

**DIARY DATES**

- Mon 2 **Come for Coffee** a lovely community get-together in the Sunday school room at Wray Methodist Chapel. 10am to 12 noon. It's open to all, a warm welcome awaits. Come for Coffee is a collection point for Morecambe Bay Foodbank. Any suitable non-perishable food you can give will be gratefully received. For more details see their website [morecambebayfoodbank.org.uk](http://morecambebayfoodbank.org.uk)
- Tues 3 at 11am and every Tuesday following for a trial period. Come and join us for coffee/tea at Bridge House Tea Rooms. Hosted by Wennington WI for members, friends and anyone who would like to come. You don't need to be a WI member to enjoy a natter. Babies, children and dogs welcome!
- Tues 3 7.30pm Wray Community Book group in the George & Dragon. This time it's Sunday Times best seller "How to stop time" by Matt Haig. All welcome to come and listen and join in the chat.
- Tues 3 to 17th. House to House collection in aid of NSPCC.
- Wed 4 Upholstery Class in the morning or afternoon at Lower Tatham Church. Continues every Wednesday. Tuition, tools and equipment provided. Details Sue Marsden 07836 500091.
- Thurs 5 and every Thursday, come and sing with **Wenning Voices**, from 7.30pm to 9.30pm at St. James the Less Church, Tatham. Experience the pleasure of singing with others. £1 per week, includes tea/coffee, biscuits. Just come along when you can.
- Fri 6 9.30am to 12 noon, Wray Toddlers. Wray Chapel Sunday School room and each following Friday. All parents, carers and small children welcome.
- Sat 7 Hornby District Ramblers, Sedbergh, 5 miles. Meet at 9.30am in Hornby Car Park. Leader Ken Sedgwick 01524 770086.

- Sat 7 Drop In monthly youth club in the Sunday school room, Wray Chapel. Fun, games, tuck shop, 50p per session. 7pm -9pm.
- Sun 8 NSPCC Daffodil Day Spring Garden Walk. Details on last page.
- Mon 9 and on 16th and 23rd, Yoga in Wray Institute at 7.30pm. £5 per session, mats provided. Details Kathy Cartledge 015242 61567.
- Tues 10 7.30pm in the Old School, Lowgill, Tatham Fells WI Speakers Abi and Tom '**Halecat Nurseries**'. Competition: a Vase. Visitors welcome.
- Wed 11 7.30pm Wennington & District WI in Wray Institute. “Georgian Portraiture in the style of George Romney” a painting demonstration by Michael Hipkins. Visitors welcome.
- Thurs 12 2pm, Ladies Meeting in the Sunday school room, Wray Methodist Chapel. Les & Christine Kelsall. All ladies welcome.
- Tues 17 2pm Wray Over Sixties in Wray Institute. Mrs. Eileen Belshaw will give a talk entitled “It should'nt happen to a nurse”. Non members are very welcome.
- Fri 20 Spring Dominoes in Wray Institute to raise money for Wray Sports Day. Everyone welcome. £2 adult & £1.50 child. Refreshments and raffle. 7pm for 7.30pm start. Hope to see you there.
- Fri 20 7.45pm Countryside Society in Hornby Institute. Gordon Fletcher will give an illustreated talk on “Curious Creatures of Northern Seas”.
- Sat 21 Hornby District Ramblers, Waddington, Ribble Valley, 7.5 miles. Meet 9.30am in Hornby Car Park. Leader Jenny Herd 21690.
- Sun 22 2pm to 4pm. The Friends of St. James the Less Church, Lower Tatham invite you to an afternoon talk, JMW Turner (1775 - 1851) in Tatham & Hornby. For further details please see page 11.

## Advance Dates

Monday May 7th 2018. Come for coffee, 10am to 12noon in the Sunday school, Wray Methodist Chapel.

Saturday 12th May 2018. Drop In - monthly youth club for ages 9 - 14 in the Sunday School Rooms, Wray Methodist Chapel. Fun, games, tuck shop, 50p per session. 7pm - 9pm.

