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Putting down roots

THERE ARE AROUND 80 PEOPLE on the waiting list for an allotment in the Parish. The good news is that the District Council has agreed to allocate some land off Orrest Drive for a few allotments. More good news is that Windermere Town Council has agreed to take on a lease for the land which means that the project can be developed.

People on the waiting list have been contacted and are keen to get growing their own food. But first the site needs to be fenced and the plots marked out. It's hoped that the site will be ready for next year's growing season.

If you would like to join the waiting list; suggest a piece of land which could accommodate allotments; or offer part of your garden to someone on the waiting list in exchange for a share of the produce - please call Debbie Binch on 88261.

Local boatman in print

A YOUNG SKIPPER with Windermere Lake Cruises has had his first book published. 'Steamers of the Lakes vol 1: Windermere' by Robert Beale includes many historic images never seen in print before. It costs £9-00 and signed copies are available from WLC's Information Centre at Bowness Bay.



'Teal' approaches Waterhead pier in the early 20th century

Got some news? Contact The Hub!

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Did You Know?

THERE IS A 'LAST NIGHT OF THE PROMS' event in St Marys Church, Windermere with The Millennium Youth Choir, on 1st October at 7-30pm Everybody has to dress 'posh' and all the traditional pieces of music will be performed. Contact Philip Burton on 015394 42107

IF YOU ENJOY SINGING IN THE BATH but cannot read music, try the workshop run by Singing For Larks in Staveley Village Hall on 8th October at 1-00pm. £5 to take part - contact Philip Burton on 015394 42107

YHA WINDERMERE at Troutbeck is holding an open afternoon on Sunday 11th September, from 1.00 - 5.00pm, as part of the Heritage Open Day scheme. Come and have a coffee and a cake, have a look round this unique art deco style building, and enjoy the spectacular views over Windermere. There will also be activities for children. For more information tel. 015394 43543

AMBLESIDE MARAFUN raised over £20,000 for The British Heart Foundation and the Westmorland General Oncology Unit last year. This year's event is on 9th October 2011, and will again raise money for heart health and cancer care charities. Teams can enter now - find out more at www.amblesidemarafun.org.uk

SOUTH LAKELAND DISTRICT COUNCIL is reviewing its car parking strategy. SLDC is seeking the views of residents, visitors, businesses and community groups via a Parking Services Consultation running until 28th September 2011. Contact SLDC Parking Services to have your say - email parking@southlakeland.gov.uk or phone: 01539 797534

U turn if you want to!

NEW TRAFFIC SIGNS have been erected on Main Road in Windermere banning U turns from Main Road onto Crescent Road the end of the traffic island in front of Cumbrian Cottages.

The signage clearly indicates that drivers must not U turn for 80 yards. The safe and legal way to get from Main Road to Crescent Road is to turn up High Street towards the railway station and then come back down via Victoria Street.



Bigger boats to visit Brockhole



Work continuing on the floating jetty - Photos by Rob Beale

A HIGH-TECH FLOATING passenger jetty for Brockhole is nearing completion on Windermere's eastern shore. The structure is designed to allow passengers to disembark from the very largest lake steamers at the National Park Visitor Centre - something not possible until now.

The jetty is anchored to the lake bed, but floats on the surface, which will ensure safe and easy access even as the lake water level changes throughout the year. This impressive piece of engineering is intended to withstand the major sideways forces exerted when MV 'Swan' or 'Teal' gets blown alongside in heavy weather - quite a feat!

The hope is that more visitors will be encouraged to leave their cars in the car park and explore Windermere and its surroundings by boat, bus and bike.

We care about Day Care

THE FUTURE OF THE DAY CENTRE at The Marchesi Centre on Mondays and Fridays has been secured until the end of March 2012.

This service provided by Bowness & Windermere Community Care Trust (BWCCT) was threatened by Cumbria County Council funding cuts, but negotiations to temporarily safeguard the service have been successful. BWCCT is seeking long term solutions to maintain provision of this sociable environment where lonely, vulnerable or isolated individuals can come together in a warm and safe place.

If you would like to find out more about this service call in at The Marchesi Centre on a Monday or Friday between 10.00am and 3.00pm and talk to the Day Centre staff or one of the volunteers.

