

ANNUAL REPORT FOR PARISH COUNCIL – 2014-2015

2014

At Easter we had the usual egg decorating competition and cake stall, (thank you to all who baked) For the children there were crafts, hunt the bug and name the bunny, and a “Guess the weight of the cake” competition for all. A magnificent cake made by Louise Straughan was raffled and helped raised the profits by a marvellous £52.00. The children also received an Easter Egg each. The total raised was £109.50.

In May a Darts and Dominoes night was arranged. This was not well attended but was enjoyed by those present.

Amazingly, the sun shone again for our barbeque in July! Sixty-eight people came along and had a great time pulling strings for bottles, spotting the ball, hurling balls at coconuts, playing golf, partaking in the raffle and taking part in the quiz, as well as enjoying the sunshine and the barbeque food prepared by Stephen Scott and Jason Short. A magnificent total of £279.38 was raised.

In September we held another Ridsdale Bake-off. Congratulations to mother and daughter Karen and Jenny Hamilton who won the trophies. Although this was not as well attended as last year £52.17 was raised.

In October 16 ladies of the village enjoyed a Greek night. Laurel wreaths were worn and the table decorated with Doric columns and Greek Muses meticulously crafted by Steve Carrington. A delicious meal was provided by Liz and her staff and thanks to a small charge added to the ticket price and a very well supported raffle, £101.00 was raised.

At Halloween, children dressed to scare those of us who stayed at home, threatened tricks if not given treats and as well as receiving lots of goodies raised £12.00 for the Fund.

December was busy as usual. The pantomime, Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs this year, was as enjoyable as ever. The Seniors had a very pleasant evening with a lovely Christmas meal. The Christmas Eve gathering, with mince pies and mulled wine, was a great success and thanks to the many generous donations of raffle prizes and purchases of raffle tickets, the Fund gained £139.20. At their Christmas party the Juniors had a good time playing games and enjoying a disco and karaoke and as is tradition, Santa Claus, on his way back to the North Pole, called in with presents for all.

2015

In January we held our AGM. We had asked residents in the village to partake in a survey asking for suggestions for events for the coming year and also asking for people to come onto the committee or be helpers we could call on if necessary. We had a better turnout at the meeting than in previous years and formed a committee of eight and a list of 14 helpers. Sooz Wealands was elected as Secretary and Dot Carrington as Treasurer. As no-one wished to be Chair Sooz and Dot will share that role.

Proposed events for this year are: an Italian night, BBQ, Clairvoyant evening, Summer trip, and a stall at the Corsenside Leek Show.

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