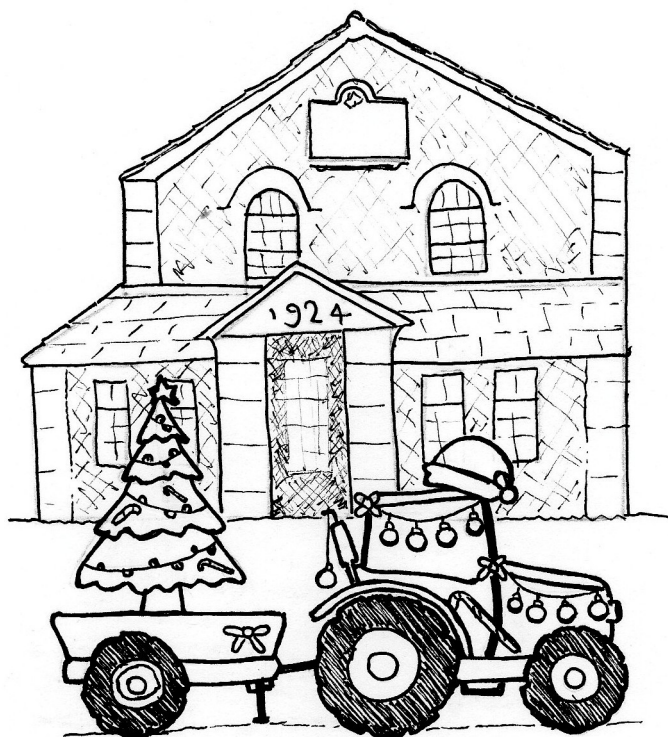


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# Hello again

Inattentive, or unobservant?  
Are these things the same? I  
am prompted to think about  
them for two reasons.

Firstly I mentioned Christmas  
a couple of issues ago, and  
expected to be overwhelmed  
by Christmas paraphernalia  
from that point on. It hasn't  
happened. Inattention, or lack  
of observation? It's all there  
and gathering pace, but I don't  
feel it is overpowering the  
shelves or windows yet, what  
with Hallowe'en to still get out  
of the way. However, I was in  
Yorkshire Trading in Barney  
recently, and they were  
playing the usual Christmas  
tunes already. Now that was  
unwelcome! As the meme  
featuring Noddy Holder  
pointing at the camera says -  
"Not Yet".

Secondly, before migrating to  
Brough from KS last year, I

don't think I had ever heard  
the term "Market Brough".  
Obviously it makes sense to  
call it so, to distinguish it from  
"Church..." and "...Sowerby",  
but in the last 12 months it  
pops up everywhere. Was this  
always the case? Again,  
inattention or lack of  
observation on my part, or just  
not being in Brough enough?  
Well it got me thinking - would  
it be desirable to get the name  
officially changed to Market  
Brough - maps, road signs,  
Google, the council -  
everywhere. Would it attract  
trade and visitors, and might it  
be a fitting tribute to the  
creators of the Farmers  
Market? How does anyone go  
about doing this, and how  
long does it take?

Responses and suggestions  
welcome. Meanwhile, happy  
November...

The Ed

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# QUIZ! QUIZ! QUIZ!

Quizzes are in abundance at the moment in Brough, with events held in October, another in November and another in January.

## Previous Quiz - OCTOBER 10th

Firstly thanks to everyone who came to "The Quiz of the Year" on October 10th in the Memorial Hall. It was a joy to see so many participants, and 11 teams in all. Committee chair Ailsa McKenzie was delighted with the amount raised, which enables vital equipment for the running of the kitchen to be acquired. Thanks too for the quiz feedback - I'll try to take as much on board as possible.

We hope you can make it again on January 30th for the sequel.

## Next Quiz - NOVEMBER 21st

In the meantime, coming up in November is the Brough Sowerby Community Pub Fundraising Quiz Nlght. This committee is excited to share

our campaign to rescue the village pub - The Belah Bridge. Please take a look at the longer article elsewhere in this edition of The Way, and support this venture, for an excellent campaign.