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## **Church Services in April**

### **April 1<sup>st</sup>, Easter Day**

9.30am	Holy Communion	Wray
11.00am	Holy Communion	Tatham
11.00am	Holy Communion	Tatham Fells

*9.30am Holy Communion – Melling 11.00am Holy Communion - Leck*

### **April 8<sup>th</sup>, Second Sunday of Easter**

9.30am	Morning Service	Wray
11.00am	Morning Service	Tatham
2.15pm	Evening Prayer	Tatham Fells

*11.00am Holy Communion – Tunstall*

### **April 15<sup>th</sup>, Third Sunday of Easter**

8.00am	Holy Communion	Wray
9.30am	Morning Service	Wray
9.30am	Holy Communion	Tatham Fells

*11.00am Holy Communion- Melling, 11.00am Morning Service- Leck*

### **April 22<sup>nd</sup>, Fourth Sunday of Easter**

9.30am	Morning Service	Wray
9.30am	Morning Service	Tatham Fells
11.00am	Holy Communion	Tatham

*11.00am Morning Service – Tunstall*

### **April 29<sup>th</sup>, Fifth Sunday of Easter**

11.00am	Benefice Communion a service for all six churches	Melling
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Church Contacts: *Revd Mark Cannon, Wray Vicarage (21030) Readers:  
Ann Dawson (62936), Peter Osborne (61029), Mary Winter (21784)*

## Wray Scarecrow Festival & Fair 2018

- \* This year's scarecrow festival will run from Saturday 28th April to Bank Holiday Monday May 7th. This year's theme, chosen by the school is “**Lights, Camera, Action!**”.
- \* To celebrate our **Silver Jubilee**, we really would like to put on a great spectacle this year, so please get your thinking caps on! Remember that **Thomas's Trophy** for the best scarecrow is judged on the first Saturday, so please put out your scarecrows nice and early to be eligible to win (judging will start at 2pm). We get lots of visitors on the first Saturday and it would be great to have all the scarecrows on show bright and early!
- \* This year, we will also try to set an official **Guinness World Record for the “Largest gathering of people dressed as scarecrows”** at the end of the Giant Scarecrow Parade on Friday 4th May! To be part of our record-breaking attempt, please show up for the Giant's parade dressed as follows: (i) Straw or cloth hat; (ii) Straw hair; (iii) Long sleeved top and trousers covered with patches; (iv) Straw must stick out from hand and feet holes (we will provide the straw if needed!); and (v) A scarecrow mask or face painted like a scarecrow. Independent assessors will verify that each 'record breaker' has complied with all 5 conditions, so please dress diligently! If we have too many 'wronguns', the attempt will be invalid. The parade will again be led by “Blast Furnace”. with more music after the 'scarecrow' count and free food for villagers.
- \* Another new event this year is the **Wacky Wraces Soap Box Derby**”, which will be on Sunday 6th May, followed by the annual “**Ball Race**”. For further details, check out our **new website: wrayscarecrows.wordpress.com** - and follow us on **Facebook - (@wrayscarecrows)** and **Twitter (@wrayscarecrows)**.
- \* If you are willing to “**adopt a scarecrow**” built by somebody from in or outside the village please do get in touch - we have many people who would like to build a scarecrow but have nowhere to put it and this would be a great way to help them out.
- \* Finally, as always, we are looking for **volunteers** to help with gravelling, litter picking, putting up bunting, tidying up, and other jobs are always welcome. A list of activities and timings is provided below. To volunteer, even for just an hour or two, please **call Simon on 0796 238802 or email wrayscarecrows@gmail.com**

**\* Volunteer activity schedule:**

- Spreading gravel (Saturday 14th April from 8.00am) on Back Lane and the ginnel from Main Street to the School field - meet at the junction of Back Lane and Kiln Lane (bring a shovel if you have one).
- Litter picking (Saturday 21st April from 10.00am) in and around the village, meet outside the Institute at 10.00am.
- Putting up bunting (6pm on Tuesday 24th and Wednesday 25th April) - meet outside the Institute at 6pm on both days (bring a tall ladder if you have one).
- Marshalling (Friday 4th May from 6pm) during the Scarecrow World Record attempt.
- Putting up tents etc. (Saturday 5th May from 10am) on the School field, meet outside the Institute at 10am and 2pm.
- Marshalling (Sunday 6th May from 11.00am) at out inaugural Wacky Wrayces and/or the following Ball Race.
- Car parking and Programme Selling(Saturday 28th April) and over the Bank holiday weekend (5th - 7th May).
- Ice Cream Selling from the van throughout the 10 days (as part of a rota)

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### Daily opening of the Church in Wray

The Church Council has long desired that the building be open to parishioners and the public during each day. Preparation for this, such as meeting the requirements of the insurance company and arranging for opening and closing by keyholders has been completed.

