

THE OVER KELLETT VIEW



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THE OCTOBER VIEW

Both Rex Woolstencroft and Peter Clinch in their Thoughts for the Month in this and the last issues appeal for more involvement in voluntary activities. After reading these articles, I set to thinking about this and recalled how often the News these days seems to feature the word 'community' and to wonder if this still has any meaning for us.

The answer seems to be 'not a lot'.

We can understand the expressions Roman Catholic, Muslim, Gay, Biker, Star Trek readily enough without the addition of the word 'Community'; the word has lost its meaning in the same way as 'iconic', 'devastated' and many others. But those of us who remember the 70s will recall the existence of the Mining Communities, the term here conjuring up images of families living and working together with emotional bonds that cemented the lives of villages. But has this now gone? Employment may have returned to these places but not, in the present age of the individual, much of the original sense of 'community'.

Recently I came across this quotation:

'In the past century or so the use of the term community has remained to some extent associated with the hope and the wish of reviving once more the closer, warmer, more harmonious type of bonds between people vaguely attributed to past ages.'

Is this just sentimental nostalgia? Or do we still hanker after some of that sense of identity with place and people? We have to do something serious about the effects of climate change in a very few years—working together in real communities may be an important part of this. This has to mean joining in and participating in local activities as well as in the wider world outside our village and County. And so this brings me to add my voice to those of Rex and Peter in calling for a change—not back to the past but for our future role as a village community.

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ST CUTHBERT'S CHURCH NEWS

An interregnum, as the church somewhat quaintly terms it, brings with it two challenges: first to keep things going as normally as possible without a vicar and second, plan for the future.

Although the packed church and many plaudits at Ken's final service on 10th July were a great testament to his 33 years of faithful ministry here, it was perhaps inevitable over this time he should develop his own inimitable style of churchmanship, a style unique to our deanery. Initially this hindered our attempts to arrange a programme of services following his retirement but, with advice from our Area Dean and Archdeacon, we produced new Orders of Service and slightly reorganised the layout of the church, moving us towards a more 'mainstream' Anglican tradition. We have been delighted now at being able to arrange a full programme of services up until Christmas, albeit with a slight reduction of early communion services to three Sundays a month. Our preachers include the Bishop and Archdeacon of Lancaster, former Archdeacons and retired clergy from around the country—even the current Chaplain of Rossall School on 16 October. We hope that not only our regular attenders will find this wide range of preachers to be stimulating but those who do not usually attend St Cuthbert's will feel like attending some of these services; you will be most welcome!

As to the longer term, we are aware we will not have a full-time vicar solely responsible to Over Kellet and one option is to be joined with another parish. Discussions on this are continuing. In the meantime we must show we are a well-attended and viable church and we ask for your support with this.

Our services for October and November are:

Oct 2	0900	Communion	Revd Derek Raitt, Retd Vicar of St Wilfred's Halton
Oct 2	1030	Morning Prayer	Revd Canon Peter Mann, Retd. Rector of Harwich Peninsula, Essex
Oct 9	0900	Communion	Revd Richard Impey, Retd. parish priest
Oct 9	1030	Family Service	Revd Peter Ballard, former Archdeacon of Lancaster
Oct 16	1030	Communion	Revd Etienne van Blerk, Chaplain of Rossall School
Oct 23	0900	Communion	Revd. John Reeves, Retd Vicar St John the Divine, Heysham
Oct 23	1030	Methodist Service	Mr Peter Gorst
Oct 30	1030	Morning Prayer	Mr Alan Hutchings, Lay Reader
Nov 6	0900	Communion	Revd Canon Herrick Daniel, Retd. Vicar of St.Barnabas, Blackburn
Nov 6	1030	Morning Prayer	Revd Canon Herrick Daniel, Retd. Vicar of St.Barnabas, Blackburn
Nov 13	0900	Communion	Revd Peter Ballard, former Archdeacon of Lancaster
Nov 13	1015	Service of Remembrance**	Revd Peter Ballard, former Archdeacon of Lancaster
Nov 20	1030	Communion	Revd. Canon Peter Cavanagh, Retd Vicar of Lancaster
Nov 27	0900	Communion	Revd Nancy Goodrich, Vicar Bolton-le-Sands
Nov 27	1030	Methodist Service	Rev Steve Charman, Superintendent N. Lancashire Circuit

**Note: The Village Service of Remembrance on November 13th starts in St Cuthbert's at 1015 and continues on the village green at 1055 for the Act of Remembrance.