## First "Quiz of the Year" - JANUARY 30th 2026

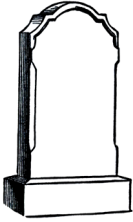
We will do it all again on Friday January 30th, so mug up on people, events and music related items from 2025. Pre-booking is again essential for planning purposes. More detail in the December/January issue.

If you want a complete red herring of a clue as to part of this quiz's content, think "Bridgerton".

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Meanwhile here are the answers to the teaser questions I set in the last issue.

1. Which former French president has just begun a jail sentence?  
A: Nikolas Sarkozy
2. Which twins who founded the Guinness Book of World Records, were born in 1925?  
A: Ross and Norris McWhirter
3. Who is the Leader of the Lib Dems?  
A: Sir Ed Davey
4. Which country did England beat to win the Women's Euro football tournament?  
A: Spain



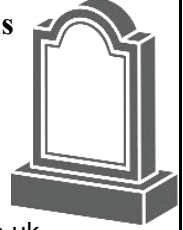
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## New venture for Musgrave

A very successful whist drive was held in Musgrave Parish Institute on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> October. Possibly the first whist drive to be held in Musgrave for at least 50 years.

There were 7 tables with a mixture of experienced and novice players taking part. A tasty supper was served half way through the evening and a raffle was held.

To mark the occasion the Watson Family had donated a trophy in memory of Hazel Watson who sadly passed away in 2024 having lived in Musgrave for over 60 years. Her son, Mick, was very pleased to present the Watson Whist Trophy along with a hamper of goods to Kirsty Deighton who scored the highest points of the evening. Lilian Fisher was runner up.

Other prize winners were: Chris Pearson, Julie Wearmouth, Neil Barker, Margaret Fawcett, Kath Robinson, Nancy Taylor, Sally Hanna, Katie Hunter, David Hunter, Kevin Bateman, Nicola Steadman, Val Ewin, Janet Jenkins, James Pearson, Lewis Witterick, Peter Brunskill, Jonathon Kettle, Peter Ellwood, and Eric Robinson. Ada Taylor was highly amused to receive the booby prize of a wooden spoon!

It was a good-natured, sociable evening enjoyed by all, with requests for more whist drives to be held in Musgrave in the future.

A big thank you to MC Eric Robinson, and to the Robinson family and Nicola Steadman for assistance in making the evening a success. Many thanks to all those who donated prizes and food, and special thanks to Ian Plews for single-handedly manning the kitchen.

Watch this space for notice of the next Musgrave whist drive!

## MUSGRAVE VILLAGE INSTITUTE

We are heading into winter now, where has this year gone? We had our first Whist drive for many years, with a good attendance, and we raised £186 towards our funds. Definitely an event we would like to do again!

Our next big event is the Christmas Dominoes, which this year will be on 17th December. There will be more information on the Community page, and in posters, so look out for that!

We are also starting our winter socials on Saturday October 26th. These are open to all, it only costs £1 per person to cover the hire of the hall, and it is on a Bring and Share basis. Just bring a main course or a dessert and your own drinks, it starts at 7pm in the Institute. Do come along, it would be nice to see some new faces! Look out on the community page, we usually ask people which course they are bringing along, so we have enough for everyone.

The Institute is available for hire for parties, weddings, funerals, group meetings, please contact Karen Brownrigg via email [musgravevillagehall@gmail.com](mailto:musgravevillagehall@gmail.com)

### A new service for Musgrave:

The Kirkby Stephen and Upper Eden Community Newsletter will soon be available in Great Musgrave. Copies can be collected from the noticeboard by the village institute.

## EXTRACTS FROM THE MINUTES OF BROUGH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: THURSDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2025

Arising from the Minutes of the last meeting:

Repairs to stiles, gates, etc: repairs to the fence post off Musgrave Lane and to the footbridge leading to the football pitch were complete, and tree works around the changing rooms had been done. Cllrs Brocklehurst & Birkbeck had also swapped the tennis court net for the winter. The removal of several planters which have collapsed remained to be done.

