

Parish Pump

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Christmas Market

IN AID OF DUDDON VALLEY CHURCHES

Browfoot Room

Saturday
6 December

FREE ENTRANCE

12noon - 2pm

SOUP AND SANDWICH LUNCH

£6 PER HEAD served until 1.30pm

❄️ **Stalls** FROM NOON **include** ❄️

Home Baking and Produce ❄️ Books

Raffle ❄️ White Elephant ❄️ Quiz

Cards ❄️ Bottle Stall ❄️ Sweets in a Jar

... and many more



'Christmas Jumper'
Competition

Mulled Wine + Tea + Coffee



The 2025 Poppy Appeal



From **Saturday 25th October** our local team of house-to-house poppy collectors will start to visit most of the houses in Broughton and district to raise money for the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. Poppies will also be

available from most of the local shops and pubs and can be obtained until **Remembrance Sunday 9th November**.

Unfortunately we are unable to offer the "contactless" option for those wishing to make donations to the charity. So please try to ensure — if you do plan to donate — that you have "actual cash" to make the payment.

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

Please give generously to this important charity which helps so many people who have suffered so much following their careers in the armed services.

YOU CAN ALSO DONATE DIRECTLY AT

www.britishlegion.org.uk

"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."

We have a full team of house-to-house collectors this year. 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 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. Tel. 716435



REMEMBRANCE
SUNDAY

10.45AM • 9 NOVEMBER
MEETING IN THE SQUARE
FOLLOWED BY PROCESSION AND
SERVICE AT ST MARY
MAGDALENE'S

- lest we forget -



Broughton Mills, Woodland & Foxfield

Seventeen members met at the Broughton Mills Reading Room on Wednesday 1st October. We opened our meeting with a moment of quiet remembrance for our dear friend, Mary Dixon.

Minutes from our September meeting were approved, and various events and future plans were discussed. As usual we have a busy programme to look forward to in the coming months including our 'Chippy Tea' supper at the Greyhound on 10th October and celebrating our 80th birthday in December. We then welcomed our speaker for the evening, Richard Wilcock, who spoke to us about the notorious case of Peter Sutcliffe who became known as the 'Yorkshire Ripper'. Richard is a local retired CID officer who had been in his post at the time of the Sutcliffe crimes and who had a keen, more personal interestbut more later!!!

Many of us remembered reading of his crimes back when Sutcliffe murdered thirteen women between 1975 and 1980 and spread fear across the country. It was still a difficult and very sad story to listen to and we sensed Richard's frustration with the mistakes and oversights made by the investigation team at the time and how hampered they were without all the modern-day aids to police work today...DNA, computers, mobile phones, and CCTV.

As Richard neared the end of his talk, he asked us to consider how evidence could be put to a jury with very little foundation without vital science-based proof. He then asked his colleague, Joe, to sit and answer a few questions! We were horrified to learn that Joe had been interviewed and taken into police custody on eleven occasions while this enquiry was at its height.... for the simple reason that, as a haulage contractor, he was often in the area when the crimes were committed and, unknown to him, his lorry numberplates were from a previously stolen vehicle! We could only imagine what this quietly spoken man had gone through during this time! Richard (and Joe's) presentation certainly made us think.

Richard was warmly thanked by Jan Ashworth. Our November meeting and AGM will be held in Broughton Mills Reading Room on Wednesday 5th November at 7.30pm when our member, Lynn Cook, will tell us of her climb of Kilimanjaro. Do come and join us...you just never know what speakers we might surprise you with (!!) - you'd be made very welcome.

Pam Gillman

Ulpha & Seathwaite

The first meeting after the holiday break is a LITTLE like returning from the summer holidays. News and views to be shared and of course a comment that this is our last meeting of 2025 when we will not need torches! How quickly the months and years come around. Our September meeting was a 'bring a friend meeting' where we are encouraged to bring along someone who might be interested in finding out more about the WI.

We had two visitors who had not been to a meeting before and we are hoping they will come along to our next meeting. There were a number of other visitors but they were old friends and partners who are always happy to support us — well they support us, not sure about the happy part!

Our speaker so appropriately for the start of the autumn term was John Morton, The Laughter Prescription. John, a retired vicar, entertained us with anecdotes, jokes, poems and stories, which certainly had the audience laughing and raised our spirits. The competition was fiercely fought to provide the best joke, which John chose: Lillian, Vicky and Sarah stole the show.

We as ever enjoyed a lovely supper but for those who needed to drive home there was a sudden spurt of action as yet again road

closures scheduled to start at 10.00 pm hampered our plans. How would anyone leave the valley if they found all roads out of Ulpha shut, and the main road closed too?

Most of our visitors made it safely home although this involved a diversion for John through Grizebeck and Dalton which gave him a bit of an adventure — hope he was able to use it for material for a future talk or book of poems, 'The night I went to Ulpha...'