Nick Ward and John Halsey, Churchwardens

PS. Don't forget the Fairtrade breakfast in the village hall
15th October, 0900-12noon!

B4RN OK

The installation of the B4RN hyperspeed broadband network edges ever closer with the main route into the village confirmed from the current end of the ducting at the east end of Moor Close Lane, through the field to the north of the lane to the former chicken houses, up the track to Cockle Hill where it will cross the road to Top Green, then around the back of Crag and Croft Houses, into the school and finishing at the main distribution cabinet at the village hall. We are delighted and most grateful that all the wayleaves for this route have now been signed and we hope to launch our first 'dig' on Saturday 1st October at 9.30am at the village hall, with the aim of having the cabinet installed and the main fibre connected through to it by Christmas (see below).

But it's all very well to plan this in theory—whether or not it actually happens in practice, together with the subsequent roll out around the village, will depend on the active support of our community. Although contractors can be used to mole-plough the ducting around fields and to take it under roads, the bulk of the ducting will need to be hand-dug around gardens etc and we will need volunteers prepared to get their hands dirty to do this. We have been most grateful to the small band of volunteers who have been knocking on doors garnering support for the project and, indeed, to those residents who have signed wayleaves giving permission for the ducting to cross their land. If we are going to succeed in installing this network around the village it does need real community support, not only in the granting of wayleaves but in taking part in regular weekend working parties to do the physical laying of the ducting. Please do join us as it won't just happen on its own! Watch out for notices of further dates following our launch on 1st October.

Nick Ward

COMMUNITY ACTION & INFORMATION DAY

We are organising our first community action and information day to launch the start of bringing B4RN to Over Kellet. We would like as many volunteers as possible to help. We are planning to clear the way and prepare for the installation of the B4RN ducting and main cabinet at the Village Hall in Over Kellet on Saturday 1st October from 9.30am onwards.

Please come and give a couple of hours to this important community project. Empty sacks, garden implements, gloves and goodwill would be extremely useful.

Bacon sandwiches and drinks will be provided.

Lesley Gee



OVER KELLET NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

A few nights ago a resident bumped into a policeman walking around the village trying to locate a particular address. He was saying how difficult it is for emergency services (this wasn't an actual emergency) to identify houses that don't have their name/number prominently displayed so that it is clearly visible from the road. Is your house's name/number easily visible?



A number of people in this area have received letters purporting to be from the Business Relations Manager (or some such) at China CITIC Bank in Hong Kong. The letters state that the writers have an account for a large sum of money, the owner of which has died intestate and they have failed to locate any relatives of the deceased. They go on to suggest they can have the recipient of the letter presented as the only living next of kin to the late account owner and that the money would be released to them and they could share it with the sender of the letter!

There have been numerous reports of cold callers selling mobility aids to older consumers. Worryingly, the callers are arranging appointments for sales reps to visit when the potentially vulnerable customers are alone. The telephone callers are very insistent and will try to establish when the consumer will be home alone and time the sales reps visit accordingly. Presumably this tactic is used to give the sales person the best chance of a sale. If you are called out of the blue by anyone selling anything, always be extremely cautious.

Businesses are being contacted for the sale of goods or services by fraudsters, who request to pay by cheque. The fraudster sends a cheque with a higher value than the amount expected, and then sends the business a request for the difference with instructions on how it should be paid back. Once the 'refund' has been made, it is realised that the cheque provided was fraudulent and no funds are credited to the business' account. If you receive any cheques, always make sure that they have been cleared by your bank before doing anything with the money. If, by an unusual chance, someone has overpaid, ask them to send a new cheque for the correct amount.

Chris Pogson

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WILSON'S ENDOWED SCHOOL NEWS

All Change!

The new school year has brought a variety of changes to the school. Over the summer, school blue lockers have been installed in the corridors for the children to store their belongings. This has made everywhere much tidier and safer. Parent Matthew McLachlan, has worked wonders on our school boat and reception class outdoor area making them look bright and fresh once again. We've welcomed Mr Jon Lindsay to the staff team as Year 5 and 6 teacher. Miss Lawson and Miss Adams are new to the school, both providing support for our younger pupils. Our new reception class of 17 four-year-olds are all settling in well to life at school.

Westmorland County Show 2016

It may have been an incredibly wet and dull day for the event but we had many lovely comments about the sunny brightness of our display. The numerous visitors to our stand in the education tent said we were obviously a 'doing' school with lots going on. Photos and art work showcased the many aspects of school life in Over Kellet. Our banner made by Over Kellet WI was also much admired.



