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FASHION

Thwaites Village Hall

Thwaites W.I.in aid of Haverigg Inshore Rescue

Tuesday 20th September 7:30pm

£5
includes
refreshments
Raffle

Tickets from Jan Procter 01229 774234 or Carol Phifer 01229 779225



### The Joy of Hosting - a View from Victoria Simpson

One of our Ukrainian guests got his first pay cheque today. He went straight to the shops and bought vegan chocolate and ice-cream for the kids and wine for us as a thank you. I just wanted to share a bit of positivity. My experience so far, as a host, has been wonderful. Yes, there are challenges on both sides, but they are easily sorted. My heart feels full and I'm grateful to have the chance to get to know this family.

If anyone is considering hosting and wants to chat about it/help with the process, please feel free to reach out and I would be happy to share my knowledge and experience.

### **News @ Thwaites Village Hall**

Thwaites Village Hall 100 Club Winners - July 22

1st No 72 Cathy Holland £30.00 2nd No 94 Margaret Forsman £15.00 3rd No 90 Ann Hambly £10.00 4th No 108 Jack Giles £10.00

#### Thwaites Village Hall 100 Club Winners - Aug 22

1st No 101 Richard Pogrel £30.0 2nd No 31 Lorraine Wilson £15.00 3rd No 36 Mark Kitchingman £10.00 4th No 26 Terry & Mel Wright £10.00



**Community Lunch @ Thwaites Village Hall** 

Soup & dessert, £5 per head
Arrive for 12 noon
Anyone willing to help for a couple hours once a
month, please contact Jan Procter on 774234.
Please note the next events 28th September 22

Do you use the village hall? Do you value this fantastic resource? We are in need of new members to continue the management and organisation of the village hall. We meet for about an hour every other month so it need not take up much of your time. And the more people who help, the easier it gets.. Any offers of help much appreciated!

Our next meeting is on 21st September 22 at 7.30pm in the Supper Room. All are welcome! Or please drop a line to oandacontact@gmail.com

MONDAY 12th, 19th and 26th

**TODDLERS GROUP from 10 to 12** 

BOWLING from 1.30 to 3.30pm

SCOUTS from 7pm

**TUESDAY 20th** 

WI Fashion Show 7.30pm

WEDNESDAY 28th
COMMUNITY LUNCH is from 12 to 1.30

Key Dates
For Your Diary!

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY evenings

TABLE TENNIS is from 6 to 7.30pm
Cost is £2 per person and all are welcome

FRIDAYS 16th, 23rd & 30th

FLOW returns to Thwaites Village Hall and is from 9.30 to 10.30 am

FRIDAY 2nd BAT & CHAT

**Table Tennis for Girls & Women** 

SUNDAY 18th CAR SHOW

# Millom Bike Group - Show 18th Sept from 12 Noon at Thwaites Village Hall

This year the Millom Bike Group show returns after a 2 year hiatus due to COVID with a slightly refined format but still our 'lovely larl show' as one of the exhibitors said to us. It is on 18th September from 12 noon till 4pm. Entrants can arrive from 8am.

We have food and drinks supplied by The Lakes Grill and Thwaites Playschool and a raffle to raise funds for charity

We are looking forward to seeing people and their vehicles and resuming normal yearly show service.











#### **News From The Hill**

The results of the August 100 Club Draw 1st Prize No37 £200.00 Harry

Gumz

2nd Prize No91 £20.00 Mrs

**Tattersall** 

3rd Prize No3 £20.00 Julia Aspinall

4th Prize No124 £20.00 Sally

Adams

5th Prize No88 £10.00 Jon Stockton

6th Prize No48 £10.00 Howard

**Proctor** 

7th Prize No114 £10.00 Bruce

Hatton

#### Annual AGM -Tuesday 20th September 6.30pm

Come and have your say and find out what's been happening in the last 12 months.

Refreshments will be served at the conclusion of the meeting.