We meet at the Browfoot Room 7.30pm on the second Tuesday of the month, new members are always most welcome.

Fiona Oliver **01229716926**



Surgery Opening Times

Askam 01229 260290

Monday 8am—6pm (Lunch 12.30—1.15pm)
Tuesday 8am—6pm (Lunch 12.30—1.15pm)
Wednesday CLOSED
Thursday 8am-6pm (Lunch 12.30—1.15pm)
Friday 8am—1pm

Kirkby 01229 889247

Monday 8am—6pm (Lunch 1.15—2pm)
Tuesday 8am—6pm (Lunch 1.15—2pm)
Wednesday 8am—6pm
Thursday CLOSED
Friday 8am—6pm (Lunch 1.15—2pm)

Broughton 01229 716337

Monday 8am—6pm (Lunch 12.30—1.15pm)
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Friday CLOSED

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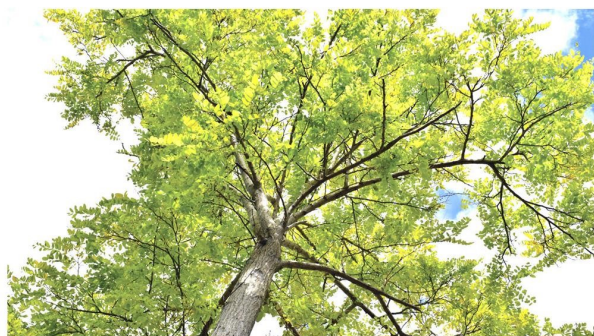
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WONDERFUL WOODLANDS

FRIDAY 14 NOVEMBER 7.30PM
THWAITES VILLAGE HALL



Nature enthusiast and photographer,
Maurice Steele, investigates the fate of the ash tree
and other aspects of our trees and woodlands in the
latest of his ever-popular series of audio-visual
presentations.

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

MEMBERS AND NON-MEMBERS WELCOME

BSA CHRISTMAS FAIR

JOIN US FOR GAMES, FATHER CHRISTMAS
AND DELICIOUS TREATS!

DECEMBER 4TH • 4:00 PM
- 6PM

VICTORY HALL, BROUGHTON IN
FURNESS

★ if you would like to book a stall for
the fair please contact Perinne on
07761410416 or email
peri88@hotmail.co.uk

£10 per stall

Friends of the X112 bus group update



It is now eleven years since the Friends of the X112 was formed. Our formation has enabled Blueworks Taxis Ltd to continue running local bus services between Barrow, Ulverston and Coniston linking many small rural communities which, in 2014, were faced with the possibility of all the previous rural bus services being withdrawn.

Those eleven years have produced a quite unique partnership between the community and a local bus company. This has been backed up by funding provided by many, mostly Cumbria based, grant funding organisations and, in more recent years, Westmorland and Furness Council.

We do have a few younger members who work very hard but we desperately require two younger people (we were in our late 60s when we started!) to be officials on our committee to help with secretarial work and marketing. If it is possible to spread that information around in the hope that someone might be interested to help we would be extremely grateful. For the time being the 'Friends' will continue to operate for as long as we can but this clearly does rely on finding the funds to keep going and that is the hard part!

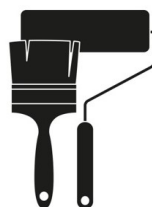
Anyone genuinely interested in joining the group as an official can contact either myself, Roger (roger@rdhwc.plus.com Tel. 07401 136229) or Alayne (fisheralayne@gmail.com Tel. 07546 474350).

Thank you for all your, hopefully continued, support.

The 'Friends of the X112'

Painter & Decorator

Duddon Valley and Surrounds



Nick Sebley
01229 715021
nsebley@aol.com



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PARISH COUNCIL DROP IN

The Square Café

The next session will be
Tuesday 11th November 2025 10.45—12noon

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

The Parish Clerk can be contacted at
info.duddonparishclerk.org.uk



VICTORY HALL WEEKLY EVENTS



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



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



Tuesday
6.00pm-7.15pm
Main Hall



For more information contact E: tburslem@hotmail.com

Tuesday 7.15pm-9.15pm
Rankin Room



HOLBORN HILL ROYAL BRASS BAND

Contact Ruth Hughes on **716659** Instruments can be provided

Wednesday 10am-12pm

Pickleball £3.00 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

Broughton Under 5's Group £2 for first child,

50p for additional children. Includes drinks & snacks

broughtonunderfives@hotmail.co.uk



Friday 3pm-5pm
Pickleball £3.00 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>



Christmas is our busiest time of year, and we are already collecting food items on our Christmas list. Please try to ensure expiry dates are not before Christmas Day if possible

*Tinned Ham
Tinned Salmon
Boxes/Tubs/Bags of chocolates
Boxes of Biscuits
Tinned Potatoes
Christmas Puddings
Christmas Cake
Christmas savouries
such as Twiglets,
Cheddars, Crackers etc
Selection Boxes
Gravy Granules*

