

Charnock Richard Chronicle



The Bowling Green is currently undergoing some major work. Originally a Coaching Inn, with a Blacksmith outside, it would have been the centre of village life and is one of the oldest Inns in Lancashire.

Here are a couple of pictures of it in the past; outside around 1900 and the interior from the 1950's

The Magazine of Christ Church Charnock Richard

August 2016

FROM THE EDITOR

Hi Everyone,

As I write this I am getting ready for my annual holiday in Cala Santanyi. I hope you all have a lovely summer and hope the sun makes some appearances!

Family life is as busy as ever and we have now acquired some chickens! I'm still a little unsure about my new feathery friends! Paul and Roxanne think they are wonderful especially when they are chasing after me round the garden! Apparently, they are just being friendly as Paul reliably informs me but I'm still doubtful!

In July, it was time for me to say goodbye to some wonderful Pre-School children and their families. Many of these children and families have been with Pre-School for many years and it was sad to say goodbye to them. The families have been exceptionally supportive of the Pre-School and I really will miss them all.

I would also like to say thanks again to all the local businesses including the Hinds Head, Bevonair and Pole Green Nurseries that have donated raffle prizes to Pre-School this year, your support is really appreciated and helps to boost funds for new resources as Pre-School is a registered charity and operates not for profit.

Once again, thank you to everyone who has sent in articles and letters. If you have an article, letter or advert that you would like me to include in the next chronicle please e-mail CharnockRichardChronicle@gmail.com by 20th September.

Please remember when providing dates for future events, that the Chronicle needs to be edited, printed and then distributed, so please allow for this as often people receive the Chronicle after events have taken place. One suggestion is to use the Chronicle to report on things that have happened and publicise events at least two or three months in advance.

If there is anything you would like to see in the Chronicle then let me know.

Until next time

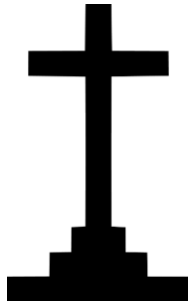
Gillian Leadbetter

Chronicle Deadline Dates

A reminder to everyone wanting to contribute, as we will not always remind everyone individually every time, that articles for the Chronicle are required to be e-mailed to charnockrichardchronicle@gmail.com by the 20th of each of the following months every year:

- January
- March
- May
- July
- September
- November

Church Services at Christ Church Charnock Richard



The pattern of services for August and September 2016 will be as follows, except where noted below:

Sunday

9.00am Holy Eucharist Said...Common Worship Order One Traditional Language

10.30am Parish Eucharist - Common Worship

Thursday

10.00am Holy Eucharist (1662) Said in the Alms-houses Chapel

Friday 23rd September 2016

7.30pm Evening Prayer in the Almshouses Chapel to commemorate the anniversary of Frances Darlington

The Frances Darlington Charity

We have a vacancy at the Frances Darlington Alms-houses. The bathroom has been upgraded, a new kitchen has been installed and the property has been decorated throughout. If you are interested in becoming a resident of this one-bedroomed property, which is set in private grounds.

Please contact Margaret Stewart on 01257 792692 / 792536 / 795665.

FROM FATHER ANDREW

My dear friends

Last month our Associate Priest, The Revd. Angela, wrote about her calling to full time ministry and her appointment as a Team Vicar in the Manchester Diocese. This is a period of immense change for The Revd. Angela as she resigns from her long standing job with the NHS at Preston Hospital, she prepares to move from a family home to a house which is a public facility - a vicarage - and also adapts from part time ministry in a very controlled environment to something which will probably occupy more hours than she can ever imagine at the moment. So we wish her well and offer our prayers for her last service at Charnock Richard on Sunday 18 September.

Whatever clergy do, it is never about an individual human being and that means The Revd. Angela's departure will have a much wider impact with consequences for the parishes of Charnock Richard and Eccleston. Of course, there is an opportunity when circumstances change to review what and how we do things, and it is possible to end up with something more suited to our needs. At the moment we are considering how the four services across the two parishes can be resourced with me as the only available priest. This is not an interregnum for either parish with the result the Archdeacon has been quite clear retired clergy cannot be used to cover services because it necessary to have an active priest present at each Sunday service: at the moment that means me.


