

Papcastle and Belle Vue

Villager

50th Issue

Winter 2018

Welcome to the celebratory 50th issue!

Having edited only the one issue so far I can't take any of the credit for the previous 49 copies, but I think we should at least celebrate some of their past content which you will find inside this magazine. Thanks go to the **'Cockermouth and Papcastle Recreational Trust'** who have supplemented the cost for this colour edition.




On 25 July, Bill Mavir was in his garden pointing out a paraglider to his grandsons. Then his mobile rang – it was his colleague, Rod Welford, who was soaring high above them. This is one of the photos Rod took, before landing in Memorial Gardens and popping into Millcroft Vets to do evening surgery!

The Last Forty-Nine....

I wasn't a resident in the village when David Bromley created the forerunner to the Villager which I'm told was merely one sheet of A4, but since then it has become rather a more sophisticated information tool. There have been a number of editors, changes in the editorial team and various contributors, and it still continues to evolve.

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 The Villager

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The current editorial team consists of myself as editor and my eager helpers Elspeth White and Jill Coyle. If you would like to contribute or become involved please contact one of the team - Elspeth by tel 821674, Jill by tel 828625 or myself, Jude by email - msjmennim@hotmail.co.uk.

Thanks to everyone who has helped to get The Villager out there.

 **PIKE'S PEAK AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

TO CELEBRATE THE OPENING OF THE 25th ANNUAL HILL WE ARE HAVING

A PIES PEAS & PUDS EVENING

SATURDAY THE 22nd April 2008

Tickets \$5.00 Includes Drink

Tickets available from:	Circle K	McDonalds	Wendys	Subs
Children	12-20	12-20	12-20	21-24
Adults	21-24	21-24	21-24	21-24

(All ages welcome)

There will be a special presentation of the "Pie" Award

to the winner of "Pie" made by a member of the public before the 10th April

PCP IN

TO DEMAND THE THING OF REAL COUNTRY THROUGHOUT THE SUMMER

LEAVE DATE DATE & GOOD PRICE AND THEY PASTED ENOUGH

THESE ARE THE "PIES" AVAILABLE FOR THE EVENING

COST: TBA, BIRTHDAY, BIRTHDAY, BOOKS, GOSPEL, ALL FOR PENCE

JOIN THE OTHER VILLAGERS FOR THE NIGHT

NEWSLETTER

Due in the Early May, May will be contributed to by our editor JOE GARNETT SCOTT

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OR drop it through The Village Club, 100, 100, 100, 100

HALL ACTIVITIES

To assist the village club and to ensure that all the activities are as enjoyable as possible we are offering the following list of activities to be held in the hall:

Billiards	Table Tennis	Table Football	Table Cricket
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Way back in 2006 this couple with editor Zoe started off "The Villager" to report what was happening in Papcastle and Belle Vue, especially promoting the newly refurbished Village Hall. Who are we?... well perhaps the photograph may help, now living in sunny south Hampshire and enjoying retirement. We keep in contact and enjoy all the articles you print, so CONGRATULATIONS to Jude assisted by Elspeth and Jill, on this 50th edition, may there be plenty more forthcoming.

Regards, Mike (Apperley) & Jan

New neighbours at Cedar Lodge

Diana and Paul Tillman and Diana's parents Joyce and Dennis moved into Cedar Lodge at the end of August along with their dogs, Dooley and Jeeves. Diana and Paul have lived in the area for 16 years and her parents moved from Surrey. The merging of two households was due to Dennis's long term ill health and he sadly passed away at Cockermonth Hospital on 27th October. The family would like to thank those in the village who have welcomed them so warmly and been a support to all, including both new friends and those already known to them. Diana works at Capula Limited and participates in the Cockermonth Harmonic Society. Paul is retired.

New Parish Councillor

At the November meeting, Robert Jackson Jr. From Lynwood, was co-opted to the Parish Council. He was welcomed by Chairman David Johnson.



Remembering the end of World War 1, 1918

As Reported in the West Cumberland Times:

Killed In Action

Fred Hodgson, fifth son of the late Joseph and Jane Hodgson, Belle Vue on 20.9.18. Late of Mealsgate. Left a wife and family.



Photograph courtesy of Cockermouth Heritage Group

Papcastle Man Killed

Word was received at the weekend that Private Tom H Ellwood, son of Mr JNO Ellwood, Papcastle, had been killed on September 18th. Private Ellwood was in the Border Regiment, to which he had been transferred from the Yeomanry, and had been about three years in France. He was 29 years of age, was a grocer by trade and formerly managed one of the branch shops of Messrs Walter Willson Ltd in Durham. He was well known and respected in Cockermouth and neighbourhood. His death is regretted by many friends. (Courtesy of Cockermouth Heritage Group).