The new e-mail address for the Clerk and Parish Council is now: [clerk.broughpc@brough-cumbria.info](mailto:clerk.broughpc@brough-cumbria.info).

Pump Track: Cllr Brocklehurst reported that the outcome of the Council's bid to the 0-19 Fund was still awaited, as was confirmation of funding from the Appleby & Brough PAG. However, it was expected that confirmation would be given soon, allowing work to commence.

Brough Parish Plan:

Priorities for the forthcoming, 2026/27, financial year would remain similar to the current year:

- A major push on improving the environment and appearance

of Brough, including tree works and general tidiness

- A continued effort to secure improved broadband services in Market Brough, following the successful implementation of improvements in Church Brough
- Seeking improved local facilities and services, including improvements to Brough public conveniences
- Supporting local events
- Supporting youth activities
- Seeking to encourage a greater degree of volunteer activity and foster a sense of civic pride.

Correspondence had been received by Cllr Alan Brocklehurst from Appleby & Brough Place Action Group re bridges at Swindale Beck, Helbeck.

The next Parish Meeting to be held on Thursday 11 December 2025 in The Methodist Church, High Street, Brough, CA17 4BY at 7.00pm

To see the full version of the minutes visit the [brough-cumbria.info](http://brough-cumbria.info) website.



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We are now taking names for January admissions. If you would like to pop in for a chat and view our setting, please give us a call on

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## ***Thank you*** from Councillors Simpkins

It is all good news again regarding our community's continued support. We have received donations of blankets, hats, gloves, knitted teddies, etc. which will be on their way to Ukraine before very long. The Hope and Aid charity will be collecting from us again soon and we will certainly be able to fill their volunteer's van this time as we also have a total of 197 Christmas bags to go. Thank you to everyone who was involved in this initiative. Let's pray that the war comes to an end soon.

We are heading for Blackpool in early November with a carload of clothes,

household items and toys for the Salvation Army, Care and Share and Vincent House – the latter take care of homeless people.

Of course, we continue to support local charities too, in particular Age Concern in Appleby and Manna House in Kendal.

Remember that the outer porch door round the back is always open if you want to drop something off with us.

Very many thanks to everyone.

Councillor Graham and Heather Simpkins. 017683 42345

# Last Minute Harvest

(by Mary Wilson)

The forecasters said it was going to freeze shortly, which for me is panic stations. A bit early and I have already lost my outside courgettes, with that one overnight slight frost we had in September, so all my outside pots are now safely in my poly-greenhouses with help from my daughters and wheelbarrows. Didn't quite go as far as covering my outside tap. That is a job I can do at the last minute.

I have also picked a large quantity of herbs which die back in winter and made muslin bags in which I put Rosemary, Thyme, Marjoram, Parsley and a tiny bit of Basil (as it didn't do very well this year) in the middle of the squares and tied thick cotton around each one pulling in the sides leaving a longish end (to tie to the pan handle to keep from losing it in the stew etc.) before putting in the freezer for winter use. I also put other herbs on baking trays to dry before putting into jars also for winter use or if I am in a rush or weather bad to collect fresh ones.

I have been foraging mainly for mushrooms which I slice and partly cook in oil or butter or a combination of both and lay on trays to freeze before bagging which keeps the pieces separate so you can grab a handful when you need them. Earlier in the season I collected elderberries to add to my other soft fruits for smoothies, pies etc. again putting on trays, after removing the little stems with a fork, to freeze separately before putting in bags.

I have made some spiced crab apples this year with tiny red ones to have with cooked cold meats over Christmas. I haven't tried them yet as they need eight weeks to mature. I have also made some green tomato jam. Not sure about it but will wait a couple of weeks and then try it with crusty bread and cheese.