Thank You very much

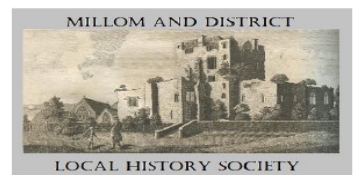
WHERE TO LEAVE DONATIONS

St. Mary's Church porch, Broughton

St. John's Church, Ulpha

Browfoot Room, Ulpha (Thursdays, 1-3pm)

**Duddon Valley Medical Practice—Broughton, Kirkby
or Askam Surgeries**



Dorian Players
1st Nov, 2 p.m. £10



Medieval+Music
Fish Window Fund
(price includes tea & cake)
Holy Trinity Church

MoRPh 10 Survey 9th November

Following on from the successful surveys recently conducted, we intend to hold the last of this year on Sunday, 9th November meeting in Seathwaite at the Newfield Inn at 10am. We welcome ALL volunteers, with or without previous experience, to help put our river well and truly on the national map!

It's Litter Picking Time!

We are aware that many people routinely clear litter from their local areas — thank you! As ever at this time of year, there's a lot of unnecessary rubbish on our roads and countryside making an unwelcome appearance as the verges die back. So we have arranged a major litter pick for **Sunday 16th November at 10am at Bank End layby** (w3w.co/conspired.examiner.villager). We have litter picking equipment available, and, with enough helpers, can make a real difference to our local environment. Just come along, or contact us for more information.

Community Orchard

There's been a good crop from the community orchard this year. All the apples have now been harvested, and surplus delivered to Broughton-in-Furness Primary School. The grass has been cut for the winter, so it's a good time to go and visit! What 3 words:

<https://w3w.co/river.clogging.riskiest>.

Thermal Imaging

As we did last winter, now that the colder months are here SusDudd are offering **free** home thermal imaging surveys. We use a thermal imaging device to identify where drafts or poor insulation, invisible to the eye, are resulting in heat loss. Contact SusDudd to arrange a suitable time.

Barrow to Esk Active Travel Project (BEAT Route)

Following on from the tremendous support the project received at summer shows the project team are seeking funding for feasibility assessments of potential routes. The vision is for safe, family friendly routes that link communities with each other, schools, work, public transport and other services. For questions, or more information contact us at Beatroute2@gmail.com or visit our website <https://beatroute.org.uk>.

Community Garden

As you will know, the garden has suffered from the awful weather, the loss of the polytunnel and a shortage of volunteers this year. It is very sad to see the garden not fulfilling the potential that the significant investment provided. We would like to extend the use of the garden for other purposes. Already, it is home to a number of "heeled in" trees, which are designated for some important projects. We are also excited to provide some beds for personal use on the understanding that surplus product is shared! We already have some takers for this new direction, and would love to have more beds "adopted". Perhaps you are on a waiting list for an allotment? Maybe you would like to give your children their own growing space to learn about the joys of outdoor gardening? Be it for vegetables, flowers, fruit bushes or spooky halloween pumpkins... Get in touch and we can allocate a bed — or two or three. If transport is an issue, we may well be able to help!

As always please get in touch sustainableduddon@gmail.com or visit our Facebook Page — search for Sustainable Duddon.



WATER YEAT VILLAGE HALL

Ulverston Foundries and Their Products



Thursday 20th November

We are very pleased to welcome back Dan Elsworth from Greenlane Archaeology to give us a talk about the Iron Foundries in Ulverston, what was made, where and when.

Starts **7.30pm** — door opens at 7pm
£5 entry - includes tea/coffee/biscuit on arrival

www.e-voice.org.uk/wyv

The High Cross Inn is dead and gone
Now just a heap of stones
Not many left
who remember
How it was vital to the town

Years ago a small beer house
Later modernised it became
A weekend escape, for mill town folk
With cleaner air and outdoor game

Good food and bowling green
Easy access and a welcome feel
It was extremely popular
In fact in every way ideal

Later still a large extension
Was built out to the side
A huge room with panoramic view
Attracting folk from far and wide

During the week much more went on
Jazz club, Scottish dance and Oddfellows meet
And later after practice bellringers
For beer and something nice to eat

Once a month Men's Supper Club
Came for food and oratory.
Birthdays, weddings, funeral teas
All loved the new conservatory

But times have changed and people too
Jazz players, dancers got too old
And with the birth of NHS
Oddfellows clubs began to fold

The Supper Club looked for better food
And the big room was very hard to hear
Casual drinkers couldn't face the hill
And costs became impossible to meet.

