

AUTUMN 2017 EDITION

*Gilcrux*





## **Gilcrux Village Hall & Educational Trust**

**Hello Everyone,**

**Well here we are heading towards Autumn with hardly a summer to mention but I hope you have enjoyed the few days of sunshine that we had!**

**The committee are delighted to announce that we have been successful in recent grant applications to secure funds towards the up grading of the steps to the side of the hall and also have new hand rails made and installed, making this entrance much safer, there will also be new hand rails to the village green at the rear of the hall**

**The joint venture with St Mary's earlier this year was a great weekend with the church looking stunning, many thanks to all who helped over the weekend and the days prior and to those who entered scarecrows, congratulations to the Litt family for their winning display and to of you who came along for Afternoon Tea. The scarecrow competition will be on again next year, the date is yet to be finalised with Afternoon Tea in the hall on the Sunday, more details will be available nearer the time**

**The Annual Flower & Produce Show is on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> of September, please find enclosed schedule with all the details and start planning you entries in this traditional village event**

**On Sunday the 17<sup>th</sup> of September we are once again hosting a Macmillan coffee and cake morning in the hall from 10.00am – 12.00pm**

**This was very well supported last year, any cakes will be more than welcome or just come along and have a cuppa and a cake!**

**An important date to note is the change of the date for the launch of the winter lunch club, due to a certain member of the team still sunning themselves under the greek sun, the first lunch will be on October 13<sup>th</sup>, 12.00pm for 12.30pm, please let me know if you are joining us**

**That's all our news, thank you for your continued support**

**Helen Johnston – Chair**

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*Parish Newsletter*

## St Mary's Church, Gilcrux



Hello. I trust all are well and despite the mixed weather you have been able to enjoy summer.

Although it seems a long time ago over the May bank Holiday weekend the church in partnership with the village hall and the scarecrow trail held a flower festival. A good time was had by all. The Church was decorated and open to visitors both days, with a good number of visitors. Overall the Church raised about £440 which will go towards the running costs of the Church. So, a big thank you to everyone.

More recently the Church has undergone its quinquennial inspection. This is an inspection we are required to have of the building every five years by an architect. We are now awaiting his report. The report looks at the state of the building and identifies any work that is necessary for the building to remain in a good condition that needs to be undertaken over the next five years when it will be inspected again. We hope the building will be in reasonable shape, but we also know that if work is necessary it will be up to the local church and community to raise the money for the work to be done. So, watch this space to see what may be required.

However, the Church exists above all as a community of people joined together through the awareness of God and his goodness to all of us. So, the invitation stands. Do come and join us when we meet for our services, when we gather in God's presence to take time to listen to him.

### Church Services are at 11.00am

September 10: Communion (Traditional)

September 24: **Pet Service** for All Ages. We remember St Francis of Assisi and take time to celebrate God's love for all creation

October 8: Communion (Traditional)

October 22: **Harvest Festival** (All food collected will go to the Foodbank)

November 12: Communion (Traditional) and **Remembrance Sunday**

November 26: All Age Worship

Tim Herbert (Vicar)



### Keep Fit with Cherry

Keep Fit will resume after the summer break on Thursday 14th September.

Classes are held during term time and 10.00am and cost £4.00

Do come and join us, everyone welcome.

## **Christian Aid**

Thank you to all who contributed so generously to Christian Aid Week envelope collection in May. Despite lots of residents being away that week, we still managed to raise £289.65. With the Gift Aid of £61.50 on top of that, the grand total came to £351.15. This was a little down in the previous year, but still very respectable sum for a small village. It is good to know that we live in a community that cares for people less fortunate than ourselves around the world.

Geraldine Baxter

## **Revolution**

"We will be the generation that see the world change"

In the wake of the industrial revolution a young man begins his mission to advance to improve world for the benefit of everyone, whilst a young woman stands in the street to call for a voice for all.

Revolution is a play that explores the unseen individuals who have helped change the world.

At the end of August, Wyldwood Theatre Company returns with its sixth production 'Revolution'. The cast, with ages ranging from 14 to 25, have produced, directed and choreographed this original production for over two months. The show also features some original music, composed by cast member Owen Evans.

'Revolution' is being performed on 30th and 31st August at the John Peel Theatre, Wigton and 2nd and 3rd September at the Kirkgate Centre, Cockermouth. Tickets for the Cockermouth performances are available from the Kirkgate Centre Box Office on 01900 826448 or on the Kirkgate website: [www.thekirkgate.com](http://www.thekirkgate.com). Tickets for the Wigton performances are available from Easton's, 7 High Street, Wigton (phone number: 016973 42521) or from [www.ticketsource.co.uk/wigtontheatre](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/wigtontheatre). Tickets for all performances can also be purchased on the door.

## **Household Emergency Plan**

Together with this edition you will find a leaflet entitled "Household Emergency Plan" which the Council hopes you will find interesting and useful. A small group of Councillors have also been working on the Gilcrux Parish Council Resilience Plan a copy of which in its draft form can be found on the Council's website [www.gilcruxparishcouncil.co.uk](http://www.gilcruxparishcouncil.co.uk). We hope you will take time to read the draft plan and make any comments on by e-mail to [gilcruxparish@hotmail.com](mailto:gilcruxparish@hotmail.com).

## **Electoral Review of Allerdale**

The Boundary Commission has issued its final recommendations in respect of the new Wards for Allerdale Borough Council which will take effect in May 2019 elections. This parish will then be in the Ellen and Gilcrux Ward and will have two councillors representing the Ward.

Hi folks!

Firstly, we'd both like to thank all those who came out and joined us for our 2nd beer festival 🍺 it went well.

Our quiz is on Friday 1st September 9.15pm new teams of up to 6 welcome.

Letting you all know the Barn Bistro will be closing the 1st week for 1 week only every October from this year.

We also have our Christmas day menu done 🎄 only 2 tables of 2 left.

Don't forget Gin night every Saturday from 8pm plenty to choose from including gin of the moment 🍷

Cheers Folks Andy and Hal



### **New Seats and Planters**

Many of you will have noticed that the parish council has installed seven new public seats in the parish. Our thanks go to our former County Councillor Alan Clark and the Cumbria Community Fund who donated money towards this project. The Council also thanks Allerdale Borough Council who donated towards the four new planters and the Youth Club who installed them and planted them and will maintain them in the future.

### **Gilcrux Youth Club**

A warm welcome to our new members and a big thank you to everyone who has supported the group as we grow from strength to strength. We try to work with local organisations where possible and have recently enjoyed orienteering at Mawbray (thank you to W Cumbria Orienteering club) and a samba drumming workshop (thank you to Mr Humpage of Cockermouth music centre). Our summer barbecue went well - despite the great British summer weather! - & we had a rather sunnier day out at Brockhole where parents and children alike were super-brave on the high ropes and enjoyed a range of other activities too. These activities are subsidised by Tallentire Wind Farm fund and we are grateful to Cumbria Community Foundation for granting this on their behalf.

We hope you like the flower displays we have been working on - thank you to Charlotte, Ellen, Gregory, Jonas, Leo, Martha, Oscar, Taylor and their families who have set up and will maintain these on behalf of the Parish Council.

Our next meeting will be a games night in the village hall at 6-8pm on Saturday 30th September, we hope to see you there and discuss plans for our next events together. New members are always warmly welcomed.

Julie Clough (treasurer)