One last shout out. It is time to start collecting leaves to make leaf mould.

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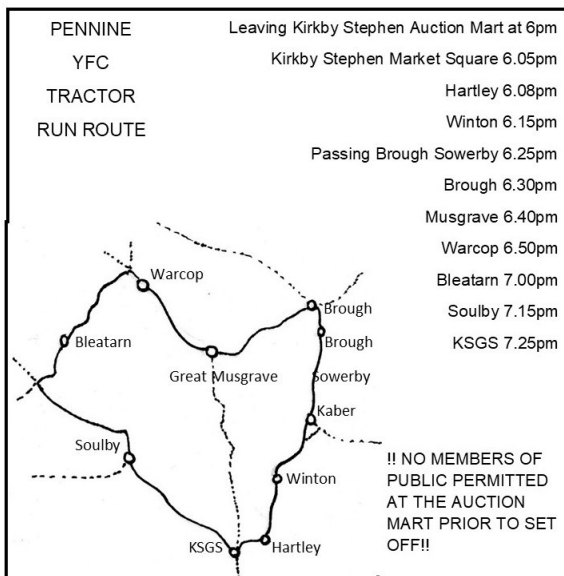
This is our third year hosting the event and we're really excited to see what stops everyone pulls out this time with decorating their tractors.

This year we've also extended our horizons and are taking over Kirkby Stephen auction mart cafe serving burgers, cakes, teas + coffees etc!

We're raising money for four different charities this year: ourselves (Pennine YFC) as we're a non-profit organisation, Kirkby Stephen Christmas Lights switch on, and the two charities we've chosen to support throughout our Young Farmers calendar year,

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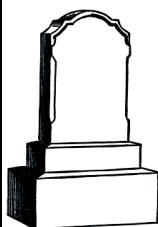
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The Belah Bridge Inn, our historic pub, has been closed for over seven years. Established in the 1840s as The Black Bull, it has long been the heart of village life. Like many rural pubs across the country, it faces an uncertain future, but we are determined to bring it back to life!

Our dream is to create a pub that is more than just a place to grab a pint. We want a warm, welcoming hub where locals and visitors can meet, share a laugh, try new activities, and feel part of a supportive community. Spending time together like this is great for wellbeing, reducing loneliness, building friendships, and creating a real sense of belonging. To

make it happen, our first goal is to raise enough money for a full structural and business survey, so we can produce a feasibility study and business plan. With that in place, we can apply for grants, attract donations, and invite people locally and further afield to buy community shares.

Our next step?

**A Christmas Quiz Night!**

Join us on **Friday 21st November at 7pm** in **Brough Memorial Hall** for an evening of festive fun, entertaining questions, tasty Christmas nibbles, a cheeky glass of wine and lots of laughter. Bring your friends, form a team, and help us raise funds to save the pub we all love. Tickets are £10 to include food and a free glass of wine, mulled wine, beer, or soft drink.

We know the journey ahead will not be easy, but we are a determined bunch. Every ticket, raffle prize, and donation brings us closer to creating a vibrant community hub and preserving a beloved part of Brough Sowerby's heritage.

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# **Stainmore Parish Hall**

As the evenings draw in, there’s no better place to be than Stainmore Parish Hall. The clatter of tiles and bursts of laughter continue each month at Dominoes, where friendly rivalry keeps everyone on their toes and smiling.

The Gardening Club celebrated the season in style with Mary’s wonderful carrot, parsnip and apple cake — baked with what might just be the biggest parsnip ever grown in Stainmore! See our Facebook page for photos.

Craft and Chat on Wednesdays are blossoming too — a perfect chance to escape the chill, enjoy a cuppa, and make progress on a new or long-forgotten project among like-minded people.

Join us at the November AGM, to hear what’s happening at the hall and help shape the year ahead . Tuesday November 25th at 6.30 pm.

New faces are always welcome. For details, contact 07766 546729. Don’t forget, the Parish Hall is available to hire for parties, meetings, and community events — a friendly and historic space at the heart of our parish.

