



CARLBECK CENTRE WINTER NEWSLETTER 2016

JANE TAKES CHAIR

Carlbeck's Annual General Meeting on 4 September saw Jane Wilkinson become the new Committee Chairman. Ruth Craggs, Keith Roberts and Margaret Dent were re-elected as Vice Chair, Treasurer and Secretary respectively.

Carlbeck committee, members and users welcomed Jane in her new role and thanked all the committee members for their work in keeping Carlbeck a thriving centre for the community.

Thanks were also made to Eileen Dent for her year in the chair and to Nick Browne, both of whom stood down from the committee.



CARLBECK NEWS

Charity appeals

One of the wonderful aspects of living in Teesdale is the strong community links. Carlbeck's regulars wear many hats and as such contribute to our community by volunteering in many other ways. This year bunting was made for St Mary's wonderful flower celebration, a Marie Curie tea party was hosted at Carlbeck, our quilters donated fabrics and made two quilts for other charities to raffle and some of the unsold plants from our plant swap were donated to Middleton in Bloom. We are always happy to offer our support to the many charities in Teesdale.

Sunday afternoon Teas

It has been a successful summer for bakers and consumers of cakes and scones. From June to September we opened our doors on the first Sunday afternoon of each month. The new regime of monthly afternoon teas has been very popular and faithfully supported by our regular visitors and volunteers and gives a boost to Carlbeck funds.

GROUPS ROUND-UP

Subscriptions

The newly introduced subscriptions are going well, providing excellent value to our users who are now able to attend as many self help groups and workshops as they wish for an annual payment of £75. That works out at less than £1.50 per week.

Dominoes

The popular winter programme of dominoes is underway and the monthly meeting is well attended by regulars from across the dale and beyond from Cumbria and Weardale.

So far the weather has been kind and has not hindered attendances. We meet on the first Wednesday of the month from September to April. Usually advertised in the Teesdale Mercury.

Craft groups

It has been another successful year of moving forward with new members and developing more crafting opportunities.

Monday and Tuesday groups meet as before, see the timetable on the back page. However, our talented volunteers continue to expand the times they meet. The **Embroidery** group now meets on the fourth Wednesday of every month as well as the fifth Wednesday, when it occurs, from 10 - 3pm.

The **Quilting and Patchwork** group now meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday from 10am and continues through the afternoon until 3pm for those who wish to stay.

A wide range of crafts and projects have been undertaken from refurbishing a mobile home's soft furnishings to making bunting for the Middleton Flower Festival celebrations at St Mary's Church. Knitting, crochet, quilting, dressmaking, sewing, rug making, needle felting, spinning and weaving - you name it and there's probably at least one expert volunteer who can set you away.

We are, however, looking for someone to show us elementary **tatting**. If you are out there please contact Margaret Dent on 01833 640763.



This beautiful Calico Garden piece was crafted by June Dent.

CAN YOU HELP?

Jam jar appeal

One of our crafters has requested donations of small jam jars. The size should be no larger than 350 grams and should not have contained vinegar preserves. The jars may be left at Carlbeck for collection. Many thanks.

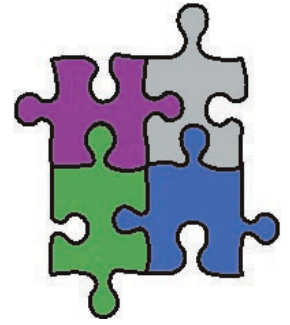
Easyfundraising.co.uk

Easy fundraising now stands at approx. £182 AT NO COST TO THE DONOR. This is such an easy way to support Carlbeck. Please sign up and use the easyfundraising route when you browse or buy on line. To date there are just nine people registered to donate. Imagine what we could do if another nine people joined them!

Carlbeck photos

We are looking for new photographs of the Carlbeck Centre to use on the coming summer and winter editions of the newsletter. If you have any existing ones or would like to take new ones over the coming seasons, please send them to Margaret Dent. It would be great to have a choice and we will, of course, give the talented photographers a name check and our grateful thanks.

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GROUPS FEATURE Spinning and Weaving

We continue to meet every Tuesday morning between 10am and 1pm and have recently welcomed a new member, Libby from Mickleton. Five of us went to Woolfest in Cockermouth in May - thanks Ruth for the chauffeuring - and had a great day, leaving with a big haul, of course. Some also went to Yarndale in Skipton.

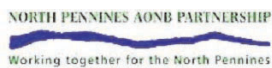
Ever adventurous, members have used all sorts of techniques to create items from a wide range of yarns, including rugs, mats, socks, jumpers and handwarmers. Some of these will be available at the Christmas Craft Fair. With the comforting whirr of spinning wheels (and occasional expletives when things go wrong..) we generally put the world to rights before we finish a session. Do please come and join us; everyone is welcome.



The Carlbeck Centre, Lunedale, Middleton-in-Teesdale, DL12 ONX

Approximately three miles from Middleton and Mickleton on the B6276, 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 by phone on 640 078 or email: laithkirk9.muriel@btinternet.com

Charity No:1115465

Committee Members:

Jane Wilkinson, Chair	640 840
Ruth Craggs, Vice Chair	640 408
Keith Roberts, Treasurer	641 575
Margaret Dent, Secretary/ Heritage	640 763

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Judith Carter Bookings secretary	640 078
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Julia Nelson	641 392
Helen Finnimore	640 471
Sid Wilkinson	640 840

Weekly:

Craft Group (general)
Sewing and Pattern adaptation
Spinning, Weaving & Dyeing
Pilates

Day/ time:

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

Contact person:

Mary Wilson
Penny Sunderland
Marie Wray
Laura Bailey
Teesdale Physio

Phone:

640 791
604 447
640 177
641 202

Twice a month:

Patchwork & Quilting

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

Pauline Stokoe

641 216

Monthly:

Teesdale Knitting & Crochet
Guild
Domino Drive
Embroidery

4th Saturday of month, 2 - 5pm
1st Wed from Sept-April 7.30pm
4th (and 5th) Wednesdays 10am - 3pm

Ruth Craggs
Margaret Dent

640 408
640 763

Please Note: Most groups are informal drop-in sessions and 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. The exception is Pilates which must be booked in advance. **Everyone is welcome.**