

## Everest Anniversary (continued from front page)

On the following morning, 8 June 1924, the summit of Everest was obscured by mist, but toward the middle of the day the mist cleared briefly and members of the wider expeditionary team, observing from far below, caught a brief glimpse of the two men moving slowly upwards at about 1000ft from the mountain summit. Then the mist closed in again and Mallory and Irvine disappeared from view.



What precisely happened thereafter to the two intrepid mountaineers is still a mystery. Did they in fact achieve their goal of standing on Everest's 29,035ft summit? Or did they for some reason turn back before the summit was reached? And, as they failed to return to their base camp, where and how did they meet their end? Only in 1999 was this last question partially answered, when the body of Mallory was discovered below the summit, preserved by the intense year-round cold of Everest's high slopes. Forensic examination of the body indicated that he had been mortally injured in a fall. The body of Irvine, however, has never been found, so the details of his fate remain to this day unknown.

The big question, however, still remains – did Mallory and Irvine reach the top of the world's highest mountain? It is likely that that is something which will never one way or the other be proved. For the moment, the only possible clue might lie in the fact that Mallory had promised his wife, before setting out on his arduous adventure, that if he got to the summit of Everest, he would leave there the photograph of her and their daughter which he always carried in his wallet. When his body was discovered in 1999, with all his personal belongings still intact, no such photograph was found.

David Peacock

## Brain of Beetham Quiz

*Our Quizmaster Clive Holden has given us 20 nicknames of people and asks what are/were their real names?*

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|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1) Schnozzle               | 11) The Little Corporal             |
| 2) The Wizard of the North | 12) The 'It' Girl                   |
| 3) Plum                    | 13) The Brazilian Bombshell         |
| 4) The Beast of Bolsover   | 14) Old Grog                        |
| 5) Hanoi Jane              | 15) Inky Bill                       |
| 6) The Head Waiter         | 16) The Lion of Vienna              |
| 7) Little Tich             | 17) Beefy                           |
| 8) Steady Eddie            | 18) Flotsam and Jetsam              |
| 9) Stinker                 | 19) Big Daddy                       |
| 10) Uncle Mac              | 20) Mr Murgatroyd & Mr Winterbottom |



Answers to the May 'Plants and Flowers' quiz:-

1. Bay; 2. Mint; 3. Spinach (according to Olive Oyl); 4. Maize; 5. Honesty; 6. Freesia; 7. Cowslip; 8. Madder; 9. Petunia; 10. Lotus; 11. Swede; 12. Rue



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## Mount Everest 100th Anniversary

The early days of the month of June see a number of significant anniversaries – the 71st anniversaries of the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II on 2 June 1953 and of the news of the conquering of Everest by Edmund Hillary and Sherpa Tenzing Norgay which broke on the very same day; the 80th anniversary of the Normandy D-Day landings on 6 June 1944; the 100th anniversary of the ill-fated attempt to reach the summit of Everest by George Mallory and Andrew Irvine on 8 June 1924.

It is possible that on 8 June 2024 only very few will pause to commemorate Mallory and Irvine's epic assault on the summit of Everest 100 years ago, a venture of high courage which cost both men their lives. Indeed, it is more than likely that a majority of people may never have heard of them. So who were these two men who faced the extreme hazards of trying to scale the world's highest mountain peak at a height of 29,035 ft (8,850 meters)?



Both men were the product of upper middle class British families. Mallory, born in 1886, was the son of the Rector of Mobberley, Cheshire, whilst Irvine, born in 1902 and so some 15 years younger than Mallory, was the son of a family of academics from Birkenhead. Both were educated at public schools – Mallory at Winchester and Irvine at Shrewsbury – and both went on to university – Mallory to study history at Magdalene College, Cambridge, and Irvine to study engineering at Merton College, Oxford.

