Parish Pump

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The 2026 Poppy Appeal

Our local team of house-to-house poppy sellers is currently visiting houses in Broughton & District to raise money for the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. Poppies are also available in most of the local shops and pubs and can be obtained until **Remembrance Sunday 8th November**.

Most collection tins bear a QR code for those wishing to make donations by that method. We have no other means of accepting contactless payments. Therefore try to ensure - if you plan to donate locally - that you have actual cash.

WE CAN ONLY ACCEPT CASH, BANKNOTES & CHEQUES IN OUR COLLECTION TINS

You can also donate directly at any time to www.britishlegion.org.uk. Please give generously to this important charity which helps so many people who have suffered so much following their careers in the armed services. "Founded in 1921, the Legion's work is as vital as ever. As well as providing wide-ranging welfare care, the Royal British Legion is the nation's custodian of Remembrance, ensuring their sacrifice is never forgotten."

YOU CAN ALSO DONATE DIRECTLY AT

www.britishlegion.org.uk

Our team of house-to-house collectors provide the main method by which the bulk of our donations are received. If, however, any local business or community group would like to assist in raising funds during the Remembrance-tide period (by organising for example a quiz night or a coffee morning), then any proceeds would be gratefully received by the Royal British Legion. Also I hold a small supply of poppy wreaths which any local organisation wishing to lay one at the Broughton war memorial on Remembrance Sunday may purchase from me.

Bob Bell
Poppy Appeal Organiser Broughton-in-Furness & District 01229 242089

DUDDON PARISH COUNCIL

Community Led Plan
Saturday 14th November
11am—1pm
Victory Hall

Informal chat with coffee and cake to discuss responses to the questionnaire and how to implement positive changes. Everyone is welcome and we need as many views as possible. Come and contribute and let us hear your voice. For more information see page 8 or contact the Parish Clerk at info@duddonparishcouncil.org.uk

Broughton Mills, Woodland & Foxfield

Twenty-six members and guests met at the Hill Village Hall on Wednesday 7th October. We held our usual meeting where we discussed planned future events – a walk at Grange over Sands (making use of the new 'Extra Mile' bus service), a trip to Farfield Mill, and events planned by other local WIs and at regional level. There's always plenty to take part in!

We then welcomed our speaker for the evening, Abbi Lawson, who came along to talk to us about her love of baking, cooking and foraging. Abbi was a contestant on the TV programme *The Great British Bake Off* some three years ago and she told us about how she applied to take part and how surprised she was to be given a place. It all sounded very daunting with several interviews, both on Zoom and in person, and then being required to bring a baked item along … and that was before the show started! Her bake was a replica of a Tunisian Café she went to on a memorable holiday. Brilliant! She was delighted to be successful but quickly realised how time consuming the next few weeks would be with all the planning, practice bakes, and actually taking part in the televised programme. Brave girl! Though not a *Bake-Off* winner she did well and she showed us some of her bakes on screen.

Throughout her talk she was busy demonstrating making muffins with foraged elderberries, apples and some preserved damsons and while these were cooking, and smelling absolutely delicious, she went on to tell us about her real passion for foraging. Living in the Eden Valley she is amazed by the variety of food stuffs to forage in the immediate area, and we were shown images of her baked cheesecake – made with blackthorn blossom, wood sorrel and dock seed flour. For her own birthday she had made a cake using elderberries with elderberry ganache and a hazelnut buttercream. She now grows vegetables as part of a growing co-operative and focuses on seasonal, local and sustainable produce.

Her lively and passionate talk was absolutely inspiring – and we all enjoyed tasting the still warm fruit muffins she'd made. Several of our members left contact details in the hope of going along to one of Abbi's foraging walks in the future.

Abbi was warmly thanked by Jan Ashworth, and we look forward to our next meeting on November 4th at Broughton Mills Reading Room (7.30pm) when Nick Morrice will talk to us about the History of Cartoons. Please do come along …you'll be made very welcome.

Pam Gillman

Ulpha & Seathwaite

October has come around very quickly and we are back to dark nights for our meetings!

However I am glad to report that the evening entertainment in Ulpha is neither dark nor boring! October is our designated craft month and it is always a pleasure to see what activity the committee has come up with this year, as a rather incapable crafter myself it is a month of admiring the skills and talents of the members that I personally do not share.

It is always to the credit of the organisation that the crafting activity is available to all levels of ability and everyone can complete something that bears a resemblance to the task in hand. Thank you so much Carol Ward for this - always patient and always encouraging. So you might wonder what on earth we were up to.

Rag wreaths were the order of the day. This meant that the wire frame we were given needed to have scraps of festive materials tied in knots around the frame, until the entire frame was covered - the results were beautiful. And when they are completed next month with the additions of sparkles lights and bows will be attractively placed on our front doors for the festive season.

