

# CARLBECK CENTRE SUMMER NEWSLETTER 2016



## SUBSCRIBE AND SAVE

As you know, Carlbeck is run by and largely supported by volunteers. Everyone's efforts over the years have contributed to a viable building and a stable financial position; now the time has come to look at how Carlbeck Centre goes forward from here.

The Management team is keen to provide good value for the centre's users and to simplify and reduce the time and effort required to run it. Following discussions and feedback from supporters over the past six months they have developed a membership scheme which will offer regular users a reduction in the fees they pay to attend groups and workshops, at

the same time helping to stabilise the centre's finances.

From 1 June there is an option to pay an annual membership fee of £75 which gives access to every craft group and self-help workshop throughout the year. However, if you prefer to pay-as-you-go, the option of paying £2 per session, as previously, is still open.

The annual subscription of £75 represents very good value to regular users, equating to less than £1.45 per week.

Full details of the membership scheme and how to pay are available in the centre or from Margaret Dent by email to: [margaretdent@uwclub.net](mailto:margaretdent@uwclub.net)

## A WELCOME SHOCK

Carlbeck is the latest venue in Teesdale and Weardale to host a 24/7 defibrillator.

To access the equipment it is necessary to phone 999 and give the location code displayed on the front of the box (AJ57). The call handler will provide an access code and dispatch an ambulance and probably a Community First Responder simultaneously.

We are very grateful to the The Wemmergill Estate, The Stephen Mitchell Memorial Fund and Lunedale Parish Council for funding the defibrillator and on-going maintenance costs and also to Susan Bainbridge, Community First Responder, for providing training to 22 of our local residents.

## 'ROYAL-TEA'

To commemorate the Queen's birthday the community came together to enjoy afternoon tea. It was a happy and busy occasion and as usual there were plenty of delicious homemade sandwiches, scones and cakes to enjoy over a cuppa and good old-fashioned chat. And we raised a fantastic £283!

## COMING UP

### Self help Workshops

A programme of summer workshops has been drawn up and is available on request from [margaretdent@uwclub.net](mailto:margaretdent@uwclub.net) or paper copies are available at Carlbeck. These include: Shaggy quilting, Crumb quilting, Lavender House, Zipper bags, Embroidery, Sewing machine techniques. Everyone is welcome to come along, regardless of skill level.

### Craft Exhibition Saturday 18 June

We will be showcasing the work of the groups who use Carlbeck. There will be handmade items, artwork and bric-a-brac to buy as well as home-made refreshments. Everyone is welcome, free entry from 10.00 -3.00pm.

### Art Group Display

Throughout the summer Barnard Castle Art Group have again hired our wall space to display work for sale. There are some lovely pieces and we encourage you to come and look for yourselves. They are reasonably priced and would make excellent gifts either for yourself or for friends and family.

## AFTERNOON TEA

This year our Sunday afternoon teas will take place on the first Sunday of June, July, August and September.

Carlbeck will be open from 2 - 4.00pm on each of these days and as usual there will be a choice of cakes, sandwiches, scones and savoury flans.

Crafts, bric-a-brac plus artwork by the Barnard Castle Art Group will be available to purchase. Everyone is welcome.

In addition, on Sunday 19 June we will be hosting a Marie Curie afternoon tea when we will be raising funds for the cancer charity.

## NEWS ROUND-UP

### Storm Desmond Craft Fair 5 December

Possibly you read in our Winter newsletter how we were looking forward to our Christmas Craft Fair, which just happened to fall during possibly the worst storm of the winter!! We pay tribute to the brave souls who made it through the wind and rain and turned out to support us. There was a wonderful atmosphere and camaraderie akin to other occasions when folks come together in adversity! In the light of the circumstances we had an amazing day! Thank you for your support!