Therefore, the church wardens from Eccleston and Charnock Richard met with The Ven. Mark Ireland, Archdeacon on Blackburn to discuss how the service pattern may have to change to meet the new situation. Currently, at Charnock Richard there is a 09:00 Said Eucharist and a 10:30 Parish Eucharist; this pattern is replicated at Eccleston at 08:00 and 10:00. Therefore, the Archdeacon suggested one of the parishes should drop a service to make the travelling viable. The early service in both parishes have a roughly similar congregation in terms of numbers but Eccleston is more than twice the size as is the financial contribution to the Diocese and Eccleston pays 75 per cent of the clergy costs for the two parishes.

The first Sunday that the services have to be covered by only one priest will be 25 September, therefore a revised service pattern will have to be in place from that date.

Your PCC will soon be considering what needs to be done and will have to do this against the background that any change in either parish will not be convenient for everyone. However, there are very few realistic and practical alternatives. There is one very important point of which we should be mindful: any reduction in regular attendance will jeopardise our viability in the future. Any service will come under scrutiny if number are not sustained and consistent in the medium term.

As many people begin their summer holidays, I hope you have a good, refreshing and relaxing break. In September we will be facing some serious issues about our future: please pray for the two parishes and please consider how your personal pattern of attendance will affect the future stability.

Every blessing


Fr. Andrew

CHURCH

THE MISSION STATEMENT OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

“In the power of the Holy Spirit, and strengthened by daily prayer and bible study, we will be faithful communicants and by active witness, fellowship and service in the community, we will strive to help forward the Kingdom of God”

THE POWER OF PRAYER

We are often asked to include in our prayers people who are anxious and awaiting tests, people who are about to have surgery, and people who have been diagnosed with life-threatening illnesses. One or two of us thought it might be helpful to tell you about some of those for whom our prayers have been asked so that we might know a little more about them.

If you would like us to include an update on the progress some of these have made, so that it can be shared, please contact Margaret Stewart

THE DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION TO THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND AT HOME

The Bishop has granted permission to five people in our Parish to distribute Holy Communion in Church, in the Chapel and in the home.

If you know of someone, who would like to receive Holy Communion at home, please contact either Margaret Stewart (01257 792692) or Jean Heaps (01257 793034).

KERBS

The kerbs around the gravestones, in the Churchyard, make the maintenance of the Churchyard so much harder and so much more time-consuming. Mowers and strimmers cannot operate between the kerbs. We feel the Churchyard looks much more well-kept when the kerbs are removed.

If you have a grave with kerbs in the Churchyard please consider asking us to remove them. If enough people agreed to this we could raise up the low areas with soil to create a beautiful well-kept lawned Churchyard.

Please consider our request. We would also like to remind everyone that the use of weed killer in the Churchyard is forbidden. Thank you.

VICARAGE

As the vicarage is let out to private tenants please ensure all correspondence intended for the Vicar, Churchwardens, or Parochial Church Council is left at the Church, or given to the Churchwardens, or any member of the Parochial Church Council.

CHURCHYARD MONUMENTS

It is the responsibility of the Parochial Church Council to maintain a safe graveyard. Over the years, sometimes not so many years, monuments become loose. It is the responsibility of families to ensure that their monument is safe and secure. We urge you to check your monument and if there is any movement please instruct someone to make it safe.

The Parochial Church Council decided that if any are found unsafe steps will have to be taken to lay them flat. We do not want to have to do this, but safety in the graveyard is of paramount importance and we will have to do what is necessary.

THE BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

Please take a look at the Book of Remembrance which can be found at the front of the Church. If any of you would like the names of your loved ones recorded in this book, then please give their names and date of death in writing to the Wardens.

ITEMS FOR SALE

We have some items for sale:

- Booklets about the Church, its Windows and Memorials – £1.50
- Pens – £1.00
- Glasses engraved with the Church – £1.00
- Tea towels – £2.50
- Booklet “The Battles of the Somme, 1916” – £1.50
- Torch Key rings – £3.50
- Small note-pads – £1.50
- Postcards of Charnock Richard

We have been given some postcards depicting four different landmarks of Charnock Richard. We are offering these for sale at 25p each.

If you would like to purchase any of these please contact Jean Heaps 01257 793034 or Margaret Stewart 01257 792692.

“THE DEAR ONE”...THE DIARIES OF JAMES DARLINGTON

We have been extremely fortunate to gain access to the diaries of James Darlington who built our Church one hundred and fifty years ago. “The Dear One” the story of James and Frances Darlington as told in James Darlington’s diaries, is now available at a cost of £9.50.

If you would like to purchase any of these please contact Margaret Stewart 01257 792692 / 792536 / 795665.