A Christmas activity for everyone will be to spot rag wreaths on doors in the Duddon Valley and environs and be able to say 'they must belong to the WI'!

Thanks again to Carol and the cutters of material who made the creations possible!

If you are interested in joining us please come to the Browfoot Room on the second Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm you are assured of a warm welcome.

Fiona Oliver **01229 716926**

Market Drayton Mayor opens new learning space at Grove School's Lake District field centre



The Mayor of Market Drayton joined Grove School Year 7 students in the Lake District on Wednesday 23rd September to cut the ribbon on The Undercroft, a new learning and discovery space at The Birks field centre in Seathwaite, in the Duddon Valley.

The Birks was bought by Grove School headteacher Geoff Dickinson in 1985. It has been part of growing up in Market Drayton ever since, and for many Grove students visiting it was their first trip away from home. Today it is owned by the charity Friends of Grove School and run by the volunteer Birks Committee.

The Undercroft project was led by Birks Committee President, Steve Murphy. He and a team of volunteers turned a space too low to stand up in into the centre's first dedicated room for learning and development. Jordan Machin, Co-Chairman of the Birks Committee, said: "All credit goes to Steve and his team, who have worked their socks off to make this happen. We have always tried to be more than a field centre. Our charitable aims are about developing a love of the outdoors in young people, especially those who wouldn't normally have access to this wonderful part of the world."

The committee plans for the space to become a gateway to the Duddon Valley and a centre for local history, working with the Duddon Valley Local History Group. To mark the launch, every bedroom at The Birks has been named after a former resident of the site. The names go back to 1681, when William Gybson and his family farmed the land. The Undercroft will also support Restoring Hardknott Forest, which is returning old plantation to native woodland across the valley.

At the event, local farmer Eddie Benn helped unveil a new public artwork. It was made by Market Drayton fabricator Ian Noden and pictures Eddie, his dog Sky and his Herdwick sheep. Mr Benn has lived in the valley since 1967 and has supported The Birks for decades.

The Birks welcomes new hires - private and group bookings and it can be booked up to a year in advance on their website **www.thebirks.org.uk.**

LADY HALL
Honey
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Contact Ellen **07866 439 440**

DUDDON VALLEY LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

Please note that in November, we will be meeting in the Methodist Hall, Princes Street. The Hall has been newly refurbished by CGP.

25 November 2026 "Furness Abbey 900 Years and Counting", Gill Jepson

Meetings take place at 7.30pm. If you would like to join DVLHG, it costs £10 per year, guests are very welcome at the meetings (£2 per person). Email the Secretary on **sec@duddonhistory.org.uk**. You may also wish to visit our website **www.duddonhistory.org.uk**.

Colin Robertshaw (Hon. Sec.)



The Browfoot Room, Ulpha LA20 6DX

The Browfoot Room Committee is seeking bids from local businesses for maintenance work to the village hall car park. The work comprises removal of vegetation, removal of the existing car park surface, resurfacing with 20mm pipe bedding, and compacting of the new stone. The car park is open and available at any time for contractors wishing to inspect the area to be improved. Interested businesses are invited to submit a written quotation to the Browfoot secretary at browfootsecretary@gmail.com , or to discuss further please call 07768 863014.

WATER YEAT VILLAGE HALL

is pleased to welcome back



HUNTER MUSKETT

Remember *Hunter Muskett* on the folk circuit alongside Fotheringay, Fairport, Pentangle and Steeleye in the early 70's?
Rog Trevitt joined Terry Hiscock, Chris George and Doug Morter and the four-piece gigged at home and abroad for five years. Doug joined Magna Carta and the Albion Band but now the group has reformed.
Older, wiser, but still the same kids with a crazy dream (minus flares & hair), *Hunter Muskett* perform their earlier songs, like the perennial *Silver Coin*, with a new repertoire of acoustic material.

Saturday 14th November at 8pm £15

on the door or in advance from
www.wegottickets.com/wateryeatvillagehall
Doors 7.30pm. Cabaret-style seating. Bring your own drinks and nibbles.
e-voice.org.uk/wyvh www.huntermuskett.com



Exciting News at the Browfoot Room!

Thanks to the generous funding from the South Copeland GDF Community Partnership, the Browfoot Room in Ulpha has recently undertaken an extensive upgrade to its audio-visual equipment. Community Investment Funding from Nuclear Waste Services' Geological Disposal Facility (GDF) programme was awarded to The Browfoot Room by the South Copeland GDF Community Partnership in September 2026.