After university, Mallory, described by contemporaries as having good looks, charm and seemingly unending enthusiasm, became a master at Charterhouse School. He was also closely associated with members of the bohemian Bloomsbury group of intellectuals which included the artists Duncan Grant and Vanessa Bell, the novelist Virginia Woolf, the writer Lytton Strachey and the philosopher and economist John Maynard Keynes. From 1915-1918, he served with distinction as an officer in the British army and fought in the Battle of the Somme. He returned briefly to his teaching post at Charterhouse after the end of World War I, but with his by then undoubted skills and expertise in extreme mountaineering gained in Scotland, Wales, the English Lake District and the Alps, he was enlisted in the 1921 and 1922 British reconnaissance expeditions to Everest and the 1924 expedition which aimed to get men on the summit.

As for Irvine, whilst still an Oxford undergraduate he made his mark as a precocious and inventive young engineer. He was also an outstanding sportsman and rower, being a member of the 1922 and 1923 Oxford boat crews and a member of the Oxford Mountaineering Club where he proved himself to have high potential as a climber. It is thought, however, that it was primarily for his engineering skills and his ability to resolve technical challenges that he was included in the 1924 Everest expedition and was chosen by Mallory to join him on the assault of the summit.

So it was that on the morning of 7 June 1924 these two men set out for the expedition's advanced base camp from where the next day they would make their attempt to be the first known human beings to reach the summit of the world's highest mountain. Photographs of the two of them show that by twenty-first-century standards they were ill-shod and inadequately dressed to withstand the extremes of cold they were set to experience.

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## Letter from The Curate

Dear friends,

As I write, I sit under a blanket by a cup of honey and lemon nursing a cold. Apart from the hot drink, something that is making me feel that bit better is the puppy that lies next to me. The new addition to our family only arrived yesterday, but she is already providing comfort and lifting spirits. The presence of pets can often bring a sense of **healing** – emotionally, mentally and even, according to research, physically.

Although, from a Christian perspective, we may associate healing with the obvious physical miracles that Jesus performed, God's healing can also be experienced in so many ways. Whether it be a physical ailment, an emotional upset, a mental difficulty or a spiritual blockage, the power of prayer and the presence of God at work in people's lives holds much healing, peace and restoration.

Healing isn't necessarily something grand with showy miracles. It can be the day-to-day small workings of God as He leads us on a journey into a life of wholeness with Him. So often, simply receiving God's forgiveness, for example, can free us from that which might otherwise bind us. Or the Spirit's work to ease our emotional load might come through ordinary or unexpected ways. God's healing can often be at a much deeper level than the obvious surface physical. It is not necessarily about getting better, but is an experience leading to an increase in our wellbeing, helping us to be reconciled, and enabling us to better flourish as the people God has made us to be.

The British spiritual writer, Angela Ashwin, writes: "In a sense we *all* need healing, for each of us is bruised, weary or hurt in some way; those of us who are physically fit stand alongside people who are ill in our common need of God's forgiveness and love."

Some scholars estimate that Jesus spent 70% of his earthly ministry time healing people in various ways. Healing is obviously so much a part of who God is, and, therefore, something that the Church today needs to take seriously. This is why a local healing service is soon to begin. In fact, Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June sees the first of the bi-monthly *Rest & Restore* services to be held in St James' Church, Arnside (more info included below). Why not come along and see what the 'God that heals' has in store for you?

*Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.*  
(Matthew 11.28-29)

With every blessing,  
Hannah

P.S. For those who want to give thanks for and ask for God's blessing on their wonderful pets, see the advert on page 3 for the Kent Estuary Pet Service to be held on Sun 16<sup>th</sup> June at 2pm at Park House Farm (Milnthorpe).



**REST & RESTORE**  
A time of prayer for healing & wholeness  
St James Church Arnside  
6:15 - 7:00PM

JUN	SEPT	NOV
TUES 4 <sup>TH</sup>	TUES 3 <sup>RD</sup>	TUES 5 <sup>TH</sup>

**Please join the churches of the Kent Estuary in a Mission Community Eucharist Celebration on Sunday 9th June at 10.30am to be held in St Michael & All Angels Beetham**

**PET SERVICE**  
A celebration, thanksgiving & blessing of our pets  
Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June at 2pm  
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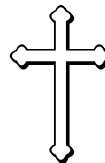
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**Funeral**  
Friday 10th May  
Remembering the life of  
**Philip Geoffrey Marks**  
May he rest in peace