PARISH REGISTERS

Holy Baptism

29th May 2016

George James Billington

11th June 2016

Ewan Thomas Richardson

10th July 2016

Olivia Lucia McCormick

17th July 2016

Emily Jane Watson

24th July 2016

Sophia Rose Ellison

31st July 2016

Scarlett Alice Heyes

Holy Matrimony

9th July 2016

Robert Derek Heaps and Sophie Maria Armstrong

Funerals

8th July 2016

Funeral of Sylvia Worthington. Died 26th June 2016 aged 78 years. Funeral service in Church followed by cremation at Charnock Richard Crematorium.

12th July 2016

Interment of Ashes of Jean Margaret Moran. Died 23rd June 2016 aged 86 years. Funeral service and cremation at Charnock Richard Crematorium.

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In thanksgiving for the Holy Baptism of George James Billingham. From Ian & Rachael Billingham. £50.00

In loving memory of Edith Scott.
From Doris & George Haydock. £10.00

In thanksgiving for the Holy Baptism of Ewan Thomas Richardson. From his parents Michael & Melissa. £50.00

From Mr & Mrs Blaney. £100.00

In memory of Sylvia Worthington, a dear friend and neighbour. From Barry & Vera. £20.00

In thanksgiving-Stroke anniversary.
From J.A.Ericson. £30.00

Treasured memories of my lovely husband Peter.
From Audrey Storm. £100.00

In thanksgiving for the Holy Baptism of Olivia Lucia McCormick. From Noel & Katrina. £200.00

In thanksgiving for the Holy Baptism of our granddaughter Emily Jane Watson.
From Jean & Martin Horan. £30.00

RESTORATION FUND

Donations in memory of Joan Morris.

John & Pam. £10.00

Paula Butterworth. £20.00

Sophie Cartwright. £10.00

Elsie Blackburn. £20.00

Tom, John, Andrew and families. £300.00

Catherine Waundby. £10.00

Herbert & Mary Dunderdale. £25.00

Sheila Buckley. £50.00

Margaret & Malcolm Stewart. £25.00

RESTORATION FUND

Anonymous. £30.00

In loving memory of Ada & Tom Baybutt
From Ann Cook (nee Baybutt) and family
£20.00

In memory of Nellie Rylance:

From Tom & Rosemary Rylance and family.
£250.00

From Helen Hill £250.00

From Mr & Mrs. J.Marsh £20.00

From Mr & Mrs. D.Melling £20.00

From Mr & Mrs. D.Williams £100.00

From Eliose Wann £30.00

From Mr & Mrs. D.Davenport £25.00

From Anne Halwood £10.00

From Mr & Mrs.D.Medley £50.00

From Mr & Mrs.C.Talbot £20.00

In affectionate remembrance of Mrs.
Rylance.From Sue & John Ashton £20.00

In loving memory of Nellie Rylance
From John Ericson £25.00

From Mrs B. Sibley £20.00

From Mr.G.E. Ashall £20.00

Anonymous. £10.00

From John C. Winstanley £100.00

In memory of 'Grandma' Rylance
From Mr & Mrs. S.B. Dugdale. £25.00

ORGAN FUND

None received

GRAVEYARD FUND

None received

If you are a taxpayer please consider joining the gift aid scheme. For every £1 you give we can reclaim an extra 28p from the Inland Revenue. If you contribute to the Church by standing order or the envelope scheme you only need to complete one simple form.

However, if you are used to placing cash on the plate and you are a taxpayer then please use and complete one of the envelopes in the pews (or at the back of the Church).

If you need any help please ask us, your support in this matter is very much appreciated.

FLOWERS IN CHURCH

29th May 2016

Happy birthday memories of Sam

from Eleanor

5th June 2016

In loving memory of John and Ian Cornwell

from Ilene and family

19th June 2016

Treasured memories of our Son, Clive Barlow on his 5th anniversary

from Joyce and Bob

Loving birthday memories of Sam

from Eleanor

26th June 2016

Anniversary memories of Kenneth and Eileen Anne, from Molly and family

In thanksgiving for the Blessing of a Marriage and the Renewal of Vows

from David and Helen Blaney

24th July 2016

In memory of Family and Loved Ones

from Jean, Ken and Alan

CHURCH FLOWER ROTA

Phyl Hind and her team have arranged the Church flowers for quite a few years now, and in the not too distant future Phyl will be relinquishing this role. If you would like to take on this position or help in any way, or if you need further information please contact Phyl Hind or Margaret Stewart.