The upgrade includes a remote-controlled large screen with digital projector and surround sound which means that a wide range of films and other media will provide a stunning experience. So, whether it's using the two Blu-Ray/DVD/CD players or connecting a laptop for engaging presentations, the system offers great flexibility. But that's not all, as we also have new stage and house lighting, a larger backdrop to the stage, and the installation of a hearing loop to provide a more inclusive offering.

For presentations, training courses, plays etc two radio microphones are available, allowing more freedom of movement.

We intend to hold an open event in the near future to demonstrate the new capabilities, so please watch out for details and come along and see what's on offer!

Grannie in the Corner

I'm the Grannie in the corner now,
With privileged seat by the fire and television
And yet it seems but no time since
My Mother held that dignified position.

She was one of three old people then
My Aunt (her sister) and their mutual friend.
Each took by turn the part to play
As they became the eldest in succession

Before that, Grandpa was the favoured one
Sitting in the best chair by the fire,
Occasionally moving to the table
To play Patience with great concentration.

Earlier still my Grannie lived with Mother
No television to distract, or make
The seating in the room particular,
She sat direct before the fire,
The entertainment then was conversation.

As a young girl we lived at my Grandma's
Grandpa in his chair on left hand side,
With table handy for his pipe tobacco.
Grannie, even then before the fire.
The rest of us fitting here and there.

That was over 60 years ago
And yet it seems like yesterday to me.
I feel the same inside as I did then
It's just the aches and pains and creaking joints
That tell me that I'm the Grannie in the chair.

Barbara Rigg



MESSAGE FROM OUR MP MICHELLE SCROGHAM

I know that *Broughton Parish Pump* readers keep a keen eye on the progress being made in neighbouring Millom. I thought I would share a trio of updates which will directly benefis residents in Broughton and the Duddon valley.

Firstly, it meant a lot to me personally to see the Old Bank in Millom finally restored as a new local community space. I worked in that building years ago as a bank teller and union rep, so I've watched Story Contracting's work with real interest. Their team has treated the building with care, preserving its character while creating a space that will serve the area well for years to come. The Old Bank is a key part of the Reactivating Heritage Buildings programme, one of four major projects within the Millom Town Deal, which secured £20.6m from the government's Towns Fund plus match funding.

A few final arrangements are being completed before the building is passed to its new operators, Samantha and Andrew Bowden, who will then prepare for the official opening. Once opened the building will feature a bistro as well as a base for local makers, crafts people, and small businesses, alongside flexible spaces that can be used for events and other activities.

Readers will also be pleased to hear that Millom Leisure Centre is close to opening. The new facility will provide an alternative to residents who currently travel to Ulverston, Barrow or Dalton to use the leisure facilities. It will provide modern spaces for fitness, sport and wellbeing; including a swimming pool, gym, studio, sports hall and access to the existing 3G astro turf. As preparations continue, Everyone Active, who will operate the centre, is inviting local people to share their views and help shape the final details.

Finally, I'm glad to have played my part in making a successful case for the broken X-ray machine at Millom's Waterloo House Surgery to be replaced. The X-ray service is a vital one for residents in Broughton, Bootle, Haverigg, Millom and beyond. I pressed senior health service personnel about obtaining a replacement and explained that many patients are elderly, frail, living on modest incomes or do not have access to private transport.

So it's good to know that the health service executive team has approved a replacement and it's now in the procurement process. The new X-ray machine is expected to be in place later this year or in early 2027.

Finally, please remember that I am always here to help, you can email me at michelle.scrogham.mp@parliament.uk.

Michelle

Richard Whiting

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Broughton Youth Group

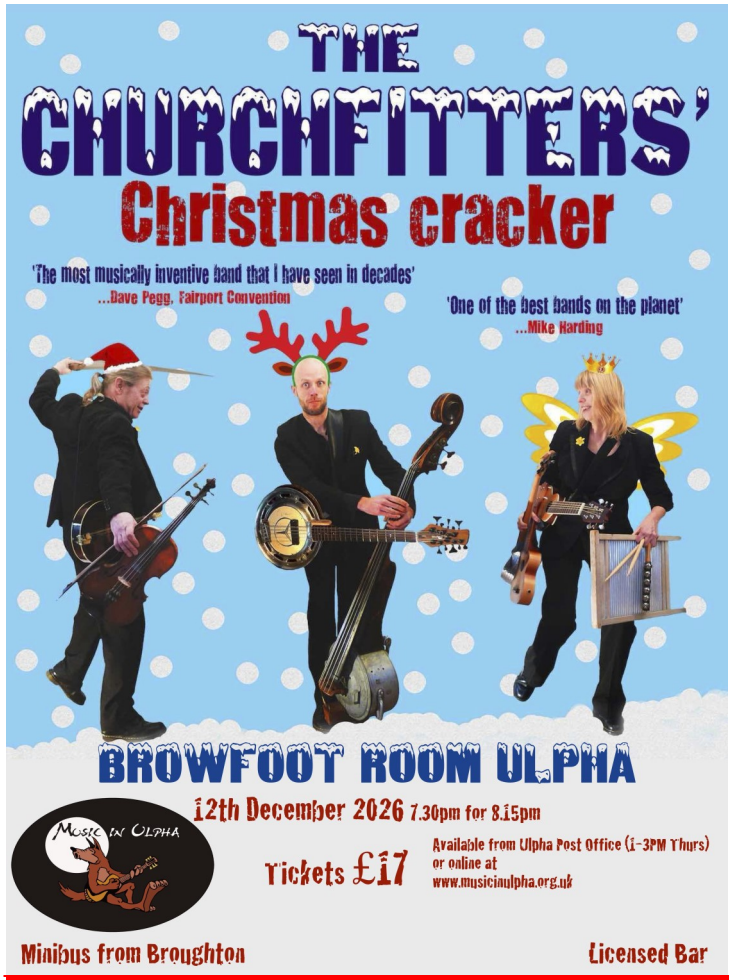
Thursdays
7-8:15pm for 11+
8-9.15pm for 13+