Archbishop of York Young Leaders' Award

Our Year 5 and 6 pupils (ages 9–11), have been working hard to achieve this special award. They had to serve their community in a variety of innovative ways. They collected tins to create a 'wonder wall' (these were donated to the Morecambe Foodbank), raised money for the 'Kidneys for Life' charity with a cake sale and also learnt about some of the challenges faced by children in other countries. When



Archbishop John Sentamu was visiting the area recently he presented the children with their award. In our 45 min meeting with the archbishop he answered the children's questions and prayed with us for our school. We are the first school in Blackburn Diocese to complete this particular scheme and we will repeat the challenge again in the future.

Jo Williams, Headteacher

PARISH COUNCIL—SEPTEMBER

Latest Housing Development—A planning application has been submitted for a development of 15 new dwellings on land adjacent to Church Bank and Greenways. The Parish Council has objected to the application, the letter of objection is available for residents to read on the Post Office notice board. Cllr Nick Ward noted that the application was not on the agenda for the September meeting of Lancaster City Council's planning committee.

Footpaths on The Craggs—Church Bank resident Martin May has made an application for a Definitive Map Modification Order to ensure a number of footpaths over the Craggs are recorded on the Local Authority's definitive map of the Village. The Parish Council unanimously endorsed and approved this course of action.

Bus Shelter—Cllr Ward has visited the resident who had objected to the bus shelter. Unfortunately, the resident remained "adamant that the Green shouldn't be despoiled". Cllr Ward had written to Chief Planning Officer at the Department of the Environment for guidance but the reply had been non-committal. The Parish Council's view was that that sufficient permissions and consultation had taken place: It was unanimously agreed to go ahead with erecting a bus shelter on The Green.

Emergency Plan—The Emergency Plan sub-committee had been successful in securing a grant of £5,000 for emergency equipment.

Road Safety—The hedge bordering the footpath on the road to Carnforth had still not been cut making the footpath unusable in places. Lancashire County Council had written to the landowner. One resident present complained that the landowner was being given too long to address such requests. It was agreed that Clerk Michael Watson would write to Lancashire County Council asking when the letter had been sent so that the Parish Council could be timely in chasing up the County Council when deadlines pass.

The grass on the M6 roundabout has now been cut and the recently reported pot-holes repaired. Over-grown trees bordering the A601(M) are due for maintenance 'in the Autumn'.

Cllr Agnew noted that the wall in the Narrows had been damaged for a second time.

Winifred Pavelyn Trophy—The trophy was presented to Mr & Mrs Parry of 2 Winder Garth at the Horticultural Society Annual Show on 10 September. Cllr Ward thanked the judges.

Village events—The Village Gala takes place on 24 September. The Parish Council agreed to support again a joint Remembrance Service on 13 November. The Christmas Tree will go up on 3 December: a switch-on event is planned.

The full minutes of the Parish Council meeting are available at www.overkelllet.org and are on display on village notice boards. Next month's Parish Council meeting will take place on Tuesday 11 October at 7.15pm at Wilson's Endowed C of E School. All Parish Council meetings are open to the public.

Angela Huck

WEATHER DATA FOR AUGUST 2016

As I get down to writing this month's article we are now into September, the month which commences Autumn. I am sure many readers will be thinking 'Where has the Summer gone?'—but perhaps we can hope for some warm and sunny days during the month, an 'Indian Summer' perhaps.

I hope the table below will help readers decide if the summer of 2016 fell below their expectations.

	Total Rain (mm)	Total Sun (h)		Total Rain (mm)	Total Sun (h)
June 2015	34	166.4	June 2016	86	153.7
July 2015	69	155.2	July 2016	81	138.2
Aug 2015	80	164.1	Aug 2016	143	136.2
Totals	182	485.7	Totals	310	428.1
	7.1in			12.3in	

The bulk of the month's rainfall fell on the 21st with 27mm (1.1in), 22nd with 37mm (1.5in) and 23rd with 16mm (0.6in) making it the wettest August for ten years, and well above the average of 109mm (4.3in).

In the sunshine stakes the village did better but, even though there were only three no-sun days in the month, the total was well below the average of 198.4h. The warmest day was the 24th when the temperature climbed to 26.6°C (79.8°F), and the sunniest 24h was over the 23rd and 24th with 13.9h. The coldest nights were those of the 9th and 15th with a temperature of 8.4°C (47.1°F). In contrast the warmest night temperature was on the 7th, with 15°C (59°F), just 3.2°C (37.7°F) below that of the day.

