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A Great Gala

The sun shone, the heat raged and the ice cream sold out! Thwaites gala was a great success and a real community event, with plenty of activities, stalls and entertainment to keep people of all ages happily occupied for the whole afternoon. Music, dancing, the usual popular games and activities for young and old, along with beautiful craft displays, provided a good mix.



In this coronation year we celebrated with a Gala King and Prince

New this year, to mark Big Green Week, a 'Green Matters' section which featured representatives from environmental and sustainable living groups lent an interesting, topical dimension to the gala. Truly something for everyone. An estimated 500 people attended and as an added bonus over £2,500 was raised for Thwaites village hall. The free transport service to and from the event was well used and enabled a number of people to join in the fun who otherwise would not have been able to get there.

A huge thank you to everyone who helped make the gala a success: those who worked hard on the organisation; those who put up marquees and gazebos and set out tables and chairs; all the stallholders; the dancers and musicians; the WI for the excellent sandwiches, cakes and refreshments; those who donated raffle prizes and brought cakes; and to everyone who attended. Here's to next year!

Out and About will be back in September. Enjoy the summer.





Solar Street Lighting – we're moving ahead!

Earlier in the year, Millom Without Parish Council shared some key areas we were looking into following feedback from the community consultations on the proposal to install solar street lights in our parish - initially between Green Road station and the end of Middle Cut.

We formed a working group and discussions have been progressing with a potential vendor, specifically looking at the questions raised in the consultations. We have spent time clarifying the technical aspects to provide a suitable specification that meets local needs.

We are delighted to confirm we now have funding granted through the Ghyll Scaur Quarry Community Fund, as well as approval from Cumberland County Highways. Over the coming months we hope to be in contract to fit four solar lights between Green Road station and the end of Middle Cut, with the proposed location of the lights highlighted by red dots in the map below.

We look forward to this parish improvement being in place as the days become shorter and welcome any feedback on how they perform as we consider whether more solar lights would provide further improvements elsewhere within our parish. The lights will be motion activated overnight, gradually lifting to 100% capacity when triggered, which minimises the visual impact when not actively needed.

This solar lighting solution will hopefully address the safety concerns of residents who travel past *I* to *I* from the station, and our parishioners will see this project as a positive step to delivering on our Community Plan.





THWAITES VILLAGE HALL

100 + Club June Prize Winners

1st No 95 Pam Wearing £30 2nd No 22 Jean Clews £15 3rd No 69 Hazel Watson £10 4th No 54 Cath Sewell £10



See what happened!

Did you see the wildflower area by the tennis court? What a chereful splash of colour, and good news for wildlife.

Last year Millom Without Environment Group removed turf from a strip of the palying field, rotavated and weeded the ground and sowed a mixture of wildflower seeds to attract pollinators. Then it was a case of 'wait and see'. The reward came in late spring/early summer. At first a few poppies appeared, then a whole swathe of poppies and before long we had a mixture of flowers and colours to the delight of local residents and visitors to the gala. Many people said how much they enjoyed seeing them. And the bumble bees, hover flies and other insects love them. This is what came up: field poppies, corn cockles, corn flowers, kidney vetch and hairy vetch (or common tare) - and maybe others that haven't been recorded.





Before: weeds

After: Wildflowers - good for people and pollinators



Weekly Activities

MONDAY

Toddlers Group
10am - 12 noon
17 July is PARTY TIME with a
bouncy castle
This will be the last session until
September

Scouts from 7pm during term time

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY

Table Tennis
from 6pm - 7.30pm
Cost is £2 per person and all are
welcome

FRIDAY

BAT & CHAT 6.30pm

Table Tennis for girls & women
from 6pm - 7.30pm

SUNDAY

Table Tennis
Family Session at 5pm
followed by
league practice 6pm - 7pm

Key Dates

TUESDAY
WI Meeting
18 July
15 August



WEDNESDAY

12 July

GDF PUBLIC MEETING

4PM

WEDNESDAY



26 July 30 August

Arrive for 12 noon. Soup and dessert, £5 per head.

Anyone willing to help for a couple hours once a month, please contact Jan Procter on 774234.

Did you know you can make a booking enquiry via our new website? https://www.thwaitesvillag ehall.co.uk/booking



News From The Hill

June Draw Prize Winners

1st No 21 Kevin Nugent £50 2nd No 19 Sandra Beare £20 3rd No 71 Peter Bower £20 4th No 6 Jill Barnes £20 5th No 117 Kyra Parsons £10 6th No 22 Ian Hornsby £10 7th No 41 James Hall £10

OPEN HOUSE DATES

Saturday 1 July
Saturday 5 August
Saturday 2 September

Come and meet your neighbours at The Hill village hall from 5.30pm

Bring your own drinks Nibbles provided

MILLOM ART AND CRAFTS GROUP EXHIBITION

Pensioners Hall (Tin Chapel) Millom
Open to the public Thursday 17
August to Saturday 18 August
Opening times
Thursday and Friday 10am - 5pm
Saturday 10am - 2pm

Free admission

VRï Uplifting

A capacity audience was treated to an outstanding performance at the village hall in early June. VRï - meaning lifting or levitating in Welsh - are a trio of acclaimed young musicians with a new approach to traditional Welsh music. Between them they play violin, viola, cello, harmonium - and feet! - delivering traditional songs and some of their own compositions through instruments and exquisite harmonies with an infectious chemistry.

The songs, we were told, featured war, birth, milk maids, ox drivers and pit ponies - horses cropped up quite a lot, in fact! Supported by Arts Out West, the concert was spellbinding.

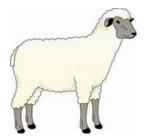
We are priviledged to have such high-quality entertainment at affordable prices brought to our rural community. Look out for more gigs coming up in the future and do support live music at your local venue.

MILLOM AND BROUGHTON SHOW











The 135th Millom and Broughton agricultural show will be held on Saturday 26 August at West Park, Broughton. (Incidentally, at the beginning of last century the show was held at The Green, adjacent to the Punch Bowl). The show is always a popular event and one of the highlights is the industrial handicraft and horticultural classes. There are many classes – needlework, knitting crochet, painting, photography, baking, wines and spirits, produce, floral art and more – for children and adults to enter. Class entries are only 50p each for adults and 25p each for children. A schedule can be obtained from local shops or by contacting yrushmarathons@btinternet.com or 01229 771202. There is a form within the schedule for entries and the last date for the form for handicraft entries is 14 August. Horticultural entries can be made on the morning of the show.



Millom and Broughton Agricultural Society

~ "Grand Raffle" ~

Tickets on sale now and on Show Day

Drawn at the Show on Saturday 26th August

Prizes include

£250 cash prize donated by CGP
One Night's Stay at Scalderskew Shepherd's Hut
Herdwick Experience Gift Voucher, Yew Tree Farm
Heritage Meats Gift Voucher
Lakeside and Haverthwaite Railway Family Return Ticket
Blacksmiths Arms, Broughton Mills Gift Voucher

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#### For ticket sales and further info contact

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Tickets also available from Show Committee Members, Broughton Post Office and other local outlets

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www.millomandbroughtonshow.com