The Kepplewray Centre

Games Crafts Baking
Sport Tuck Shop Cake
Termly Trips Faith Chat

Location can occasionally change
For more information contact Revd. Vic Sekasi
tkbdchurches@gmail.com or 07453930536





Music in Ulpha
15th Birthday Celebration!



WATER YEAT VILLAGE HALL

Discovering Lakeland Villages

A talk by Andy Lowe



We are very pleased to welcome back Andy Lowe, an inspirational speaker with a wealth of knowledge on the architecture and traditional industries of the Lake District.

This illustrated talk looks at a variety of villages which contribute to the attractive character of the Lake District. It looks at the historical and architectural details which makes each village so distinctive. Come and learn to be a Village Detective!

Thursday 5th November

Starts **7.30pm** – door opens at 7pm
£5 entry - includes tea/coffee/biscuit on arrival
www.e-voice.org.uk/wyvh
www.facebook.com/wateryeatvillagehall/

BROUGHTON POST OFFICE & COMMUNITY SHOP
01229 716115

Post Office Opening Hours

Monday: 0900—1300 & 1400—1630
Tuesday: 0900—1300 & 1400—1630
Thursday: 0900—1300 & 1400—1630
Friday: 0900—1200

Collection times for the new post box:
4.45pm on Monday—Friday
10.00am Saturday

Latest time for parcel drop off at PO Counter for processing - Mon, Tues, Thurs 4.20pm Friday 11am

Shop Opening Hours

Monday: 0900—1630
Tuesday: 0900—1630
Thursday: 0900—1630
Friday: 0900—1630
Saturday: 1000—1400

THURSDAY RUNNERS



We are a friendly and welcoming local running club that meets every Thursday 6.30-7.30pm in Broughton Park. All welcome, regardless of ability.

No one gets left behind, as we do various types of interval training in a small area and we all run at our own individual pace!

For more details, please contact Jackie on: 07598 746807

FITSTEPS

Taster session of dance fitness "Fitsteps", no partner required, includes the Cha cha, Waltz and Quickstep.
Kirkby Community Hall 23rd November 7-8pm
Book by https://bookwhen.com/yogawithpauline

SUNDAY MORNING TENNIS CLUB

VAMOS! TENNIS JUNIORS

at
Broughton in Furness Tennis Club/Victory Hall

9am—Beginners / under 8 years

10am—9 years and above

Both junior sessions by LTA Coach

Contact Dan on
07732 435918 for details





Duddon Valley Chess Events



3rd Broughton Chess Festival
Victory Hall, Saturday 31st October 2026

Arrive: from 1 p.m. Introduction
1.30pm Finish about 5.00 p.m.

Chess at The Blacksmiths Arms
(Broughton Mills)
Monday 9th November 2026 6.00pm to 7.30 pm

Children to be accompanied by an adult.

For more information contact Neill Cooper
nsc@cplusc.co.uk 07976737075

DUDDON VALLEY MEDICAL PRACTICE — Surgery Opening Times

Askam 01229 260290
Broughton 01229 716337
www.duddonvalleymedicalpractice.nhs.uk

MONDAY
Askam Surgery: 08:00 – 18:30
Broughton Surgery: 08:00 – 18:30

TUESDAY
Askam Surgery: 08:00 – 18:30
Broughton Surgery: 08:00 – 18:30

WEDNESDAY
Askam Surgery: 08:00 – 18:30
Broughton Surgery: CLOSED

THURSDAY
Askam Surgery: 08:00 – 18:30
Broughton Surgery: 08:00 – 18:30

FRIDAY
Askam Surgery: 08:00 – 18:30
Broughton Surgery: 08:00 – 18:30

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BROUGHTON FILM CLUB

Friday 20th November

Rear Window (15)