DIARY DATES

CLASSIC VEHICLE SHOW SATURDAY and SUNDAY 10th and 11th SEPTEMBER 2016

The Classic Vehicle Show will be held again this year during the annual Scarecrow Festival. We are inviting exhibits of cars, tractors, trucks, motor cycles etc. It will be held in the field across from the Church by kind permission of Ray Witts. Applicants will need to register their vehicles and application forms are available from Malcolm Stewart on 01257 792692 / 792536 / 795665 or malcolmstewart@btconnect.com

We are also inviting trade stands to enter the event. Please contact Margaret Stewart on 01257 792692 / 792536 / 795665 or margaretstewart@btconnect.com

Refreshments will be available in Church during the weekend.

PAUL CARTER'S RICH FRUIT CAKE

Paul Carter has made and donated a 20inch rich fruit cake decorated with the Charnock Richard Coat of Arms.

We are asking people to guess the weight of the cake at £1 a try and the winner will receive a voucher as their prize. The cake will be cut up and sold over the Scarecrow Festival weekend, the proceeds will be divided between the Church and the Community Centre Trust. The cake can be seen in Church where you can guess the weight. Make sure you buy a piece at the Scarecrow Festival, it will be well matured!

REVEREND ANGELA WYNNE

As most of you will be aware, Reverend Angela Wynne is leaving us shortly to take up the post of Priest-in-Charge at St. Katharine, Blackrod and Assistant Curate of the Daisy Hill, Westhoughton, and Wingates Team. We will be very sorry to see her go, but we do wish Angela well and we hope and pray she will enjoy a most rewarding ministry there. Angela's last service with us is on 18th September 2016. We do hope many of you will join us to wish her farewell. This new appointment is the start of the next part of life's journey for both Angela and Peter as they leave their home in Freemans Lane for completely new pastures.

THE END OF AN ERA

The end of July marks the end of an era for the Heaton family. Thomas will be able to throw away his alarm clock, enjoy a little bit longer in bed and eat a leisurely breakfast with Julie, something he has been unable to do apart from at holiday times.

The Heaton family has delivered milk to our family for 53 years. When our family moved to Charnock Richard in 1963 to the Bungalow Café on Preston Road our milk was delivered in metal milk churns. The milk was then transferred into stainless steel buckets. Thomas remembers delivering the milk as a little boy and struggling with the milk churns.

The Bungalow Café was very busy in those days, open 7 days each week, open from 6am until 7pm. The café was used by HGV drivers, workmen from the Electricity Board, contractors and Sales representatives. Our family also provided accommodation for HGV drivers, many from Scotland, and contractors, some of whom worked on the new motorway service station, before the M6 motorway opened. We also accommodated 2 or 3 local individuals, one arriving when his wife evicted him from their home! She did actually turn up to see him a few months later, to take him home again!

Retirement will be a big change for Thomas. We would like to thank him for his wonderful Service over the years, delivering our milk whatever the weather. We wish Thomas and Julie a long and happy retirement, perhaps they will be able to spend a bit more time at the gym... this was Thomas's suggestion!

Margaret Stewart

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CHARNOCK RICHARD COMMUNITY CENTRE TRUST

DONATIONS RECEIVED

The following donations have been received:

Tubes of Smarties:

Sandra Norris	£8.80
Jean Unsworth	£12.20
Jack Edwards	£10.00
Elayne Piwowar	£13.00
John Ericson	£33.00
Jean Whalley	£13.00
Margaret Callaghan	£10.00
Aileen Sutton	£10.00
Jean Bury	£12.00
Marion Nash	£12.20
Ilene Cornwell	£12.25
Linda Cottam	£12.20

Charnock Richard Brass	£501.00	proceeds of their concert "The Best of British"
Anne Nickeas	£10.00	in lieu of tickets

I would like to thank everyone who is collecting 20 pence pieces and donating them to us in the Smartie tubes. If any of you would like a tube of Smarties in return for filling the empty packet with 20 pence pieces, please contact me. All proceeds will be paid into the Restoration Account of Charnock Richard Community Centre Trust.

Since the last Chronicle, two companies and one individual are now contributing to the Restoration Account by a regular standing order. If any of you would like to make a regular donation by standing order from your bank please contact me, I will give you the details.

Charnock Richard Brass presented "The Best of British" in Church on Friday, 15th July 2016. It was an excellent concert and all the proceeds were given to Charnock Richard Community Centre Trust. I would like to thank Gayle and all the members of the Band for playing their part in our fundraising.

