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## NOVEMBER 2023

### LINK HIGHLIGHTS THIS MONTH

Remembrance Sunday - see page 1 and 6      Community Orchard Planting - see page 1  
Affordable Christmas Fair - see page 5      Bonfire Bingo - see page 4  
Make and Mend and Community Wellness sessions - see page 5

### PARISH COUNCIL

Contact the Parish Clerk Gill Mason on 07882 949110 or email [catonparishcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:catonparishcouncil@gmail.com)

**Poors Land:** Grants Available In 1724, Edward Fincham left land to be used to benefit people in need living in this parish. The land is let out for grazing and fishing, and the proceeds are distributed annually by the Parish Council. These small grants are distributed every December, in time for Christmas. The amounts given are usually around £40-£50. Application forms are available from 1st November and have to be returned by 30th November. The forms may be collected from the Cottam Room at the Victoria Institute or obtained directly from the Parish Clerk.

**Footpaths and stiles** The kissing gate at the far end of the Greenway, which gives access to a footpath down to the Lune, has been replaced. We have now set up a working group of councillors and residents to look at maintaining and repairing stiles and footpaths. For information contact Ron Gibbons on 770002. We are trying to get action on resurfacing the heavily-used ginnel between Broadacre and Fell View.

**Greenway (the Millennium Way)** - we have now appointed a contractor to install the new benches and carry out other improvements to the Greenway. Lancashire County Council will also be working on hedge maintenance and tree-pruning over the winter.

**Hornby Road Car Park** We are getting prices for repainting the white lines in this car park.

**Next Parish Council meeting** Tuesday 14th November at 7pm in the Victoria Institute. Residents are welcome to attend meetings and may use the Open Forum at the start of every meeting to raise matters of local concern.

**Remembrance Sunday** Sunday 12th November. Church service at Caton Methodist Church starting at 10.15. Then across to the War Memorial. Please be in position for 10.55am. After the Last Post, Two-minutes Silence and Reveille from Whitehall, there will be a wreath-laying ceremony. Afterwards Brookhouse Community Church is kindly providing refreshments in the Victoria Institute.

### Fell View Play Park

The play hut with slide has now been removed. The Parish Council has applied for grants to help purchase and install a replacement with metal legs. Replacing rotting support timbers is high on our list too. We're still waiting for a date for the supply of fresh Cushionfall. The Parish Council is not happy with the grass cutting regime for the play park and for the Fell View playing field, and will cost getting more frequent and tidier cuts of these areas next year.

### FIRST SATURDAY LITTER PICK

A group of residents get together on the first Saturday of every month to pick up litter and tidy the villages. The meeting place is outside the Victoria Institute at 10am, weather permitting. You decide how much time and whereabouts in the village needs some attention. Half an hour or an hour can – and does – make such a difference. If you have seen an area which would benefit from a tidy up, or have any queries, please contact Judy Powell on 771154. Rubbish bags, bag holders, and litter pickers are provided, and it is a good idea to bring your own gloves. Hi-vis vests (various sizes) also available on request. Next session: Saturday 4th November.

### COMMUNITY ORCHARD- HELP NEEDED!

We have provisionally set Saturday 18th November as the day to plant the fruit and nut trees for the Caton and Brookhouse Community Orchard. This will depend on the trees arriving. We need volunteers, with spades, to help dig holes and plant the trees. There should be 11 trees altogether, some bigger than others, designated for Becksides and the square of land between Becksides and Roman Crescent.

As the date is provisional, if you would like to help (please!) send your contact details now to [growcaton@outlook.com](mailto:growcaton@outlook.com) or 770771, so we can contact you nearer the time to confirm exact dates/times.

**Baptist Church  
Artebeck Bridge**  
10.30am: Morning Service and  
Sunday School  
6.30pm: Evening Service

**Lune Valley Methodist Hub  
Formerly Brookhouse  
Methodist Church**  
Monthly services at  
10.30am and 7.00pm  
See BMC news for this month's  
dates

**Caton Methodist  
Brookhouse Road**  
10.30am: Morning Service and  
Junior Church

**Catholic Church  
Station Yard**  
Holy Mass Saturday at 6.00pm  
Holydays of Obligation Mass on  
eve of Holyday at 6.00pm