Confined to a wheelchair, professional photographer (James Stewart) becomes obsessed with watching his neighbours in this gripping and classic Hitchcock film

7.30 pm
Victory Hall

Tickets £5 (cash) • Doors open 7 pm • Bar
Cinema-sized screen • Subtitles

Make it a special evening with our
Film Club Meal Deal
6 pm at The Square Café - £20 for 2 courses + film
Book Meal Deal on 716388 by Wednesday 18th November
(vegetarian/vegan option available)

The Community Hall at Grizebeck
KIRKBY IN FURNESS

Please check out our new website at www.grizebeckhall.co.uk where you can check our calendar for availability and events and enquire about hall hire for your family celebrations (including our wedding package).

All our events are advertised on The Community Hall Grizebeck Facebook page, on Instagram and on our website. Further details on all our events is available from our hall manager by emailing hall.manager@grizebeckhall.co.uk.

Upcoming events

Christmas Craft Fair
We will be holding our annual Christmas Craft Fair on Saturday 14th November. Do come along and join us. It's a great opportunity to stock up on Christmas gifts as well as have a bite to eat and a chat. We have some lovely crafts on offer ranging from leaded glass to jewellery and felt animals.

Sound Roots
(a Highlights musical performance) Sunday 22nd November 2026 7.30pm

Regular events

Table tennis Monday afternoon contact Rick Shaw **01229 889624**
Pilates Monday evening contact Heidi **07519395545**
Yoga Tuesday evening contact Carol-Anne Barber **07505500965**
Whist Drive Every first and second Wednesday contact Michael Irving **01229 889632**
Flowerguild Fourth Wednesday of the month Contact Jeni Sarson **01229 889685** for details
Bowling Club Thursday afternoon contact Franek Rewaj 01229 889407
Craft Club Second Thursday of each month. Thursday 8th October 2026. For further details contact Ali Hooper 01229 889723
Surfers Group Assistance in navigating a computer Friday morning contact Franek Rewaj 01229 889407

SUSTAINABLE DUDDON

Apple Pressing

On Saturday 10th October several hardy volunteers braved high winds and heavy rain to provide an apple pressing service at the Community Orchard at Kepplewray, Broughton in Furness. We had 10 people booked, in half hour slots, and the first problem arose when the paper on which the attendees were written blew away! But otherwise, the excellent shelter in the field at Kepplewray proved a superb site for the blustery day. By the time we retreated at 2:30pm we had pressed over 20 40ltr trugs of apples. Attendees took away gallons of lovely juice, and the pulp went to some lucky local pigs. Thanks to Kepplewray and the South Lakes Orchard Group for the hire of their Rack and Cloth Press and electric scratter.



Free Wildlife Tracking Course



There are limited places left on a Wildlife Tracking course at the Browfoot Room on 23rd November, 9.30am—4pm. The course is being led by John Rhyder who is the founder and head Instructor at Woodcraft School, in West Sussex.

John is a wildlife tracker, naturalist and woodsman. He holds the title of Senior Tracker, certified by CyberTracker Conservation, and is an evaluator for both Track and Sign Identification and Trailing. He is also the European Track and Sign External Evaluator for the CyberTracker system and a co-founder of European Wildlife Tracking.

You will learn to recognise the traces left by mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians, and occasionally insects. You will learn about foot morphology, tracks, feeding signs, droppings, resting areas, and other indicators of wildlife presence.

If you would like to book a place on this course, please contact us asap.

Update on BEAT Route

BEATROUTE

Last month we announced that BEAT Route had applied for and won a further award. This funding is for a corridor development plan with Walk Wheel Cycle Trust, for the route from Barrow to the Esk. When complete this plan will allow easier application for funding feasibility and development of sections of the route. This plan is in addition to the ongoing project with Walk Wheel Cycle Trust to look at route feasibility in the Millom area. The strong community support the BEAT Route project has gathered was a key factor in gaining both funding awards and being able to work with Walk Wheel Cycle Trust, a national charity.

Both projects are in early stages of development, and we look forward to reporting progress over the next year. Please visit our website https://www.beatroute.org.uk for updates and more information about the project. You can contact us with comments, questions or anything else at beatroute2@gmail.com.

