

We start the new year with a series of developments that will continue to engender the community spirit of our Village.

The first will be the formation of a brand new group called FORa - Friends of Roughlee's appearance. It will appeal to garden lovers and those who care about their surroundings, to come together and do their bit for the Village, with the aim of winning this year's Best Kept competition.

We are delighted that Alistair McGeorge has agreed to head up this group and it will be launched in March when there will be open evening for all residents. More details will be published next month but Alistair would love to hear from anyone on 695009 who has suggestions or is willing to help to set up this new group.

One of Alistair's first duties will be to oversee the planting scheme in the central area opposite the pub. Work has gone on apace since Christmas on the walling and this will be followed by the installation of a raised paved area to incorporate a new bus stop and we are grateful to Mrs Doreen Peel and Mr & Mrs Barry Watson who have agreed to place commemorative benches there.

An idea has come forward that we bury a time capsule underneath this area, featuring aspects of Roughlee life in 2006. The School have willingly taken up the idea, but it is open to all residents, so we look forward to receiving suggestions and material to put in it. Target date for inclusion would be early March. Parish Councillor Alwyn Taylor is co-ordinating the ideas and he can be contacted on 612452.

The planting will be then undertaken by the Hartley family and this will be completed during March.

Work is due to start on the first stage of the extension at the rear of the Village Centre. Grants for this are coming in in phases so the first step is to construct the shell which will eventually house the new kitchen.

The Water Treatment Works are progressing well but we have just heard that 'our' side of Pasture Lane is due to be closed for up to three weeks from the middle of March so that an electricity cable can be installed from the substation on Wood Close. Access to local properties is promised but it will mean a considerable diver-



sion for through traffic - the recommended route being via Blacko. Representatives from United Utilities will be at the February & March Parish Council meetings to answer any residents' concerns.

The Second Friday events continue successfully; there was a record attendance at the last one. February 10 sees a Quiz night and for March 10, we are hoping to entice a resident who has just returned from the Indian Ocean yacht race to Perth.

Finally, The Village Centre Committee is looking to hold an "Auction of Promises" evening at the end of April. To be successful, this of course needs a series of pledges and we invite all residents to see if they can offer something that others may wish to bid for. Helen Grahame is co-ordinating this one and she can be reached in the evenings on 619106.

A pink poster for a Valentines event. At the top, the word 'Valentines' is written in a large, purple, cursive font. Below it, there is an illustration of two lit candles in holders, with a heart shape above them. The text 'Saturday Feb 11 £12.50' is written in a bold, black font. Below that, it says '7.30pm for Classic Cuisine Hot Buffet at 8pm'. At the bottom, it says 'Candlelit meal followed by 'romantic' dancing' and 'Bring your own drinks'. The logo for 'ROUGHLEE VILLAGE CENTRE' is in the bottom right corner. At the very bottom, it says 'Tickets; ☎ 614755 / 601841'.

ROUGHLEE Parish Council

Mondays Feb 6
& March 6

at 8pm in the Village Centre

Next Meetings - All welcome

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Monthly Meetings

Tues Feb 7 & Mar 7
at 8pm in the Village Centre

ST. MARY'S CHURCH

NEWCHURCH-IN-PENDLE



PARISH NEWS

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ST. MARY'S PARISH

BARLEY - NEWCHURCH - ROUGHLEE

Your Parish Church exists to be the people
of God through faith in
Jesus Christ in the power of
the Holy Spirit, worshipping Him, making
disciples and serving others.

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CALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY

Sunday February 5	4th Sunday before Lent 9.30am Holy Communion
Monday February 6	PCC Meeting. School 8pm
Sunday February 12	3rd Sunday before Lent - Education Sunday 9.30am Holy Communion
Sunday February 19	2nd Sunday before Lent 9.30am Holy Communion
Sunday February 26	Sunday next before Lent 9.30am All Age Service
Wednesday March 1	Ash Wednesday 7.30pm Ash Wednesday Service

Next issue Please have your articles for the next Magazine to Chris Widdas by
Wednesday February 15

Barley Village Hall ~ February

The major programme of alterations in the Village Hall is at last underway. A very advanced heating system using air source heat pumps has been installed by Askews of Roughlee. This will be powered in part by a large solar panel system on the roof and will we hope, provide much more controllable and efficient heating with considerable lower running costs. Work is going ahead on the installation of a lift and a new staircase, the original one was put in as a temporary measure in 1942! A considerable programme of detail improvements to be completed during the next 3 months will follow all this.

Regular Events

- Mondays:** 7.30pm Pendle Young Farmers
8-9pm Circuit Training ~ open to males and females.
- Tuesdays:** 7.30pm Whist Group
- Wednesday:** Feb 1. 7.30pm. W I.
Feb 1. 10 - 12noon Coffee & Chat
These are proving very popular - come and enjoy the company.
Feb 8. 7.30pm Parish Council
- Thursdays:** 10 - 12noon Pendle Pumpkins Mother & Toddler Group
7.45pm. Line Dancing
8pm Keep Fit

A very successful Bums Night was held in January when 73 people sat down to a meal of haggis with neeps-an'-tatties. Piper Mr Tony Bolton piped in the haggis. All profit from this event is for Village Hall Funds.

BROADBAND INTERNET

A Wireless Broadband System based on the C.L.E.O. network has been in operation in Barley for some months, this system is provided by Lancaster University and gives very fast internet access. The company providing local administration has unfortunately closed down so we intend to form a C.I.C. (Community Interest Company) to run the local system in the future. There is every possibility of extending the coverage to Whitehough and onto Roughlee in the near future. Costs are comparable with the big operations but this system is in most situations much faster and is set up to operate locally. The new C.I.C. will be called CIBL (pronounced CYBIL?) standing for Community Internet Broadband Link.

The current centre of operation is Barley Village Hall which houses the Node Point equipment for the local area.

If you are interested in more information contact- David Weatherill on 613280 or David Goodger on 604301