



Ulgham Newsletter

December 2022

Ulgham Village Association (UVA)

Ulgham Village Association Firework night was lovely. It was great that so many people joined in and enjoyed the evening.

This event is our main fund raiser and we are pleased to say that we can cover next years fireworks and a celebration or two in 2023.

Many thanks again to all the helpers and soup makers; and to the cricket club for their support.

The first fireworks of the evening were dedicated to the memory of John Carpenter who was an original in every way and also was in the first group to develop the Ulgham firework celebration.

Ulgham Village Association AGM will take place on Wednesday 25th January 2023 at 7pm in W.I. Hall.

Nominations for the posts of Chair, Secretary and Treasurer are all welcome and require a formal notification with proposer and seconder to be in the hands of present Secretary Lynne Scott (email: lynne.scott@hotmail.com)

14 days prior to the AGM (11th January 2023)

If you would prefer to receive your Newsletter electronically or equally if you are currently on the email list and wish to receive a paper version, please email Deb at deb_thecroft@hotmail.com.

ULGHAM WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The Women's Institute have a varied programme of speakers and demonstrations and a very friendly and welcoming group of ladies. So ladies, why not come along and give us a try.

Ulgham W.I. Hall is available for hire. A warm and welcoming venue with modern facilities and access for the disabled. Catering can be provided at very competitive prices. For further information please contact Pauline on Tel: 01670 790721

Widdrington Station and Stobswood Parish Foodbank. The W.I. Hall is our drop off point for any non perishable donations of food, toiletries... There is a box in the hall, access can be anytime the hall is open for any regular event.



Thank you to all residents who have property near pavements for cutting back hedges and clearing leaves; you ensure that drains don't block and walkers are safe.

If the ambulance service thinks the defibrillator is needed, they will give you the code. If dark, please take a torch to read and input the code. The handle goes downwards.

Regular Meetings at the WI

MONDAY

Womens Institute - Second Monday of the Month
7:30pm. A friendly and welcoming group of ladies.
Contact Pauline for more details. Tel: 790721.

Salsacise - Restarting 9th January Monday 10am
All welcome for dance and exercise.
Contact Helen for more details. Tel: 791849

Ulgham Parish Council Meeting - Third Monday of
the Month - 7pm. - All Welcome.

Knitting Group - Last Monday of the Month - 2:30
pm- 4:30pm. All Welcome.
Contact Pauline for more details. Tel: 790721.

TUESDAY

Crafternoon - Second Tuesday of the Month - 2pm
- 4:30pm. All Welcome. Bring along any craft.
Contact Pauline for more details. Tel: 790721.

Film Night - Second Tuesday of the month 7:30pm.
Contact Helen for more details. Tel: 791849

WEDNESDAY

Rendezvous - Every Wednesday morning 10am -
12pm. All most welcome for a coffee and chat.

Bowls - Every other Wednesday 2pm. Starting 5th
October. All Welcome. Contact Tony Tel: 790305

THURSDAY

Gardening Club - Last Thursday of the Month -
7:30pm - NO MEETING IN DECEMBER
Contact Helen for more details. Tel: 791849

FRIDAY

Little Owls - Term time Friday morning 10:00am -
11:30. A stay and play group. Cost is £2 per family.
Email: littleowlsulgham@outlook.com.
Facebook: 'Little Owls Ulgham Stay and Play'

Dates for the Diary

Saturday 3rd December 2pm - Ulgham W.I. Hall
St John's Christmas Fair. Lots of stalls: Cakes, Books, Gifts, Tombola, Bottles, Grand Christmas Raffle.
Entrance including tea/coffee £1 adult (under 16's free)

Christmas Wreath Making and Table Decorations.

Saturday 10th December 2 - 4pm

Sunday 11th December 2 - 4pm

Please contact Helen if you are planning to attend so that there is enough materials for everyone.
Cost is £12 per session and includes all materials and refreshments. Helen's contact number Tel: 791849

Tuesday 13th December - Film Night

Operation Mincemeat - starring Colin Firth and Matthew MacFadyen

It's 1943. The Allies are determined to break Hitler's grip on occupied Europe, and plan to launch an all-out assault on Sicily; but they face an impossible challenge .

Operation Mincemeat is the extraordinary and true story of an idea that hoped to turn the tide for the Allies - taking impossibly high risks, defying logic, and testing the nerves of its creators to breaking point. Seasonal Refreshments will be served

Saturday 17th December - Santa will visit Ulgham in the afternoon.

Please contact Pauline to book a time slot.


Tel: 790721 Email: pmartin0553@gmail.com

Wednesday 21st December - Christmas Rendezvous - there will be mince pies, mulled wine and other festive nibbles. There will be a bran tub and a Christmas Quiz. Everyone welcome

Dates for the Future

Saturday 7th January 2pm - Film Club - Seasonal Matinee - Matthew Bourne's Nutcracker

Wednesday 25th January 7pm - Ulgham W.I. Hall
Ulgham Village Association AGM

An oval-shaped photograph of St John's Church, a stone building with a gabled roof and a small tower, set against a blue sky and green trees.

St John's Church holds a service every Sunday at 11am.

The First and Third Sundays are Holy Communion.

The Second, Fourth and Fifth Sundays are Morning Prayer led by a lay member.

Sunday 18th December 5pm - St John's Carol Service - followed by mulled wine and mince pies. Do come along and enjoy traditional and some not so traditional carols.

Christmas Day Service 9:30am

This will be a service of Holy Communion.

All are welcome

St John's Church - SJB 100 CLUB - Our next draw will be on Sunday 4th December. Good Luck everyone.

Two of our parish councillors recently attended a Northern Powergrid meeting looking at resilience and how they have been able to learn from issues that arose following Storm Arwen, they have:

- Improved their website - now upgraded to the 'cloud' allowing more concurrent users (30,000).
- Increased call handlers from 100 to 450.

However they will still need to be informed of issues affecting individual households. Following repairs caused by Storm Arwen, they have monitored the 'fault' history in Ulgham (none since August 2022). Looking ahead there is helicopter surveillance of the lines in preparation for winter. 3 'trips' in a 3 month time period triggers an automatic review.

They acknowledge that Ulgham is served by 2 feeders, it would be too expensive to combine, but equally feel this is actually a benefit in relation to resilience should one line be 'down'.

Keeping in touch

Parish Councillors

Jim Scott (Chair)	Tel: 790636
Helen Shaw (Vice Chair)	Tel: 790170
George Brown	Tel: 790465
Lesley Newman	Tel: 07717841474
Deb Wilson	Tel: 07771598371

Ulgham Village Association (UVA)

Helen Shaw Tel: 790170

W I Hall Booking and Information

Pauline Martin Tel: 790721

Church Warden

Pamela Lamb Tel: 790064

George and Helen are often to be found at Rendezvous - Wednesday mornings, for a chat or any queries

Keep up with Village Matters
Facebook: Ulgham Village Together
run by local residents for local residents

Website: www.ulgham.org

Neighbourhood Watch

Please get in touch if you notice anything or anyone acting suspiciously.

Our coordinator is
Veronica Duffield Tel: 790829

If you think you have been a victim of fraud, please contact Action Fraud immediately by calling 030 01232040