Keep Warm this winter

As the colder months arrive, there are some useful tips on how to keep warm and safe online at https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/64fb2e2157e8840013e127ac/winter-leaflet-v3.pdf
Try to heat rooms that you regularly use, such as your living room and bedroom, to at least 18°C if you can, and make sure you have extra supplies in case the weather makes it difficult to go outside. Sustainable Duddon offers a free thermal efficiency assessment to identify areas in your home where heat is lost. Please get in touch to book. Further help and advice can be found at https://futureproofcumbria.org.uk/ or call 01768 216500 and ask to speak to Peter, our local home energy advisor

Litter picking

Want to organise a litter pick in your area? We have a supply of litter pickers, hi-vis tabards and gloves available to borrow to help you. Please email or message us on Facebook or via our website.

Get in touch – find us on Facebook, our website, on You Tube or email!
www.sustainableduddon.co.uk
https://www.youtube.com/@SustainableDuddon

PARISH COUNCIL DROP IN

The Square Café
The next drop-in session will be
Tuesday 10th November 10.45—12noon

Community Led Plan – A chance to have your say
Thank you to everyone who completed a questionnaire, we are currently compiling the responses. On **Saturday 14th November** in the Victory Hall, between 11am and 1pm we will be hosting an event to discuss the feedback from the questionnaires. It will be an opportunity to have an informal chat about how we update the Community Led Plan and implement positive changes and improvements.

The Community Led Plan should not be devised solely by the Parish Council, but many different representatives from the community. Broughton has a wealth of clubs and groups catering to a wide variety of ages and interests. Therefore, to have a true and authentic Community Led Plan we would welcome as many people from different groups and societies, that live here to come along in November and contribute their thoughts and suggestions.

Coffee and tea will be available and the Guides will be running a cake stall. We look forward to seeing you there.

Potholes
Please keep reporting potholes. This can be done by going to www.westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk and clicking on 'Streets, roads and pavements.' The more frequently they are reported the better.

Victory Hall News
Thanks
We would like to offer a huge thankyou to Holborn Hill Brass Band for their very generous donation to the Victory Hall. This money will be used to upgrade the current creaking heating system at the Victory Hall and will therefore benefit all users of the hall.

Cleaner Required
We are looking for a reliable and experienced part time cleaner to help maintain the Victory Hall. The job is 2 hours a week over flexible days. Pay will be according to experience. To apply please send a brief message outlining your experience and availability to Gudrun Fritz broughtonvictoryhall@gmail.com or call 07355 930193.

You can follow us on Facebook
facebook.com/theduddonparishcouncil/

Or contact the Parish Clerk at
info@duddonparishcouncil.org.uk

Restoring Hardknott Forest

Volunteer days are either at Hardknott Forest, the new tree nursery, or other local sites and farms within the Upper Duddon Landscape Recovery project area. To book onto a day, scan the QR code and follow the links. If a day is full it's worth adding yourself to the waiting list in case of cancellations. Directions and joining details will be sent out when you book a day, and there is more information on our website. Please contact us if you have any questions, especially if you are new to volunteering in the outdoors. For more information on any of these events contact: **j.h.hodgson@leeds.ac.uk**

November
Sunday 8th November - volunteer day.
Autumn residential November 20th - 22nd/23rd
Join us and stay in comfortable accommodation within Hardknott Forest for a weekend of volunteering. ONE £10 TICKET has just become available due to a cancellation - please get in touch if interested.
Friday 27th November - volunteer day.
December
Sunday 13th December - volunteer day.
January
Saturday 9th January - hedge laying for beginners
Sunday 10th January - volunteer day.
Tuesday 26th January - volunteer day.
Wednesday 27th January - hedge laying for beginners

VICTORY HALL

CONTACT INFORMATION

Tel: **07355 930193**
Email: **broughtonvictoryhall@gmail.com**

HALL HIRE FEES

The Main Hall
£15 per hour. £12.50 per hour for regular group users.
Rankin Room
£10 per hour. £9 per hour for regular group users.
Green Room
£10 per hour. £8 per hour for regular group users
Evening Function
6pm until closing (as per the licence) £100.

Cancellation Policy
A 50% deposit is required when booking. If the booking is cancelled within 7 days of the event, the deposit will be kept.

VICTORY HALL WEEKLY EVENTS

Rainbows Brownies Girlguiding
Monday Rankin Room
4.45pm-5.45pm Rainbows (4-7 yrs)
5.45pm-7pm Brownies (7-10)
7.30pm-8.45pm Guides (10-14) Main Hall and Rangers (14-18) Rankin Room
Contact Louise Huddleston, Angela York, Joscelin Tracey, Sam Addington or Liz Burslem for more info or register your daughter at www.go.girlguiding.org.uk

WozFit
Monday 6.30pm-7.30pm
Circuit Training £2 per session



Scouts Cubs Beavers
Tuesday
6.00pm-7.15pm
Main Hall
For more information contact E: tburslem@hotmail.com