I am sure that many readers will be asking the question "Why are the summers so bad?" It's not an easy question to answer. One of the reasons put forward is the southward movement of the Atlantic jet stream that influences the weather in the UK and north-western Europe. In my June article I wrote that 'because the jet stream was moving much further south than usual, it put us west-coasters on the receiving end of the conveyor belt' of incoming low pressure areas, bringing, as they do, wet and blustery conditions.

Looking back in my weather diary there were at least two occasions when the wind speed exceeded 50mph. On the night of the 7th/8th, the wind gusted to 56mph and in the afternoon of the 20th, the wind gusted to 54mph followed by heavy overnight rain.

Cloudwatcher

FAMILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

For free announcements of engagements, marriages, births and deaths contact the OK View at okview@overkelllet.org.

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

Do you care?

In last month's OK View Rex Woolstencroft wrote that, whilst the daily news is filled with depressing stories of Man's inhumanity to Man, there are a large number of people who do voluntary work and really care about a wide range of matters: people, animals, the environment and so on.

I expect a fair proportion of readers of OK View already volunteer to work a few hours or days a week for a charity, whether in a shop or office or outdoors. To those of you who do not, I'd encourage you to offer your time and talents. There are a number of national and local charities with branches in the Lancaster area which frequently advertise on their premises for volunteers; at least one to my knowledge had to shut its shop for several days earlier this year because there were insufficient volunteers for it to be kept open.

You may think, oh, but I do not have the skills and experience to be any use—do not believe it! Young people bring enthusiasm and gain so much from working with others of all ages towards a common aim. Those with school-age children find working with others, who do not see them solely as so-and-so's mother or father but as a valued colleague, boosts self-esteem and confidence. Older folk bring a fund of life experience which a voluntary organisation can use. You may have some specialist knowledge or experience gained in your career which could be of use. You may have good people skills or you may not—voluntary organisations nearly always have a mix of front-of-house and back-room activities from which to choose.

Many voluntary organisations depend on older folk working for them because this age group has more free time available. That means there is a pretty steady loss of volunteers as people feel unable to keep up the regular commitment through age or illness. No wonder some organisations seem to be appealing for volunteers most of the time.

The main thing is to be open to new experiences and be prepared to work as part of a team. In the voluntary organisation I work for there are at least seven quite different roles which volunteers can undertake, so a 'fit' can be made between what a person brings to the organisation and what the organisation wants.

So, this month, if you do not already do voluntary work, take a while to think about the talents and interests you have and then think about the organisations which might be glad to have you as an active volunteer. If you are receiving state benefits you are allowed to volunteer but check the rules to make sure: see <https://www.ncvo.org.uk/ncvo-volunteering/volunteering-and-benefits>. You can get some idea of the range of voluntary organisations available locally at <http://www.virtual-lancaster.net/community/volunteers.htm>.

Go on, take the plunge—you will not regret it!

Peter Clinch

If you have something you would like to get off your chest, why not send us a contribution as a 'Thought for the Month'. We would be very happy to hear from you.

EMERGENCY PLAN

Prior to last winter's power cuts in the village the Parish Council had started discussing formulating an emergency plan for the village, the main purpose of which would be to help safeguard the well-being of residents, especially those who may be more vulnerable.

Clearly it is not possible to respond to every type of adverse event but the priority would be to offer a place of safety with access to heat, light and food and drink. We would not presume to replace the role of the emergency services but provide a first response to assist people quickly.

A group has been formed including a parish councillor and other residents who will co-ordinate proceedings in the event of an incident. The village hall will form the focus for operations and a grant has been obtained to purchase suitable equipment.

One of the first tasks will be to create a register of volunteers who would be prepared to provide help, for example those with medical experience and other professional skills and equipment. Residents will also be invited to be included on a priority list so that their position could be quickly checked on to ensure that they are safe and cared for. More detailed information will be shortly but please contact grahamcagnew@gmail.com should you have any queries.

