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1st	Celtic Christmas Strings - 1922 Bar & Kitchen, Bentham Golf Course (P20)				
6th	Movies - Lower Tatham Church (P19)				
7th	Christmas Bingo - Hornby Institute (P17)				
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11th	Tunstall WI - Tunstall Village Hall (P17)	7.30 pm			
12th	Village Carol Service with Melling School at St Wilfrid's Church	6.30 pm			
12th	Open forum: including residents' views and suggestions for the future of Melling Green. Followed by Parish Council Meeting at Melling Village Hall	7.00 pm			
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15th	Christmas Cracker - Festive music from 'Untethered' at Melling Village Hall (P11)	6.30 pm			
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11th	Coffee Morning - Hornby Institute (P23)	10.00 am
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20th	DEADLINE - for The Melling Chronicle	12.00 pm

MELLING CHRONICLE

The Chronicle is available in PDF format at www.mellingwithwrayton.net

Please send items for the Melling Chronicle to the editor: mellingchronicle@yahoo.co.uk

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. Text will be edited if necessary.

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THE FUTURE OF MELLING GREEN

Melling Green was registered with the Land Registry as a Village Green in August 1998. It has had the status of a Village Green since 1971 or earlier.

As the owner of Melling Green, the Melling-with-Wrayton Parish Council is reviewing the way we manage Melling Green.

You are invited to let us know your ideas and suggestions at the Open Forum in the Village Hall at **7.00pm on Thursday 12 December** - yes, on General Election day!

We need to know what you think is <u>good</u> about Melling Green, what you think is <u>not so good</u>, what you want to <u>keep</u>, and what you would like to <u>change</u>.

A preliminary discussion about Melling Green is on the Agenda for the Parish Council meeting later the same evening, Thursday 12 December, when we will be able to take on board your views expressed at the Open Forum, and/or by email addressed to Gill Mason, our Parish Clerk, at mellingwithwraytonpc@gmail.com

Here are some questions you may wish to consider:

- Should we encourage residents to make more use of the Green for walking and recreation?
- Should we provide one or more benches, seats or picnic tables?
 Where could these be sited?
- Our Lengthsman has planted hundreds of saplings in and around wooded areas of the Green: should we plant more trees, and if so, in which areas of the Green?



• It has been suggested that we plant some flowering trees and shrubs, such as buddleia, in areas visible from the road: would this detract from the 'open' aspect of the Green, or would it make the approach to Melling along the main road more welcoming?

 Most of the open area of the Green is at present laid to grass, which is cut regularly by the City Council (paid for out of the Parish Precept): is this area too large, about right, or too small? Should we consider managing parts (which?) of the open areas as wildflower meadows?

 An area at the top left of the Green was previously designated as a Biological Heritage site, and a list made of the wild plants and flowers in it. This area has in recent years become waterlogged, making it difficult to maintain to the previous standard. We could accept this change and manage the area as wetland, or we could attempt to restore it: what would you like to see done?



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Sunday Morning Mass at 11.00 a.m. St Mary's Hornby

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - Fridays from 5-6pm - St Mary's -a hymn, a short reading and a peaceful silence in the presence of God.

Details of weekday Mass times, and other services and parish news can be found in the weekly Parish Newsletter displayed in St Mary's porch.

Visitors to St Mary's are always welcome.

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News From Melling And Wrayton

ST WILFRID'S CHURCH

WISHING ALL READERS A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

- VILLAGE CAROL SERVICE with St Wilfrid's School Thursday 12th December at 6.30pm
- WENNINGTON HALL CAROL SERVICE 17th December at 1.30pm
- FIRST COMMUNION OF CHRISTMAS 24th December at 9.00pm

(For other services refer to The Diaries on Page 3)

JAC

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Jim and Kay Harrison would like to thank:

Melling residents for their donations of £197.63

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Also thank you to Wennington residents for their donations of £116.96



THURSDAY GROUP

On Thursday November 21st the Thursday Group held an Open Evening when David Nott gave a fascinating talk on the History of Melling from the Parish Council Archives from 1894 - 1944.