Wednesday 10am-12pm
Pickleball
£4.00 includes refreshments
Contact Barbara 01229 869968
M: 07990327047 E: barbara.birch@hotmail.co.uk





Thursday 7.30 until 9pm
Badminton
Contact Andrew on 889429 or Graham on 716007



Friday 9.30-11.30 in term-time
Broughton Under 5's Group £3 per family
Includes drinks & snacks
Find us on Facebook - Broughton Playgroup





Friday 3pm-5pm
Pickleball
£4.00 see Wednesday for details

Gentle exercise
Friday 10.30am-11.30am
Rankin Room
Chair based activities to benefit your posture and physical condition



Booking of the Hall is exclusively on-line at:
https://venuehire.scribeaccounts.com/Broughton-Furness-Victory-Hall







Broughton Supper Club

A Chance to make new acquaintances

Wednesday 11th November
6.30pm, Square Cafe

In October Carol Ward gave a talk on the early life of Beatrix Potter - covering not only the inspirations for her books but also fascinating insights into her life in late Victorian London. We look forward to hearing about her later life in the Lake District in our next season of talks. But for our next meeting Mick Shaw will be addressing us on "Wartime Walney" - a very appropriate subject for Armistice Day.

New members are always welcome - we would be delighted to meet you. If interested please contact me on **0749 104 2718** or our speaker secretary Martin Cooper on **01229 583524**.

Ian Verber -Secretary

Broughton Guides (and other Girlguiding groups in the local area) have been raising money for St Mary's Hospice by taking part in a Halloween Danceathon.

Any donations would be very much appreciated. Just scan the QR code.



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Cumbria Wildlife Trust

FRIDAY 13 NOVEMBER 7.30PM
THWAITES VILLAGE HALL



Bats are fascinating mammals capable of navigating the nocturnal landscape by sound. There are 18 species in Britain. Come along to find out how many have been detected in the Duddon Valley catchment and for an introduction to bat ecology from Matt Taylor.

Admission: £3 suggested donation, including tea/coffee and biscuits

MEMBERS AND NON-MEMBERS WELCOME

Fell Race
Dunnerdale
Saturday 7th November 2026
Start 12 noon

BLACK COMBE RUNNERS

This famous fell race is with us again soon, bringing some of the nations best fell runners to Broughton Mills. Thanks to all the landowners who allow us to hold this event and the residents of Broughton Mills for putting up with the disruption. We will be raising money for St.Mary's Hospice, Broughton Mills Community Fund and the South Cumbria Rivers Trust.

The race is run under FRA rules. Entry to the race is online only via SiEntries. Please see our website for more information, there is no entry on the day.

The best place to watch the race is from the summit of Stickle Pike.

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Jupiter and Venus making an appearance
Jack Frost might even visit leaving his white signature carpet
Cold mornings with sparkling sunshine my favourite days

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Parish News



Benefice of The Duddon Estuary. Comprising the Parishes of Kirkby Ireleth, Broughton & Duddon and Thwaites

Remembrance

When I was young, World War 2 was fresh in the memory of my parents and grandparents. But they did not talk about it much. We were worried about a possible World War 3, a war to end all wars. There was a growing anti-war culture in the 1960s whose slogan was 'Make love not war'. Then in the late 1980s open dissent was being shown in communist Eastern Europe and the iconic Berlin Wall fell in 1989.

We heard about 'perestroika' and 'glasnost' from Mikhail Gorbachev, and he dissolved the Soviet Union in 1991. We saw a 'peace dividend' with less money being spent on arms. Ukraine voluntarily gave up its nuclear weapons, being told it would be defended if attacked. But come the twenty first century and war is now back on the agenda: Russia and Ukraine, Israel and Hamas, the United States and Iran, civil wars in Sudan, Myanmar (Burma) and Yemen. The list seems endless.

In the story of the Good Samaritan we read about an outcast who helped a mugging victim who had been ignored by a priest who "passed by on the other side of the road". It was only a story, a parable, but the message is clear and strong. Everyone can be a neighbour to you. And we should be a neighbour to everyone. One of the few stories my father told from the Second World War illustrates the point. He was involved in radar and in 1945 was behind the enemy lines as the allies were advancing across Germany. He was driving towards a railway line when a German farmer stopped him and told him not to go under a particular railway bridge. Why not? Because it was mined. Without that German farmer being a neighbour to my father, he would have been killed and I would not have been born.

Jesus said "Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you". This can be applied not just to wars but to everyday life. The demanding boss, the lazy employee, the nosey neighbour, the challenging relative, the frustrating sales assistant. We should love them all! We should be like the Good Samaritan, and that German farmer, helping all as we see the need.

So as we remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice in wars, we should go out into the world and love our neighbours. Make peace not war!