## **November dates**

Wednesday 5th November - Dominoes 7.30 pm

Wednesday 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th November - Craft and Chat 1pm - 3pm

Thursday 13th November - Gardening Club at Wilkinson House. Tuesday 25th November - Stainmore Parish Hall AGM - 6.30 pm

### **St Columba’s, Warcop with St Theobald’s, Musgrave**

#### **October**

2 <sup>nd</sup>	-10.30am	-Holy Communion, St Columba’s Church, Warcop
9 <sup>th</sup>	<b>-10.55am</b>	-Remembrance Service, Churches Together, Warcop Village Green
16 <sup>th</sup>	-10.30am	-Morning Praise, St Columba’s Church, Warcop
23 <sup>rd</sup>	-10.30am	-Praise, St Theobald’s Church, Musgrave
30 <sup>th</sup>	-10.30am	-Benefice Holy Communion, Warcop Parish Hall

# *Travel with us on the* **Western Dales Bus**



In June 2025, Rodger (“Jock”) Cairns was awarded the MBE in the King’s Birthday Honours List for his outstanding service to rural transport and the communities of the Western Dales. The honour was a fitting recognition of a man whose vision and determination transformed local travel across one of England’s most beautiful but isolated areas.

The story of Western Dales Bus begins in the early 2010s, when commercial bus services in the upper Eden Valley and the western Yorkshire Dales were being withdrawn. For many residents, especially older people and those without cars, this meant losing vital links to shops, medical care, and social con-

tact. Jock, a retired teacher living in Dent, saw both the problem and the opportunity. Believing that local people could run their own solution, he brought together a small band of volunteers to form what would become Western Dales Bus.

From the outset, the organisation was guided by simple principles: provide reliable, affordable transport; operate as a not-for-profit community venture; and reinvest every penny back into the service. In 2011, with a single second-hand minibus and a handful of willing drivers, the first route began running between Sedburgh, Dent, and Kendal. It soon became clear that the buses were about more than just transport — they were social lifelines, helping people stay connected in a scattered rural area.

Under Jock's practical leadership and gentle encouragement, the network expanded steadily. Routes were added to Kirkby Lonsdale, Hawes, and Kirkby Stephen, linking these communities. More volunteers came forward, new vehicles were acquired — including the familiar WD1 and WD3 — and Western Dales Bus developed a reputation for reliability, friendliness, and genuine community service.

Though Jock has now stepped back from daily operations, his influence is felt in every journey made. His MBE

recognises not only his personal dedication but also the spirit of cooperation he inspired — proving that, with enough determination and goodwill, even the most remote communities can keep themselves moving.

If you'd like to support our work — either by driving for us, helping coordinate bookings, or simply lending a hand where needed — please get in touch. Your involvement could make a big difference. Ring Rebecca on 07541644524 or visit

[www.westerndalesbus.co.uk](http://www.westerndalesbus.co.uk)

## Brough Methodist church

### Coffee Morning

Saturday 22nd November

10am – 11.30am

In the Chapel schoolroom

Donations will be for Eden Animal Rescue

Please note that we will be taking a break for December and January, our next coffee morning will be in February 2026.

## METHODIST SERVICES

**NOVEMBER 2025**

### **Sunday 2nd**

10.30am	Brough	Mr D Askew
10.30am	Brough	Sowerby Mrs J Worsfold
10.30am	Warcop	Mr T Longworth

### **Sunday 9th**

10.30am	Brough	United Service Parish Church
10.30am	Brough	Sowerby Rev S Radford
10.55am	Warcop	J Clarke
6.30pm	Newbiggin on Lune	N Baker

### **Sunday 16th**

10.30am	Brough	Local Arrangement
10.30am	Brough Sowerby	Local Arrangement
10.30am	Warcop	Local Arrangement

### **Sunday 23rd**

10.30am	Brough	Rev J Betts
10.30am	Brough	Sowerby Mr R McGregor
3pm	Warcop	Rev S Radford

### **Sunday 30th**

10.30am	Brough	Mrs H Radford
10.30am	Brough Sowerby	Mr D Askew
10.30am	Warcop (at Parish Hall)	F Parkinson

### **Brough Methodist Chapel library**

when you are ready to take some more.