We heard of the struggles of some far seeing members of the community, notably Richard Culpin among others and the passage of many years to persuade other members of the community to accept piped water into their cottages, eventually succeeding in 1905 and electricity in 1919. As we are all personally aware Melling was never connected to the national sewage services. When the Rural District Councils were formed Richard Culpin became a councillor. During the period 1894 to 1944 the local roads would become flooded but requests to have higher parts of the road lowered to prevent lower areas flooding, received no positive response in spite of the road near Melling Brow being considered dangerous.

Find out more about Richard Culpin and his struggles on our History page @ www.mellingwithwrayton.net/history

News From Melling And Wrayton

There were concerns about the amount of rubbish being dropped and one of the residents offered to collect any rubbish that couldn't be burned at a cost of 6d (pence) per household which was not popular as that was a lot of money then. Some time later it was discovered that the 'quarry' opposite the school was full of rubbish.

There was great concern about cars speeding, causing a great danger particularly to pedestrians and there were constant requests in 1908, 1912, 1914 and so on, made to introduce a speed limit which was eventually granted for 20 miles per hour. In the late 1930s, Melling, Wrayton and Wennington banded together to prepare for the coming war and the Government sent round circulars directing everyone to separate all their

rubbish so that nothing was wasted.

There seem to be many similarities in attitudes in the Melling people then and now, some wishing to move forward at a faster pace and others who prefer to stay as they are.

We were very pleased to welcome a good number of visitors to our meeting and were provided with copious refreshments from Margaret T and Judith G the latter being unwell and unable to attend.

This was the last meeting until March, when Joyce Jones will give a Spring Flower demonstration and talk 'Be inspired by Flowers'.

Until then, Best Wishes for Christmas!

MM



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A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

Dorothy Gibson would like to wish her many friends and neighbours in the parish a very Happy Christmas and a prosperous and healthy New Year.

This message is in lieu of cards, instead she will make a charitable donation to the Save the Children Fund.





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Thank you to everyone who is accessing the web site, we have seen a steady flow of new vistors and repeat visitors.

There have been **473** total visits: which equates to **300** first time visits and **173** repeat visits, mainly locally, but even some from United States, France, Australia, New Zealand, Turkey, Mexico, Trinidad and Tobago, Spain and Canada!

The tracker we use gathers simple information, but lets us know how many vistors there are and roughly the town/village accessing it. It does not tell us what pages are accessed, however it is a good indication of the traffic and how well the web site is used.

We will endeavour to keep the web site up to date, and if there is anything you would like to contribute or comment on, email: mellingwithwraytonwebsite@gmail.com

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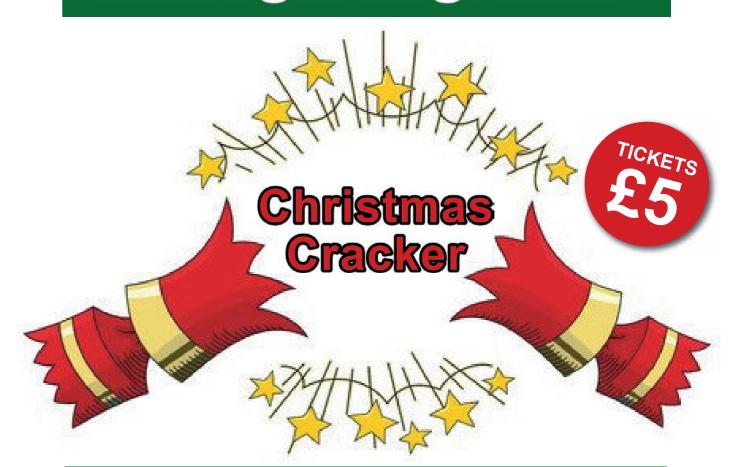
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Sunday 15th December **6.30pm**

Tickets available from: Adrian Francis, Mary Jackson, John Lowery, Adrian North, Margaret Toase, Sandra Towers, Mick Brookes

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Or email: mellingvillagehall@gmail.com

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News From Melling And Wrayton

PUB NIGHT AT MELLING VILLAGE HALL



Fun was had by all at the recent Pub Night in the Melling Village Hall.

