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ABOUT LONG PRESTON**

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VIEW FROM THE VICARAGE

I'm very much, I think (as I've probably said before), a Child of the 70s. I can never remember which "Gen" this puts me in (X? Z? please let me know) but my life, and my outlook on the world, are just as much shaped by that tumultuous decade in world affairs as those fifteen or so years older than me were shaped by the so-called "Swinging Sixties." (In fact, serious social historians point out that, unless you were in a few select parts of Central London, there was, in fact, precious little "swinging" to be had for ordinary folk in Britain, but old TV and film cliches live on....)

But although I have my 70s memories of Slade (definitely Slade, for me, not T-Rex!), Abba, long hair and that extraordinary summer of 1976, whose drought put our more recent water shortages into context, I really remember the 1970s for the economic woe and social turmoil that seemed never-ending. Wars and oppression across the world, with brutal terrorist acts by the IRA a constant threat in our own land; protests- often violent, especially in London- against immigration and its effects; public life crippled by strikes, seemingly impotent politicians of all parties and soundbites that echoed the general sense of hopelessness. "Crisis? What crisis?", as Prime Minister James Callaghan didn't actually say, but certainly implied, early in 1979.

And if you're sensing that I'm making a comparison between those memories of my middle-childhood and the state of the world right now, then you'd be quite right. This isn't just about a rather bleak form of nostalgia, though; many commentators (again across the political spectrum) are comparing Britain in 2025 to the Britain of fifty years ago, and wondering how we get out of our current problems.

But that act of comparison, in itself, points I think to a sense of hope that Christians- and indeed others- could and should have, despite all that's going on. Because, despite real fears at the time, Britain didn't collapse into anarchy and revolution in the 1970's, neither did Britain find herself taken over by seriously extreme political parties. Some may point, in explanation, to changing political and economic circumstances in the years that followed, but I prefer to highlight the fundamental goodness of so many ordinary folks that didn't let challenging circumstances get them completely down. A desire to keep our neighbourhoods peaceful, even if they weren't any longer prosperous; a continuing commitment to helping the genuinely poor and needy and a deeply inbuilt resistance to violence as a political action. These, I think, were the qualities that made the difference. And, of course, they're qualities deeply rooted in our Christian heritage, even if most of those who practiced them weren't traditional churchgoers. Can we call on the same things once more in 2025?

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Coffee & Cake Afternoon for anyone 50 and over



Good Coffee
is a pleasure. ☕
Good Friends
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The next one will be on Thursday 23rd October

Speaker :- TBA

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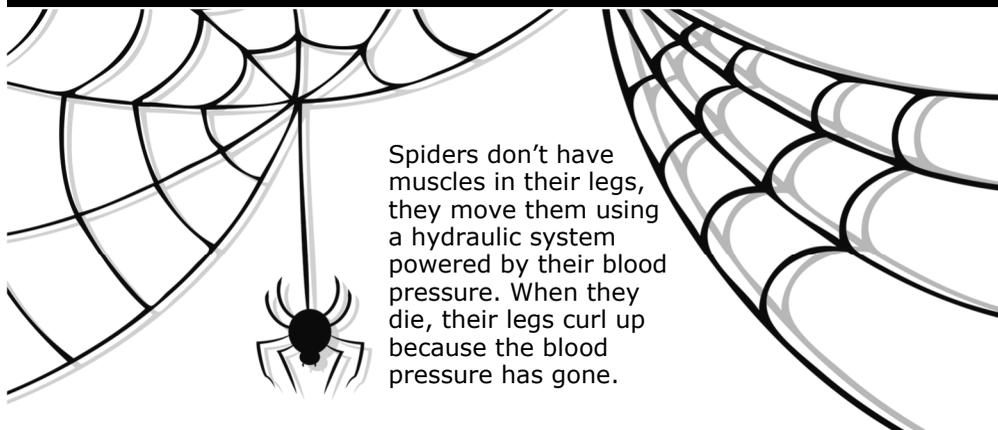
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And, finishing with another note of hopefulness- the 1976 drought eventually ended rapidly in September with thunderstorms and a very damp autumn. As good old Slade sang in their best-known song (written to try and cheer up Britain in a miserable winter 3 years earlier): "Look to the future now - It's only just begun!"

Any questions? Please contact Revd James Rodley on 01729-851709 or jwerodley@yahoo.co.uk

DID YOU KNOW ?