This is a FREE community library for everyone to use.

Situated inside the Chapel on High Street and is open on Mondays and Thursdays from 9.00am to 3.30pm.

You may take as many books as you like – just bring them back

The variety is enormous including craft and gardening books, fiction and non-fiction and of course a number of children's books too, so there is clearly something for everyone.

This is a wonderful facility to have within our community so don't hesitate to use it.

## Report from Brough Football Club: First local derby since 1959

On Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> October Brough football club came up against local rivals Kirkby Stephen for the first time in over 60 years. Over 300 people gathered to watch the game played at The Common in Brough.

The first half was very even with Brough slightly on top, striker Matt Branthwaite with the best chance hitting the post. The second half was more difficult for the home side as Kirkby Stephen built momentum and ended up winning the game 2-0.

This win means Kirkby Stephen overtake Brough to take the top spot in the league, Brough dropping to second place.

A fantastic occasion for all involved, and it was great to see all the players and supporters back at The Wilding for drinks and food afterwards.

Brough's next game takes them away from home to take on another local rival in Lunesdale United. Good Luck!

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### Brough Football Club

Annual Christmas Domino Drive and Raffle

On Friday 5th December

Brough Memorial Hall

7.30pm start



# Great North Air Ambulance Bag Collection & Christmas Coffee Morning Featuring Eden Bells Handbell Ringers

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2025

Warcop Parish Hall 10:00 – 11:30 am

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**WARCOP**  
PARISH HALL



Please bring your unwanted items to the Hall to support the Great North Air Ambulance appeal, which helps them to ease suffering and save lives in our area. All proceeds from this re-cycling go to the GNAA charity. Visit [www.greatnorthairambulance.co.uk](http://www.greatnorthairambulance.co.uk) for more information.

Why not use this as a chance to have a good pre-Christmas clear out and bring the items listed below to the Hall? Please note that GNAA bags will be available in all the newspaper boxes in the villages and at the Parish Hall. PLEASE IGNORE ANY DAYS ON THE BAGS. More bags available by phoning 41390. Thank you.

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## **St Stephen's Church, South Stainmore**

### **CHRISTMAS SERVICES**

7<sup>th</sup> December, 2.30pm: Evening prayer

21<sup>st</sup> December, 2.30pm: Carol Service  
(with refreshments)

## Warcop and Sandford WI News

Mrs Maureen Heron (President) welcomed members to the meeting and introduced our Guest Speaker Mr Ian Jack whose topic was 'From Seed to Saw'.

Ian's career had been in Forestry and from 1982 to 2017 he worked on the Lowther Estates developing the forests and woodlands and later Whinfell Forest. He gave us such an interesting presentation. It was so useful to learn about how to plan a woodland, the importance of planting the right tree in the right place for the right reasons. How to keep the trees straight and then the reasons to fell a tree to allow others to thrive and how this method keeps the woods carbon neutral. Ian had such a varied career, advising on woodlands all over the country and abroad as an expert not only in trees and woodlands but also conservation of the wildlife who depend on woodlands. We were all surprised that 80% of the wood we use is imported. He brought along several samples of wood and spoke about the many uses

of wood, including building, fuel, furniture, cardboard, high grade newspaper, toilet paper, it is also used in some food stuffs eg margarine and Benecol chocolate !

Mrs Brook gave the vote of thanks.

A short Business meeting followed,

Items from WI News were discussed including the 'Jewels of Northumberland Holiday', The Olive Clarke Writing Challenge,

2026 Shows and Exhibitions – The theme being 'Celebrating the Commonwealth'.

The Northern Show will take place on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> April 2026 at Shap Memorial Hall

Our next meeting is the AGM on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm followed by a Quiz and Beetle Drive.

