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Dear Friends,

I write this letter after an interesting morning at Church House with other Mission Community leaders. We spent some time reflecting on the difference in passions between our own discipleship and the calling of others. One leader spoke of our keenness to the greatest commandment (Matthew 22:34-40) – to love God with heart, soul, mind and strength and our neighbour as ourselves and our often slow response to the call of Jesus in what we call the great commission (Matthew 28:16-20) – to go and make disciples. That was a generalisation, but it got me thinking of my own commitment.

As the Methodist Superintendent Minister, I am privileged to travel all over Cumbria hearing and seeing what our congregations are up to. I am often humbled by the commitment and perseverance people show to the call to make disciples. There are so many creative ways that people are reaching out with the message of God for All – which is after all based on the charge in Matthew 28.

I wonder where you are and where you find the balance between your devotion to God in the church and your service for him in the community? I often feel that others are better at speaking of God to others than I but that doesn't mean I sit back, rather, it spurs me on to discover my pattern and in that I find my own faith is enriched and God's Spirit guiding me in new ways.

I encourage you to consider your own balance between the two and to share that with each other.

May God continue to bless us.

Rev David Newlove

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

AUGUST 2026

4 th	Fun Tuesdays, Gamblesby Chapel/Green	10.30am
5 th	Book Club, Kirkland & Blencarn Village Hall	7.00pm
5 th	Visit to Keswick Toy Museum, Langwathby & Edenhall W.I.	2.00pm
9 th	Strawberry Tea, in aid of Melmerby Church, Lilac House, Melmerby	2.00pm
11 th	Fun Tuesdays, Gamblesby Chapel/Green	10.30am
11 th	Coffee, cakes and soup, Skirwith Village Hall	12.00pm
15 th	Culgaith Show, Culgaith Recreation Ground	11.30am
16 th	Annual Duck Race, Skirwith Village Hall	2.00pm
18 th	Fun Tuesdays, Gamblesby Chapel/Green	10.30am
18 th	Visit to Hartside Nursery, Melmerby & District Gardening Club	6.00pm
19 th	Melmerby W.I. Walk, Melmerby Village Hall	2.00pm
23 rd	Ousby Big BBQ & Dog Show, Ousby Village Green	11.30am
23 rd	The Vic's 17 th Birthday Party, Culgaith Village Hall	2.00pm
24 th	Artimakers Club, Kirkland & Blencarn Village Hall	10.00am
30 th	BBQ & Sports Day, Kirkland & Blencarn Village Hall	4.00pm

SEPTEMBER 2026

3 rd	'Oasis', Langwathby Methodist Church	10:30am
12 th	Ousby Show, Ousby Village Hall	2.00pm
13 th	Open Day, St John's Church, Skirwith	10.00am
16 th	Langwathby Community Fellowship, Langwathby Methodist Church	2.00pm
16 th	Book Club, Kirkland & Blencarn Village Hall	7.00pm
17 th	Meeting Point, Langwathby Methodist Church	10.15am
27 th	Car Treasure Hunt	tba



OUSBY BIG BBQ and DOG SHOW

Sunday 23 August on Ousby Village Green

From 11.30 am with Dog Show at 12 noon.

Also Games, Sports and Activities



MEMO COPY DATES FOR 2026

14th August
9th October

11th September
13th November

Cover Artist

We'd like to thank Dave Fuller for kindly producing this month's cover drawing of a harvest mouse.

LANGWATHBY & EDENHALL WOMENS INSTITUTE PROGRAMME 2026

THIS YEAR WE ARE MEETING IN HUNSONBY COMMUNITY
CENTRE ON THE FIRST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH AT 7.30PM



Wednesday 5th August
Visit to Toy Retro Zone Museum
133 Main Street, Keswick

Meet there at 2.00pm



MEMO QUIZ

(answers on inside back cover)



1. Who is singer Miley Cyrus' father?
2. What is the name of the scale used to measure wind speed?
3. What is a female donkey called?
4. What is the centre of an atom called?
5. At the start of a game of chess, how many pieces are on the board?
6. Which team won the FA Cup in 2025?
7. In which body of water is the island of Madagascar?
8. What is the official currency of Canada?
9. Where in your body is your philtrum?
10. What is the name of the city where Batman lives?