The church is now open most days from about 9am each morning until towards the end of the afternoon - usually about 4pm. This will be reviewed in the autumn with the possibility of some change during the mid-Winter months for which notice will be given.

May we take this opportunity to remind everyone of the undertaking given at the Service of Thanksgiving held last October following the completion of the refurbishment that requests by individuals and organisations to have the building and its facilities made available to them for any suitable use are very welcome. There will be no charge for residents of the parish and community organisations except for the cost of heating when appropriate.

We still have a number of surplus kneelers whose covers are the beautiful tapestry work of the late Audrey Short of Main Street. They make fine footstools for the home and can be given as gifts for a reasonable donation of £5 or more.

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**Allotment Plots:** Available in Wray. Large or small to suit your needs, Some preparation work needed. Contact Ray Fox 015242 21528

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Thank you!

Thank you so very much to all those who donated to my fundraiser for the Refugee Children. Your extraordinary generosity has helped to fund toys, resources and play equipment for a Children's Centre on the Greek island of Chios.

This will allow these children to begin to recover from the trauma of fleeing everything they have ever known, experiencing violence and horror that no-one should ever have to see, losing their family and friends and then crossing the sea packed into a tiny boat, where many die on the way.

They are now in a Refugee Camp, at Vial on the island of Chios, living in horrid conditions and with no idea where or what their future will be. At least you have helped them to have somewhere to play, relax and smile .... to be children. It can only be for 2 - 3 hours every month (when it is their turn) but it's a start. It lets them know that there are people in the world who care enough to help.

Thank you for your kindness, your understanding and humanity.

Corrine

If you would like any more details or to help, please contact me:

07761409160. [corrinemurray@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:corrinemurray@yahoo.co.uk)

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### Upholstery Classes

Upholstery classes every Wednesday either from 9.30am to 12.30pm or 1.30pm to 4.30pm with tuition.

Beginners 4-week courses to start you off. Re-cover a chair or stool or perhaps make a footstool or bedhead from scratch. In the lovely setting of Lower Tatham Church (near the Bridge Inn).

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## Pilates in Wray Methodist Hall on Tuesdays

9.30am - 10.30am - Moving on

10.45am - 11.30am - Gentle exercise: Keep moving

5.45pm - 6.45pm - Improvers/Intermediates

7 - 8pm - Improvers/Intermediates

\* Other daytime and evening venues - Caton, Melling, Bentham

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Winners of the February Draw which took place at our Levens Choir Concert on 25th February.

1st Prize £105 No. 19 - Winner lives in Tatham

2nd Prize £52.50 No.21 - Winner lives in Caton

3rd Prize £26.25 No.105 - Winner lives in Wennington

Thank you all for your continuing support which has enabled us to make so many improvements to the church. If you would like to join our 100 Club please pick up a leaflet in Wray Post Office, the Church or phone Sue Wood on 015242 21170.

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**The Old School, Tatham Fells.** For bookings and enquiries please contact Gillian Middleton 61307. **Regular users** please make sure you book your dates ahead with Gillian to avoid any clashes.

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### **JMW Turner (1775 - 1851) in Tatham & Hornby**

The Friends of St. James the Less Church, Tatham invite you to an afternoon in the Church on **Sunday 22nd April from 2pm to 4pm** with Rhian Addison, former curator at the Whitworth Art Gallery in Manchester and currently a freelance curator working between York & Tate Britain.

Using visual analysis and archival records, Rhian will explore Turners time spent in Tatham and Hornby and his idyllic watercolour **Hornby Castle, from Tatham Church, 1816 - 1818**. The painting is now held in The Victoria and Albert Museum.

To mark its 200th anniversary, Rhian will show there is much more to this work than meets the eye. She will consider the stylistic features of this work by comparing Turners various sketches with his final watercolour and photographs of the present day landscape.

There will be light refreshments afterwards with time to chat to Rhian.

**Tickets: £10 Contact - Sue Wood 015242 21170, Rita Murphy 07962 710078** email: [friendsofstjamesthelesschurch@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofstjamesthelesschurch@gmail.com)

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Please note that due to planning restrictions all visitors must make an appointment to enter the site.

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### **Hornby Institute**

Back by popular demand: Creative Writing and Family History in Hornby Institute. The courses are free of charge. To book a place on either or both the courses please call Hornby Institute on 015242 22227.