**Burial of Ashes**  
Sunday 12th May  
Remembering the life of  
**Anne Elizabeth Rushton**  
May she rest in peace



**COMPETITION TIME!!**  
Design a front cover for a booklet for a 'Pet Service'  
Entries on A5 (paper or digital) by Fri 7th June to Rev Hannah / revhannahwallace@gmail.com  
Your attractive page needs to include the following info:  
Kent Estuary Pet Service  
Sunday 16th June, 2pm  
Park House Farm  
Winner announced at the service  
Prize - Family entry to the Lakeland Wildlife Oasis!

**Christian Aid Week**  
Thank you to all who gave so generously during Christian Aid Week, raising £325 for the Appeal  
The National Total currently stands at £564,000



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Please do be in touch with Andrew you would like to receive the parish email, if there is any support or encouragement he can offer, if you would have any questions about services church life or the Christian faith, or if you would like anyone or anything remembered in prayer. He would be very pleased to hear from you.



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**Beetham Big Duck Day**

A huge thank you to all who worked so hard to make this year's Duck Day on Saturday 4th May a big success despite the rain! A special thanks to Andrew for compering, and to the tent and sign erectors, the ticket sellers, the race starter, the duck-catchers in the river, the finish line runner, the road safety crew, the school stall holders, and all who came and supported the event. Also a big well done to the prize winners in the village duckdecorations competition and thank you for all the imaginative entries. A fantastic £932 was raised for the Beetham Church Heritage Trust, and a further £800 raised by the Friends of Beetham School. We look forward to seeing you all again next year!



**Beetham Church Annual Flower Festival**

The theme for this year's Flower Festival was the 60th Anniversary of RHS 'Britain in Bloom', and the church was filled with flowers of all types, colours and scents. It was a delightful weekend, and the pictures speak for themselves! With thanks to the flower arrangers, refreshment teams, Beetham Band, the Beetham Church Handbell Ringers, and to Dianne and John Lomax and the Friends of Beetham Church for their organisation of such a successful event. Over £1,100 was raised for church funds during the weekend, with more yet to be added to this total - an incredible result

**SUMMER ~ HAIR GETS LIGHTER, WATER GETS WARMER,  
MUSIC GETS LOUDER, LIFE GETS BETTER. Anon**

Well dear reader we have been busy since my last posting. Duck Day went well considering the weather. The ducks were exhausted after swimming against the swell of the River Bela. We were also very busy with the Flower Festival. Despite the weather all went very well indeed. Your favourite band played two stoic sets in the church. All upbeat summer tunes and smiles. It is always quite different when playing for an audience regardless of size. It alters your perception somewhat and can make you feel vulnerable and a bit nervous. But it is a good thing to do and improves with appearances. The trick is to enjoy yourselves and the audience will go with you and your assortment of strange themed headwear... Above all, it was lovely to spend a little while longer together, enjoy a very tasty lunch from Leslie at the Old Post Office and make music.

**'CAUSE I GOT THAT SUNSHINE IN MY POCKET, GOT THAT GOOD SONG IN MY FEET'**  
*Justin Timberlake*

Indeed we have sunshine in our pockets, which is just as well looking at yet another downpour. Music transcends the weather. Just look at Glastonbury. I think it has got to the point that the audience are disappointed if their wellingtons are not required! Our next big gig is outdoor. Beetham Sports Day, where it will be all hands on deck, and we shall be ready to tackle anything nature throws at us. It is Character building, apparently. But it makes for good memories and friendships. Speaking of which we have a lovely new addition to the brass section so if you did not want to be the newbie, now might be a good time to join us and reap the unique benefits that music brings. As always a warm, mainly dry, welcome awaits anyone. Just give me a call or pop into St Michael & All Angel's Church Beetham on Saturday mornings from 10.30am.