By Evgeniy Gorbenko

The Village Seat

As most of you will know the village seat was stolen in October and to date there have been no sightings. The metal ends were cast from the same mould as those commissioned for the Kibble Palace Glasshouse in the Botanic Gardens in Glasgow and created by the company that villager Paul Scott worked for. Squirrels



were incorporated in the detail of the metal

ends. Paul is seen here with his wife Zoe and their two children, the youngest who had just been born, on the seat shortly after it was sited 11 years ago.



The Origins of the Village Hall

By Eric Apperley author of 'Papcastle History'

It's 1895 and the Village Hall has just been built, on the site of two dilapidated cottages, through the generosity of Mrs Wybergh, a resident of The Mount (now demolished). Its original purpose was as a reading room where

the men of the village could read newspapers (no women allowed except for the cleaner!) – the only way to find out what was going on then. Original trustees dying off, it became a charity in 1940. Maintaining the building was always a headache; new sets of trustees in 1974 and again in 2005, raised grants and donations so that substantial works could be done. Activities in the hall tend to develop and fade in cycles – now it is the turn of our younger generation to make use of it with a fresh wave of interests.



Bill Mavir [Chairman of Trustees] writes...

61½ Years Later... it's the 1957 children's Christmas party, hosted by the Women's Institute (WI); my first memory of Papcastle Village Hall. This was the year our family moved to the village and I discovered that the WI party was *the* social event of the year for us kids. Bonfire night was pretty good too, maybe even better. A tricky one to call...I never heard mention of a Village Hall Committee but had it on good authority from my mother [*Elsie Mavir 1921 – 2015*] that the WI (of which she was a loyal member, and President for quite a time) took full responsibility for the place, the *de facto* trustees, keeping it afloat with membership subscriptions, and the takings from raffles, whist drives and rummage sales. In



the days before charity shops, eBay and care-free disposability, a good rummage sale would see the place rammed with fighting hordes (from Cockermouth and Broughton) looking for a bargain.

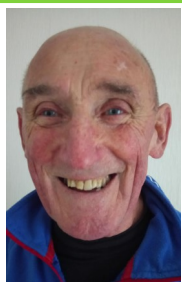
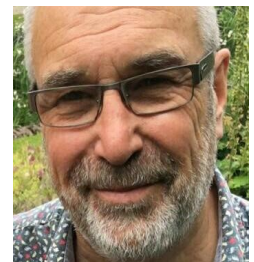
Another 61½ Years Later... the 2018 Village Hall AGM has just drawn to a close and I'm sitting pondering why I've just allowed myself to be elected as a Trustee *and* appointed as Chairman. It's true what they say: 'There's no such thing as a free party'.

Peter Broad, the outgoing Chairman, who served enthusiastically and tirelessly for over 10 years deserves our special thanks – well done Peter. Also the long line of Trustees and volunteers whose efforts and prudent management over the years mean that we are now in a financially strong position. Though, not *quite* strong enough!

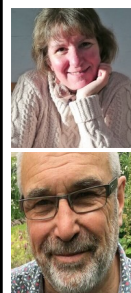
Over the summer we had an independent expert carry out an energy audit, and a professional building survey was also done. The hall will soon need to have a new roof, the heating system urgently needs to be upgraded and made more energy efficient, and sundry other items need to be attended to. We have submitted a grant application through the Cumbria Community Foundation and if successful we hope to make a start in spring 2019.

Once the work has been completed we will be encouraging increased usage of this wonderful facility that sits right on your doorstep. As Eric Apperley says:

'...now it is the turn of our younger generation to make use of it with a fresh wave of interests.'



John Bertram is the current 'caretaker' of the village hall having taken over the role from Mike White



Who are these people?
Find out next issue...



Keep Fit at The Village Hall

My name is Tony Magorrian and I run the 'get fit stay fit' group at the village hall.

The mixed group has been meeting for about 8 years now and participants are from Papcastle and surrounding areas.

I am passionate about the benefits of exercise on our health, wellness and quality of life and would encourage everyone to make it part of their lifestyle. I would urge those of you who have been putting off starting a new exercise regime to come along and give it a go.

Many thanks to all who have supported me during the past year and I look forward to welcoming regular attenders as well as new faces in the future.