*From unreliable memories
Barbara Rigg 2025*

Water Yeat Village Hall welcomes the return of

AMY SPEACE

After a sell-out visit in 2024 Amy returns with music that nods to the 1970s glory days. One of contemporary folk and Americana music's leading voices of the new generation. Grammy award winning singer-songwriter Amy presents her new album



'The American Dream'

Sunday 30th November, 8pm £15

www.wegotickets.com/wateryeatvillagehall - no booking fee
Café/table seating Bring your own drinks and nibbles
www.facebook.com/wateryeatvillagehall/
www.e-voice.org.uk/wyv www.amyspace.com



The Community Hall
at Grizebeck
KIRKBY IN FURNESS

Email hall.manager@grizebeckhall.co.uk
or ring 07905 779584 Mon & Fri mornings
or weekday evenings

Upcoming events

All our events are advertised on The Community Hall Grizebeck facebook page. Further details on all our events available from our hall manager at the contact details above

15th November (Thai night)

7.30pm-10pm

Thai buffet tickets now on sale at www.ticketsource.co.uk/grizebeckhall £25 per person and lots of food cooked by May of Mays Thai treats

21st November

Ed Blunt and Anna McCluckie, folk musicians brought to us by Highlights rural touring scheme. Tickets £15 now on sale at www.highlightsnorth.co.uk

28th November

All welcome to our bi monthly village quiz. £2 per person and bring your own nibbles. Our bar is open so no need to bring drinks. Maximum team size 6.

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

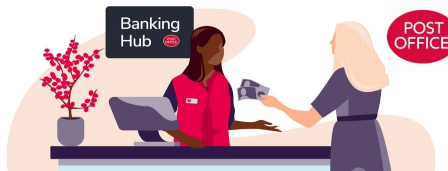
Whist Drive Every first and second Wednesday contact Michael Irving on 01229 889632

Flowerguild 26 November Contact Jeni Sarson 01229 889685 Christmas Floristry Demonstration Pauline Wilkinson

Bowling Club Thursday afternoon contact Franek Rewaj 01229 889407

Craft Club Second Thursday of each month. Thursday 13th November. For further details contact Ali Hooper on 01229 889723.

Surfers Group Assistance in navigating a computer Friday morning contact Franek Rewaj 01229 889407



POST OFFICE SERVICES IN THE LOCALITY

Please see our website or ask at your local banking hub or branch for details of services provided.

www.postoffice.co.uk

Grizebeck Service Station

Tuesday 9.30—12.30 & Thursday 9am—6pm

Kirkby in Furness Community Centre,
Beckside Court, Beckside, LA17 7TG

Thursday 10am—12noon

Ulpha, Browfoot Room

Thursday 1pm—3pm

Millom PO, St George's Road, LA18 4JA

Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri 8.30am—5pm

Wed & Sat 8.30—12.30

Ulverston PO, County Square, LA12 7AA

Monday—Friday 8.45am—5pm ,

Saturday 8.45am—12pm

Askam PO, 75 Duke Street, LA16 7AD

Monday-Sunday 8.00am-9.00pm

Coniston PO, Hills Spar & Garage, LA21 8EN

Monday-Sunday 7.00am-9.45pm

BANKING HUB

Cash and banking services in the heart of your community. We provide easy access to cash services, whoever you bank with.

1—3 New Market Street, Ulverston, LA12 7AQ
Opening Hours Monday Friday 9am—5pm

Community Banker Days:

- Monday NatWest
- Tuesday Lloyds
- Wednesday HSBC
- Thursday Santander
- Friday Barclays

Counter Services

- Withdraw and Deposit Cash (Notes & Coin)
- Deposit Cheques, Pay Utility Bills
- Check Account Balance
- Collect change (registered business customers)



SATURDAY 8TH

NOVEMBER

FESTIVE

Pilates & Pamper

10.30am

At: The Browfoot Room Ulpha
Cumbria

TROPIC

£5 entry includes refreshments
Please bring your mat.

Enjoy a relaxing and rejuvenating Pilates class, followed by a beauty demonstration, and free hand massage. Plus a chance to view The beautiful Tropic Christmas Collection gifts which are available for you to order for family and friends if you wish.



Restoring Hardknott Forest

Tree Planting

Friday 14th November jointly at Miterdale

Tuesday 25th November Hardknott

Saturday 30th November jointly at Miterdale

Bat Walk

30th October 5.30-7.30pm

Join project staff for a Halloween themed walk starting from Newfield Inn, Seathwaite. All welcome, fancy dress optional

The QR code will take you to our events booking page. Places are limited, so please book in advance or visit our website:

<https://bag.leeds.ac.uk/projects/restoring-hardknott-forest/get-involved/>



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Items Bought and Sold



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A POST OFFICE FOR BROUGHTON...

Great news!

Post Office Ltd has scheduled the opening of Broughton's new post office branch in the Tourist Information Centre for **1 pm on Tuesday 9th December**.

Our post office counter service days and hours will be:

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

Our **community shop and tourist information service** will start up earlier on **Saturday 8th November**. These opening hours are still to be finalised but will be similar to the PO ones + Friday afternoon and Saturday morning. However, due to the fit-out process for the post office, the shop will be closed 24th – 28th November.