I would like to thank Lee Swales for repairing a gate and gate-post, and replacing another gate-post, on the railings on the Church Lane side of the Old School. We are also greatly indebted to Paul Carter and his helpers for rubbing down and painting all the railings. This is an arduous task, but the end result looks really good. Thank you all so much.

Over the school holidays, we have authorised work to be undertaken on the chimneys and parts of the roof of the Old School and Old School House. In the autumn, we intend to replace the large windows at each end of the main hall.

On behalf of all our trustees, I would like to thank everyone who is supporting us, we really do appreciate your help. I am sure your on-going support will make a real difference when we make our grant applications. If anyone else could undertake any fundraising activity on our behalf, we will be extremely grateful.

These important Grade II Listed buildings are vital for the role they play in our community. Help us to make a real difference. Thank you.

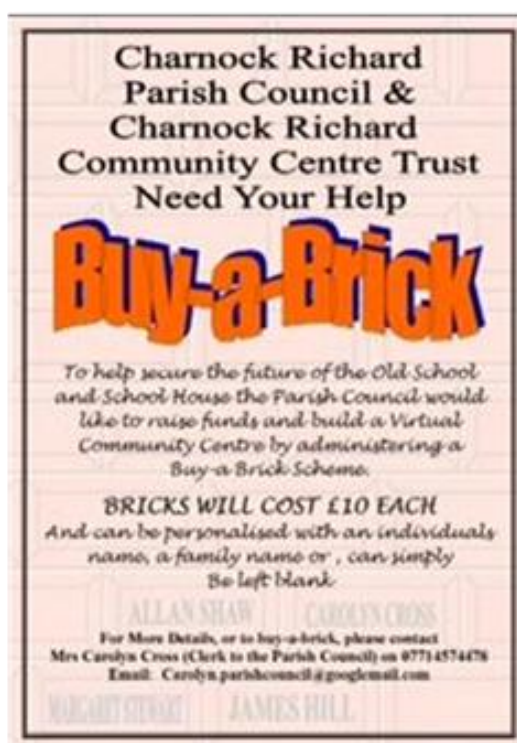
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BOOK "THERE IS JOHN BULL TO ANSWER YET"

Richard Sills, the great-grandson of James Darlington, has given us some books written by his grandmother Agnes Sills, formerly Agnes Darlington. In the book, "There is John Bull to answer yet", Agnes tells us about life in the Darlington family when she was young.

If you would like to purchase a copy of the book at a cost of £7.50 please contact Margaret Stewart 01257 792692 / 792536. All proceeds will go to the Charnock Richard Community Centre Trust.

Margaret Stewart
Vice-Chairman Charnock Richard Community Centre Trust



CHARNOCK RICHARD WOMENS GROUP

June's meeting was again a scorcher as we packed into a minibus to Preston's Charter Theatre. We were surprised to find that the audience was almost all women as the content of the play explored the relationships which can develop amongst a group of women with a similar interest and how those relationships change when challenged by the difficulties we all can face from time to time. The play was set in a pole dance class and explored how the group developed to support one of their number when they developed breast cancer. We all enjoyed the performance and found it to be quite funny.

July's gathering was changed at the last minute as we were let down by the speaker. Linda was quiz master for our version of Family fortunes. A very enjoyable evening even though it was unexpected.

Hope to see you all in August,

Lynda

Dates for your diary

September 6 th	Make do and mend with Alice and Trish
October 6 th	How to care for heirlooms
November 3 rd	Jossie Morris Chocolates
December 1 st	Party night with Jacobs join (we all bring an item of food for the buffet for those who don't know)

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PRE-SCHOOL

This final term at Pre-school has been a time of enormous growth. Our children have grown and flourished and our pre-school age children are leaving to continue their lifelong learning journeys in foundation stage classes at our local primary schools. There are 17 children moving onto Christ Church Charnock Richard Primary School, with 6 going further afield. We wish our leaving children luck and success in their move to school and we look forward to welcoming a whole host of new children in the Autumn term.



Thank you to PC Prescott from Chorley Police Station for visiting on 18th July to talk to the children about Road Safety.

Many thanks to all the parents, past parents, individuals and businesses that have continued to support preschool, preschool is very grateful for all the continued support and donations received, the Pre-School is a registered charity and donations are always appreciated.

We'd also like to thank Paul Carter for volunteering to paint the railings, Paul managed to recruit some helpers so many thanks to Ralph Heyes, Harold Heaton and Chris McCormick and any others for helping too.

