

Ulverston News



Welcome to our fortnightly newsletter, covering Ulverston events and community matters. We also send email and SMS alerts regarding significant incidents.

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Coming soon: Ulverston Resilience Group is currently being formed, to provide sustained support to the community, helping the vulnerable, being "good neighbours", and to respond quickly to major incidents. Watch this space!

Ulverston Self Isolation Group



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SELF ISOLATION**

If you are elderly, vulnerable, lonely or need help, then we are here for you. Please call us on 01229 357951, and leave a message via Option 1. We aim to call you back within a day.

All pharmacies in Ulverston are open and do deliveries to those who need them. Please request repeat prescriptions from your GP or via an approved app such as MyGP or Patient Access, and allow 3 working days for processing. Prescription collections may take a little longer than usual and you may have to queue outside, so wrap up warm if the weather is cold.

Our Cards for Care Homes project is well underway. We are collecting cards, letters, and small gifts for care home residents. We would really appreciate your help. See further details at the foot of this newsletter.

Cumbria County Council update

Across Cumbria data indicates that in most parts of the county the infection rate is beginning to stabilise, with all areas now below the England average.

However, concerns remain particularly for South Lakeland and Barrow which both saw significant increases in new cases in the week ending 13th November, up 42% and 32% respectively from the previous week. Both areas continue to be monitored closely.

All Cumbrian districts now have infection rates of between 188 and 224 per 100,000 population. The England average is 274 per 100,000 population.

The number of people in hospital as a result of COVID-19 also continued to increase, with 93 people in north Cumbria and 161 in the Morecambe Bay NHS Trust areas (17 November), up from 64 and 158 respectively last week. However, there are early indications that the number of new hospital admissions each day is dropping in the south of the county.

A further 25 people have died in the last seven days.

Colin Cox, Cumbria's Director of Public Health, said: "Nationally it remains to be seen whether this latest lockdown is going to be effective in driving down infection rates, and the signs at the moment are not hugely encouraging. Locally in Cumbria the picture is a little more positive, and it is pleasing to see most areas starting to level off - we are no longer seeing the alarming rates of increase of just a few weeks ago."

"But it's very clear that our hospitals, particularly in the north of the county now, are under intense pressure as a result of increasing admissions for COVID-19 and that it is not sustainable for them to operate like this."

Ulverston Town Band



Town Band at risk

Ulverston Town Band's 170-year history in Ulverston is at risk following a 400% increase in rental of the Band Room at Canal Head from South Lakeland District Council which owns the building. The rent will rise from £750.00 per year to £4,000 per year, which is a massive increase and which the band will struggle to pay. The band has been informed that it is a legal requirement for the council to let its properties at commercial rates, and this is the reason for the increase.

Ulverston Town Band has a long history in the town. The first written record of a performance by Ulverston Town Band was at the laying of the foundation stone for the Sir John Barrow monument on Hoad in 1850.

The Town Band has 30 members and a training band with learners of all ages. Any money raised through concerts, donations or grants goes back to the band funds to pay bills, maintain instruments and purchase new music and uniforms. For a group of amateur musicians that usually just makes enough money to cover its costs such a rent increase is a considerable challenge.

Band Secretary Gillian Benjamin said: "The band room is a facility we are incredibly proud of and this is a very difficult position to find ourselves in. Finding an alternative space for rehearsals might be possible but to find a location with storage for music, instruments and all our equipment would be incredibly difficult. The band refurbished the Band Room ourselves in 1999/2000 with a lottery grant and our own funds, resulting in a total investment of over £56,000. There was no financial input to this project from SLDC. A rent increase of the magnitude suggested would wipe out the band's finances in a very short time and could potentially bring about the end of this historic Ulverston organisation."

Ulverston Town Mayor Cllr Sharon Webster said: "The Town Council expressed great concern about this huge increase in rental for the town band and will be appealing to SLDC to re-consider. The Town Band is a hugely important organisation for the town, performs in our good times and our sad times and is woven into the fabric of this town."

[Crowdfunder](#)

Digeorge Awareness Day



Appeal from Caroline Shaw

On 22nd November The Hoad in Ulverston and The Round House Cafe and Hub on Walney will be lit in red for 22q/Digeorge Syndrome Awareness Day. This means so much to us as our youngest son has 22q/Digeorge Syndrome.