#### **Monthly Open House**

Saturday 1st October 5.30-7.30

Bring your own drinks. Nibbles will be provided.

### Arts out West - Steve Bonham and The Long Road (folk music)

Saturday 12th November 7pm for a 7.30 start.

More information to follow.

Please look out for updates on all events on the Facebook page!

## Play Group Update

Playgroup will resume at the hall on Monday 12th September from 10:00 to 12:00. We offer many and diverse toys for children (and adults) to enjoy, an opportunity for parents to chat, and a healthful snack and drink for everyone. The charge is £2 for an adult + child and 50p for additional attendees; please do come and join us!

On Monday 5th September at 10:00 we are sorting through toys and considering plans for the Autumn. Anyone (adults, children) is welcome to come along and help on this morning. Please contact oandacontact@gmail.com if you have any questions about playgroup.



## **Green Matters.....**

## Bash Himalayan Balsam at Thwaites Village Hall playing field

Himalayan Balsam (see image) is a serious invasive plant species and tends to grow in damp and shaded places, especially by watercourses. There is a prominent patch at the back of Thwaites Village Hall playing field (not far from the site of the developing wildflower meadow) that needs management ('bashing'). The good news is that it's quite easy to remove – and many hands make light work!. Please contact oandacontact@gmail.com if you can volunteer for a short session to tackle this invasive plant with members of the South Cumbria Rivers Trust.



#### **Wildflower Meadow**

The Millom Without Environmental Group is carrying out an initial, small, trial sowing of wildflower seeds in an area, 26m square, of Thwaites Village Hall playing field in front of the tennis court. Normally the whole of the playing field is mown regularly, and although some wild flower plants are present in the turf none, except dandelions, are able to flower. Wildflowers attract pollinators and enhance biodiversity. The UK is one of the least biodiverse countries in Europe and so we need to seize every opportunity to provide for nature.

The first stage of this work was to remove a layer of the existing turf, principally grass, which is too rich in nutrients for native wildflowers to flourish. This was done by a small group of volunteers on 17 August.

Remaining stubborn weeds like dandelions will be removed in the next several weeks, the soil will be rotovated, and then wildflower seed will be sown in late September or October. While wild flower meadows take many years to establish, we expect to see the first wildflowers emerge from next Spring ready for bees and other pollinators. Please keep off the area, which will be marked, in the meantime.





## Sunflower competition: details for entry



If you didn't get a chance to get along to the community event at Thwaites Village Hall on 18th June. to register for the sunflower competition there is still time to do so, as below:

1. Register your sunflower by providing your name, age, and contact details (information to be used for this competition only).

There will be registration forms at the community jubilee celebration on 18th June at Thwaites Village Hall or details can be sent to oandacontact@gmail.com\_by 12 September.

- 1. If you can make a donation to the local fund for Ukrainian refugees who are being hosted in our area. There will be a collection tin at the community event on 18th June (or use other local collection points).
- 2. By 12 September send a picture of your sunflower to oandacontact@gmail.com\_with your name, age, the height of the plant and diameter of the sunflower.
- 3. Judging will take place from 13 September by members of the Millom Without environment group.
- 4. Prizes (for shortest, highest, largest diameter head, most slug ravaged and so on by age group) will be awarded at judges' discretion based on pictures and information submitted.

Good growing to you!

Millom Without Environment Group

## New PC Notice Boards - now installed in refurbished Bus Shelters



New Parish Council Notice Boards have now been installed in the Bus Shelters at The Hill and The Green.

They are part of re-purposing the Bus Shelters into local information centres and provide a location which will ensure the Notice Boards have a longer life than the previous wooden boards.







Millom Town Council are pleased to announce a Scarecrow Competition for all ages!

So why not get involved?

Design and build your own scarecrow, display it outside

your home.

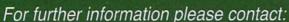
Get the whole family involved.

Entry forms available from:

- Town Council Office Newton Street
- or on the MTC website

Free to enter and certificates for

the winning entries



theclerk@millomtowncouncil.co.uk