**St Paul's C of E Brookhouse**  
Sunday Communion Service at  
10.00am

All Age Worship, read and led  
by children: 1st Sunday of the  
month  
Sunday Club in the Church  
Hall, term time Sundays  
except 1st Sunday of month  
1st Wednesday of the month  
Holy Communion at 10.00am

**Brookhouse Community  
Church**  
held at the Victoria Institute  
10.45am: Morning Service &  
Junior Church

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In October we made sweet treats for our competition and, after judging on appearance, got to indulge ourselves and see if they tasted as good as they looked. We also held our annual general meeting with well-received reports from our treasurer, secretary and president before electing our new president. We had a super morning at our macrame workshop. Everyone learnt three types of knot and produced a plant hanger. See the pictures on our Facebook page. We also hosted a Macmillan coffee morning and, thanks to everyone who came, raised around £300.

Our next meeting is on the 2nd November, 7.30pm at the Victoria Institute. We will celebrate our 102nd birthday (!) and our speaker will be Diane Allen, author and manager of a book firm from Settle. Her writing reflects her love of the Yorkshire Dales and her talk is titled 'A Winter from the Dales' and is sure to be interesting.

Visitors are more than welcome to come to the meeting. We make sure you have someone to sit with and talk to and it's a great way to make friends with other women from the village and beyond.

### BURNS NIGHT 19th JANUARY 2024

The Twinning Group are pleased to announce that next year's Burns Night will be happening at the Victoria Institute at 7pm on Friday 19th January. Tickets are £25 per head and include a traditional haggis supper with dessert and a nip of whisky followed by a ceilidh with Caton Folk Band until midnight. Bring your own additional drinks. Tickets are limited, so don't miss your chance for a great evening! They are available from [tricia@marybankfarm.uk](mailto:tricia@marybankfarm.uk) This is our annual fundraiser for our Twinning activities. Next year our friends from Socx will be visiting us - do let us know if you'd like to be involved!

### CATON CRICKET CLUB – PLEA FOR HELP!

Were you, or someone you know, once a member of the Cricket Club? The quest is on to find anyone who knows the whereabouts of the Club's old score books. BTR Cricket Club in Leyland lost all of theirs in a fire and is in the process of recreating their sporting archives by copying from the records of other clubs in the area. However, the trail for Caton has gone cold... Can you help? If so, please contact Judy Powell on 771154 who will pass on any information.

### CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL. ST PETER'S CHURCH. QUERNMORE.

Friday 1st, Saturday 2nd and Sunday 3rd December. Open from 10am until 5pm on Friday and Saturday. On Sunday from 11am (After morning Service) until 5pm. Children from Caton Primary School will be singing carols on Friday afternoon. Come and visit our beautiful country Church lit up by Christmas Trees decorated by our generous sponsors. Refreshments available throughout opening times.

### OAK TREE CRAFTS

We are a group of Ladies who meet at the Victoria Institute on the **fourth Thursday of the month at 2pm to 4pm**. We try a variety of crafts, some with tutors, some taken by our members. Cost £2 per session, which includes Tea, Coffee and Biscuits. If you are interested in joining, come along and you would be most welcome or for more information contact Beryl by phone on 01524 770297.

### FRIENDSHIP CLUB FOR CATON AND BROOKHOUSE

The only fine day in a very wet week found us in York enjoying sightseeing and/or shopping after a scenic drive over the Yorkshire moors. On November 16th we are planning to visit Chester, another good chance to combine shopping and sightseeing.

We will be visiting Keswick on December 7th before heading to Grange for afternoon tea and we end our club year with Christmas lunch at the Station Hotel on December 21st. For further information on Friendship Club membership please contact Ally Whitfield on 01524 770827 / 07738 912923

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**AGM** The Victoria Institute Annual General Meeting will take place on Monday 13th November at 3:00pm in the Victoria room at the Institute. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

**REWIRE UPDATE** We are nearly there with raising the required funds, details are available on our website, further donations are still very welcome. The work is planned to take place April 2024

#### THIS MONTHS HIGHLIGHTED GROUPS

##### DANCE & FITNESS

LDS Theatre Arts Monday 2:30-7:00 & Tuesday 3:45-8:15

Lil Beatz Tuesday 4:00-5:15

JB School of Dance Thursday 4:00-6:00

Happy Mama Fitness Friday 9:30-12:00

Line Dancing Tuesday 10:30-12:00

Lune Valley Ocean Wavers Friday 7:15-10:15

Sequence Dance 2nd and last Saturday 7:00-10:00

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Special rates are available for extended functions, please see the Schedule of Charges on our website.

