

Cartmel & District Flower Club

On a lovely afternoon, at Cartmel, Liz Broad from Fornby, was our guest flower arranger. Her simple arrangements portrayed some of her favourite poems that she had learned to love over her lifetime.

Her tales took us back to our childhood and the lovely design and muted colourings linked "bygone times, to the present". Liz used traditional English flowers and garden foliage with complimentary containers. Her designs were interesting and of highest quality.

Winners of this month's competition "A posy in a tea cup" were 1st Ann Ross, 2nd Hazel Allen, 3rd Cybil Law. Next meeting is on Sept 20 at 2pm at the Village hall. Guests and new members are very welcome.

Grange over Sands Golf Club

Ladies Section

In the middle of July we had a week of continuous rain causing the LGU Medal to be cancelled and a 9 hole Stableford competition held instead. Winner: Dot Macaulay 19pts 2nd Margaret King 17pts 3rd Rosalie Dodgson 16pts.

It was President's Day on the 29th July, all the Ladies had a really enjoyable time our thanks to The President Sue Mitchell who provided drinks, tea and cakes after a very pleasant days golf. Winner: Yvonne Taylor 36pts 2nd Margaret King 36pts (c/o) 3rd Pat Anderson 35pts. Best Gross: Pat Brooks 88pts. Longest Drive on the 6th Margaret King. Nearest the Pin on the 14th Pam Smith.

The Millennium Trophy was played for on the 5th August Winner: Margaret King 76-10-66 2nd Margaret Bleazard 91-22-69 3rd Sue Mitchell 95-20-75. Congratulations to Margaret King who also broke the new course ladies record scoring a gross 76 net 66 - Well done! 12th August was the LGU Medal Silver Division Winner: Margaret Stockford 94-15-79 2nd Margaret King 89-8-81 Bronze Division Winner: Joyce Howard 98-23-75 2nd Angela Graham 104-27-77. The Vets Competition 19th August - Winner: Pauline Jones 33pts 2nd Anne Smith 32pts 3rd Rosalie Dodgson 32pts.

Grange Fell Golf Club, Ladies Section

July and August has seen mainly atrocious weather for golf which is unfortunate as it is the busiest time of the season for the Ladies Trophy competitions. However the course appears to have had the benefit of the rain and is looking extremely lush although that is more due to good green keeping.

The Moly Davy Scratch Trophy competition held over two days was won by Ruth Waring and the net prize was won by Jill Thompson. The Presidents Ladies Trophy played on July 27 was won by Pam Chamberlain with a net 70 with Ruth Waring in 2nd place with net 71. On the 3 August the Eva Watmough Trophy was a stableford competition won by Jill Atkinson with 36pts and Ruth Waring took 2nd place with 35pts.

The winner of the August medal played on the 10 August was Eleanor Woodburn with a net 71. Jill Thompson was second also with net 71 after a count back. The Fell Cup final played on August 17 was won by Eleanor Woodburn with net 70 and Margaret Bebington was second with net 72. The Harrop Trophy competition was won by Margaret Bebington.

Finally the Ladies would like to thank the club President Richard Tyler for hosting a club competition and opening the invitation to the Lady members. A good day was enjoyed by all and the winner of the Ladies competition was Eleanor Woodburn who was presented with a prize by Mr Tyler.

Lets hope that the rest of the season will not be as wet as the past couple of months and that the sun will return before long. Happy golfing!!!

Cerebral Palsy

Tickets are now on sale for the next event to be organised by the Grange Branch of Cumbria Cerebral Palsy.

This is to be an Evening with ENCORE, a choir drawn from throughout Cumbria under the musical directorship of David Chapman. The concert will feature favourites from the world of opera and Gilbert and Sullivan. This evening was the last event to be discussed with Jessie Higginson before she was taken ill, and the committee hopes that this will be a final tribute to the 40 years she served as Chairman of the Grange Branch. Please do come and support us - £5 includes shortbread and Schloer!

Grange Garden Society

At the August meeting of the Grange Garden Society, Terry Robinson welcomed all members and commented on a full exhibition table.

Jan Cottam outlined a holiday to visit gardens in South Wales in 2011, and Mavis Jones introduced the speakers, Brian and Jill Fuller, whose topic was, 'From Mountain Top to Seashore' This included wild flowers, fungi, mosses etc, growing in very different environments. Brian explained how cold loving plants were moving up the mountainside, because of global warming.

In the absence of the exhibit judge, Alan Oatway and his wife, judged the exhibits. The winners were: Indoor Plants 1 Barbara Ramsden, 2 Barbara Ramsden, Outdoor Plants 1 Janet Mardon, 2 Ann Holgate, Cut Flowers 1 Ann Holgate, 2 Joan Ward, Vegetables 1 Janet Mardon, 2 Ann Holgate, Fruit 1 Janet Mardon, 2 Aidan Smith, Sweet Peas 1 Stella Gragg, 2 Ann Holgate, Summer Arrangement, 1 Janet Mardon, Novice Mavis Jones, Special Class Ann Holgate, 2 Ann Holgate.

Lindale Bowling Association

The morning of Saturday 21st August dawned fine, sunny and warm in sharp contrast to the thunderstorm the previous day, much to the relief of the members of Lindale Bowling Association who were holding their first Open Competition.

With the measurers and scorers in situ and the kettle on the boil, the start of the match was eagerly anticipated. It became very apparent during the early rounds that the standard of bowling was very high with competitors coming from other parts of the County to take part in this Ladies Open Singles, sponsored by Tony Hardman, and initiated by Joan Taylforth, who unfortunately due to ill-health was unable to participate. However it was especially pleasing to welcome Joan back to the green for a short period of time, where she was presented with a bouquet of flowers to mark the occasion.