The shop will be selling a range of items such as greetings cards, wrapping paper, stamps, stationery, local books, guides and maps, confectionery, gifts, souvenirs and Cumbrian artisanal products. These will expand and change according to demand – so do come in and let us know what you would like to see stocked if we don't have it on sale. By buying from the shop you will be sustaining the provision of our community's post office service, so we do hope you will give your support to both.

If you would like to get more involved, it's not too late to join our lovely team of shop and information service volunteers. The time commitment can be quite minimal - doing a 2-hour stint once a month is fine! Just contact Siobhan Rawlins for more information by e-mailing broughtontic@btconnect.com

Thank you again to everyone who has given encouragement and much appreciated donations to get this project from a possibility to a reality. We look forward to seeing you at our community's post office and shop on many occasions!

Broughton Community Services CIC

POST BOX LOCATION ISSUE

Following safety and accessibility concerns raised by residents about the proposed siting of a post box on Station Road, Broughton Community Services CIC and Michelle Scrogg MP have been urging Royal Mail to reconsider and to site the post box outside the new post office branch on The Square instead.

Unfortunately, despite numerous letters, photographic evidence and media coverage, Royal Mail's Collections Customer Operations Manager in Lancaster maintains that the Station Road site is a safe one. In addition, he insists that, due to traffic and insufficient parking, it is unsafe for the posties to empty a post box on The Square – although Royal Mail vans will be stopping here to collect parcels from the post office.

Since post box installations fall under permitted development, there is no recourse to making a planning-based objection. But Broughton Community Services CIC and Cllr Brereton have recently brought the issue to the attention of Highways which will conduct their own appraisal of Station Road. If Highways finds that there is indeed a road safety issue, permission to install a post box at this site will not be granted.

If this is the case, Broughton Community Services CIC, in conjunction with your elected representatives, will continue to press Royal Mail for the post box to be sited in the best and most logical place – outside Broughton Post Office on The Square.

The programme of talks is as follows:

- 26 November 2025 "Remembering Slavery - Cumbria's Involvement in the Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade", Dr Rob David
December Christmas Social - details tbc
January 2026 Annual Archive Exhibition - details tbc
25 February 2026 "Millom Castle, the Huddlestons and the English Civil Wars", Jan Bridget
25 March 2026 "Wartime Walney", Mick Shaw
22 April 2026 "Walls in the Cumbrian Landscape", Dr David Johnson
27 May 2026 "Journals of Kenneth Burgess", Stan Aspinall & Nigel Pattinson
24 June 2026 "Britain's 1914-18 War Resisters - Communities, Prisoners, Fugitives, Revolutionaries and Broughton in Furness", Cyril Pearce
22 July 2026 AGM "John Ruskin: Victorian Polymath", Dr David Cross

Meetings are on the fourth Wednesday of the month. All at 7.30pm in the Victory Hall. In addition to the Talks programme, the DVLHG also organises a series of Walks, both local and further afield. All the Walks have a Walk Leader and focus on historical aspects in the landscape.

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

Colin Robertshaw (Hon. Sec)

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



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Tuesday 11th November

Sale of Store Lambs, Breeding & Feeding Sheep of all classes

Broughton Community Christmas Tree Festival

We are hosting our annual Christmas Tree Festival at St Mary Magdalene Church from 7th December until Christmas Day and hope your organisation would like to be involved!

We are hoping that as many community groups, organisations and businesses as possible from the community will want to contribute a tree and use it to publicise their organisation.

The theme for the festival is

Christmas Traditions Around The World

Please decorate your tree reflecting a Christmas tradition in a country of your choice.

If your organisation would like to raise funds there will be the opportunity to choose one morning/ afternoon during the Christmas period to serve refreshments and food in the church.

To book email tkbdchurches@gmail.com and a booking form will be sent to you. Please return booking forms by 3rd November. When we know how many groups wish to be part of the festival we will contact you and confirm your booking.

Trees can be erected from the afternoon of Thursday 4th December and must be in place by Saturday 6th December at the latest. Someone will be in church to meet you and show you your tree position.

Do be artistic when decorating your tree but do not use precious or valuable items and don't forget to include your organisation's name. Please only use battery operated lights on a 6 hour timer. We can provide the lights if needed. We ask that you arrange for someone to remove your tree by 5th January.