Spiders don't have muscles in their legs, they move them using a hydraulic system powered by their blood pressure. When they die, their legs curl up because the blood pressure has gone.

LANGCLIFFE SINGERS NEW SEASON

Langcliffe Singers have just started their new season for 2025-2026, and there are several delights in store!

This term's programme kicks off with what is becoming a lovely tradition – joining with Giggleswick School Chapel Choir to sing Faure's *Requiem* and other items for Remembrance-tide in a Remembrance Day concert in the glorious school Chapel.

For the Christmas concert on 13th December they are performing Alexander L'Estrange's *Wassail!*, a sequence of choral arrangements of uplifting traditional carols, accompanied by jazz musicians, and hopefully some children from local schools.

The choir rehearse in St John's Methodist Church Hall in Settle from 7.30pm to 9.30pm on Tuesdays during term time. New members are always very welcome. You can turn up on a Tuesday evening or email secretary@langcliffesingers.org.uk in advance, and can attend three rehearsals before committing to membership.

LONG PRESTON PLAYING FIELDS



***Long Preston Playing
Fields Committee
Events Fundraising
Calendar 2025***

**Sunday 5th October
LP Village Duck Race @ The Beck**

**Sunday 26th October
Halloween Party @ The Village Hall**

**Wed 26th & Thursday 27th November
Christmas Wreath Making Night**

**Sunday 7th December
LP Village Light Switch On**

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28.08.25 – Suspect persons – West End Railway bridge – checked in order
06.09.25 – Suspect circumstances – Door to door sellers – area searched no gain
07.09.25 – Road Related offence – Tractors & trailer carrying persons – A65
13.09.25 – RTC – 2 Vehicle – Main Street

Crime Prevention

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Sometimes, as a result of what we are dealing with, we have to deliver the worst possible news to loved ones, and this made much harder when the news of someone's tragedy has already been shared or insinuated on social media posts. Imagine reading something about a loved one on social media before you have been told by the correct and specially trained person?

We are usually blessed with fantastic people who pull together and help at scenes of accidents and tragedies with all aspects of what we are dealing with, and we are hugely grateful for this help and support - thank you.

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Kind Regards

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LONG PRESTON WI



Members of Long Preston WI enjoyed an entertaining evening when Hazarah demonstrated her belly dancing skills. She invited us to join her on the floor for a masterclass in belly dancing techniques which have their origins in the ancient folk traditions of upper Egypt. She also brought along some beautiful costumes and headgear and talked about the history of the Middle East. It was a most enjoyable evening and something very different.

New members would be made very welcome. We meet on the second Wednesday of the month in the village hall at 7.30pm. Our 2026 programme is very varied and something for everyone.

Give us a whirl! Sheila Grant

NORTH CRAVEN FLOWER CLUB



At our September meeting, we welcomed our own member Susan Fairhurst, who is also a demonstrator doing demonstrations all over the country including Scotland. Her demonstration was entitled 'From Steptoe's Yard' and it soon became apparent how she had come to use this title. Susan obviously likes old things. Not really antiques (well only by age definition) which she has collected over the years and incorporates them into her arrangements. Not only did she do some wonderful arrangements, but she chatted about her life as a child being brought up on a farm. Some of the items she used, were an old cart horse collar (see picture below), a cast iron seat from an old tractor, a porcelain slipper pan and a French bidet! This resembled a baby's bath on wooden legs but much smaller. Ideal for sitting an arrangement in!



You can just see the horse's collar at the back of the arrangement. Susan used an oasis block and into this she had inserted pieces of ivy, fern and chocolate coloured heuchera leaves.

She then added some yellow Celosia (new to me, common name Cockscomb flower which describes it perfectly!). other flowers were pink calla lilies and pink berried hypericum.

Our next meeting will be our 50th Anniversary lunch in October followed by our AGM on 6th November in Hellifield Village Hall starting at 2pm. To end the afternoon there will be a quiz and tea and cakes.

