Ingleton 2013

Rob Bailey reports:

This year's family residential weekend took place at Ingleton Youth Hostel where 31 adults and children stayed for the weekend and more people took part in the activities on Saturday. We arrived at Ingleton and were welcomed by the staff at the Youth Hostel. After we settled into our rooms and gathered outside, our chef, David Jaques, fed us with hot dogs and burgers. After an evening of fun and games we settled into bed with anticipation of a long day the next morning.

In the morning we made the short walk to the start of the Ingleton nature trail. I especially enjoyed the walk as I was able to talk with friends, take pictures and write a song with my peers for the water side activities. We took part in the nature trail quiz, which included hammering pennies into trees and doing brass rubbings, as well as three ice cream stops. Six of the more elite walkers took a stroll up Inglebourgh and beat the rest of us back to the hostel. Prior to the evening meal most relaxed after the walk but some energetic people decided to go swimming in the local outdoor pool. A delicious meal was then provided for us by the staff at the hostel and was enjoyed by over 40 of us. That evening we took part in the annual quiz that Dianne Rimmer runs.

On the last morning we packed up and cleared out our rooms, but before it was time to depart we had one last activity that Nicky Bailey had prepared. We raced around the town of Ingleton finding clues and answers to tricky questions that led us back to the Youth Hostel, where we were greeted by the left over cake from the weekend. The youngsters of the church really enjoyed the weekend and I look forward to the excitement of next year's residential weekend which will be held at Ambleside Youth Hostel on the weekend of the 18th to the 20th of July. Anyone wishing to join us please contact Nicky Bailey or Caroline Holden.

DOWNTON ABBEY CHRISTMASSt. John's Church Christmas Fair

Saturday 30th November
Memorial Hall 11am – 2pm
Huge cakes and goodies stall.
Preserves and chutneys. Door wreaths
& pots of bulbs. Toys. Bumper raffle.
Refreshments.



Special 'Children's gifts for Parent's'. Father Christmas 12noon. Entrance £1, under 16s free.

Carol Singing Round The Village -Friday 20th Dec. 7 pm Meet in St Peter's Club - All Welcome!

Al Fresco Worship - David Jaques writes:

On Sunday 4 August the Village came together for a public act of Christian Worship in the heart of the community. Over 90 people gathered together on the 'Green' just below St Peters Club to sing and pray. We were blessed with blue skies and sunshine, and listened to a moving talk about the work of the Charity 'Mary's Meals' by Cecelia Burton. Over £500 was donated by individuals and handed to Cecelia towards their wonderful work. The worship was a great success and showed we are a community united by our Christian fellowship and not divided by our denominations. We shall surely do it again next year.

Well done to the Pool Team!

Congratulations to St. Peter's Club Pool Team who were runners up in the Clitheroe Pool League, first division.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to: - Louise (nee Holden) and Rob McCreadie on the birth of Jessica Amy on 30th April 2013. Also Brendan O'Reilly and Annie Scott on the birth of Padraig Fintan on 1st May 2013. And Rosanne (nee Allen) and John Walker on the birth of Samuel James Charles on 23rd August 2013.

A Casual Vacancy

Parish Councillor Yvette Wilkinson has had to give up her post due to studies and family. The PC thank Yvette for all her hard work and commitment. This leaves a vacancy for a Parish Councillor. The vacancy will be advertised shortly on the village noticeboard, or contact the Clerk to the Parish Council, Pauline Tyson, on 01772 780128 for further details.

'CAVE CANEM!' (Beware the dog!)

A local dog walker writes:

It's <u>not</u> the dog, it's the mess left on the pavement from St. Peter's Club to the College gates, and on the field behind the Memorial Hall. Despite signs asking owners to 'poop scoop' there seem to be persistent offenders! PLEASE be considerate to the people who walk and play in these areas.

How about a Hurst Green Heritage Trail? – Agnes Bland writes: I recently went to have tea with a friend in Grindleton and, to work up an appetite, she took me on the Grindleton Heritage Trail. This consists of a walk round the village, and, with the help of a map, it points out all the places of historical interest in the village – from 'Hellfire Corner' to the old damson jam factory, from the old slaughter house to the village midden! Until that night, I thought I knew Grindleton fairly well, but there were so many interesting things about the village that I knew nothing about and that greatly added to the enjoyment of our walk. As we got back to my friend's house I was suddenly struck with the idea that a Heritage trail would be ideal for Hurst Green.

How many visitors, new residents or even long-term locals must wonder about the history of the Almshouses or the Club? Do they know that we had a butcher's and a barber's within living memory, and that the bungalows opposite the club were once the social hub of village life when they were the Assembly Rooms? In fact, there is so much of historical interest in Hurst Green that I'm sure it would be worth forming a Heritage Group to collate memories and knowledge, and to research different aspects of village history. Not all of this would be included in a heritage trail, but would be well worth collating and recording. I think Chris Wilcock's recollections of local sayings would form a good starting point for one aspect of village life. I know of at least 2 people who are keen, so if anyone else is interested in forming / joining a group, please get in touch with me on 826559 and we'll make a start.