**IT IS EASY TO FORGET NOW, HOW EFFERVESENT AND FREE WE ALL FELT THAT SUMMER!**  
*Anna Godbersen . Bright Young Things*

Music is the elixir of youth, the torch that illuminates memories, our go to place in a busy changing world. Our door is always open, just step in one small step at a time.

Until the Summer Special .....

Tess x 07725580095



# School Corner

This month we have had the privilege of working with the Heron Theatre to be involved in their Literary Festival. During the festival all of the children in school worked with several authors and illustrators. Class 3 joined other schools in the theatre for a quiz with Tom Palmer before spending time with him signing books and learning more about his book 'The Angel of Grasmere'. Classes 1 and 2 worked with illustrator Sophie Martin. They explored characters and how to use crayons and water colours. All children in the school also worked with Chloe Wilson sharing her books and talking to her about how she developed storylines within where books. It was a wonderful event to be able to be part of and we would like to thank all the people involved in making the event happen.

The children in Class 2 also represented the school at the Dallam Rounders Festival. All the children worked really hard in both PE and during lunchtimes to practice their rounders skills. They were brilliant!

Each Monday all of our classes take part in Forest Schools delivered by Emily from Larksfoot. The children have made nettle drinks, been whittling as well as making dens and other personal projects. These sessions really support the children's personal development as well as skills in the outdoors.

It was Ascension at the beginning of the month. We celebrated by working in our house groups to create kites to remind us of what happened. The tails of our kites contained prayers of forgiveness which encouraged us to reflect.

Other super activities that have been happening in school this month include; a three-course chocolate dinner, including chocolate soup, chocolate chilli and chocolate pancakes with frozen yoghurt; Woolly Mammoths made from natural materials; and Mosaics from coloured tiles and grout.

Our Year 6 children completed their SATs. We are extremely proud of the children who completed their test with a mature and sensible attitude as well as working hard all year. Well done!

Next term we have to look forward to our end of term trips, sports day and the Summer Play.

Best wishes  
Abi Johnson





## Yellow Theme for May

In late April, members enjoyed a social get-together over a 3-course lunch at Kendal College. We displayed yellow Ducks in various places around Beetham in readiness of the Village Duck Race.

For our May session, we had a fascinating talk about the forgotten heroines of WW1 and WW2 – the women who worked in the bomb making factories. They were nicknamed 'The Canary Girls' because their skin and clothes would turn yellow. Many suffered long-term health issues and some were even killed following explosions. Sandra Gold-Wood explained how she got involved in trying to get recognition for them with a permanent memorial built at the National Memorial Arboretum. There is an on-line petition – together with more information – on their website [www.canary-girls.com](http://www.canary-girls.com)



For our next meeting on Thursday 13th June, 2-4pm, we are having a Social which includes some members telling us about a favourite or memorable holiday. Guests are very welcome to join us in The Wheatsheaf – just a small charge for refreshments.

More details about our WI can be obtained by emailing The Secretary at [beethamwi@gmail.com](mailto:beethamwi@gmail.com) or see information on our Noticeboard in Beetham village.



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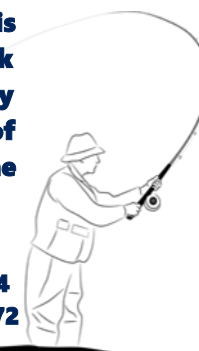
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Wednesday 19th June, 11am - 2pm  
**WRITE BY THE RIVER**  
Monday 17th June, 11am - 3.30pm  
**FOODIE FRIDAY**  
Friday 7th June, 1pm - 3pm  
**MYTH & MAGIC OF PLANTS**  
Saturday 22nd June, 11am - 2.30pm  
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## Milnthorpe Angling Association

**Milnthorpe Angling Association has a small number of vacancies this season. The fishing is on the River Bela and Stainton Beck and is fly fishing only. Fishing is largely for wild brown trout with the chance of sea trout and salmon later in the season.**

For further information and an informal chat, please contact **John McKay on 01524 812896 or Gerard Winnard on 07824 349272**



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## Summer 2024

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The next monthly meeting will be held in Beetham CE School  
Monday 3rd June at 7pm

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