The Melling Strummers did a superb job of keeping us entertained. Pies and peas were excellent followed by Mary's delicious homemade puddings. There was table football, a pool table and darts for the more energetic.

Keep checking in on the web site for future events if you would like to join in.

Any feedback is always more than welcome ...

- What did you like/did not like and any suggestions on how it could be improved?
- Would you like to see it as a regular event?
- Do you have suggestions for other events?
- Any compliments or constructive criticism welcome!

Email: mellingvillagehall@gmail.com



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News From The Neighbours

WENNING VOICES IN WENNINGTON

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19TH AT 6:30PM

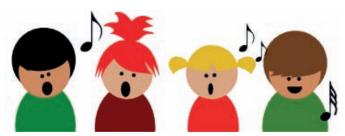
Wenning Voices invite family and friends from surrounding communities, to join in singing carols and songs round the Christmas tree on Wennington Village Green, exchange seasonal good wishes and enjoy complimentary mulled wine and mince pies.

Soft drinks and biscuits for children and grandchildren.

- Hope you'll be able to join us again
- Song sheets will be provided
- Don't forget to bring a torch along

In case of cancellation, there will be updates on the Wennington Village website:

www.wenningtonparishcouncil. wordpress.com/whats-on-2/





CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR SALE

£2.50 per pack of 5 Painted by Dorothy Moore, in aid of St Wilfrid's Church.

Available at the back of the church, Hornby Village shop and The Highwayman.



WENNING VOICES

Meet every Thursday 7.30pm - 9.30pm at St. James the Less Church, Tatham.



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HORNBY LUNESDALE PROBUS CLUB - DECEMBER PROGRAMME

Seasonal greetings to all readers of The Melling Chronicle from members of Lunesdale Probus Club.

Our series of entertaining and interesting talks and events continue in December as follows:

- **DECEMBER 2ND:** Barbara Broadbent poses the question 'What's a Wat'?
- **DECEMBER 14TH:** St George's Christmas markets and Liverpool Philharmonic 'Spirit of Christmas' away day!
- DECEMBER 16TH: 'The Tank and The Meteor' an illustrated talk by Anthony Wilson.
- DECEMBER 18TH: Lunesdale Probus Christmas lunch at the Highwayman
- The **Cumbrian Coast Steam Train** excursion scheduled for Saturday 4th April 2020 is now fully sold out..

For further details of any of our events or talks please contact: Roger Hornby Lunesdale Probus Club on 015242 22283. Email: hornby.carts@ic24.net

HORNBY VILLAGE TRUST – UPCOMING EVENTS

DECEMBER 7TH - CHRISTMAS BINGO: Eyes down 7.30pm (Bar opens 7pm). £1 per book

DECEMBER 31ST - NEW YEARS EVE: Welcome drinks 7.30pm, Carved buffet 8pm, Live music from The Jetsons, Tickets £35 (limited availability)

TUNSTALL WI

In November Tunstall WI held its Annual Meeting with reports of the year's activities from the President, Secretary and Treasurer. The members elected Sheila Mitchell as the new President for the forthcoming year. The meeting concluded with refreshments and games.

We look forward to the pre Christmas meeting on the 11th December when the speaker will be Gareth Marshall from the Bath House. The talk will be followed by a Jacob's Join supper. SM.

Tunstall WI meet at 7.30pm on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at Tunstall Village Hall.

New members are welcome.