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**ARE YOU CONCERNED ABOUT FLOODING?** Floodsax are available for sale from the Victoria Institute. The cost is £30.00 for a pack of five. Please contact Peter for more information.

**EMERGENCY CENTRE** The Victoria Institute is our village's Emergency Centre. If there are problems such as flooding, long periods without mains water, or power cuts, the Victoria Institute will be staffed and you'll be able to get practical help and information.

**GET IN TOUCH** For all queries, including hiring the Victoria Institute please contact: - Peter Collins the Community Centre Manager at the Institute on 01524 771733

Office Hours; Monday & Wednesday 10:00am to 12:00 noon and 1:00 to 3:00pm Tuesday & Thursday 10:00am to 12:00 noon You can email us on: [admin@victoria-institute.org.uk](mailto:admin@victoria-institute.org.uk) Further information can be found at our website: [www.victoria-institute.org.uk](http://www.victoria-institute.org.uk) Follow us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/victoria.institute.caton/>

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### CATON ST PAUL'S C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL AND PRE-SCHOOL

We had a lovely open day on Tuesday 10th October and welcomed lots of prospective parents to school. Our Y6 children showed them round and also wrote down what they think about our school. Here are some of the quotes from our Y6 children:

"This school can give your child many opportunities: forest school and lots of different clubs. Teachers make lessons fun and engaging, especially in Diamond class."

"I love this school because of the friends I have made and the opportunities I have been given. We do forest schools, trips, and many more exciting things. If you go here, your child will be loved and looked after by everyone. I even realised I love tag rugby!"

"When I joined I made lots of friends. The school plans lots of trips out and in Y5 we go to Coniston and in Y6 we go to Edinburgh. We have great teachers who are loving and caring."

"Ever since I started at CSP I have made lots of friends along the way. The teachers are funny and make lessons exciting and we do lots of clubs and activities."

"Since I started at CSP there has been some fun and happy memories. There are amazing teachers, amazing trips and fun activities. We have lots of clubs, roles and more! This school is great and everyone is kind."

"I hope you like our school as much as I do. Here at Caton St Paul's we do a lot of fun things, such as sports, forest school and lots of exciting trips. I am in Year 6 now and from the start I have been loved and cared for by my friends and teachers. I know your child will be too."

If you would like a look round our school, or our Pre-school, please ring 01524 770241 to make an appointment.

### CATON PRIMARY SCHOOL

We are holding an **open afternoon on Tuesday, 31st October from 4pm to 6pm**. Visitors can explore the school at their leisure and at 5pm, our choir and school band will perform and our prefects will share their experiences of life at Caton Primary.

In September, Year 6 had a fantastic trip to France. They stayed in the heart of the beautiful French countryside where they were immersed in French language and culture. On their first full day, they visited the old town of Boulogne; explored Etaples military cemetery; and had extraordinary fun on the beach. On Day two, they enjoyed the sights of Bruges, taking a boat trip, visiting the sights and tasting Belgian fayre. A real highlight was the evening at the Menin Gate in Ypres where they took part in the Last Post Ceremony and laid a wreath on behalf of the whole school community. On the final day, the children put their language skills to the test with an exciting 'market mission' to buy ingredients to make lunch. In the afternoon, they visited a World War II bunker museum and evening snail tasting and a disco was a fitting end to a wonderful visit. After a calm ferry crossing back onto British soil, they arrived home rather tired but having grown so much as young people. They were excellent ambassadors, showing great respect, kindness, resilience and maturity throughout the week. We really could not be any prouder of them!

Year 3/4 enjoyed a trip to Abbeystead where they learnt about river creatures, camouflage and the countryside code, and last week, our youngest children were out and about around the village. They carried out geography fieldwork and learnt about the human and physical features around Caton. Thank you to all the local businesses who made the children feel so welcome.

On European Day of Languages, we celebrated the many diverse languages of our pupils. We discussed why it's a great thing to know other languages, learnt some new phrases, found out more about other cultures and then shared all our learning in a celebration assembly. Our international bake off competition was just fantastic and raised £100 for the Libya floods appeal. We also celebrated world mental health day, learning about how to look after our own mental health. We got physically active, learnt how to relax and made gratitude trees to remind ourselves that, although sometimes we can struggle, we have so many things to be grateful for.