North Craven Flower Club

Let's Get Festive

*Floral demonstration presented by
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Vanessa Wellock

**on Thursday, 13th November 2025 at 7.30 pm
Gargrave Village Hall, BD23 3PT**

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Christmas sales table and raffle

Doors open 6.30pm

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**Services start at 10.30am unless stated.
Everyone is most welcome!!**

Preachers:-

October

5th October :- Mrs Angela Walls (R)

12th October :- Rev Tim Perkins (sacrament)

19th October :- Mrs Rachel Coombes

26th October :- Harvest Songs of Praise - Come & have a Bacon Butty/ Toasted T-Cake & sing some of your favourite harvest hymns.

No Sermon, just hymns & a chat, Coffee & Breakfast or Cake.

Come & give it a try. Everyone Welcome 10.30 as usual.

Hymn requests to Annette 840096 by 18th October please.

November

2nd November :- Rev Stephen Dawes

9th November :- Remembrance Sunday

Cenotaph at 10.45am followed by laying of the Wreaths and then a Service at the Methodist Chapel. Preacher Rev Susan McIvor.

For Pastoral Support, Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals please contact:- Rev Susan McIvor on 07938 711263 or by email: ministerskiptonandgrassington@gmail.com

Methodist Church Diary October 2025

Monday **Little Footsteps Group** 10 – 11.30am (Term time only) A free under 5's group for Mums/Dads/ Grandparents - Come and find out what it is all about. Drop in, stay for a play, listen to a story & sing some rhymes/songs, have a coffee and chat. Everyone welcome.

No Group on Monday 27th October – half term.

Monday **Warm Space/ Lunch Club** restarts 6th October see p15

Tuesday **Strong & Steady** 1.30pm – 3pm, run by Jo Wulf (qualified instructor). Gentle chair based exercises to improve your strength, balance & co-ordination, making you stronger, more confident & more independent. Each session is followed by coffee & biscuits. A Free minibus is available to pick you up & return you to your door. £5 per session. Tel 840096 to book your transport. Come on why not give it a try.

Supported by Long Preston Helping Hands Community Group & Age UK North Craven.

The next **Community Cafe** will be on Thursday 2nd October at 1.30pm – 3.30pm. Come & enjoy homemade cake & coffee or tea in a warm, cosy & safe environment. An opportunity for everyone who needs the support of a friend/partner or to get out of the house, have a change of scenery, meet new people, choose from a variety of activities. Free car park. Everyone welcome.

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Warm Space/Monday Lunch Club Restarts Monday 6th October



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Every Monday lunchtime from 1pm – 2pm at Long Preston Methodist Chapel. Come and enjoy a 2 course meal provided for only £3, followed by a cup of tea / coffee. Cottage Pie & peas followed by Apple Crumble and Custard. Keeping warm, enjoying good company, stay as long as you like! Takeaways are available too!
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The Eyes on the Skies campaign speaks up about the continued illegal killing of birds of prey in the Yorkshire Dales - one of the UK's black spots for this criminal activity.

The online launch, starting at **5:30pm on 21 October**, offers a chance to:

- Learn about the vital role birds of prey play in the Yorkshire Dales ecosystem.
- Hear from leading experts about the scale and impact of their persecution.

Find out the ways in which you can speak up for birds of prey and support the campaign.

Everyone is welcome to sign up and join this free event at:
www.friendsofthedales.org.uk/events

Friends of the Dales is a registered charity set up in 1981 which works to protect and enhance the Yorkshire Dales and encourages everyone, from all backgrounds, to value and enjoy this special area. We are the only membership and campaigning charity for the Dales!

Our campaigning work is driven by our policies which are created by our volunteer Policy & Planning Committee made up of trustees and other experts.

We campaign on a wide range of environmental and social issues that affect the biodiversity and landscape of the Dales and the wellbeing of local communities. We continue to actively campaign and lobby for sustainable transport since setting up **Dalebuss** (run by our social enterprise company Dales & Bowland CIC) in 2007. Other notable campaigns have included raising awareness nationally and locally of the toxic legacy of planting trees with plastic guards and the importance of adapting cutting regimes on rural verges to allow wildflowers to proliferate.

To find out more, join us, or sign up to our enews visit:

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LONG PRESTON VILLAGE HALL 200 CLUB



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200 Club Membership Application Form - only £15 per year

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Members of the 200 club must be over 18 years old to join and complete an application form with full payment for each number for the full 12 months. No application, allocation of number/s or prize money will be paid out to those that have not paid the £15 annual fee in full, your number will simply not be entered in the draw.

