

For the time being there will only be the online version of the monthly Wrayly Mail at www.wrayvillage.co.uk

Copy Date. Any items for the monthly Wrayly Mail can be emailed by the 20th of each month to: wraylymail@woodengates.net

Church Services

Following the lock-down after Christmas and the subsequent rapid increase in Coronavirus cases and deaths, our three local churches (Wray, Tatham and Tatham Fells) reluctantly decided to suspend all the services that had been planned after January 3rd.

It was agreed that it would be irresponsible to encourage people to meet together when we were all encouraged to stay home if at all possible. Having considered the situation at the end of January the church wardens and ministry team have agreed that we should continue with this decision through most of February.

We have, however, tentatively planned for two services, both in Wray, at the end of February.

These are:

February 21st Holy Communion at 9.30am

February 28th Holy Communion at 9.30am.

As we do not know what the situation with regard to Covid19 will be by then please consult the notice board outside Wray church nearer the time to check whether or not it will be possible to hold these as planned.

Church Contacts: Lay Ministers: Ann Dawson (015242 62936) Peter Osborne (015242 61029) Mary Winter (015242 21784)

Wednesday 24th February 2021 at 7.30pm – Tatham Fells Old School Committee AGM (via Zoom)

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, this years meeting will be held remotely, via Zoom. All are welcome, so if you would like to attend please contact the Secretary, Kate on 07802 440106.

Tatham Parish Council News

Tatham Parish Council hopes that this finds you well and that you are managing, despite the continued restrictions resulting from Covid 19. The Parish Council met remotely on 19th January 2021 via Zoom. The draft minutes from this meeting are available on the Documents page of the Parish Council Website (Here is the direct link to the Documents page - <https://www.tathamparishcouncil.org.uk/2020-21/>). These minutes will be ratified by the Parish Council at the next Meeting on Tuesday 16th March 2021.

The March meeting is also to be held remotely and the agenda will be available on the Parish Council website from Tuesday 9th March 2021. The public and parishioners are welcome to join the video meeting via their smartphones or laptop/PC or, with audio only, via an ordinary telephone. Please contact the Clerk (Clerk@tathamparishcouncil.org.uk) to obtain the joining instructions if you wish to join the March meeting.

The Parish Council appreciates that some parishioners are unable to join remote meetings to discuss matters of concern or interest to them. We will resume face to face meetings as soon as it is safe to do so, in accordance with Government and the National Association of Local Councils guidance.

Community Emergency Plan (CEP) – Mark Bartlett, Civil Contingencies Officer at Lancaster City Council and Richard Gargini, CEP co-ordinator for Wennington, attended the January Parish Council meeting to brief Tatham Parish Council on Community Emergency Plans. Tatham Parish already has a representative parishioner included on the Wennington CEP Steering Group and will now look to further that involvement. The differing needs of Higher Tatham call for further discussion and the Council would be pleased to hear from anyone in that area of the Parish who is interested in getting involved.

Local Footpath Maintenance – Planning for the first local project, to carry out repairs on the “Fairy Steps” near Lowgill, is progressing well. Lancashire County Council will be providing free, recycled plastic lumber and the work is expected to be completed by volunteers later this year. If you would be interested in getting involved with this project, please contact Cllr Wilson. (Richard@tathamparishcouncil.org.uk). Cllr Wilson is also compiling a list of other identified local footpath maintenance requirements, so please let him know about any items you think could be included.

Parish Council Website News Blog – The Parish Council Website now includes a ‘News’ section with details of activities the Council has been involved in. Recent updates include attendance at the LCC Climate Change People’s Jury Feedback Session, the Lune Valley Greenway Steering Group Meeting and a session introducing the Parish Carbon Footprint Tool which is to be launched in February 2021. You can find more details of these and more items on the News page of the website. (Here is the direct link to the News page- <https://www.tathamparishcouncil.org.uk/news-blog/>)

Festival Bowland 2021 – This Festival is still going ahead this year, with all events being run online until at least Easter. The Bowland Dark Skies Festival kicks things off with talks on Constellations, Owls, Nocturnal Animals and Night Photography. These will be followed by a talk on the Maintenance of Traditional Buildings by James Innerdale, providing practical ideas and helpful tips on how to care for and maintain buildings such as the traditional Outbarns found across Tatham Parish. Tatham Parish Council are jointly organising this online event on 2nd March with the AONB. Further details can be found in the specific item included in this Wrayly Mail. (Here is a direct link to the list of all Festival Bowland events - <https://www.forestofbowland.com/Festival-Bowland-Events.>)

Signing Up for Tatham Parish Council Email Updates – You can now sign up to receive email notifications informing you of local Planning Applications along with the bi-monthly Parish Council Email Newsletter. Please access the Parish Council Website and select the sign-up icon, as shown below, if you are interested. (Here is the direct link to the sign up form - <http://eepurl.com/ha5T-P>)

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Caring for our Heritage of Old Farm Buildings

Wrayly Mail readers are invited to a presentation to be given by James Innerdale, architect and historic buildings consultant.