We meet on Monday evenings 6:30 to 7:30 during autumn and spring terms in the village hall.



For a list of all events at the village hall - please see the back page

Farewell from Clare

Hello Everyone,

I have moved into Cockermouth from Low Wood, Belle Vue after living there for 17 years with my family up until recently. I will miss living in Belle Vue and will always remember the happy times spent at village functions - the 'Annual Barbeque' and 'Mulled Wine and Mince pies' events in particular. Thank you to those of you who have been my neighbours and friends during this time.



As most of you know I wrote for 'The Villager' for a number of years covering stories of new babies, new villagers and sadly, the loss of some of our older generation as well as interesting articles about people living in Belle Vue and Papcastle and my personal passion, our native red squirrels. I hope you will all continue to support the Editorial team and help to keep 'The Villager' magazine in production.

I hope you will all welcome Julie and Tony Bannard and their family to 'Low Wood', I wish them every happiness in their new home.

If anybody would like to keep in touch my email is broad.clare@gmail.com and I am on Facebook. I look forward to seeing some of you around and about.

Clare Broad.

Come along to the annual '*mulled wine & mince pie night*'

***Saturday 8th December 2018 ***

7:00pm

Tickets £6.00 available from:

Robert Jackson: 01900 827071 and Gill Conlon: 01900 828360

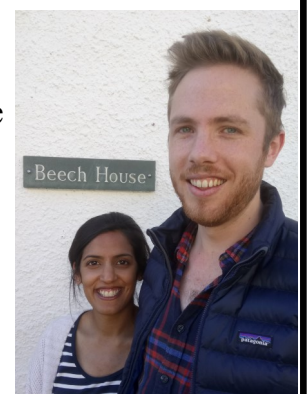


New to the Village

Welcome to James and Divya Conlon who have moved into Beech House.

James originally from the Wirral and Divya from Belfast met at Edinburgh University. James currently works at the doctors' practice at Caldbeck, training in general practice, whilst Divya is a GP at Castlegate and Derwent surgery.

They will soon have their hands full as Divya is due to have twins in January, so James's training in obstetrics and gynaecology should come in handy! They will also benefit from having grandparents in the village. (Gill and John).





**Tis the night before Christmas, and all through the casa
Not a creature is stirring, Caramba que pasa?
The stockings are hanging con mucho cuidado
In hopes that St Nicholas will feel obligado
To leave a few cosas, aqui and alli
For chico y chica (y something for me)
Los ninos are snuggled all safe in their camas,
Some in vestidos and some in pyjamas,
Their little cabezas are full of good things
They esperan que el old Santa will bring.
Santa is down at the corner saloon
Es muy borracho since mid afternoon
Mama is sitting beside la ventana
Shining her rolling pin para manana
When Santa will come in un manner extraño
Lit up like the Star Spangled Banner cantando
And mama will send him to bed con los coches
Merry Christmas to all and to all "Buenas noches"**

Submitted by David Thomas



REGULAR VILLAGE HALL ACTIVITIES

Mahjong **Brian Wilkinson** 01900 829490

Monday 2:00-5:00pm All year *except public holiday*

Keep Fit **Tony McGorrian** 01900 64632

Monday 6.30-7.30pm *School term only*

Yoga **Pat Irving** 07962127812

Thursday 6.30-8.00pm

Parish Council

David Johnson 01900 822355

1st Tuesday evening *Bi monthly*

Line Dancing

Carol Smith 01900 821590

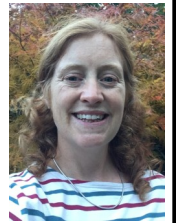
Friday afternoons

weekly

Village Hall Bookings:

Rose Rowlands

01900 828941



Disco!

****Annual Children's Christmas Party****

Saturday 15th December 2018 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm

All families of Papcastle & Belle Vue are welcome, just come along.

There is no charge for this party as the costs have been generously covered
the **'Cockermouth and Papcastle Recreational Trust'**



For more info contact Rose on 828941

Snacks!

by

Crafts!

Games!



St Bridget's Church, Bridekirk

Usual Monthly Services

Services at 11:00am

1st Sunday Holy Communion and Sunday School

2nd Sunday All Age Service

3rd Sunday Holy Communion and Sunday School

4th Sunday Morning Prayer and Sunday School



Additional Services

Sunday 16th December	11.00 am	Holy Communion
	6.30 pm	Nine Lessons and Carols by Candlelight
Sunday 23rd December	4.30 pm	Crib Service
Christmas Eve	11.30 pm	Midnight Communion