Creative Writing: 10.30am to 12.30pm on Thursdays - 19th April, 26th April, 3rd May, 10th May, 17th May.

Family History: 1.30pm to 3.30pm on Thursdays - 19th April, 26th April, 3rd May, 10th May, 17th May.

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### **The Hornby Singers**

We meet each Tuesday evening in Hornby Institute from 7 - 9pm to sing and have fun. We welcome everyone from experienced singers to those who have never sung in a group but would like to try. Now is your chance. Come along and meet us.

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### **Hornby Pensioners Association**

Chairperson. We are very pleased to report that Kath Helme has agreed to continue as Acting Chairperson.

April Meeting. Ivonne Hutton will be talking about Organic Vegetable Gardening at 7pm on Tuesday 10th April in Hornby Institute. This will be followed by a Jacob's Join Supper. For the benefit of new members - we are 12.

all asked to bring along a contribution to the cold buffet, which can be either sweet or savoury. Admission is only £1.

Bookings for Trips. Kath will be taking bookings for the June and July trips at our Coffee Morning on 12th May. Full details will be in given in May.

Games Evenings. Fortnightly Whist & Dominoes Drives continue in Hornby Institute, starting at 7pm on Saturdays 7th & 21st April. These are good fun and newcomers are very welcome. We charge £1.50 for admission and light refreshments, 50p for the raffle.

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### **Hornby Pool - Latest News**

Lancashire County Council Cabinet formally approve Community Asset Transfer (CAT)

As you are all probably aware Lancaster City Council made a decision to stop operating the Hornby Swimming Pool from March 2017.

Lune Valley Community Society was immediately formed to negotiate with Lancashire County Council an agreement to run the pool for the benefit of the community.

After a great deal of hard work, discussion and submissions Lancashire County Council agreed on the 8th March 2018 to transfer the pool to Lune Valley Community Society Ltd.

A one-off sum of £27,000 will be paid to LVCS in order to support the transition and help contribute to necessary technical, legal and set-up costs. This means that LVCS can now officially move to re-open the pool when all CAT administration procedures are completed and the provisional opening date is scheduled for the weekend of 6/7/8th April.

This will enable those schools who are able to do so to return in the new term. However because of uncertainty surrounding the actual transfer date decision some schools have had to make other arrangements and although keen to support they cannot immediately guarantee to return just yet. This is understandable but it does mean that we have to attract as many other users as possible from the Lune Valley community in order to meet revenue targets. We welcome enquiries from clubs, societies, groups and PTAs etc. We are totally open to ideas so please come along and help to get the pool up and running.

It is claimed that swimming (and related activities) is the number one sport/activity in the country by family members on a weekly basis throughout the year. So whatever your motivation it's going to take a lot of enthusiasm, positive support and financial contributions from us all to achieve long

lasting success.

In the meantime your small LVCS committee have not been idle and we have a team of volunteers standing by to spring clean the building and effect essential cosmetic improvements the minute we get the keys. We have also interviewed suitably qualified and experienced management, technical, lifeguards and teaching staff and volunteers and look forward to a long a successful future for the 'family-friendly' Lune Valley Community Pool. Thank you again for all your support and encouragement. It's your pool and we couldn't have done it without you.

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### **NSPCC Daffodil Day Spring Garden Walk - Sunday 8th April 2018**

**1.00pm to 4.30pm**

To be held at Whelprigg House, Barbon, LA6 2LF, by kind permission of Mr. Henry Bowring.

Admission £5.00 Adults, £3.50 OAP's, £2.50 children, under 5's free (refreshments included)

There will be stalls selling: Bric-a-brac, books and home produce. There will also be games for the children.

If you are unable to attend but wish to make a donation please send cheques payable to NSPCC to Whelprigg House, Barbon, LA6 2LF

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### **Copy Date for the Wrayly Mail**

**ONLY Diary Dates (as they are free) can be emailed to:**

**wraylymail@woodengates.net** by the 13th of each month.

**ALL** other items are collected from the tin in Wray Post Office **on the 15th** of each month. **Business advertisements £2 per month,**

**announcements etc. £1. Cheques should be made payable to Wray Institute.** Please could a name and contact number accompany each item (Diary Dates can also be put in the tin if preferred).

If you would like a page on the village website please email

**chris@wrayvillage.co.uk** or if you would like a link to your own website on ours just ask. A link back to us is the only payment required.

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