HORNBY RAMBLERS - WALKS FOR 2020

DATES	START	AREA	DISTANCE	LEADER(S)	TEL.NO.
Jan 11	9.30 am	To be decided	5 miles		
Feb 8	9.30 am	Clapham or Lawkland	5 miles	Joan Mitton	42520
Mar 7	9.30 am	Otterburn or Hellifield	5 miles	Jenny Herd	21690
Mar 21	9.30 am	Hutton Roof - robust	6 miles	Peter Edge	22176
Apr 4	9.30 am	To be decided	5 miles	Anthea Ashworth	21980
Apr 18	9.30 am	Crummack Dale	7/9 miles	Richard Kenyon	21579
May 2	9.30 am	Countersett near Hawes	5 miles	Jenny Herd	21690
May 16	9.30 am	Roeburndale Woods	7/9miles	Richard Kenyon	21579
Jun 13	9.30 am	Rigmaden	5 miles	Beryl Morphet	42182
Jun 27	9.30 am	Dolphinholme	7/9 miles	Jenny Herd	21690
Jul 11	9.30 am	Smardale Gill	? miles	Chris Kynch	01524 771744
Jul 25	9.30 am	Horton in Ribblesdale	7/9 miles	Joan Mitton	43520
Aug 8	9.30 am	Burton in Kendal	5 Miles	Jenny Herd	21690
Aug 22	9.30 am	Lowgill	7/9 miles	Barbara Harrison	01524 771770
Sep 12	9.30 am	Bolton le Sands	5 miles	Barbara Harrison	01524 771770
Sep 26	9.30 am	Windermere	7/9 miles	Barbara Harrison	01524 771770
Oct 10	9.30 am	Grassington - easy	4/ 5 miles	Fiona Humphreys	21306
Oct 24	9.30 am	Stocks - easy	8 miles	Peter Edge	22176
†Nov 14	9.30 am	Austwick	5 miles Followed by the A.G.M. and lunch	Peter Edge	22176
Dec 14	9.30 am	To be decided	5 miles		

Where the area is 'to be decided', details will be in either Contact, The Wrayly Mail,

The Melling Chronicle, The Link, or from the leader.

A contribution of £3 per person for the greater distances and £2 for the shorter distances towards fuel costs is expected for these walks.

All telephone numbers are the Hornby code 015242 unless otherwise shown.

For all walks we assemble in Hornby car park. Start time 9.30 am prompt.

- † These walks are followed by an arranged lunch.
- * The date of the April/May Hornby Village Bluebell Walk and assembly point will be notified.
- If you have any concerns regarding the terrain or the estimated time of return, please contact the leader.

CONSTITUTION OF THE CLUB

- 1. The club is Hornby District Ramblers.
- 2. The club exists to provide guided rambles for the enjoyment of members.
- 3. A committee of a chairperson, secretary, 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.



2019 COMMITTEE:

Chair: Jenny Herd Tel. 015242 21690
Secretary: Peter Edge Tel. 015242 22176
Treasurer: Chris Kynch Tel. 01524 771744
Committee: Richard Kenyon, Ken Sedgwick,

Barbara Harrison, Ann Nash

MOVIES AT LOWER TATHAM CHURCH

Movies on Fridays at Lower Tatham Church

Date for your Diary is **6th December**with a start time of **7.30pm**If you wish to go on our mailing list please email us on moviesinthepews@gmail.com

Contact Sue on 07836 500091 or Helen on 07802 499934

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Celtic Christmas Strings

Máire Ní Chathasaigh Chris Newman



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News From The Neighbours

LUNE VALLEY SWIMMING POOL

Christmas greetings to all our swimmers, supporters, friends and well-wishers, its been a hectic first year and we are looking forward to another busy year ahead working with the Lune Valley communities.

EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING TUESDAY 10TH DECEMBER

Hornby Village institute at **7.30pm**For further details please contact
chairman@lunevalleypool.com

In accordance with our charitable status we are currently seeking trustees, committee members, and volunteers to help keep the pool running and assist with grant applications and fundraising initiatives.

Please come along, we really need to ensure a firm future for this valuable community asset and If you can help in any way and would like to join the team we would love to hear from you.

Christmas holidays: Please note the pool will close on Friday 20th December for planned maintenance and servicing and will re-open Monday 3rd January

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POTATO PIE SUPPER

Many thanks to everyone, especially Julia, who helped make this such an enjoyable occasion.