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Giant strawberry at large in Windermere



THE SECOND BIG GREEN EVENT will take place on Sunday September 11 from 10am to 4pm in the Ladyholme Centre and on Goodly Dale Field.

There will be green products for sale, green information and creative fun for the family as well as wholesome and delicious catering. There will be talks and demonstrations as well as the chance to try out some massage techniques to see if they are for you.

Give a hand to CLLAP

THE CENTRAL LAKES LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP (CLLAP) is a coming together of elected Councillors across the Windermere, Lakes, and Skelwith Parish boundaries to help identify issues affecting our community that can be addressed in a more holistic way.

Bringing together representatives from Cumbria County Council, South Lakeland District Council, Windermere Town Council, Lakes Parish Council and Skelwith Parish Council the Partnership is provided by County and District Councils with a small annual budget (around £30,000) to invest in priority projects identified by Partnership members.

This year the CLLAP is seeking suggestions from the wider community as to what projects would deliver benefits that might not otherwise be provided by the local council alone.

Projects ideally need to fall into one of the key sectors already identified by the partnership as requiring additional support:

- Young People
- Older People
- Health & Wellbeing

If you have suggestions about projects that could help improve opportunities under these headings please pass your ideas to your local councillor, or write to: Clerk to the Town Council, Windermere Town Council, The Croft, High Casterton, Carnforth, LA6 2SD.

Diane Hubbard will run two really important sessions: "Reducing Energy Use in Older Buildings" (11am -12 noon) and " Learning about the Feed-in Tariff "(1pm - 2pm). These sessions will provide you with important information about domestic energy use and help you to save money - and energy - for years to come.

Put the date in your diary and follow news about this event and other activities by logging on to tact-windermere.co.uk

Bring the whole family - entrance is free! (Offers of help, booking stalls for sale of local products, and information about the baking competition can all be accessed via the TACT home page)

The Big Green Event - organised by TACT, a local group working Towards a Community Transition in Windermere.

Schools get Fruity



Pictured - Thomas Gudgeon, Eiran Reynolds, Milosz Budzynski, Beth Backhouse, Jordan Mitchinson, Lucy Hill & Hannah Griffiths, with Yvonne Gregory and Mrs Hayes from Hayes Garden World

CHILDREN FROM St Cuthbert's School, St Mary's Nursery & Infants School and Goodly Dale School were at Hayes Garden World recently to collect prizes of fruit trees for their schools and celebrate a major milestone for the 'Fruity Windermere' initiative.

'Fruity Windermere' aims to see fruit growing in every home in the Windermere area, and the 'Fruity Schools' project got local children successfully growing strawberries in school. Organised by local green group TACT (Towards a Community Transition in Windermere, Bowness & Troutbeck Bridge) in partnership with Hayes Garden World, 'Fruity Schools' saw Hayes staff visiting schools to advise on growing techniques and donating strawberry plants and planters.

Leanne Coulson at Hayes Garden World, commented: "We were delighted to support this local initiative as it supports more local fruit growing and encourages a love for growing and gardening".

Dogs off Phoenix Field



DOGS ARE NOT ALLOWED on or around the Phoenix Playing Field - for obvious and very good reasons. But deterring dog owners continues to prove challenging.

Despite the 'NO DOGS' signs, evidence that dogs continue to be exercised on the field is still apparent. Even if dog walkers pick up after their pooches it is doubtful that all the mess is totally removed - the only responsible solution is to obey the signs and walk dogs elsewhere.

Many children use Phoenix Field for sports and they should be able to enjoy the experience without being exposed to something that can damage their health - and will certainly upset those doing the laundry!

Dog walkers - please do not walk your dogs on the Phoenix Playing Field, the running track or other areas within the clear boundary of this important local sports facility.

Experimental painting

THE CREATIVE REFLECTIONS Project is looking for 100 enthusiastic volunteers (of any age or ability) who would like to participate in a unique arts event.

Using experimental painting techniques, Creative Reflections will celebrate the Arts in the Windermere area through a Community Art event that will create a giant community painting along the lakeshore.