Music in Ulpha

Roger Davies

Browfoot Room
Ulpha

15th November 2025

TICKETS
£15 Child £7

7.30pm for 8.15pm

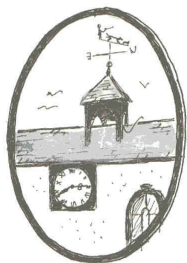
Licensed Bar
Minibus from Broughton

Available from:
Ulpha PO Thursdays 1-3pm
on our website below
or Manor Arms, Broughton

www.musicinulpha.org.uk

Ticking Over

A History of the Town Hall
and its Clock by Stan
Aspinall



Friday 28th November
Victory Hall
7.30pm

Followed by refreshments

Admission by donation for Broughton Community Services CIC
Post Office



Broughton Supper Club

Wednesday 12th November
Maj Gen David Pennefather
"The Falklands War"

In October we heard David Webb, one of our members, talk about his unusual hobby of taxidermy. He told us about some of the interesting characters he had met when sourcing specimens — and related his biggest challenge — a nine-foot polar bear. He brought in three wonderful examples of his craft — but not the polar bear!

For anyone interested in becoming a member or even just trying a 'taster', be assured of a warm welcome — please contact Ian Verber (club secretary, 07491 042718, email ian.verber@btopenworld.com) or Martin Cooper (speaker secretary, 01229 583524) for details. We meet in the Square Café, Broughton at 6.30pm on the second Wednesday of the month.

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Dunnerdale Fell Race

Saturday 8th November at noon

Organised by Black Combe Runners



The race starts and finishes at Broughton Mills Reading room, it is 8km and has 550m of ascent. It takes in The Knott, Ravens Crag, Stickle Pike and Great Stickle. Pre entry only through SiEntries, and there are strict rules on what safety kit you must carry. Runners must be over 17 years old. Details on bcrunners.org.uk and fellrunner.org.uk.

Some of the country's best male and female runners will be competing. The course record for men is held by Keth Anderson in 35:51, and for the ladies by Victoria Wilkinson in 41:21. The best viewing point is on the top of Stickle Pike. We are expecting 300 runners.

Many thanks to the local landowners for their support, especially Ted Tyson and the Harrisons. Monies raised will go towards St Mary's Hospice, SCRT and Broughton Mills Reading Room.

*Nick Sebley
Black Combe Runners
Dunnerdale Race organiser*

WATER YEAT VILLAGE HALL

Sugarfoot



Sugarfoot have been bringing a taste of Nashville to the Lake District and beyond through their rich blend of Country and Americana music. They are remarked upon for their sparkling female vocal lead duo and their alternative approach to Country song.

Saturday 08 November 8.00pm

£15 on the door or in advance

www.wegoticket.com/wateryeatvillagehall

Doors 7.30pm café/table seating
No bar – bring your own drinks and nibbles

www.facebook.com/wateryeatvillagehall/

www.e-voice.org.uk/wyvvh

Wild Church

Exploring faith in the outdoors

Every 4th Sunday at 4pm
Begins at St Cuthberts

Ends in Kirkby Community Centre for Refreshments and Toast

A fun, family-friendly outdoor service



MESSAGE FROM OUR MP MICHELLE SCROGHAM

I feel sure that Parish Pump readers will join me in welcoming the news that Waterloo House Surgery in Millom will once again be funded to provide a minor injuries service for their patients.

Around six months ago health bosses dropped their funding which allowed GPs to offer this service. This was completely wrong – particularly in rural areas like ours – because of the difficulty getting to the nearest alternative service. I raised my concerns with the Lancashire and South Cumbria Integrated Care Board.

I am pleased to report that having reviewed the decision this funding has now been reintroduced for Waterloo House Surgery in Millom along with surgeries in Ambleside and Hawkshead. It is a positive development, but we need to make sure this decision is extended to cover other rural practices. I am continuing to make that case, and will keep local people updated.

There is more good news for those readers who, like me, were alarmed to hear about health chiefs' plans to permanently close level 3 critical care at Furness General Hospital. Around 80 people attended a meeting of Westmorland and Furness Council's Health and Adult Scrutiny meeting in Barrow town hall on September 24 which became heated after members of the public were not allowed to air their views.

However, I was pleased to see that the committee has recommended that public consultations need to take place on the proposals. This is an important step in our campaign to stop the downgrade. We need a proper plan for recruiting the consultants so that we can reintroduce the full service as soon as possible.

It is important that local people have their say on a full set of options – including an option to reintroduce the service. That is why I organised a public meeting to be held at Hawcoat Park on Saturday, October 18 and as I type this it promises to be a full house with more than 200 worried residents saying they are turning up – and that tells its own story. While the ICB have declined to attend the meeting will go ahead and I will make sure that attendees' concerns are recorded and fed back to the board.

Our Labour government was elected to deliver change. Part of our commitment was to get the NHS back on its feet and fit for the future. Additional funding is being invested, and reforms are being introduced, to improve health and care services. Cutting critical care services for our area – especially when the population is expected to boom in the coming years – is a negative development we intend to resist all the way.

As always, I want to hear from you. Please contact me with any concerns you might have.