There was fierce competition in the semi-finals which featured Ayesha Wilson, a young 17 year old from Hawkshead Bowling Club, versus Joyce Foxcroft, an experienced campaigner who has won both the Isle of Man Bowling Tournament and the Waterloo Cup and Janet Moxham from Hawcourt Park Bowling Club, Barrow, versus Angela Athersmith. Experience prevailed however and we were treated to a spectacular close-run final with Joyce Foxcroft (Kings Arms, Hale) eventually overcoming Angela Athersmith (Bowness) 21-19. The winner was presented with a beautifully engraved glass trophy, together with a personal memento of the day.

Thanks were expressed to the ladies of the club for producing a wonderful array of home-made refreshments, the green-keeping team for presenting the green in such good order in spite of the weather, Mark Heywood for running the competition so efficiently and all other club members who supported and helped to make the day such a success.

Allithwaite Bowling Club

On Saturday 31st July Allithwaite Bowling Club held a charity crown green bowling event in aid of MacMillan Cancer Care. Bowling was in pairs and in 'lanes' across the green, providing a challenge for even the most experienced bowlers.

The raffle, sweepstake and evening BBQ (hot food kindly donated by Plumgarths) raised the grand total of £400 for the charity. Many thanks to all who contributed in many ways, before, during and after to make the event a resounding success. The club doubles trophy held on August 7th was won by John Beckett & Paul Cavender. The friendly against Lower Holker on 15th August was lost in the final round.

Grange Ramblers

11th August : 15 adults, 2 children and 1 dog set out on a walk through Levens Park and continued onto Natland, following the old canal route. Though the forecast was gloomy, it turned out to be a lovely day. Lunch was had on the banks of the river Kent in brilliant sunshine. They returned on the footpath alongside the river. The 6.5 mile walk was led by Derek Ross.

Walks for September (full details on library notice board):

Thursday 2nd: Bowfell, Rossett Pike, Stake Pass. 8.5 miles, strenuous. Tuesday 7th: Circuit of Barbon Low Fell. 6.5 miles, medium. Wednesday 15th: Swindale. 8 miles, medium. Tuesday 21st: Rusland Pool, Fish House Bridge, Black Knotts. 5.5 miles, easy/medium. Friday 24th: Dent vale and river walk. 5 miles, easy/medium.

Amnesty International

Members and visitors attended the monthly meeting of Cartmel and Grange Group to hear an illustrated talk by Mike Reed, Amnesty's national Burma coordinator on terrible state of human rights in that country under Burma's notorious military regime.

He reported the mass imprisonments, summary executions, torture and the burning of villages which are commonplace and outlined the life and treatment of the courageous democracy champion Aung San Suu Kyi who has spent years under house arrest. Elections are due this year but the prospect of a return to democracy is still very much in doubt. Amnesty International is undertaking a major campaign to draw renewed attention to the situation (for details go to www.amnesty.org.uk).

The group's next event is the annual Grange Autumn Fair in Grange Parish Hall, Kents Bank Road on Saturday September 4th (10am-12). Books, cards, gifts, plants, as new clothing, bric a brac and homemade cakes will be on sale with coffee and tea. Enquiries to Brenda Warburton 32569 or Tony Shelton 38927.

Flookburgh Over 60's

Flookburgh Over 60's Club July trip was to Blackpool. Despite the heavy rain during the journey, the day turned out to be dry but blustery at the seaside.

It certainly blew away the cobwebs! A good day was enjoyed by us all with the shopping opportunities and tram rides to Fleetwood from where beautiful clear views of the Lakeland fells can be seen.

Our talk for August was given by Mr T. Stephen. Oban, Mull and Iona were the subject, and the result of what had clearly been an enjoyable and varied holiday. The accompanying slides included much detail of wildlife, local plants etc. as well as some fine sunset images.

Our next meeting is on 9th September 14:00 in the Village Hall when the talk will be "The Lancaster Canal". As always, all are welcome to join us at our meetings.

Grange over Sands NSPCC

On Saturday, 14 August, an event entitled "A Taste of the Orient" was held in the United Reformed Church Hall. This was yet another extremely successful inventive idea from Margaret Northcott and Joyce Church.

The NSPCC would like to thank them both and all their helpers for all their hard work in raising the grand sum of £720. Our particular thanks go to Mary and Tony for their entertainment; to Dot for her very special cakes; and Sylvia for her music; but most of all to everyone who attended this very sociable afternoon.

Just a quick reminder to let you know that Joan Bentley has once again kindly agreed to give a flower demonstration, entitled "Summer into Autumn", on Tuesday, 7 September at 7.30 pm in Allithwaite Community Hall. Tickets can be obtained from Johnston's the Jewellers or telephone 015395 34090. Everyone is very welcome.

Townswomen's Guild

Dorothy Theaker, our Chairman, gave an excellent report of the AGM in Birmingham at our August meeting. After the business Steve Cram (athlete) was the Guest Speaker. He told of one incident when the elastic went on his shorts.

He was desperately hanging on, hoping it wasn't noticeable when he saw the Queen eyeing him through binoculars! The meeting was rounded off with a delicious strawberry tea for which many thanks to our caterer Helen Williams.

The next meeting is in the St Charles Church Room on Thursday Sept 9th at 2.00pm. Jane Strawbridge, Grange's former Mayor, will talk about her experiences. Everyone is welcome to come. Enquiries please call 32215.

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