Online safety has been a focus across school and the children shared their learning with parents at a special assembly where we also celebrated Harvest and collected a huge stack of food for the food bank. Thank you to everyone for their generous donations.

We welcomed Debbie and Abbie from NISCU and Alan from Caton Baptist Church to lead assemblies - the children love their visits. Thank you to them all.

**Our PTA Bonfire Bingo is on 9th November.** Eyes down at 6pm. Everyone is very welcome to join us. Our Christmas fair is on 7th December from 5pm to 7pm. Save the date!

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### CATON WITH LITTLEDALE COMMUNITY HUB

The hub meets from 2-4pm every first and third Saturday of the month at Lune Valley Methodist Church. The Hub was initially created to help support our Ukrainian guests and their hosts but has evolved to be a place for the whole community to come together, mix and chat in a safe warm space. It is a chance to get to meet others from the village and get to know your community. It is free and open to all and each session we have a different skill share, English classes for our Ukrainian guests, children's activities, coffee and cake.

The November hub sessions are:

**4th November: Make and Mend.** Members of the community including ladies from the WI will show you how to repair clothes, use your sewing machine (bring your own) and get you started with sewing skills. If you can sew and would like to share your experience or enjoy baking and would like to share your cakes/biscuits, this session is a showcase for people to share knowledge and to learn new skills.

**18th November: Community Wellness Day.** An afternoon to come and learn about different ways you can improve your emotional, financial and physical health. We have representatives from Green Rose CIC to give advice on how you can make home warmer whilst saving money. Age UK to share information about the variety of services they offer and how you can get support. We will also have stalls from Citizens Advice, Lancaster CVS and Lancaster County Council Community Connectors. Whether you want to get involved with volunteering, find out what clubs and events are available or just want to get general information this is a one stop information shop.  
If you have any skills to share or ideas for future sessions, please contact Fariha on 07738 930718.

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### WHAT'S ON AT CATON METHODIST CHAPEL

**Weekly Sunday Service** 10.30am. We will worship at Caton apart from 5th November when we will be at Brookhouse. Everyone is very Welcome.

**Saturday Soup** Saturday 11th November at the Lune Valley Methodist hub 12.30pm - £3.00 per person. Enjoy soup and homemade cakes with friends.

**Remembrance Service** Sunday 12th November 10:15am. Then at the war memorial for 11am. Refreshments afterwards at the institute.

**Crafts @ Caton** Thursday 30th November between 10-12pm. Bring your craft items and have a chat over coffee. Come and see/help with the latest crochet/knitting drop for December

**Bible Study Live** Fortnightly 7pm is held at The Lune Valley Methodist Hub, Wednesday 2nd and 22nd November (2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month).

If you would like to contact Rev Emma Holroyd: [Emma.holroyd@methodist.org.uk](mailto:Emma.holroyd@methodist.org.uk)

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We will be holding services as usual at 10am each Sunday in November, with an All Age Service on the first Sunday of the month. However, we will not be having a service on Sunday 12th November as we will be joining together with other churches to mark Remembrance Sunday.

**St Paul's Youth Group, SPY**, meets at the Vicarage, 153 Brookhouse Road, from 4pm every two weeks. This will be on 2nd, 16th and 30th November. Please contact Helen Scamman at vicar@stpaulscaton.org.uk for more information or look on the church website www.stpaulscaton.org.uk.

If you would like to get in touch about baptisms, weddings, funerals or anything else about life and faith, please get in touch with Rev Helen Scamman at vicar@stpaulscaton.org.uk or 01524770300.

### CHRISTMAS PASTORAL SERVICE FOR THE VILLAGE at ST PAUL'S CHURCH, BROOKHOUSE

Everyone is welcome to St Paul's Church for the Christmas Pastoral Service. This will take place on the 5th of December 2023 at 11am at St Paul's Church. There will be a short service, lasting approximately half an hour. Afterwards we hope you will stay for a chat and refreshments. The refreshments will be available in the Church Hall. We hope you will join us for this short time of reflection and fellowship.