Awareness is key. Everyone has heard of Downs Syndrome, but have you heard of the 2nd most common syndrome, Digeorge Syndrome? We hadn't until our youngest was born with it.

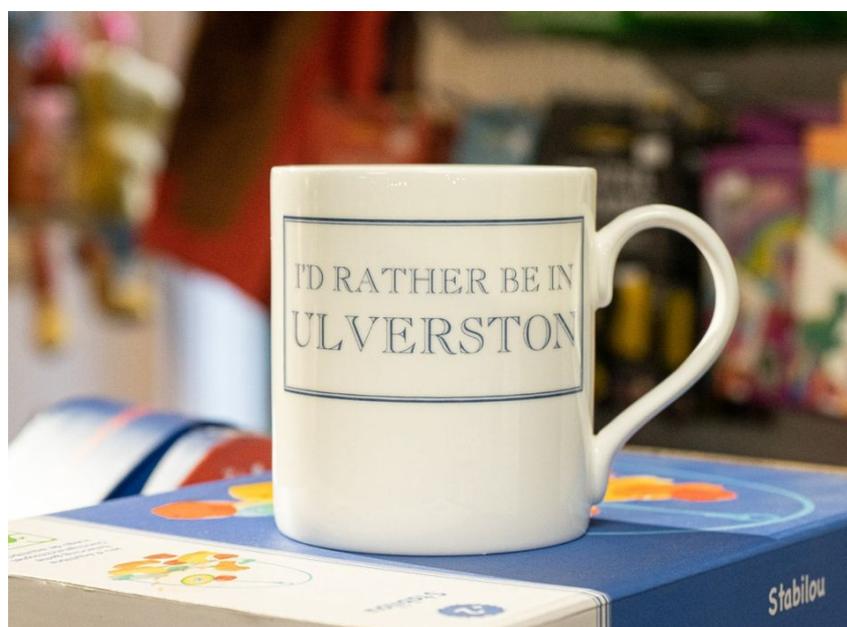
Digeorge Syndrome is very similar to Downs Syndrome. Downs Syndrome is a change in chromosome 21. Digeorge Syndrome is a change in chromosome 22. There are over 180 issues associated with Digeorge Syndrome.

Personally for our son, he fights each day with congenital heart disease, lowered immunity, hypocalcemia seizures, global delays and a whole host of issues. He is under 32 different consultants.

Spreading awareness is key! Visit the Max Appeal website to find out more.

[Max Appeal](#)

Shop Local



Support our essential and non-essential shops

During the ongoing Covid-19 lockdown, here at Ulverston News we are keen to support our local shopkeepers and traders. Those supplying essential goods can open in the "normal" way to provide food, medicines, etc. Non-essential shops can also operate legally, but only via click and collect or delivery. Click on the button below to find out which shops are providing online ordering services during the lockdown.

Please note that our Shop Local web page is a limited facility for the lockdown only. For a more complete selection of Ulverston shops, we recommend that you visit the excellent [Choose Ulverston](#) business improvement district website.

If you're feeling nostalgic, take a look at a brochure featuring [Ulverston Specialist Shops](#) in 1997. How many can you remember?

[Shop Local](#)



Is your child starting Nursery?



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Furness Tradition



Martin and Eliza Carthy live online concert

Martin Carthy and his twice Mercury nominated daughter Eliza Carthy, join forces in a rare and special concert for Furness Tradition. Martin is a legendary ballad singer and guitarist who has influenced a generations of artists, including Bob Dylan and Paul Simon, while Eliza has been twice-nominated for the Mercury Music Prize and is a multiple-award winner at the BBC Radio Two Folk awards.

For more than 50 years Martin Carthy has been one of folk music's greatest innovators, one of its best loved, most enthusiastic and, at times, most quietly controversial figures. His skill, stage presence and natural charm have won him many admirers, not only from within the folk scene, but also far beyond it. Trailblazing musical partnerships with, amongst others, Steeleye Span, Dave Swarbrick and his award-winning wife Norma Waterson and daughter Eliza Carthy have resulted in more than 40 albums, whilst Martin has recorded 10 solo albums. Whether in the folk clubs (which he continues to champion), on the concert stage or making TV appearances (he was the subject of the acclaimed "Originals" music documentary strand on BBC 2) - there are few roles that Martin Carthy hasn't played.

