary, and treasurer and four members will be elected at the AGM
4. The AGM will be held in November
5. The annual subscription will be fixed at the AGM
6. Third party insurance is provided
7. Members walk at their own risk
8. Visitors on rambles are welcome
9. All children must be accompanied by a responsible adult
10. NO dogs are allowed on rambles
11. This constitution can only be amended at the AGM



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