Application forms can be found in the village hall, outside post office and by request from info@longprestonvillagehall@gmail.com / 07760472194 All you need to do is decide how many numbers you want, complete the application form and hand it back with your subscription, to Michelle (see contact details on form), your numbers will then be allocated to you.

You will receive confirmation of your number/s and the winners will be posted monthly in the Parish Magazine. The draw will take place at the monthly Committee Meeting and winners will receive their prize soon afterwards.

We start the first draw of new year in October 2025, giving us time to sell and allocate numbers in September. ALL APPLICATIONS SHOULD BE RETURNED BEFORE END OF MONTH TO BE ADDED TO THE NEXT MONTH DRAW.

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MEARBECK STATION



These photographs on the left and below were taken when the railway station at Mearbeck was being demolished in 1971, just a year before the demolition of Long Preston station.

What we see now at this site on the A65, is Settle Junction Signal Box where the substantial Mearbeck station once stood.

The section of the railway line that goes through Long Preston and passes Mearbeck, was built by the Little North Western Railway Company and opened for goods traffic on the 30th July 1849 and for passengers two days later. The route was later taken over by the Midland Railway and expanded to form part of the Settle to Carlisle Railway which opened in 1876.



Thomas Brayshaw, the owner of Mearbeck Estate in 1849, granted permission for the line to pass over his land on condition that a station was built for his use.

In 1851, John Preston inherited Mearbeck Estate on the death of Thomas Brayshaw.



Above is Long Preston Signal Box in 1971 and below left, Derek Soames who was the last signalman at this Signal Box. He is handling a goat, presumably to be transported by train – all part of the job!

Below right, Number 46122 "Royal Ulster Rifleman" passing Long Preston Signal Box, photographed on 5th May 1956.



EXCERPT FROM LEEDS MERCURY

dated 23rd October 1860.

FATAL ACCIDENT TO A LADY. --- On Wednesday evening, 17th instant, a distressing accident occurred at the Long Preston Station, on the North Western Railway, by which Miss Alice Procter, of Close House, near Settle, a middle aged lady, respectably connected, lost her life. Miss Procter and an older sister, on the above mentioned day, went by rail to Long Preston to pay a bridal visit to a nephew there, recently married. --- In the evening both returned to Long Preston with the intention of travelling home by the train due at that station at 7.33. A female servant of their nephew (Mr. Procter) accompanied them to the station, and perceiving a train in the distance, while on their road thither, they fancied it was their train, and made to catch it. To save time they did not, as is usual for passengers, first go up on the platform on the side of the rails on which the station-house stands, and then across the rails, but after having got into the station yard, they crossed a nearer point, which is not properly fenced. In crossing, Miss Elizabeth Procter and the servant went first, the latter calling out to the deceased lady "Do be quick, Miss Alice," as the train was just at hand. Miss Alice, however, whilst just about stepping upon the platform was knocked down upon the rails, some portion of her dress having, as is supposed, first been caught by the buffer on the connecting rods of the engine attached to the train, which turned out to be an express luggage train, travelling at the rate of 20 to 25 miles per hour, without stopping at the Long Preston Station. As soon as the train had passed, Miss Alice was found missing, and the assistance of the station-master having been procured, she was immediately discovered lying on the rails quite dead. From the injuries received death must have been instantaneous. --- The inquest was held on Friday, when a verdict of "Accidental death" was returned. An official from Derby was present on the part of the Company. The station-master and another witness stated in evidence that they did not hear any whistling from the engine of the train by which the deceased was killed; and the servant who accompanied them to the station stated positively that there was nothing of the kind. It transpired also that the accident happened at 7.15, whereas the luggage train was due at Long Preston at 6.41, and could not have been far in advance of the passenger train for which it was mistaken. There is, moreover, it was said, a great want of better accommodation at the station and the protection to passengers and the public is far from what

it ought to be. One of the jury remarked that he himself had witnessed three or four very narrow escapes. The platform on each side of the rails is very short, and it often happens that passengers in leaving a train have to jump out at a place apart from the platform where there is a steep embankment insufficiently protected, and thus they expose themselves to great danger. The station yard, moreover, is not fenced off as it ought to be from the rails, or this accident would not have occurred. These facts were strongly commented upon by the jury, whose recommendation that better accommodation and protection be afforded the gentleman from Derby promised should have proper attention.