The pre-school has a team of eight highly experienced and professionally qualified staff including a qualified teacher. The pre-school provides **FREE CHILDCARE**, 15 hours a week for all children aged 3 and 4 and eligible 2 year olds.

The Pre-School is open daily 7:45am to 5:00pm with breakfast club for Christ Church School children from 7:45am to 8:45am providing a healthy nutritional breakfast.

For further information please visit, telephone us or have a look at our website www.charnockrichardpreschool.co.uk



The Children enjoying their weekly football session with Kieron and Jake from Football 1st Academy.

CHRIST CHURCH CHARNOCK RICHARD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Year 6 – our last year at school

Year 6 are saying goodbye to Christ Church Charnock Richard CofE Primary School with mixed emotions; sad to leave but excited about the next chapter on their learning journey.

While working hard in preparation for their SATs, the children have had an extremely busy year, culminating in their end of year trip to Patterdale.



Children, and staff, enjoyed taking part in a variety of activities, including climbing, kayaking, gorge walking, orienteering and team building activities. The children relished a 5 mile walk along Ullswater followed by canoeing back to Patterdale, where they enjoyed a well-deserved ice-cream.



Now on to their next adventure everyone wishes them good luck.

Year 6, Mrs Calvert, Mrs Alderton

CHARNOCK RICHARD SCOUT GROUP

Group Scout Leaders Update

Your scout group has had a fantastic year with each section continuing to grow in numbers through the year and now there are more young people involved in Scouting in the village than ever before.

Below you will find a short summary from each of the sections of all the exciting activities that the Young People have been involved in.



In addition to the individual section activities we joined together as group for fantastic Christmas camp last December (stopping in the lodges at Waddecarr - near Beacon Fell). The Young people really loved getting involved lots of activities and crafts (the changeable weather just made everything more exciting) and included a "Charnock's got talent" event on the Saturday evening. Costs of the camp were assisted by fund raising at Bonfire where the group sold hotdogs, coffee, tea etc. Thank you to everyone for supporting this event.

The group attended the St Georges Day parade on Astley Park along with the rest of Chorley District scouts. A good time was had, despite it probably being the wettest St Georges day parade I can remember.

Recently we had a great evening at the Scout HQ on Charter Lane where the Young People and their families were all invited for a BBQ (this time the rain stayed away!)

A brief note about future events: As part of the Scarecrow Festival, the group will be selling refreshments on Sunday 11th September. We plan to use these funds as a contribution to a Group Camp we will be holding at Waddecarr on 23rd to 25th September for all the sections to attend.

Of course none of this would be possible without the support of a fantastic team of volunteers who make all this possible. **So a BIG THANK YOU to ALL the Section Leaders, Assistant Section Leaders, Section Assistants, Occasional Helpers, Young Leaders and supporters for your help over the last year.**

On this subject, earlier this year I was particularly pleased to learn that Darrell (our scout Leader) had been awarded the **Chief Scouts Commendation for Good Service**, which is regarded as the Chief Scout's recognition of the very real contribution made to the Association by the individual concerned. Many congratulations to Darrell for this well deserved award.

Kerry Houghton
Group Scout Leader

Beavers (Age 6 to 8 Years old)

2016 saw the 30th Birthday of Beavers and we joined in (see photo) with over 150 Beavers from the Chorley District at Bibby's Farm for a muddy day of activities, party cake and our favourite s'mores.

Over the year we have met our goal of 3 Challenge Award badges (My Skills, World and Outdoors) and add to that many more Activity badges including a Space one – doing lots of Tim Peake themed activities!

Recently we went to the local Jubilee Woodlands earning a Hikes Away and Explore badge. From September we will welcome even more new Beavers to our group (over 20 in total). Long may the fun, mud and adventures continue!

Cubs (Age 8 to 10 1/2 years old)

2016 marks the 100th anniversary of the Cub Scout movement (originally called Wolf cubs). The section continues to go from strength to strength with numbers of Cub scouts at Charnock Richard reaching 23 Young people,

Cubs have had a busy year and we have achieved the "Our World" and "Teamwork" Challenge Badges and well as numerous activity badges including First Aid, Disability Awareness, Home Help, and Home Safety badges.

The pack visited Tesco as part of its "Farm to Fork" Incentive getting a behind the scenes tour of the store and learning where food comes from and how it gets to the shelves.

As part of the learning about the community the pack visited the Alms houses in the village where Margaret gave a very interesting talk on its history.