Graham Agnew



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Saturday 1 st October	Camforth Surgery	09:30-13:00

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THE DIARY

Regular Weekly Events

SUNDAYS		
0900	Every Week (not Oct 30, Nov 20)	Holy Communion
1030	Oct 2; Nov 6	Morning Worship & Fish Club (1015 at school)
1030	Oct 9	Family Service
1015	Nov 13	Remembrance Day Service
1030	Oct 30	Morning Worship
1030	Oct 16; Nov 20	Morning Worship with Communion
1030	Oct 23; Nov 27	Methodist Service
MONDAYS		
0900	Weekly (not Oct 24, 31)	Playgroup 2–4 Years
1330	Weekly	Indoor Bowls
1700	Weekly	Keep Active
1930	Weekly	Scottish Dancing
TUESDAYS		
0900	Weekly (not Oct 25; Nov 1)	Playgroup 2–4 Years
0900	Weekly (Schooldays only)	Playgroup-Toddlers (School)
1400	Weekly	Short Tennis
WEDNESDAYS		
0900	Weekly (not Oct 26; Nov 2)	Playgroup 2–4 Years
1400	Oct 5, 19; Nov 2, 16, 30	Galloways Society
1930	Weekly	Church Bible Study
2000	Weekly	Badminton
THURSDAYS		
0900	Weekly (not Oct 27; Nov 3)	Playgroup 2–4 Years
1930	Oct 13; Nov 10	WI
FRIDAYS		
0900	Weekly (not Oct 28; Nov 4)	Playgroup 2–4 Years



REFUSE COLLECTION IN OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER

Grey bin: Oct 3, 17, 31; Nov 14, 28

Green bin/recycling: Oct 10, 24; Nov 7, 21



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THE DIARY
Monthly Calendar

OCTOBER			
Sunday	2	1330	Village Walk—Lancaster
Tuesday	11	1915	Parish Council Meeting (School)
Wednesday	12	0900	Walking Group—Longsleddale
Thursday	13	1930	WI Meeting—Talk by Mr Maurice Steele on 'It Should Never Have Happened'
Saturday	15	0900	Fairtrade Breakfast
Saturday	22	2000	Twinning Association: Band Night with 'The Lancaster Bombers' (Nether Kellet Village Hall)
NOVEMBER			
Friday	4	1930	Hort. Soc. Talk by Jacqui Iddon on 'Christmas from the Garden'
Sunday	6	1055	Act of Remembrance (Village Green)
Sunday	6	1330	Village Walk—Brindle
Tuesday	8	1915	Parish Council Meeting (School)
Wednesday	16	0900	Walking Group—Kirkby Lonsdale
Friday	18	1930	Horticultural Society Annual General Meeting
Saturday	19	1000	Coffee Morning on behalf of The Children's Society

All events take place in the Village Hall unless otherwise stated

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OVER KELLET HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY ANNUAL SHOW 2016



In spite of the rain and wind experienced in the weeks leading up to the show, the 68th annual Over Kellet and District Horticultural Show produced some outstanding displays. A hand-crafted wooden locomotive, large dahlias and an enormous pumpkin were a just few of the exhibits on show.

Brian Noon showed off his green fingers by winning the most horticultural prizes and Margaret Western was awarded the trophy for the best horticultural exhibit in the show.

The event was well attended and it was particularly pleasing that so many novice gardeners had a go at showing their produce, teaching the old hands a thing or two by winning some of the classes.



As always the show was well supported by national and local businesses. This year Thompson and Morgan, the seed and plant specialists, generously donated vouchers for the raffle and many local businesses supported the production of the show

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2 nd (£15)	Mr T Hollows (60)
3 rd (£10)	Mrs Sheila Cooper (25)

The Editors are very grateful to all those who have subscribed to the 200 Club. The income from this enables us not just to 'keep going' but to take onboard all the items residents have sent us. We have not yet had to make any serious cuts and have, just last month, expanded, probably as a one-off, to a 32-page magazine. We hope that you will continue to give us your support in this way so that we can maintain our coverage of our village and its life.

We always have a few numbers left (no, this is not a come-on; the number really is quite small!) so, if you are feeling both generous and like a minor flutter, please contact one of us. At this time of year, anyone joining in will start with a whole year ahead of them in January 2017.

As usual, if you are interested in joining in, contact either Liz Brewster (733877; j.brewster973@btinternet.com) or Chris Pogson (732892; chris@overkelllet.org.uk).