### ST PAUL'S CHURCH BROOKHOUSE COFFEE MORNING

The next Coffee Morning will be at the Church Hall on the 1st of November at 10.30. The November Coffee Morning is in support of The Mother's Union Caravan, who as we know, help to provide holidays for disadvantaged families. As usual there will be a raffle, a quiz, as well as several stalls displaying a range of produce. The Coffee Morning gives people the opportunity to meet friends and neighbours for a chat. You are most welcome to join us for a coffee, tea or cold drink as well as biscuits. The October Coffee Morning was a great success and raised £116.30 for the MacMillan Nurses. Thanks go to everyone who supported this invaluable organisation.

### CATON BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor Alan Wandsworth - Tel 01524 771371 Church Website - catonbaptist.org More details on our website and Facebook page.

We continue to meet for worship on Sundays at 10.30am and 6.30pm. Sunday School during the morning service. We also have crèche facilities available during the morning service. Please also remember if you would like to know more about becoming a Christian and finding new hope in Jesus, or if you have any concerns and worries and would like prayer or a chat you can contact Alan on the above number.

**Ladies Meeting** - We are a friendly group of ladies who meet once a fortnight on a Wednesday afternoon at 2pm. Our speakers always bring a devotional message and we all enjoy a cup of tea, coffee and biscuits afterwards. All ladies from the village and further afield are welcome to join us and transport can be arranged if you require a lift. For any other enquiries or help with any matter phone Judith on 01524 770872. The speakers for November are - 1st Mrs Sue Clapham, 15th Susie Sheersby speaking about her work with CAP - Christians Against Poverty, 29th Les and Christine Kelsall. We look forward to seeing you.

On **Sunday 5th November** at 10.30am Caton Baptist Church will be having a visitor/guest service for those who have never been to church before or never been into our church. Do come along and find out about who we are and what we do. There will be biscuits and brews afterwards and a very warm welcome awaits you.

**Crafty Tots** is a fortnightly toddler group held in Caton Baptist Church. Sessions start at 9.30am until 10.30am and are open to pre-school children from the age of 18months+. Come and join us for crafts, stories and singing with a brew for the mums (and dads). The cost will be £2.50 per session. For more information or to book your child's place please email - catoncraftytots@gmail.com The dates for this month are 3rd and 17th.

**Advanced Notice LIVE NATIVITY** - Saturday 9th December. Come and explore the Christmas story as you are led through the busy market place of Bethlehem during the time of the census. Experience what it would have been like in Bethlehem 2000 years ago. The sights, the sounds, the smells and prepare to meet some surprising visitors! Live animals, food, carols and a Christmas message. We will have showings at 2.15pm, 3.00, 3.45, 4.30 and 5.15. Please arrive only 5 mins before each showing. No need to book! Open to all ages, entry is FREE.



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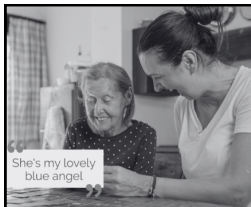
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**Hornby Pensioners Potato Pie Lunch** Tuesday 14th November. This event is not to be missed, it is a warming dish, ideal for the onset of winter, followed by a delicious dessert. The cost will be £9 per person, and must be booked in advance. Payment can be made to Kath Helme at the Institute on Tuesdays at 10am until 11am and Wednesdays from 10am until 12 noon.

### HORNBY DISTRICT RAMBLERS

NOVEMBER 11th – WALK -AGM – and lunch - COMMITTEE

Meet at Hornby Car Park to leave at 9-30 am prompt – Or at the parking area for the start of the walk. A contribution towards fuel costs if sharing £3 per person for the shorter distance £4 for a longer distance. No dogs are allowed on rambles. Phone Jenny Herd for details of walks 015242 21690.

### LUNESDALE PROBUS CLUB - HORNBY

Our first guest speaker on Monday 6th November will be Martin Cooper and his subject will be - Canals. A look at our industrial past and use in the leisure industry today

And on Monday 20th November we welcome Christine Workman to tell us about The Felt Hat Makers of the Lune valley. Our local village of Wary was one such village. The use of Mercury in felt manufacture had significant impacts upon the workforce.