The event is on Monday 3rd October 2011 from 3pm until 5pm. For further information and details please contact Rob McGraw (015394 44061) or email mcgraw@etherway.net

Creative Reflections is part of the Windermere Catchment Restoration Programme, a partnership of key organisations tasked with protecting and restoring water quality and the associated ecology of Windermere and its surrounding catchment.

LA23 BID Ballot

WINDERMERE & BOWNESS CHAMBER OF TRADE has secured funding for a ballot to see whether local businesses want to form a Business Improvement District (BID) in the LA23 area.

A successful BID ballot will generate income for additional services, decided by local businesses, to improve trading. Income will come from a mandatory levy of 1% of the rateable value of every business with a rateable value of £3,000 or more. More info at www.wbcoft.org.uk or phone BID secretary Adrian Faulkner on 015394 48527

Warm welcome from our New Mayor

THE TOWN COUNCIL has seen some changes as a result of the recent elections. I would like to thank those members who have served on the Council and now stood down, as well as those people who were prepared to stand for election but were unsuccessful in the elections.

The public toilets are still open in Windermere and Bowness because the Town Council, working in partnership with Bowness and Windermere Community Care Trust, has agreed in principle to take on the leases from SLDC to run the toilets as a social enterprise. This is a new model of working but we hope that the community will rally round to support the partnership. It may have some cost consequences for ratepayers as the Town Council will need to raise money in the future to help fund some of the running costs.

Town Council has also agreed to take on land to create a small number of allotments behind Orrest Drive flats. A working group has been formed to steer the work needed to fence and layout the allotments so that the plots can be a source of pride for the community and encourage further pieces of land to be identified for use as allotments.

Plans for the judging and presentation of awards for Windermere in Bloom are well advanced. The hanging baskets on the lamp posts on the main routes are paid for by the Town Council. We hope you feel they add to the attractiveness of the area.

Town Council continues to develop its role and deliver the Community Plan drawn up by residents. To improve communications the Council is setting up a website so that we have a dedicated site for minutes and agendas, as well as councillors' contact details.

I cannot close my first report without saying a big "thank you" to Bill Smith who has served as Mayor for three years. Bill represented the council at many events and sat on lots of working groups. He gave of his time willingly and raised the profile of the work of the council. Bill continues on the Town Council as councillor for Applethwaite & Troutbeck ward.

I was delighted to be elected as Mayor at the May meeting. I shall endeavour to do my best to serve the council and community to the best of my ability.

Joan Stocker,
Mayor and Chair of Windermere Town Council

Going up the wall



NINE YOUNG PEOPLE FROM WINDERMERE and Ambleside recently took part in the 'Up the Wall' climbing project.

The young people attended Ambleside Climbing Wall every week for five weeks and learned some great new skills. They were supported by Matt at the Wall to develop their team work, confidence and climbing skills. The young people who attended thoroughly enjoyed themselves with comments ranging from 'Great!' to 'It couldn't have been better'. The staff at the Wall were very encouraging and supportive to the young people and Young Cumbria would like to thank them and the other partners for their support in making this project a success. This joint event between Lakes Parish Council, Young Cumbria and the Police is in its third year.

There are currently plans to run further climbing projects in the future for young people in the area. If you are interested in volunteering for Young Cumbria with any of our youth work projects then please contact Helen Lawrie on 07856 273060 or Sarah Cutts on 07902 699363.

Storrs Park architectural gems in the spotlight

BLACKWELL, THE ARTS & CRAFT HOUSE, is celebrating ten years of public access with an exhibition of the work of two outstanding Arts & Crafts architect-designers: CFA Voysey, designer of Broadleys (pictured), now home of the Windermere Motor Boat Racing Club, and Blackwell's architect, Mackay Hugh Baillie Scott.



The exhibition, which runs at Blackwell until 31 October 2011, centres around the houses designed by Baillie Scott and Voysey for the Storrs Park development above Bowness, which successfully fulfilled the developers' intention of attracting an affluent clientele to the area.

The exhibition looks at the 'manifestos' of both men - Voysey's Individuality and Baillie Scott's Houses and Gardens - and their relationships with Arthur Simpson, master cabinet-maker, who in 1886 set up his Kendal workshops.