CHRISTMAS PARTY BOOKING - TUESDAY 10TH DECEMBER

We are very much looking forward to our party in **Hornby Institute**. We will be enjoying an excellent cold buffet supplied by Veda, followed by entertainment from the Occasionals.
Kath will be selling tickets, which are £8 per head, in



Hornby Institute between 10am and midday on Tuesdays to 3rd December inc. As a last resort, you can phone her on 015242 21845. This event is for members only.

COFFEE MORNING - SATURDAY 11TH JANUARY

This will be a good chance to get together for refreshments and a catch-up after the festive break: 10am-12 noon in **Hornby Institute**. There will be a raffle and a bring & buy stall, plus Kath will be taking membership enrolments for 2020.

New members especially welcome.

A.G.M. - TUESDAY 11TH FEBRUARY

Yes, it's soon going to be that time of year again, when we are looking back at past events and planning for the coming year. This meeting, at 7pm in Hornby Institute, is also when we appoint the committee for 2020. It would be wonderful if YOU would consider joining us, to help keep our organisation going a little longer. If you are at all interested, please talk to Kath Helme (Chair), Eileen Barton (Treasurer) or Annie Stephens (Social Secretary), who will be only too pleased to answer your queries. Immediately after this (hopefully) short meeting we will have our annual:

JACOB'S JOIN SUPPER

This is a very popular occasion, when members bring a contribution (sweet or savoury) to share in a communal meal. Bring whatever you like and just enough for one healthy appetite. It doesn't sound much but this generally generates a varied and tasty spread.



GAMES EVENINGS - SATURDAYS - 14/28 DECEMBER, 11/25 JANUARY These are the dates of our Whist & Dominoes evenings in Hornby Institute over the next 2 months starting at 7pm prompt. Admission (including light refreshments and 2 free raffle tickets) is only £2. Everybody very welcome.

And finally, sincere best wishes from your committee to all our members for a very happy festive season and a healthy 2020.

News From The Neighbours

THE ROTARY CLUB OF LUNESDALE.

You may recall that in the November edition I mentioned the work of the hospital ship 'Africa Mercy". On 3rd November the TV channel Quest televised a fascinating programme about the ship, its staff and the incredible medical procedures, many life-saving, carried out on board.

The highlight of the past month was a visit by members plus partners and friends to the Grand Theatre in Lancaster to see a production of 'The Vicar Of Dibley'. It was very funny and thoroughly enjoyed by all - a great night out. Thanks to President Dave who organised it.

The **Christmas Sleigh schedule** is as follows with each journey starting at 5.30pm:

- Mon Dec 9th Ingleton
- Tues Dec 10th Burton in Lonsdale
- Wed Dec 11th Caton
- Thurs Dec 12th Brookhouse
- Fri Dec 13th Kirkby Lonsdale

- Mon Dec 16th Bentham
- Tues Dec 17th Holme Day 1
- Wed Dec 18th Holme Day 2
- Thurs Dec 19th No allocation
- Fri Dec 20th Wray and Hornby

As always listen for the music which tells you that Father Christmas and the sleigh is approaching. Please do come out to greet him and say "Hello". We shall also be collecting

On a bitterly cold Friday
Lunesdale Rotary
collected all day
at the entrance
to Booths store inl
Kirkby Lonsdale for
Children In Need.
As always customers

As always customers to the store were extremly generous. Total money raised by the Rotary Club and by Booths staff inside the store was an amazing £1,609.

A huge thank you to everyone who made a donation to this deserving cause.

outside Booths store in Kirkby Lonsdale on the Saturday before Christmas and hope to see you then. Proceeds from all these collections go to deserving local causes.

It has been a busy and rewarding year for the Club with excellent speakers on a variety of fascinating subjects plus some interesting outings. On behalf of President Dave and all the club members, may I say a huge thank you for the constant support you have given your local Rotary Club. Many local causes have benefitted from your generosity and are truly grateful. Now we look forward to another interesting and enjoyable year.

With best wishes for a Happy Christmas and a Happy Peaceful 2020, Lilian



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