### Plant Swap 28 May

Bank Holiday Saturday dawned fine and bright and brought along some of the usual suspects, sorry we mean loyal supporters, plus a number of passers by, out for the day, who were keen to sample delicious scones and cakes and a friendly chat. One couple relived their memories of Carlbeck when it was an outdoor centre and used by Longfield School, Darlington for Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme training. In all the day made £107.30. A grand total. Thank you.

### easyfundraising

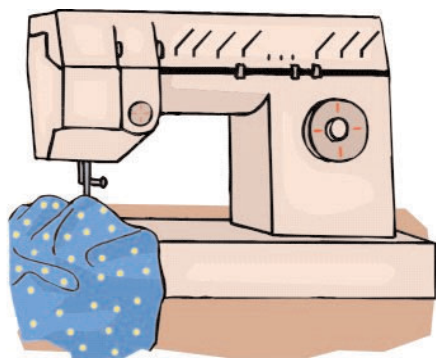
Thank you to the Internet spenders who have signed up and are helping to fundraise for their favourite charity, Carlbeck. The total raised so far, at no cost to any of them, is £161.79. If you shop on-line please sign up - it's totally free and best of all, Carlbeck benefits.

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## GROUPS NEWS

highlighting the Sewing Group



Has the new season of the 'Great British Sewing Bee' inspired you to make your own clothes? Perhaps you may prefer to upcycle a bed sheet into a summer frock or mend that zip that has been annoying you for so long.

Or you may never have used a sewing machine or need to re-acquaint yourself with the one in the cupboard gathering dust. Would you like to make a t-shirt using an overlocker or some divine lingerie from decadent silk?

If so, then why not join Carlbeck's own 'sewing bees' on Monday evenings from 7pm until 9pm. We are a friendly bunch, willing to share our skills and learn from each other. Come along and see what we get up to - boys, girls, men and women - all are welcome. Join us to enjoy making clothes that fit, from fabrics that you love.

Contact Penny Sunderland on 01833 640 447 if you want further information; we can arrange local transport if necessary.

### Carlbeck Centre, Lunedale, Middleton-in-Teesdale, DL12 0NX

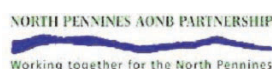


Approximately three miles from Middleton and Mickleton on the B6276, the Carlbeck Centre is a warm and comfortable venue for private events, meetings and workshops.

Self service catering facilities are available to all users. Workshops are also arranged on a regular basis, please ask for details.

Bookings can be made through Judith Carter.

Carlbeck Centre, Lunedale. Charity No: 1115465



#### MANAGEMENT TEAM:

Eileen Dent, Chairman	640 349
Ruth Craggs, Vice Chairman	640 408
Keith Roberts, Treasurer	641 575
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#### Weekly:

Craft Group (general)  
Sewing and Pattern adaptation  
Spinning, Weaving & Dyeing  
Pilates (must book in advance)

#### Day/ time:

Monday 1.30-3.30pm AND 7-9pm  
Monday 7-9pm  
Tuesday 10am-1pm  
Tuesday 7-8pm

#### Contact person:

Mary Wilson  
Penny Sunderland  
Marie Wray  
Laura Bailey  
Teesdale Physio

#### Phone:

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604 447  
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641 202

#### Twice a month:

Patchwork & Quilting

1st & 3rd Wed of month 10 -1pm

Pauline Stokoe

641 216

#### Monthly:

Needle Felting  
Teesdale Knitting & Crochet Guild  
Domino Drive

4th Monday of month, 1.30-3.30pm  
4th Saturday of month, 2-5pm  
1st Wed from Sept-March 7.30pm

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Ruth Craggs  
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In addition the embroidery group meets in months with a 5th Wednesday, from 10am-3.00pm. The next meeting will be on Wednesday 29 June 2016.

Please Note: all groups except Pilates are informal drop in sessions. You are not making a commitment or signing up to every session. They are not taught as such, however, there is a wealth of expertise in each group and all skill levels, including beginners, are catered for. Everyone is welcome.