Skirwith Village Hall

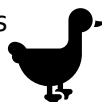


Tuesday 11th August 12.00pm-1.30pm

Coffee, soups, cakes. Second Tuesday of every month. See you there!

Sunday 16th August 2pm - Annual Duck Race

Come along and join the fun! There will be refreshments, cakes and biccies in the Village Hall afterwards. £2.00 per duck





STRAWBERRY TEA for ST JOHN THE BAPTIST MELMERBY



Sunday August 9th at Lilac House, Melmerby
(Melmerby village hall if wet).

Please join us for a strawberry tea and cake stall in our garden
between 2pm and 5pm.

All proceeds to go to St John the Baptist church in Melmerby.

For any further information please contact Helen at:
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On August 23rd the VIC will be celebrating its 17th birthday!!
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Melmerby Village Hall Lottery Results



June

1st A Smith
2nd Simpson family
3rd J Robinson
4th Allinson family
5th P & M Lucas

July

1st MacAnney family
2nd Brownlee family
3rd P Edwards
4th Brownlee family
5th A Smith

August

1st E Mark
2nd G Harmer
3rd G Harmer
4th K Lambert
5th P & M Lucas

Melmerby and District Gardening Club

Evening Garden Visit to Hartside Nursery Garden near Alston with Neil and Sue Huntley

Tuesday 18 August 2026 meet at the nursery at 6.00 pm

Or organise a car share from Melmerby, postcode for nursery CA93BL

There is a walk from the car park to the nursery; provision can be made if you prefer not to walk down.

Visitors are very welcome to attend for £5.00

Any queries contact Lorna Egan (Secretary) l.m.egan@btinternet.com or
07742 444580

M&DGC Annual membership is due in September

Jennifer Baker (Treasurer) tonybakerdevelopments@gmail.com or 079234 30932

Kirkland and Blencarn Village Hall Car Treasure Hunt



Save the date : 27th September 2026

Details to follow next month

Join the fun of the chase!

All welcome!

Winners prize. Hot drinks and cakes



Kirkland and Blencarn Village 50/50 Lottery

July Results:

1st Dave and Ruth Lea

2nd John Fleming

3rd Jayne Salt

4th Alison Rice-Birchall

5th Catherine Fleming



MELMERBY WI



**Wednesday 19th August 1.30 for 2.00pm start
at Melmerby Village Hall**



3.3 mile, flat'ish, no stiles, walk in aid of "Country Women of the World" (ACWW)

Dogs with Women and **MEN** on leads welcome.

£5.00 includes refreshments all to the charity. Don't fancy the walk?

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**Diary: Saturday 26th September, Sea Shanty night
with Pie & Pea supper**

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INSPIRING WOMEN

Culgaith Parish Council

Monday 6th July 2026 at 7.30pm - in Skirwith Village Hall

Present – 6 Councillors, 1 WAFC Councillor and 1 member of the public.

The following key issues were discussed: -

- **WAF Councillor M Hanley** – Reported to meeting.
- **Pedestrian Hazard - Black Swan Corner** – In hand with Highways.
- **Culgaith 20 mph Request** – Outcome of Public Consultation awaited.
- **Generator Funding for Community Facilities** – In hand with E NW.
- **Roadside Ditch – Kirkland to Skirwith Road** – With Highways
- **Worn Junction Road Markings - Skirwith Junction.** Reported to Highways
- **Church Lane Skirwith** – Potholes opposite Recycling Centre. With Highways
- **Blocked Drain Skirwith** – Adjacent to Defibrillator Kiosk – With Highways
- **Back Lane, Culgaith – Potholes by Drove Road Corner** - With Highways
- **Pothole - Entrance to Hags Wood, Culgaith.** With Highways
- **Blencarn – Potholes and Poor Road Surface** – Potholes repaired
- **Skirwith – Hazardous Building by Roadside** - Building safely shored up.
- **Skirwith Village Green - Footbridge over beck.** Temporary repair attended to
- **Victoria Institute/Culgaith Recreational Ground Building Initiative** – Implications for School.
- **Rural Needs Housing Survey** – Outcome reported to meeting.
- **Parish Broadband Issues** – The way forward, to achieve a Fibre connection to each property throughout the Parish, especially in Blencarn and Kirkland, was discussed.
- **Defibrillator to be located by the ‘Black Swan’, Culgaith.** Grant applied for.
- **Skirwith Hedgehog Road Signs** - Matter in hand.
- **Sun Inn - Skirwith – Beer Cask Drop Hatch issue located on Village Green**
- **Impact of A66 dualling on HGV Traffic Passing Through Culgaith**
- **Memorial Bench** to remember the late Cllr Laura Wilson. – In Hand
- **Grant Applications 2026 /27** – Discussed and agreed.
- **Planning**
 - 2026/0691/FPA.** Land north of Woodland Way, Culgaith. Erection of 2 dwellings and associated developments. **Supported with comments**
 - 2026/0948.** Hill Top Station Road Culgaith. Dormer and roof extension to provide accommodation at first floor level, replacement of conservatory with extension on west elevation and associated alterations. **Supported**
 - 2026/1094/FPA** The Greenacres, Blencarn, Demolition of timber framed building, replace with steel framed building **Supported**
 - 2026/0690/Pea Top Grange, Culgaith** – Installation of glass doors or windows at 1st floor level. **Supported**