Lunesdale Probus Club meetings are held on the first and third Monday of each month. Guests, friends and visitors are always welcome to join us at the Hornby Village Institute at 10.30 for coffee and chat before each meeting. No obligation to join - just come along and enjoy a nice social break from routine. For further details or any information on this or other Lunesdale Probus Club matters please contact - Roger Carter. Hon.Secretary; Lunesdale Probus Club. 015242 22283

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### CATON CHURCH SCOUT GROUP

Caton Church Scout Group is a youth organisation open to boys and girls! We meet at St. Paul's Church Hall.

**Beavers (ages 6-8) Tuesdays 6-7pm**

**Cubs (ages 8- 10 1/2) Tuesdays 7-8.30pm**

**Scouts (ages 10 1/2 to 14) Wednesdays 6.30-7.30pm**

Our young members regularly undertake activities such as soft archery, tomahawk throwing, camping, making s'mores, pioneering and work towards badges which help them to explore new subjects and learn new skills!

We are also looking for adult volunteers to join our fantastic team! There are a number of roles from leaders to trustees, fundraisers and occasional helpers!

Drop us an email for information or arrange a trial session: [catonchurchscoutgroup@gmail.com](mailto:catonchurchscoutgroup@gmail.com). Why not check out our Facebook page? <https://www.facebook.com/catonchurchscoutgroup>

### CATON CHURCH SCOUT GROUP CHRISTMAS FAIR

This year we are holding a Christmas Fair at St Paul's Church hall on Saturday 9th December 1-4pm, this is to help raise funds for a much needed equipment trailer and spread some Christmas cheer! There will be craft stalls, games, Tombola, raffle, teas & coffees and a special visitor for the children! We will also be selling real Christmas trees, available by pre-order! Contact us on the email above or visit our Facebook page for more information!

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**LVCS HORNBY SWIMMING POOL**

In October the LVCS Hornby Pool celebrated 5 years since it reopened as a community pool. Thanks to all the volunteers, sponsors, members, donors, staff and users who made it all possible. We celebrated with a great weekend of activities and sincerely thank you all for your support over the past quite challenging years

We are very pleased to acknowledge receipt of £17k of support funding from the Swimming Pool Sustainability Fund. This grant will be used to help meet the increased costs of utility and chemical charges. During November we are also due to receive further support from the Co-op Local Community Fund for which we are most grateful.

As we move into December we will be promoting our usual Christmas Raffle with great prizes and a super hamper. Raffle tickets are available from Hornby swimming pool reception. Over Christmas there will be family sessions, lane swims and the only days we will not be open will be the 24th, 25th 26th of December and 1st of January. Always best to check on our Facebook page for details.

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**CATON AND BROOKHOUSE GARDENING CLUB**

We had another good turnout for our October talk and all enjoyed hearing about what was going on with the Ingleborough rewilding project. Many thanks to Ellie Parker for coming all the way from Settle to give the presentation.

Now how about an evening with Alan Titchmarsh - well almost! Our November event is our DVD evening and as befits the coronation year - yes we had a coronation last May - we will be showing a DVD of the Highgrove garden, narrated by Alan. It is a lovely gentle film perfectly suitable for a November evening with friends. Do come along, members and non-members all welcome, on Thursday 9th November at 7pm in St Pauls Church Hall. Don't forget to bring your contributions to our decorated Christmas tree - hand made items with the theme of creatures 'beneficial' to the garden.

**CATON LEISURE CLUB**

The weekly 'Talks' in October were well received, with a number of new members taking advantage of paying their Annual Subscription of £5 on the day and having the 'Talk' free.

The November 'Talks' are as follows:

**6th November – Melinda Elda – Caton and the transatlantic Slave Trade**

**13th November – Colin Penny – King Henry the First**

**20th – Come and tell us which two things you would save, if the house was on fire, and why.**

**27th – Philip Rawsthorn – What did the Greeks do for us?**

The Christmas Party is to be held on the 4th of December this year. Format is to be the same as last year, except that this year we will be entertained by the 'Eversong Singers'. Names will be collected over the coming weeks at the weekly events, 'Talks' – Chair Exercises – and Bowls.

**Chair Exercises** continue on Monday mornings, 10am in the Victoria Institute. Whilst we have had a few new members in recent weeks there is still room for more. Come and join, you won't regret it.

**Indoor Mat Bowls** have got off to a good start and will continue each Wednesday through November, from 10.00 to 12.00 in the Victoria Institute. No need to apply, just turn up



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