Simpson was the natural choice for Baillie Scott when commissioning the decorative woodwork for Blackwell that is one of its greatest attractions. In his turn, Voysey designed furniture that Simpson would execute (as well as the decorative woodwork for several of the houses designed by Voysey), and theirs was a relationship that developed into a friendship which endured until Simpson's death.

Find out more about some of the most celebrated, stylish and distinctive homes in the area, and the outstandingly talented individuals behind their creation.

County Council News

CENTRAL LAKES NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM

Langdale Village Hall was the destination for the last forum and the meeting began with an overview of the exciting developments at the Brockhole Centre. It was highlighted that the 2nd phase of the project will concentrate on building a new visitor centre - a review is being undertaken and further announcements are due in November. The Forum was also informed of the current status of Troutbeck Bridge Swimming Pool and plans for the future. Additional updates included representatives from the Skelwith & Langdale Community Land Trust and Ambleside Community Enterprise. If you would like details of future meetings or a grant for a community group, please call Kelly Alty on 01539 713447.

A2B NOW CARD

If you are aged 5 - 18 and live in South Lakeland there is still time for you to apply for your A2BNoW card. You will be able to travel on local buses for up to £1 for a single journey or £1.80 return. The card costs just £5 as a one-off fee, and can be used anytime except during school term times before 9:30am and between 3pm and 5pm. Get an A2BNoW card by picking up an

application form from your local library, online at www.cumbria.gov.uk/a2bnow or by calling 01539 713180.

CENTRAL LAKES LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP

The Partnership is made up of Parish, District and County Councillors and at the last meeting members of the group were looking to set their priorities for the year, all of which should be of benefit to the local community across all three parishes. The partnership has agreed to focus upon three key issues based upon feedback provided via the local community.

Your County Councillors:



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Hazel Street.
Windermere
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Jim Bland,
Oakridge,
Underbarrow,
Kendal.
015395 68576

Speed warning for local motorists

EARLIER THIS YEAR the local policing team spent several months monitoring speeding vehicles on the A592 at Ferney Green and on Lake Road between Windermere and Bowness.

Speeding at these locations has been identified as a problem for local people, and is an obvious road safety concern. People who use the road regularly will have seen the orange speed indicator device, and may have seen officers checking vehicle speeds and speaking to motorists.

Most of the vehicles stopped because they are exceeding 30mph were driven by people who live in the LA23 postcode area. Police report they even stopped some drivers in excess of 40mph on Lake Road.

A 40mph collision with a pedestrian will kill or cause very serious injury.

The message from the police team is very simple: "Show consideration. Drive within the speed limit and take account of the conditions - 30mph can be too fast on a wet road, for example.

"And if you exceed 30mph on the roads in Windermere then expect to be stopped and to face the consequences".

Ken Jewell, Community Sergeant,
Ulverston & Lakes NPT
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Local Mixed Rugby squad excels in the North West

WINDERMERE PREPARATORY SCHOOL'S Under 11's mixed Tag Rugby team made it through to the National Finals of the Tag-to-Twickenham Tournament, held on 13 July at Rugby School in Warwickshire.

The team comprised pupils from years 5 and 6, who earlier travelled to Manchester along with 39 other schools to compete in the North West regional finals, after winning the County stage of the competition.


It was a scorching day in Manchester and Windermere played four hard-fought matches. The semi final went to extra time and in the final the Windermere team were narrowly beaten by two tries. Windermere were named the runners-up and earned their place at the



National Finals.




Despite some sterling work from a squad depleted due to the school holidays, Windermere Preparatory School missed out on the honours at the National Finals in July.

The Hub says: "Well done - you'll surely do even better next year!"



WINDERMERE PREPARATORY SCHOOL

- * **Ducklings Parent and Toddler Group (from birth)**
Tuesday 9.15 - 11.00am or 1.15 - 2.45pm
- * **Ducklings Two Toddler Group**
Specifically for children aged 2 to 3 years
Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9.00 - 11.30am
- * **Pre School & Reception**
- * **Pre Prep (Years 1 and 2)**
- * **Preparatory School (Years 3 to 6)**

**Come and visit us at The Baby Maze
Baby and Toddler Show
Sunday 18 September 2011
10.00 - 3.00pm Lakes Leisure, Kendal**

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