Visitors and members are always welcome and the refreshments are always delicious.!

(Valerie Brook - Secretary)



## Penrith and Brough Transport and hosteleries in the year of The Great Exhibition - 1851

How folks moved about and  
stopped in the mid-19th  
century

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It is fair to say that The Great Exhibition of 1851 would not have interested very many people in Brough, as it was in faraway London, which was still a very hard place to reach. Transport then was still mostly by stagecoaches, private horses or horsedrawn carriages, and very expensive, though it was possible to do some regular local commuting. The other option, depending on your destination, was via the emerging rail network. The nearest railway was the Lancaster and Carlisle twenty miles to the west, opened in 1846, and with a station at Penrith. The only coach serving Brough was the Royal Mail, which ran from the White Swan Inn (Brough's main inn), to Penrith via Appleby, daily at 1.00pm except Sundays. It ran to an exact timetable and waited for nobody.

Carriers might let you ride as a passenger, if there was room. They were slow but far cheaper. None ran on Thursdays or Sundays.

For Appleby, you could go on Monday and Saturday (choice of two carriers)

Barney (Barnard Castle) - four going

Kirkby Stephen - three

Penrith - one going Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday;

Kendal - one going

Bishop Auckland, Durham, Newcastle - one going on Monday and Saturday.

South Stainmore also had its own carriers, from the Ship Inn to Kirkby Stephen on Mondays, to Barney on Wednesdays and Appleby on Saturdays (Messrs Thompson, Holliday and Hilton).

As for local stopping points and hospitality, 1851 was a world of difference. Brough had in it nine inns, and Brough Sowerby, one (the Black Bull, now the redundant Belah Bridge, about which, see elsewhere in this edition). Others included: North Stainmore, two, and one beerhouse; South Stainmore, three.

The Brough Postmaster was Mr Thomas Lancaster, at his house in Market Brough. Letters arrive 11.27am and depart at 1.18pm. The Registrar for Kirkby Stephen District lived at Brough, Mr George Bailey. He was also Lord Thanet's Bailiff for the Manor of Brough.

(Thanks to Jeremy Godwin)

# Diary Dates

## November

1st Sat	Coffee Morning	Stainmore St Stephen's	10.30am
1st Sat	Soup and Sweet	Stainmore St Stephen's	12.30pm
5th Wed	Domino Drive	Stainmore Parish Hall	7.30pm
6th Thurs	Pensioners' Lunch	Alison's Café	12md
6th Thurs	Soup and Pudding	Warcop Parish Hall	11.30am
8th Sat	Coffee morning/Tabletop Sale	Warcop Parish Hall	10am
13th Thurs	Stainmore Gardening Club	Wilkinson House	
13th Thurs	Pantomime	Warcop Parish Hall	7.30pm
14th Fri	Pantomime	Warcop Parish Hall	7.30pm
15th Sat	Pantomime	Warcop Parish Hall	2pm
15th Sat	Coffee Morning	Kaber Village Hall	10am
15th Sat	Christmas Market	Brough Memorial Hall	10am
20th Thurs	Pensioners' Lunch	Alison's Café	12md
20th Thurs	Remote Cinema	Warcop Parish Hall	7.15pm
21st Fri	Bingo	Warcop Parish Hall	7pm
21st Fri	CHOFHS Bingo	The Wilding Hotel	6.30pm
22nd Sat	Coffee Morning	Brough Methodist Chapel	10am
29th Sat	Spuds and Puds	Kaber Village Hall	12md

## December

4th Thurs	Pensioner's Lunch	Alison's Café	12md
5th Fri	Football Club Domino Drive	Brough Memorial Hall	7.30pm
6th Sat	Festive Bingo	Kaber Village Hall	4pm

### **NEXT ISSUE SUBMISSIONS...**

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