In May the Cubs had a very exciting talk from the Police, who talked about Personal safety, the role of the police as well as a demonstration of the various pieces of kit the Police use. The cubs even got to sit in the police car (and switched on the blue lights and sound the siren – great fun).

The cub pack visited Waddecarr camp site (on a County adventure day) and the Rock and River activity Centre where everyone had a great time participating in lots of activities including archery, shooting, canoeing, climbing and "High Ropes activities" (crate stacking or balance beam).



Scouts (Age 10 1/2 to 14 years old)

In June last year Scouts did a "wild camp " at Bowley Scout camp. During the camp they took part in backwoods cooking, axe throwing, and " I'm a Scout get me out of here " which included a "bush tucker trial" with real (safe to eat) bugs, and "stuff ".

Our troop won the best troop trophy, and the prize of a day out at Blackpool water centre, and a trip to the panto, followed of course by a chippy supper.

This year saw the scouts take part in a very wet St Georges day parade.

The scouts have completed their Chefs Badge, (no mean feat with only one burner to a team, and having to produce two dishes). They have also completed the Creative, and team challenges which is two challenges on the way to Chief Scouts Gold Award.

One of our scouts, Tom, achieved his Chief Scouts Gold award and, whilst he has now moved on from the Scout section, he returned to help us a Young Leader.

We do have room for any young person (Male or Female) to join us. We meet on Mondays, 7.15-8.45, at the Scout hut on Charter Lane, Charnock Richard.

Could YOU be part of this adventure?

Everyone has skills that can contribute to the Group, whether that be inspiring young people, or helping at events and camps, or with the administration and running of a section or group.

Your involvement can be as much or as little as you want, whether it is every week, or once a month or just at camps/activities your help and support will be valued and appreciated (and for a number of roles there is no requirement to be in uniform if you don't want to)

If you can only commit to help for the next year or so (maybe you are going to college etc) then you can still volunteer and we will be happy for your support when you can give.

Our approach focuses on what you want to get out of volunteering with Scouts, while respecting how much time you can offer. Over 90% of Scout volunteers say that their skills and experiences have been useful in their work or personal life (and volunteering looks great on your CV).

If you want to discuss further contact me (contact details are on the contact section of the Chronicle), I look forward to hearing from you soon....

Kerry



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Gillian Leadbetter

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SCARECROW FESTIVAL

**Saturday and Sunday
10 and 11 September 2016**



The Scarecrow Festival, this year, will take place on the weekend of 10 and 11 September and once again provides an opportunity for local groups to raise much needed funds.

Once again free parking is available on the field opposite the Church and

we thank Ray Witts for this, on this same field during the weekend the vintage vehicle display will also be there for all to see.



There will be things to do and refreshments available throughout the village

- Church – refreshments in the Church including cakes and Organ recitals throughout the weekend
- Pre-School – Lower Burgh Meadow Conservation Group will have Bee friendly plants for sale and will have fun games to take part in, Pre-School will have cakes for sale
- School – Barbeque, drinks, bring and buy stalls, cakes
- Scout Hut – drinks and cakes
- School Field – fairground rides
- Football Club will be open during the weekend for refreshments and might have cakes
- Cakes will be available

All I ask is that, once again in this 10th year for the Scarecrow Festival, you get creative and make a Scarecrow display.

If you want to make a display but have nowhere to put it, or want to display a Scarecrow but cannot make one please let me know and something will be arranged.

If you can offer some help over the weekend, or in advance, then please let me know, we need a committee to help arrange things and our numbers are dwindling.



For more details, or if you can offer to help, contact:
Paul Leadbetter – 07926 089450 / 01257 795152 / chair.scarecrow@gmail.com

NOTES FROM COUNCILLOR LEADBETTER

Telephone 07926 089450 e-mail paul.leadbetter@chorley.gov.uk

As Gill mentioned in her introduction we are getting ready for a break in the sunshine (hopefully), when we return I will catch up on what I can but expect the Taylor Wimpey, Charter Lane, planning application will be scheduled for a Development Control Committee and the Story Homes proposals for Camelot may be better defined.



Taylor Wimpey – Charter Lane



The planning application 16/00510/OUTMAJ is now available to read online www.chorley.gov.uk/planning and many people have made comments.

Comments can be made up to the day before it is presented to the Development Control Committee which I think will be on 13 September.

Please take some time to comment on the application, it isn't, as many think, a done-deal; our comments are taken into consideration.

This is a site that is not in the Chorley Local Plan, is not a small scale development and is certainly not infill and it does not, in my opinion, meet a local need. I will be registering to speak at the Development Control Committee when the decision is to be made.

