



Cragg Vale Community Association

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Dear Members

AGM, 21st June - just to remind you that the closing date for nominations for committee members and resolutions for consideration is 20th May. Final arrangements to follow at the end of this month.

Cragg School's **May Day Event** was a real village affair, much enjoyed by all! Steering Group members on the Community Association's stall were kept busy throughout the event, as there was much interest in our current projects - although Harvey's Photo quiz nearly stole the show, not to mention his delectable cake! Congratulations to the winner, Monica Denton from Sowerby Bridge, well done to the runners-up and thanks to all who "had a go"!

A welcome to new members who joined at the event, and thanks to all who have offered their help.

Can we also thank association member Andrea Ku who has kindly volunteered to produce drawings and computer graphics for the **Cragg Vale Park** project! As you know, CVCA has been exploring many possibilities for enhancing the park, the children's equipment and the other facilities there, and sourcing funding for this. With the help of Calderdale Parks & Leisure and pupils from Cragg Vale School Council we now have a variety of exciting ideas for a "make over" for the park for all the family to enjoy. The "Park Group" had put together an excellent display for the May Day Event, for people to comment on and offer their preferences, and we had a lot of feed back from these which will be of help in making the final choices.

Thanks to the efforts of the Countryside Volunteers, work to reinstate the **Castlegate Link Path** is now underway - the paths have all been cleared of vegetation, fallen trees removed, new steps put in down to the dam and the foundation has been laid for the new bridge. CVCA is helping to fund this work.

Cragg Vale Local History Group met on 1st May - Ian Bailey provided an interesting presentation about Midgley. The next meeting is on 19th June when people are asked to bring any old photos of Cragg Vale. Future events planned are a Cragg Vale Heritage Walk in July, an Open Discussion evening in August, and in September John Hargreaves will speak on "Child Labour in the local mills. Projects planned so far are the Mills of Cragg Vale (three members are starting to research this), Oral History (reminiscences of local people) and a Pictorial Record of Cragg Vale. Do you have any local knowledge, information, old photos, documents etc you could share with us? Annual subscriptions to the Histoy Group are £10 for CVCA members, (£12 CVCA non-members) and £5 for junior and senior citizens. Non-members always welcome, but a small charge will be levied.



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Stop Press: Last week Calderdale Council gave Planning consent for the **noticeboard**. Construction of the board is nearing completion. Keep an eye open for news of the "Grand Opening"! When in place, the board will be used to display a range of information about Cragg Vale as well as Community Association notices.

The deadline for a decision by the PCC on the awarding of a contract of sale of the **Sunday School** is fast approaching. We will be able to give an update on this after 31st May.

Here is a list of dates to note:

28 th May	Committee meeting
19 th June	History Group Old Photos Evening
21 st June	AGM and BBQ
30 th June	Committee meeting
12 th July	Stand at Mytholmroyd Gala to promote the Association
17 th July	History Group - Heritage Walk
21 st July	Provisional Committee meeting
7 th August	History Group - Open Discussion evening

As members you have a voice in the Cragg Vale Community Association. If you have any requests, comments, suggestions or would like to volunteer your services, please get in touch with the current chair, Scott Trickett, 884909, or email info@craggvalecommunity.co.uk .