Michelle

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Answered 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday

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Mail: c/o Broadcasting House, Hartington Street, Barrow-in-Furness, LA14 5SL

BROUGHTON FILM CLUB

Friday 21 November

What We Did On Our Holiday ¹²

*Sharply witty and well-cast
(David Tennant, Rosamund Pike, Billy Connolly),
this big-hearted movie creates an unexpected
narrative to a family holiday in Scotland*

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 19 November
(vegetarian/vegan option available)

A595 Grizebeck Improvement Scheme

We can confirm the project is progressing to programme, and you will have noticed significant developments on site. The construction of the new bridge is nearing completion and is scheduled to open to traffic in early November. Once the new bridge is operational, the temporary road will be removed.

To safely connect the new bridge with the existing road network, a temporary closure of A595 will be required. During this period, the temporary road will also be closed to prepare for the removal.

The A595 will be closed between the Community Hall and Dove Ford on the following weekend:

Saturday 1st November – Sunday 2nd November

Closures will be in effect from **7:00 AM on Saturday until 5:00 PM on Sunday** on both weekends.

A signed diversion will be in place via the **A5092, A590, and A595**, passing through **Greenodd, Ulverston, and Askam-in-Furness**. Access will be maintained for **emergency service vehicles** throughout the closure period.

We understand that road closures can be disruptive, and we sincerely appreciate your continued patience and cooperation as we work to deliver the scheme. We will keep you updated as we continue our works via the Westmorland and Furness website, our social media pages and the A595 Grizebeck Project mailing list.

Broughton Chess Festival coming on
Saturday 31st January 2026
1.30 pm to 5.00 pm



Victory Hall, Station Rd,
Broughton-in-Furness

Can you play chess?
THEN WATCH THIS SPACE!

Rev'd Victoria Sekasi
Priest in Charge
M: 07453 930536
tkbdchurches@gmail.com
Am at my desk, Monday, Tuesdays
and Fridays

Parish News



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

It is two years since we moved to the Woodland Valley near Broughton from the south west. There have been some interesting times – we have been snowed in, blocked in by falling trees, wondered whether the rain would ever stop and also wondered when it would ever rain again. We've moved cattle because of lack of water and, more recently, because of an over abundance of acorns. We have also marvelled at the beauty of the hills, mountains and coastline, seen the Northern Lights from the fell and picked loads of blackberries. But, more significantly than all of that, we have met some great people and have felt very welcomed into the community.

We have recently been celebrating harvest in our churches. In Woodland we had a harvest service followed by supper in the village hall where friends and neighbours gathered to thank God for his provision and blessings, to donate to a food collection and to share a meal together. We are encouraged to have an attitude of gratitude in the words of the harvest song:

"God our Maker doth provide
For our wants to be supplied;
Come to God's own temple, come,
Raise the song of harvest home."

The generosity of God means that we are invited to live with confidence in God's abundance and, in turn, to cultivate a generous spirit of giving and sharing. In the book of Romans in the Bible, we are taught to "share with the Lord's people who are in need and to practise hospitality" and, after the first commandment in the Bible to "Love the lord your God" the second is to "Love your neighbour as yourself". As a church and wider community giving to the local foodbank and other charities is just one way in which people help meet the needs of others. It seems to us that this community finds many ways to support and help one another and to offer hospitality to others – even newcomers like us!

Thank you, God, for the wonder of the natural world—the sun, the seas, the plants, and the life of all creatures. Open our eyes to see your hand in all things and give us the wisdom to be good stewards of the gift of this earth, caring for it and all its inhabitants with love and respect. Amen.

David and Louise Grendon

From the Registers

We celebrated the life of Mary Dixon on Monday 6th October at St Mary Magdalene's and at Thorncliffe Crematorium.

'Remember with love'

A special service for all who have experienced bereavement at whatever stage

**At St Anne's, Thwaites
Sunday November 2nd at 12noon**

Followed by lunch for anyone who would like to stay



*If you would like someone remembered by name please contact
Rev'd. Vic Sekasi - 07453930536*

Grief is hard.
Death can impact
all of life.

The Bereavement
Journey
a place to talk

7 Sessions of films
and discussion
for anyone bereaved anytime

Topics include:

- Attachment, separation and loss
- The pain and responses of grief
- Anger and guilt
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- Delayed and suppressed grief
- Adjusting to change
- Moving forward healthily
- Faith questions (optional)

To find out more visit:
thebereavementjourney.org

Starts Thursday 6th
November for 6 weeks from
1-3pm
The Parsonage Room
LA20 6HS

To book contact
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tkbdchurches@gmail.com
Or phone 07453 930536

CGP Duddon Parish Trust Fund

The fund is administered by members
of the Duddon Parish Council

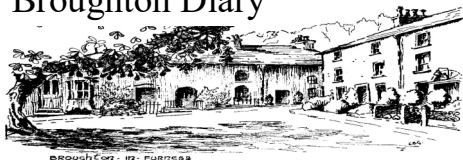
APPLYING FOR FUNDS

Representatives of local groups
from within the Duddon Parish
can apply for funding. Application
forms are available from the
Tourist Information Centre, 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