Liz Brewster

FAIRTRADE BREAKFAST, SATURDAY OCTOBER 15TH

In the Village Hall from 9am to 12 noon

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Anyone booking the Village Hall for an event has to sign a booking form which specifically requires the hirer to supervise the premises, control the behaviour of all persons entering the Hall and ensure that the highway is not obstructed. Further, and among other conditions, hirers are enjoined to keep noise to a minimum at all times so that the local community should not be not disturbed. Finally, hirers agree to leave the premises and surrounding areas in a clean and tidy condition.

The Village Hall Committee of Management has endeavoured to keep hirers to their word and has, by and large, been very successful in doing so. The nature of each event is also considered carefully in advance.

From time to time, however, there have been events in the Village Hall which have involved visitors coming to Over Kellet from outside the village and parking in Church Bank. Some of this parking has been careless and without proper concern for residents. Reasonably enough, complaints have been made.

The Village Hall has recently obtained some traffic cones and these will be used to restrict parking outside the Hall. Visitors will be encouraged to park further afield and walk to the Hall but the number of safe parking sites is quite limited and I am sorry to say that there is little that can legally be done if people do behave inconsiderately.

Forthcoming events are listed on the notice board outside the Hall and residents who live nearby might wish to protect the roadway near their own properties on the rare occasions when they might be concerned.

Chris Pogson

(Immediate past Chair of the Village Hall Committee of Management)

COVER PICTURES

We are always looking for photographs to feature on our front cover. Photographs of local scenes, flora or wildlife are especially welcome and all will be credited in the magazine. Send your pictures to okview@overkellet.org

OVER KELLET WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

'Open' Meeting: EVERYONE welcome
Thursday 13 October 2016 at 7.45pm, in the Village Hall

MAURICE STEEL revisits

A previously much enjoyed speaker, superb photography and witty dialogue

"It should never have happened !!"

(What our landscape may have looked like)

£3 including light refreshments

Overlooked plants?

Previous articles in this magazine about plants have mainly concerned flowering plants although lichens, those curious combinations of alga and fungus, did get a mention a while back. Another group of plants which we know very well but usually do not identify specifically includes the mosses and liverworts.

Mosses make up much of the volume of the material in our lawns that blocks our mowers at this time of year. They are frequently green and usually small but all like



damp places where they thrive. Despite the mosses in our gardens seeming quite alike, there are some 12,000 species throughout the world. One you may know better is *Sphagnum* (or peat moss) which grows in abundance on our fells. It forms big colonies among the heather and is often what wets our boots when we go off the path. *Sphagnum* (see left) has a remarkable ability to absorb many times its own weight of water, rather like a sponge. It was

used widely in the first World War as a wound-dressing, because of the moisture it can hold and the acidity which keeps wounds sterile. When *Sphagnum* decays it excludes oxygen and allows other plant material to break down into peat, a very important component in our environment.



Liverworts (right) are less well known but can be identified by their frequent habit of forming flat green sheets, often covering the top of the soil in flowerpots.

They were once thought to help to cure liver disease, an idea which came from the superficial resemblance of the plant to the lobes of the liver. They help to prevent erosion by covering soil. The unrelated flowering plant *Hepatica* is also known as liverwort, again from the liver-like shape of the leaves.

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QUARRY REPORT



The quarry liaison meetings for both Leapers Wood/Dunald Mill and Back Lane quarries took place on 13th September. These were attended by County Councillor Susie Charles, District Councillor Roger Mace, representatives from Lancashire County Council, Lancaster City Council Environmental Department, Nether Kellet and Over Kellet Parish Councils, Carnforth Town Council and quarry managers.

Leapers Wood/Dunald Mill (Tarmac)

Rob Cross has now replaced Lea Lambert as quarry manager. Following the completion of the contract for the supply of stone for the Heysham link road there has been some drop off in business (from 120,000t to 85,000t per month), but this is still greater than before that contract started (45,000t per month), and so unfortunately night time working will be continuing for the time being. Work has recently been concentrated in breaking through into the West Quarry and the current offices and weighbridge will be moving there by March to allow access to the limestone under the present location.

The concrete plant is still operating in part of the old Dunald Mill quarry and a planning application is being submitted by another company wishing to use it as a storage facility. Plans have been produced for the interim restoration of the old car park, sheeting area and Power House access on Long Dales Lane, involving planting hedges and shrubs and removing or painting green the existing yellow barriers. It is hoped to complete this by March 2017.