Chorley and South Ribble A&E

On 18 April Chorley A&E was downgraded to an urgent care facility which is available from 8am to 8pm daily. The reason for the closure was due to a shortage of middle grade doctors and the inability, of the Lancashire Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, to staff the rotas resulting in an unacceptable risk to patient safety.



It was suggested that the A&E would be reinstated in August however a statement, made on 3 August, stated that the urgent care facility would continue to April 2017 meaning that the A&E will not be reopening until then at the earliest.

Some faith had been put in the members of the Hospital Trust that they would manage to employ the doctors needed but it appears they cannot.

I have written to Jeremy Hunt MP, the Secretary of State for Health, asking that he intervene and provide help to the Trust as the members of the trust are struggling to attract the talent needed to run their hospital. Whilst this is a NHS Trust management problem, I believe the Secretary of State has some responsibility, and certainly the authority, to step in on behalf of the people of Chorley and Lancashire, I await a response and hope something can be done.

If there is anything I can help you with then, as ever, please remember, you can call me anytime 07926 089450, or 01257 795152 or e-mail paul.leadbetter@chorley.gov.uk

CHARNOCK RICHARD FOOTBALL CLUB

www.charnockrichardfc.co.uk



Home fixtures for August:

Sat 6th August	k/o 3.00pm	Reserves vs Standish St Wilfred's (Friendly)
Sat 6th August	k/o 2.30pm	Academy vs Bamber Bridge Academy (Friendly)
Thurs 11th August	k/o 7.30pm	Academy vs St Helens Town U21's (Friendly)
Sat 13th August	k/o 3.00pm	1st Team vs Alsager Town
Mon 15th August	k/o 8.00pm	Reserves vs Workington Reserves
Tues 23rd August	k/o 7.45pm	1st Team vs Carlisle City
Sat 27th August	k/o 3.00pm	1st Team vs St Helens Town
Tues 30th August	k/o 7.45pm	Reserves vs Colne Reserves
Sat 3rd Sept	k/o 3.00pm	1st Team vs Chadderton

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KEVIN HUTCHINSON – GREAT MANCHESTER SWIM

Congratulations go to Kevin Hutchinson who, in bib number 3881, took part in and completed the Great Manchester Swim.

On 2 July Kevin joined around 2,000 swimmers, of all ages and abilities, and took on the Great Manchester Swim - a one-mile, dock-to-dock, open water swimming challenge - at MediaCityUK in Salford.

The Great Manchester Swim is part of Great Swim which is the biggest open water swimming series in Europe, in which around 20,000 swimmers will compete in five events around the UK this year.

Kevin finished 1,112th, about half way on the leader board, in a time of 44 minutes and 04 seconds and kindly donated £70 of his sponsor money to Pre-School.



Kevin's Finish Certificate – The picture is not of Kevin!

VILLAGE CONTACT LIST

SCOUTS		PRE-SCHOOL AND BREAKFAST CLUB	
Monday 7:00pm Scout and Guide HQ	01257 792423	Monday to Friday 7.45am to 5.00pm in the Old School	
Contact Kerry Houghton		Contact Gillian Leadbetter	07944 217699
CUBS		CRAFT CLUB	
Thursday 6:45pm Scout and Guide HQ	01257 792423	Mrs A Sutton	01257 792464
Contact Kerry Houghton		Mrs B Willis	01257 793494
BEAVERS		MOTO-X CLUB	
Thursday 5:30pm Scout and Guide HQ	01257 793423	Tuesdays 8:30pm at Football Club	
Contact Kerry Houghton		RAMBLING CLUB	
GUIDES		Contact Mr R Barlow	01257 793126
Wednesday 7:00pm Scout and Guide HQ		OLD SCHOOL / PARISH ROOMS	
Contact Carol Foster	07837 252266	Available for meetings and parties	
Cr.guides@hotmail.com		Contact Mrs P Pate	01257 791407
BROWNIES		MOTHERS UNION	
Wednesday 6:30pm Old School	07725 973324	3 rd Thursday in the Football Club 2:00pm – 4:00pm	
Contact Claire Wade	01257 793332	Enrolling Member Mrs C Pilling	01257 794325
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Tuesday 5:30pm Scout and Guide HQ		PARISH COUNCIL: Your local voice	
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Open to all 2 nd Wednesday 10:00am		Contact Head Teacher – Mrs H Brooks	01257 791490
Scout and Guide Headquarters			
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