Tuesday 2nd March. On Line From 6.30pm to 8pm.

The meeting will be part of Festival Bowland on line and is being organised by The AONB and Tatham Parish Council.

During 2019 Peter Osborne painted and exhibited a series of paintings of the Outbarns of Tatham and district that included some in Wray Parish. This led Tatham Parish Council and Tatham History Society to find a way as to how these buildings could be maintained and used in the future.

James who regularly delivers training courses for the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings (SPAB) will share practical ideas and helpful tips on how to care for and maintain traditional Farm Buildings.

Booking Essential by e mail to Sandra Silk at Forest of Bowland AONB.

Sandra.silk@lancashire.gov.uk

Phone 07973923142

Under 18's must be accompanied.

Event is free but donations can be made to Champion Bowland.

<https://championbowland.org.uk>

Festival of Bowland

A programme of exciting countryside events has been launched in the Forest of Bowland and it's a great way to get connected to nature – both during the day and after dark.

The new Festival Bowland programme is full of events celebrating the wildlife, landscape and heritage of the Forest of Bowland Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and is set to run throughout 2021.

Forest of Bowland AONB Project Officer, Sandra Silk, said, "Having a connection with nature and the environment can really help with our wellbeing. Festival Bowland has had to adapt to the current circumstances but, thanks to our partners, we've got a packed programme."

February half-term sees a host of opportunities offered as part of the third Bowland Dark Skies Festival – including a live stream from the Arctic Circle on Saturday 13th. The week continues with children's storytelling, night sky ID, a live moon watch and a closer look at night time animals – particularly our mysterious and elusive owls. Tips on how to take dark sky photographs with your smart phone rounds the week off on Friday 19th February.

Sandra explained, "We've decided to keep all our events online until Easter because of Coronavirus restrictions. After that we hope to introduce some small scale, outdoor events but only if it's safe to do so. We also aim to keep our virtual events running all year - and beyond - as it's a great way for people to discover Bowland, even if they can't join us physically for whatever reason."

Birds, bats, bumblebees and amphibians are amongst the wildlife which will be under the spotlight during the season-spanning programme; plus a chance to discover Lancashire's species-rich, pollinator-friendly Coronation Meadows in Slaidburn.

Heritage enthusiasts should keep an eye out for the Pendle Radicals, currently being researched by volunteers with Mid Pennine Arts. These are individuals who were key to the history of the area but may not all be familiar to a wider audience. Later in the spring, English Heritage's, Dr Michael Carter, will share the history of 12th century Cistercian Sawley Abbey, the ruins of which occupy such a wonderful setting by the River Ribble.

Early autumn marks the return of Landscapes for Life Week. This is the national AONB Family's week-long programme of events to help people reconnect with nature by enjoying, and being inspired by, the UK's Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty. Highlights in Bowland between the 18th and the 26th September will include the annual Foodie Foray, plus Pendle Hill Landscape Partnership's brand new "Together for Our Landmark" Walking Festival if circumstances allow.

The Festival programme comes to a close with the 10th Lord of Bowland annual lecture, Tramper taster sessions, a fungi foray, bat box making and

natural art – all in October.

"Festival Bowland is a great introduction if you're unfamiliar with the AONB" continued Sandra, "but we hope there's also plenty to discover for those who know it well and we're really grateful to all those who will be organising and delivering events as part of this year's programme."

Full details of events, including booking information, are available on the Forest of Bowland AONB website

<https://www.forestofbowland.com/Festival-Bowland-Events> or by emailing **Festival of Bowland** sandra.silk@lancashire.gov.uk

Hornby Pensioners Association – Looking ahead

Happy New Year to all our members for a healthy and enjoyable 2021.

We have been discussing plans for the next few months and, sadly, we have decided we must cancel our March meeting. But we are hopeful that the situation will improve and we may be able to get together before too long.

Kath has made provisionnal arrangements with Bibbys for trips in the Summer, and we have other possible events in mind. Hopefully we should have a clearer idea of things next month, so watch this space.....

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