GARGRAVE ART EXHIBITION



Thank You from Gargrave Art Exhibition Committee

Thank you to everyone from Long Preston and the surrounding area who supported the exhibition either as an artist or visitor. Over 1000 visitors came to see 300 artworks created by 133 artists of all ages.

Shelley Sheridan from Winterburn won the People’s Favourite with her incredible oil and acrylic painting: Break Free (pictured). Shelley began drawing and then painting during the pandemic and portrays her great love of animals and the local landscape in her work. We look forward to welcoming back Shelley with an extended portfolio of artwork next year. As you can see below the dates for next year are already booked in and we look forward to seeing everyone there too.

Gargrave Art Exhibition 2026 Thursday 9 - Sunday 12 July

CRAVEN WILDLIFE RESCUE FUNDRAISER

Craven Wildlife Rescue is inviting applications for three new Trustees in the run-up to a very exciting chapter in its development.

“We care for nearly 500 animals each year,” says **Penny Hunt, Co-founder**. “Our patients are varied and beautiful - owls, hedgehogs, swans, otters, birds of prey, to name a few.

“We’ve developed our animal care facilities within the rescue hospital and expanded the network of agencies, mentors and experts that we work with. We need to expand our facilities, whether at our current site or elsewhere, and there’s a huge opportunity for us to expand our education activities. We are inviting new Trustees onto our Board to help us achieve our vision for the future.”

Craven Wildlife Rescue is looking for Trustees with the following areas of expertise:

- Veterinary practice or animal care
- Events organisation and fundraising
- Business and legal
- Architecture
- Technology



In July, Patrick Grant, best-known for his role as a judge on hit BBC One show *The Great British Sewing Bee*, was appointed the Rescue’s first Patron. Interested applicants should send a covering letter and details of their experience to the Board of Trustees, by email - cravenwildliferescue@gmail.com. The closing date is Friday 31 October 2025.



NORTH CRAVEN FLOWER CLUB

North Craven Flower Club meet on the 2nd Thursday of the month at Hellifield Village Hall, 1 Main Road, Hellifield, Skipton, North Yorks. BD23 4HT (next to the Black Horse pub). We meet at 2:00pm and for further information contact Liz 01729 840331.

North Craven Flower Club was started in 1975 by Mr W Askew and a small number of ladies after a local flower arranging class came to an end. They very quickly formed a committee and have been meeting ever since. We meet every month except August and have demonstrators, workshops, visits to gardens and nurseries. We hold an Open Evening each November when tickets can be purchased to enjoy a festive themed demonstration. We have over the years taken part in many flower festivals raising money for local churches and charities.

Next Meeting:

10 th October	Workshop - A Harvest Basket
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VILLAGE HALL 200 CLUB

September 2025 Draw

1st	124	Shiela Goodall	£25
2nd	3	Maggie Pedder	£15
3rd	102	Jean Cook	£10

MAYPOLE MUSIC SESSIONS

May I introduce you to a new music session at the Maypole in Long Preston.

This music session involves all musicians and singers of all ages joining together to share songs and tunes. There is no pressure to play or sing. You can join in by coming to listen and having a drink or a meal. There is no entrance fee. All ages and abilities welcome.

The sessions are on alternating Thursday afternoons from 1.30pm to 3.30pm. The dates for your diary are: 2nd, 16th, 30th October.

Be lovely to see you there.

Frank Birkett

ST MARY'S CHURCH SERVICES

All services start at 11am unless otherwise stated.

Date	Preacher	Service	Reading	Theme
5 th Oct	Holy Communion	Revd James Rodley	2 Timothy 1: 1 -14, Luke 17: 5-10	How do we increase our faith?
12 th Oct	Informal Service	Revd James Rodley and others	Philippians 4: 4 -9, John 6: 25-35	Harvest Festival
19 th Oct	Holy Communion	Revd James Rodley	2 Timothy 3: 14- 4:5 , Luke 18: 1-8	God's justice
26 th Oct	Holy Communion	Revd Ian Greenhalgh	2 Timothy 4.6- 8, 16-18, Luke 18: 9-14	Humility before God
2 nd Nov	Morning Prayer	Mrs Janet Wood	Ephesians 1.11 -end, Luke 6:20-31	"All Saints"

On Sunday 9th November (Remembrance Sunday) the act of Remembrance on Maypole Green (gather from 10.45am) will be followed by a service in Long Preston Methodist Church at 11.15am

All are welcome to our twice-monthly service of Holy Communion according to the traditional Book of Common Prayer. This will be at 11am on Thursdays 9th and 23rd October. We use the centuries-old words to offer up the needs of our village in prayer; this quiet and reflective service lasts around 45 minutes.