Date and Venue of Next Meeting

7th September 2026 – Blencarn Village Hall

Full minutes are available on: - www.culgaith-pc.gov.uk

John Fleming – Parish Clerk. clerk@culgaith-pc.gov.uk



FUN TUESDAYS

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Culgaith Village Hall (aka The Victoria Institute)

Plans for the new Culgaith Village Hall and the development of the recreation ground are moving forward safely and steadily! We are currently progressing with the charity structure and shaping the vision for a space that will serve Culgaith village for generations to come. We are delighted that Culgaith school will also join us on this journey and will join the existing charity discussions and the new joint charity.

While the total long-term project is estimated at around £1.5m including a new play park, we are officially kicking off our fundraising to focus on two immediate, exciting milestones:

Outline Planning Permission (£3,500): This is the vital next step to officially get the project off the ground.

The New Play Park (£80,000): We want to get the community in Culgaith utilizing the recreation ground as soon as possible, and a brand-new play space is our top priority.

Fundraising is already underway to get us closer to these targets—for instance, Tom Taggart is taking on a Lakeland 100 to jumpstart our fundraising for the play park.

We're also incredibly grateful to John Graham in the village who has donated £500 towards our plans to get outline planning permission.

If you want to get in touch, or book the hall for a private event, please email culgaithhallbookings@gmail.com or telephone Val 01768 216995.

Lucky winners of June's 100 Club:	1st prize £50 – no.12 Roger Leech
2nd prize £20 – no.69 Nick Scaife	3rd Prize £10 – no.64 Betty Allinson

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It would be nice if we could have a display in the church of local talent, young and old, to include the following: paintings, collages/montage, textiles, pottery, photographs or memories you would like to share. Any “budding” florists who would like to do a display for the church would be very welcome.

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| 9. The groove in your top lip beneath your nose | 10. Gotham City | | |

CHURCH SERVICES IN OUR CHURCHES AND CHAPELS FOR AUGUST 2026

Sunday 2nd August

Edenhall	11am	Holy Communion	Rev Fiona Jenkins
Langwathby Methodist Chapel	11am	Morning Worship	Hazel & Peter Bowes
	5pm	Taizé Evening Prayer	
Skirwith	9.30am	Holy Communion	Rev Becky Richards

Sunday 9th August

Gamblesby	2pm	Afternoon Worship	Jan Blackshaw
Kirkland	9.30am	Holy Communion	Rev Fiona Jenkins
Langwathby St Peter's	11am	Holy Communion	Rev Fiona Jenkins

Sunday 16th August

Addingham	3pm	Holy Communion	Rev Becky Richards
Culgaith	9.30am	Holy Communion	Rev Becky Richards
Langwathby Methodist Chapel	11am	Morning Worship	Joan & Ray Wager
Melmerby	11am	Holy Communion	Rev Becky Richards

Saturday 22nd August

Kirkland	4pm	Benefice Family Communion	Rev Becky Richards
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Sunday 23rd August

Gamblesby	2pm	Afternoon Worship	Rev Ros Watson
Langwathby St Peter's	11am	Morning Worship	Rev Becky Richards
Ousby	9.30am	Holy Communion	Rev Becky Richards

Sunday 30th August

Edenhall	11am	Joint Mission Community Service followed by a picnic lunch	
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