Although all blasts have been well within the levels permitted by planning consents, there was a long discussion on the public perception of the size of some blasts, in particular one which had taken place on the previous day. It was agreed that it would be helpful to let residents know in advance when blasts were likely to take place (although sometimes this could change at short notice), and then how big they were. Thought would be given as to the best way of achieving this. There was some discussion on the way in which blasts are designed so as to try and keep ground vibration and air-over pressure to a minimum, while also preventing 'rock fly-out'. This is apparently a delicate balance. All blasts are monitored by the quarry using a vibrograph and they are happy to monitor at the house of any resident who is concerned at blasting levels. Spot checks are also carried out by Lancashire County Council and Lancaster City Council.

Back Lane (Aggregate Industries)

Work is currently at the top of Helks Wood, where three more blasts should be needed to bring the face back as far as it is going, then working down the face to eventually end up below current water level. Production is now 80/90,000t per month, down from 100kt per month earlier in the year. The asphalt plant is likely to

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continue with night working until at least Christmas. Both quarries are continuing to work together on keeping the entrance to the M6 slip road free from stone debris.

Consultation on a new Mineral Extraction Plan for Lancashire up to 2032 is likely to start in the New Year.

Aggregate Industries have generously donated £750 to the running expenses of the B4RN OK project and £250 to the Autumn Gala.

Note that any complaints about quarry working should be made direct to the relevant quarry (Leapers Wood 732135, Back Lane 738888).

Nick Ward

CHRISTMAS COVER

As in 2016, we would like to have a child's picture on our front cover for the December issue.

- Pictures should be paintings or drawings of any subject relevant to the season; no photographs, please!
- Submissions can be of any size up to A3, but size itself will not be an advantage. One entry per child.
- All entries will appear on the village website in full colour.
- The deadline for submission is November 12.
- Pictures should be sent or taken either to the school or directly to Jane Meaden at West Penwith, Kirkby Lonsdale Road, tel: 732456.
- Please make sure that entries are identified by name, age and contact details (but not on the front, please).

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OK VIEW—5 YEARS AGO

October 2011 OKV was dominated by the Parish Council's response to the Draft Land Allocations Consultation For Over Kellet. Interestingly the issues raised about three sites earmarked for development remain exactly the same today as they did five years ago.

Paramount was concern about road safety—in particular narrow or non-existent pavements, blind corners and the sheer volume of heavy traffic through the village. Also the public drainage system, the sewerage system and treatment plants were at full capacity. Sections of the B6254 were frequently flooded towards the centre of the village as the drains failed to cope with heavy rainfall.

Now, I didn't live here in 2011, so can anyone tell me, has anything changed?

The owner of The Eagles Head, Jay Saunders, wrote a resignation letter saying that "The rising cost of food and drink, utilities and VAT, plus the worsening economic climate and difficult weather continue to have a severe impact on any chance of making a profit. It is impossible for me to continue trading at a loss, so I have made the difficult decision to give up the licensed trade, which has been my life for the past 18yrs." I don't know exact numbers but many, many rural (and city), pubs closed around this time and remain closed today.

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The Gift of Rain and The Garden of Evening Mists by Tan Twan Eng

Two of the most beautifully written, evocative, informative and interesting books written recently are worth your time in what's left of this summer—or save them for those short winter days and long nights.

Both concentrate on exploring the political and personal conflicts of life before and during the Japanese invasion of Malaya at the time of the Second World War. Set against a political backdrop which informs their relationships, traumas and everyday decisions, the characters embody the differing loyalties and conflicting cultures of their time. In both books cities, jungle, farms, gardens, flora and fauna take their place alongside their human characters.

Tan set his first book, '*The Gift of Rain*' (published in 2007), in his native Penang. Tender and brutal it explores the influences shaping the life of Philip Hutton who, being of both English and Chinese parenthood, personifies some of the central conflicts. He is early influenced by the charismatic and cultured Japanese master Endo-san who takes the young lad as his apprentice, teaching him self-discipline through martial arts. This relationship informs Philip's life leading to agonizing decisions during the invasion.

Similarly set in Malaya, '*The Garden of Evening Mists*' (published in 2012), again mirrors external conflicts through the lives of his characters. This time the art and philosophy of Japanese gardens replaces the discipline of martial arts. The central protagonist is retiring judge Yun Ling whose youth is partially shaped by Aritomo, the former gardener to the Emperor and by her wartime experiences.

Tan Twan Eng brilliantly explores and juxtaposes the philosophies and cultures of the differing populations informing his Malayan world.

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WHAT'S ON

What's coming up in October?