Don't forget you can always check our services on the noticeboards in the porch and lych gate, or find us on Facebook (Hellifield and Long Preston Parish

Churches) and send us a message, or email Carol Slinn ,
c.slinn19@googlemail.com

HARVEST FESTIVAL AT ST MARY'S CHURCH

Please do join us for our Harvest Festival service, at **11am on Sunday 12th October.**

This is part of our new series of regular informal services on the second Sunday of each month. We'll sing traditional Harvest hymns, some songs with piano and guitar, and have a chance to reflect on what a Harvest Festival means today.

Our regular worship continues every Sunday at 11am in our lovely church. *contact Revd James Rodley on 01729-851709 or jwerodley@yahoo.co.uk*

IT HAPPENED IN OCTOBER..

04.10.1911	Britain's first escalator opens at London's Earls Court.
07.10.1920	Women become eligible for admission as full members at Oxford University and can take degrees.
09.10.1967	Transport Minister introduces the breathalyser, enabling a person's blood alcohol concentration to be tested at the roadside.
12.10.1984	IRA terrorist bomb kills 4 people at the Grand Hotel, Brighton, Sussex.
16.10.1902	England's first prison for Young Offenders is opened at Borstal in Kent.
17.10.1860	First professional Golf Tournament is played at Prestwick in Western Scotland.
21.10.1805	Admiral Nelson is mortally wounded at the Battle of Trafalgar.
22.10.1957	Children's cartoon Captain Pugwash makes his television debut.
26.10.1863	Formation of the English Football Association who document the first rules.
30.10.1925	The first television transmission of a moving image is made by Scottish inventor John Logie Baird.

PET OF THE MONTH

Meet your 4-legged residents of Long Preston. It's an idea popular with other parish magazines. If you would like your pet to be featured, please contact me.

jeanmworthington66@gmail.com

07877992364

Introducing October's pet Elgar.

Lives with Judy, the 2 cats before him were named Beethoven and Mozart, not surprising given their humans musical talent and career in music.

Elgar loves nothing more than sleeping on Judy's bed, is not keen on the cold and rain, she is unhappy having the flea and tic treatment and much preferred the flea collar but sadly can't have one anymore. Life used to be so simple.

Elgar is the self-appointed mouser for the area, strange as she only eats fish cat food) Also neighbourhood watch from the window. You can often find her passing the time outside the bungalow with Houdini and Henrietta, hens that frequently escape their garden a few doors away.



FUTURE EVENTS

These are the future deadline dates for the magazine please let us have your events and articles for the Magazine by email:

e-mail: editorial.long.preston.pmag@gmail.com

Issue	Copy date deadline	Events from	Events too
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December 25/January26	17/11/2025	01/12/2025	16/02/2026

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VILLAGE HALL DIARY OCTOBER

October	Event	Time
Thurs 2 nd	Parish Council Meeting (Methodist Church)	19:30
Wed 8 th	WI	19.30-22:00
Thurs 9 th	Age Uk luncheon club	12:30-15:00
Sat 11th	Churchyard Mowers Coffee Morning	10:00-12:00
Thurs 23 rd	Coffee and Cake	13.30-15.30
Friday 24th	Halloween Party— Playing Fields Cttee	Afternoon

Weekly Activities

Day	Activity	Time	Contact
Monday	Baby Group Messy Monkeys	9:00-12:30 term time only	amandabelt@icloud.com
Tuesday	Art Class	10:00– 12:00	Tim (07850947278)
	Rainbows, Brownies/ Guides	18:00 onwards	Term time only
Wednesday	Pilates	9:30 to 10:30 ; 10:45 to 11.45	Susie (07712131980)
Thursday	Art Class	10:00–12:00	Paul (07708042648)
Friday	Pilates	9:30-10:30	Susie (07712131980)
	Boogie Babes	10:45–11.45 term time only	sophie@boogiebabes.biz



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Women's Institute	Elaine Simpson - President 07989 912482	2nd Weds Village Hall 7:30pm New members always welcome.
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