

CARLBECK CENTRE Winter 2018



WORKING TOGETHER

Our workshop programme has continued over the summer months and has proved very popular.

June ran a second machine sewn box session, a faster method and a popular alternative to the hand sewn fabric boxes previously seen at Carlbeck. Suitable for so many uses it's a fair bet some of them will be making an appearance on Christmas Day, either as attractive packaging or as a gift in their own right.

A new craft to Carlbeck this year was fabric painting, demonstrated beautifully by Margery. She introduced several different techniques which were taken up by a number of enthusiastic and artistic individuals. The decorated fabrics will end up as painted, beaded and quilted cushions or backgrounds for embroidered items.

Sadly the Calico Gardens workshop had to be cancelled due to illness but new dates have now been set. See 'Coming Up' for details.

Our pop-up thread catcher workshop was an instant hit! Not only did the participants produce a pretty, practical and portable item that used up their scraps but attending the session required them to purchase and consume a large tube of Pringles, as part of the tube was used in the construction. (Other suitable tubes may be available!)

Why



The ingenious thread catcher. open and closed



for up to 40 people. Self catering facilities are available and costs are very reasonable. The more people who use the centre, the more courses and events we can run, which will benefit everyone.

PLANNING AN EVENT?

Carlbeck as the venue if you are holding an event

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FUNDRAISING

A different way of fundraising came to Carlbeck in October with the holding of a Tropic skincare event. The very enjoyable morning gave folks a chance



to try out the products on offer while having a natter over coffee with friends. Tropic is a natural range of eco and vegan friendly skincare products which come with a 30 day money back guarantee, so everyone was happy to give them a go. Jennifer, our hostess, generously donated 15% of her sales to Carlbeck which, including refreshments, raised a wonderful funds. £126.15 for our Congratulations to Joyce Close for winning the raffle.

DONATIONS

volunteers for and Carlbeck. There are as many made plated supper. different types of support as there Calico Gardens is back with new second-hand books, to local charities.

www.easvfundraising.co.uk

COMING UP

Diaries out and make a note of these dates; we know you wouldn't want to miss out on any of the fun.

Carlbeck Christmas Craft Fair: Saturday 10 November, starting at 10am. This is your opportunity to browse a wide array of high quality original and individual crafts which make unique Christmas presents; while there you can also partake of the usual tasty home-made refreshments and do remember to buy a ticket for the super raffle which always includes crafts made at Carlbeck. Come along and sort out your Christmas present list early.



Dominoes have made a welcome return to Carlbeck for the winter months. Running from September until April, on the first Wednesday of each month, at 7.30pm, this friendly group come from a wide area to play. Everyone is invited to join in at a very A special thank you to all our users reasonable cost of £2.50 which supporting includes a score card and a freshly-

are users. For instance, we receive dates for the new year. After the numerous donations in kind, such as disappointment of having to cancel the unwanted last session in 2018 the following fabrics, sewing notions and materials dates have now been confirmed: and a large variety of crafting items. 21/22 March, 6/7 June, 26/27 We operate an honesty box for sales September. There will be stiff and purchasers contribute valuable competition for these workshops so sums towards funds. Any donated contact June Dent on 01833 640 763 items we cannot use are re-donated as soon as possible to reserve your place.

Don't forget you can also donate to 'Blooming Carlbeck' on Saturday 13 Carlbeck every time you shop on-line April 2019. Plans are afoot for an (well, almost every time!). Sign up afternoon of floral and culinary for easyfundraising and Carlbeck delights; an opportunity to brush up receives donations from the sellers. on your flower arranging skills while Our receipts from easyfundraising enjoying tea and cakes! Full details to currently stand at £294.21; can we come later so if you're not on the make £300 before Christmas? If you Carlbeck mailing list contact Margaret can help please sign up at Dent now to make sure you receive the information.

CARLBECK CENTRE Winter 2018 **GROUP NEWS**

Our Monday evening **dressmaking group** is growing. Five new members have joined and are working on a variety of exciting projects including a hand dyed linen dress and a satin jacket for a Cosplay party. (If like us you are a little unsure what Cosplay is, Wikipedia gives the definition as: a performance art in which participants called cosplayers wear self-made costumes and fashion accessories to represent a specific character.) Don't worry if you are new to dressmaking, Penny and others are on hand to help you get a professional fit and finish to your dressmaking project. The current project is to help members overcome their fear of overlockers - scarier than Halloween to some of them!

If you prefer to turn your hand to general **needlecraft projects** then come along to one of the





Monday or Wednesday sessions. These

are the perfect setting to chat and do your own thing, especially if you don't need help. As usual though, there is bound to be someone in the room

who will help you out if you hit a snaq. The Knitting & Crochet Guild runs on the first Saturday of each month. This is the ideal group for yarn lovers who enjoy creating wonderful objects knitting or crochet

with needles.

Details of all our groups can be found below.



CRAFT GROUPS AND LEISURE SESSIONS

New members are always welcome

Weekly Monday:	1.30-3.30pm General needlecrafts	Margaret Dent	640 763
Monday:	7.00-9.00pm Dressmaking, pattern adaptation & general crafts	Penny Sunderl	and 640 447
Tuesday:	10.00-1.00pm Spinning, weaving & dyeing & general wool crafts	Marie Wray	640 177
Tuesday:	7.00-8.00pm Pilates, please book directly with Teesdale Physiotherapy	Laura Bailey	641 202
Wednesday:	10.00-3.00pm Patchwork, quilting, embroidery, sewing machine skills & general crafts	June Dent	640 573
Monthly 1st Saturday:	2.00-5.00pm Knitting and Crochet Guild	Ruth Craggs	640 408

Please Note: All groups are informal drop-in sessions and by attending one week you are not making any commitment or signing up to every session. The groups 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, see details above. Everyone is welcome.

The Carlbeck Centre, Lunedale, Middleton-in-Teesdale, DL12 ONX Website: http://carlbeckcentre.org.uk Village Halls website: www.thevillagehalls.co.uk

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.

There is a regular programme of craft and leisure sessions, organised for and by the community; workshops are also arranged on a variety of subjects. Details of these can be obtained from the Secretary, Margaret Dent, on 01833 640 763. If you have an idea for a workshop that you would like to attend or perhaps you could pass on your own skill and knowledge to others through a workshop, please contact Margaret.

Bookings for the hall can be made with Judith Carter on 01833 640 078

Carlbeck Centre, Lunedale Charity No. 1115465

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