MUSIC:

If you like **The Commitments** then you can see and hear some of the original members from the film playing and singing in this 10-piece soul band from Dublin on Friday 21st at 7.30pm at **The Grand**. Enough said! Box Office 01524 64695 or online www.lancastergrand.co.uk.



At the **Heron** on Sunday 30th at 2.30pm by kind permission of the Royal Northern College of Music, you can enjoy **The Vandepier Quartet**. This young, all female quartet of two violins, a viola and a cello has performed with the BBC Philharmonic Orchestra and Manchester Camerata. You can choose and book your seats on line at www.theherontheatre.com

THEATRE:

At **Lancaster Grand** on Monday 17th at 7.30pm, experience **Al Murray** in his brand new show **Let's Go Backward Together**. The Pub Landlord embarks on a common-sense campaign to re-Great Britain! Contact details as above.

On Friday 28th Patrick Garland's play **Brief Lives** is at the **Heron** at 7.30pm. This is a one man show tracing a day in the late life of the seventeenth century diarist, John Aubrey. Witty, irreverent, gossipy; he is a shrewd observer of his life and times. For tickets and more information see above.

FILM (Live by Satellite):

On Wednesday 12th the RSC's production of **King Lear** with Antony Sher as Lear is at the **The Dukes** at 7pm. For more information contact 01524 598500 or www.dukes-lancaster.org

The **Reel Cinema, Morecambe** is showing a Royal Opera House live-by-satellite transmission on Monday 17th at 6.30pm of **Così fan tutte**. Mozart gave it the subtitle of 'The School for Lovers' and it's a great romp with sublime music. For The Reel, phone 01524 413935.

Again at **The Dukes** on Thursday 27th at 7pm you can see Kenneth Branagh as Archie Rice in **The Entertainer**. This play by John Osborne set in post-war Britain is riveting and Archie Rice was a role Laurence Olivier made his own.

BALLET:

Once more at **The Dukes**, there is a film of the Bolshoi Ballet on Sunday 16th at 4pm. **The Golden Age** is a satire on Europe during the Roaring Twenties, an original, colourful and dazzling show with its jazzy score and music-hall atmosphere which can only be seen for real at the Bolshoi. See above for contact details.

FINALLY—Beetham Nurseries is holding their annual **Apple Weekend** on 15th and 16th where they celebrate this popular fruit. Apple and fruit tasting, 'Meet the Owls with Bob'. Local apple expert Andy Gilchrist will be there, **on Saturday only**, to answer your questions and to help you identify your apple trees, so take a sprig of leaves and a few apples. For more details www.beethamnurseries.co.uk

LOCAL SERVICES

OVER KELLET

Village Store and Post Office, The Green	733207
<i>Last post collections: weekdays 16:45, Saturday 11:00</i>	
The Eagles Head Public House, Nether Kellet Road	732457
Fishmonger, David Goldspink, Weds 09:00-11:00, Winder Garth	07477 530965
Mobile library Thursdays—Oct 20; Nov 10	0300 123 6703

CARNFORTH

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	Out of Hours Service, CHOC	03000 247 247
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Vets	Alison Lee, 2 Queen Street	735249
	Burch Tree Vets, 39 Lancaster Road	720002
Opticians	Philip Jones, 15 Market Street	730055
	S & K Butterfield, 46c Market Street	732724
Library	Lancaster Road	0300 123 6703
	<i>(Mon, Wed & Fri 09:30-13:00 & 14:00-18:00; Tues & Sat 09:30-13:00)</i>	

BUS TIMES:

Note that these are a guide only—do check! Sch = School days

OVER KELLET TO/FROM LANCASTER

Route 49 from OK Green via Village Hall & Nether Kellet (journey time 34min)

Depart OK Green: Mon-Sat: 07:56, 09:36 then hourly to 15:36 (*not Sch*)

Depart Lancaster: Mon-Fri: 09:30 hourly to 14:30, 15:30 (*not Sch*)
Sat: As above but with the addition of 17:30

Route 55 from OK Green via Carnforth (journey time approx. 40min)

Depart OK: Mon-Fri: 07:18, 07:33, 16:16 (*Sch*), 17:01, 18:01

OVER KELLET TO/FROM CARNFORTH

Route 49 coming from Lancaster and Nether Kellet (journey time 10min)

Depart OK Green: Mon-Fri: 10:03, then hourly to 15:03, 16:03 (*not Sch*)
Sat: As above but with the addition of 16:03 & 18:03

Route 55—Times as above

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS: October 24–November 4.

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