Neill Cooper

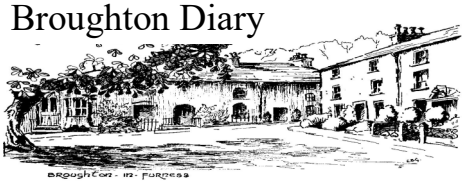
From the Registers

This month we remember Trevor Stride who passed away earlier this year. His ashes will be buried at Holy Trinity Seathwaite on Sunday 15th November at 3pm. All are welcome to attend to give thanks for his life.





Broughton Diary



November

4 Broughton Mills, Woodland & Foxfeld WI: 7.30pm, Broughton Mills Reading Room
5 Firework Display: 6pm, Wilson Park
5 Bonfire Night: 6pm, Thwaites Village Hall
5 Discovering Lakeland Villages: 7pm, Water Yeat Village Hall
7 Pilates and Pamper **Cancelled**
7 Dunnerdale Fell Race: Start 12noon, Broughton Mills (see p. 10)
9 Chess: 6pm, Blacksmiths Arms
10 DPC Drop-in: 10.45—12noon, Square Cafe
10 Ulpha & Seathwaite WI: 7.30pm, Browfoot Room
11 Broughton Supper Club: 6.30pm, Square Café
13 CWT: 7.30pm, Thwaites Village Hall
14 Local Line-Up Luncheon: 12.30, Browfoot Room, Ulpha
14 Christmas Craft Fair: Grizebeck Community Hall
14 Community-led Plan Event: 11—1pm, Victory Hall (see p. 8)
14 Hunter Muskett: 8pm, Water Yeat Village Hall
15 Community Breakfast: 9.30am —1.30pm, Victory Hall
18 Orienteering Event: 5pm, Methodist Hall
20 Film Club: 7.30pm, Victory Hall
21 Furness Civil War: 2—4pm, Holy Trinity Church, Millom
22 Sound Roots, 7.30pm, Grizebeck Community Hall
23 Wildlife Tracking Course: 9.30am—4pm, Browfoot Room (see p. 7)
23 Fitsteps: 7pm, Kirkby Community Hall
25 DVLHG: 7.30pm, Methodist Hall
26 Duddon Parish Council Meeting: 7.30pm, Rankin Room, Victory Hall

December

1 Wreath Making Workshop: 6—9pm, Victory Hall
5 Xmas Tree Light Switch-on: 4pm, St Mary Magdalene
12 The Churchfitters: 7.30pm, Browfoot Room

REGULAR EVENTS

Every Monday
Gardening with Broughton in Bloom, 10am, Railway Line
Every Tuesday
Coffee Morning, 10.30am, Square Café
1st & 3rd Friday *Knit and Natter*
2pm—4pm, Parsonage Room

CGP Duddon Parish Trust Fund
The fund is administered by members of the Duddon Parish Council
Local groups from within the Duddon Parish can apply for funding. Application forms are available from the Community Shop, or you can download one from
www.duddonparishcouncil.org.uk

Send your completed form to the Trust Fund Clerk, Nigel Jones, either by email:
cgptrustfund@gmail.com
or post to: Stonegarth, Church Street, Broughton-in-Furness, LA20 6HJ

Benefice of the Duddon Estuary

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Church Services November

St Cuthbert, Kirkby
Sunday 1st (9.30am) — All Souls Service
Sunday 8th (10.15am)— Remembrance Service
Sunday 15th (9.30am) — Service of The Word
Sunday 22nd (9.30am) — Holy Communion
Sunday 29th (11am) — Joint Service at Thwaites

St Mary Magdalene, Broughton
Sunday 1st (10am) — All Souls Holy Communion
Sunday 8th (10.45) — Remembrance Service starts in the Square
Sunday 15th (from 9.30am) — Breakfast Church
Sunday 22nd (10am) — Morning Worship
Sunday 29th (11am) — Joint Service at Thwaites

St Anne's, Thwaites
Sunday 1st (11.30am) —All Souls Service
Sunday 8th (3pm) — Remembrance Service
Sunday 22nd (11.30am) – Brunch Church
Sunday 29th (11am) — Joint Benefice Service of Holy Communion

Duddon Valley Churches
St John the Baptist, Ulpha
Sunday 1st (3pm) — All Souls Family Service
Sunday 15th (6pm) — Evening Prayer

Holy Trinity, Seathwaite
Sunday 29th (6pm) — Advent Service

Woodland
St John the Evangelist at 6pm
Sunday 22nd — Evensong

Midweek Service
Holy Innocents, Broughton Mills at 10am
Wednesdays — Morning Prayer
1st Wednesday – Holy Communion

The next closing date for applications is 27th December 2026

The Methodist Church

Services

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6pm Service with Communion
on 2nd Sunday

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