**The next closing date for
applications is
30th November 2025**

Broughton Diary



October

30 Messy Church Light Party:
5pm, St Anne's Church, Thwaites
30 Power from the Fells: 7.30 pm, Water
Yeat Village Hall
30 Bat Walk: 5.30—7.30pm, Newfield Inn

November

1 Dorian Players, Medieval Music: 2pm,
Holy Trinity Church, Millom
5 Broughton Mills, Woodland & Foxfield
WI: 7.30pm, Broughton Mills Reading
Room
8 Pilates and Pamper: 10.30am, Browfoot
Room
8 Community Shop opens: 10am, TIC
8 Dunnerdale Fell Race: 12noon,
Broughton Mills Reading Room
8 Sugarfoot: 8pm, Water Yeat Village Hall
9 Remembrance Sunday: The Square,
Broughton, 10.45am
9 MoRPh Survey: 10am, Newfield Inn,
Seathwaite
11 Ulpha & Seathwaite WI: 7.30pm,
Browfoot Room
12 Broughton Supper Club: 6.30pm,
Square Cafe
14 DPC Drop-in: 10.45am—12noon,
Square Cafe
14 CWT, Wonderful Woodlands: 7.30pm,
Thwaites Village Hall
15 Music In Ulpha: 7.30pm, Browfoot
Room
16 Litter pick: 10am, Bank End layby
20 Ulverston Foundries and Their
Products: 7.30pm, Water Yeat Village Hall
21 Broughton Film Club: 7.30pm, Victory
Hall
25 Duddon Parish Council Meeting:
7.30pm, Rankin Room, Victory Hall
26 DVLHG: 7.30pm, Victory Hall
28 History of the Town Hall and Its Clock:
7.30pm, Victory Hall
30 Amy Speace: 8pm, Water Yeat Village
Hall

December

4 BSA Christmas Fair: 4—6pm, Victory
Hall
6 Christmas Market: 12noon—2pm,
Browfoot Room

REGULAR EVENTS

Every Tuesday

Coffee Morning, 10.30am, Square Café

Every Thursday Coffee, Cake 'n Chat: at
Pop Up Post Office, 1—3pm, Browfoot
Room, Ulpha

Every Sunday afternoon Gardening at
The Old School House, Ulpha Bridge,
weather permitting

You can view the Pump online on the
Duddon Parish Council website
www.duddonparishcouncil.org.uk

Benefice of The Duddon Estuary

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Church Services November

St Cuthbert Kirkby

Sunday 2nd — Service of Baptism
at **9.30am**

Service for All Souls at **10.15am**

Sunday 9th—Remembrance Service
at **10am**

Followed by an Act of Memorial in the
churchyard at **10.50am**

Sunday 16th — Service of the Word
at **9.30am**

Sunday 23rd — Holy Communion
at **9.30am**

Wild Church at **4pm**

Sunday 30th — Joint service at Thwaites at
11am

St Mary Magdalene, Broughton

Sunday 2nd — Holy Communion
at **10am**

Sunday 9th — Remembrance Service starts
in the Square at **10.45**

Sunday 16th Breakfast Church
from **9.30am**

Sunday 23rd — Celtic Worship
at **10am**

Sunday 30th — Joint Service at Thwaites
at **11am**

St. Anne's, Thwaites

Sunday 2nd — 'Remember with Love'
Service at **12noon**

Sunday 23rd — Brunch Church at **11.30am**

Sunday 30th — Joint Benefice Service of
Holy Communion at **11am**

Duddon Valley Churches

St John the Baptist, Ulpha

1st Sunday (2nd) — **3pm**,

Family Service

3rd Sunday (16th) — **6pm** Evening Prayer

Holy Trinity, Seathwaite

Sunday 30th — Advent Carol Service at
6pm

Woodland

St John the Evangelist

4th Sunday (23rd) — Evensong at **6pm**

Midweek Services

Holy Innocents, Broughton Mills at 10am

Wednesdays — Morning Prayer

Wed 12th November — Holy Communion

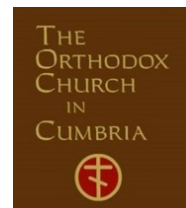
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Our Lady and St James RC Church, Millom

Wednesday 5.00pm

Sunday Mass 10.30am

Sacred Heart RC Church, Coniston

Thursday 10am

Saturday Vigil Mass 5pm

Father Mathew Jacob

Tel: **01229 779673**

E: saintfranciscumbria@gmail.com

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Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses

2 Holborn Hall, Millom, LA18 5BE

www.jw.org

**Every
Thursday 7.15pm
Sunday 10.15am**



The Methodist Church Services

Kirkby in Furness, Marshside
11am Morning Service,
1st, 3rd, 4th & 5th Sundays

6pm Service with Communion
on 2nd Sunday

Millom, Queen Street
11am Every Sunday

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