He's a ballad singer, a ground-breaking acoustic and electric-guitarist and an authoritative interpreter of newly composed material. He always prefers to follow an insatiable musical curiosity rather than cash in on his unrivalled position. Perhaps, most significant of all, are his settings of traditional songs with guitar.

"Arguably the greatest English folk song performer, writer, collector and editor of them all", Q Magazine.

Eliza Carthy is undoubtedly one of the most impressive and engaging performers of her generation. Eliza has performed and recorded with a diverse array of artists including Paul Weller, Rufus and Martha Wainwright, Patrick Wolf and Bob Neuwirth. More than most, Eliza Carthy has revitalised folk music and

captured the most hardened of dissenters with intelligent, charismatic and boundary-crossing performance.

Eliza grew up immersed in the world of traditional music. She still divides her time between touring and recording with her legendary parents, as well as engaging in numerous pioneering solo and band projects, including work with Pere Ubu and Melanie Challenger, an artist in residence in Antarctica. In what has become something of a parallel career, Eliza has co-presented the BBC Radio 3 World Music Awards, been a regular guest-presenter on the BBC Radio 2 Mark Radcliffe Show and has made many appearances on BBC TV's "Later with Jools". In her own right, Eliza has been the subject of an hour long ITV documentary "Heaven & Earth" and "My Music" on Channel 5.

[Tickets](#)

Your 2020 Stories



What does 2020 mean to you?

Only two more editions of Ulverston News this year, on the 5th and 19th of December 2020. We'd love to share a few personal stories in our last two newsletters.

It's been a funny old year. Clearly some aspects have been very bad, but every cloud has a silver lining. What memories do you have of the first lockdown? What have you learned about Ulverston and our community? What experiences do you value most?

Please just reply to this newsletter with your story, and a photo would be great if you have one.

Online Auction & Prize Draw



High Sheriff hosts online auction

High Sheriff of Cumbria, Julie Barton, is hoping to raise thousands of pounds to support charitable organisations across the county via an online auction and prize draw.

The auction and prize draw takes place entirely online and is running now until Sunday 6th December at 9pm. The auction lots up for grabs range from a luxury two night spa break for two people at the Low Wood Bay Resort and Spa with dinner in the Blue Smoke Restaurant and a five night rental of a Swift

motorhome, memorabilia such as a Liverpool shirt signed by the Premiership winning team and a signed Barrow AFC ball in the year the Bluebirds returned to the football league, and unique experiences such as a ride in a 1923 Bentley and a cruise in a retro skippered boat.

The money raised will go to the High Sheriff's General Fund, which is administered by Cumbria Community Foundation. Grants are made from the fund to local charitable projects that help improve the lives of disadvantaged people across Cumbria: improve life skills, education, employability and enterprise for disadvantaged people, support vulnerable older people, improve the health and wellbeing of people and strengthen and support fragile communities.

Julie Barton said: "There are many worthy organisations in Cumbria that hold communities together, vital in helping local people and our communities to thrive. I am delighted to be able to hold this online auction and prize draw in support of Cumbria Community Foundation by raising funds for the High Sheriff's General Fund. I am also very grateful indeed to all the local businesses and individuals who have stepped forward with such excellent lots for both the auction and prize draw. Their generosity has been outstanding."

[Online Auction](#)

CARDS FOR CARE HOMES

We are collecting cards, letters, postcards for Christmas for our local care homes.

This is to try and bring cheer to residents who may not have visits
Also if you feel you can possibly small gifts, soaps, hand creams, biscuits, chocolates etc.

All items will be collected and quarantined by us and care homes before being given.

This is for any age to join in with.
You can drop from 1/11/2020 until 10/12/2020
Boxes to drop these will be located at
Squirrel Shop in town
Town council office
Croftlands Launderette
42 Watery Lane
The Red House North Lonsdale Road LA12 9DX
31 Windsor Crescent Croftlands



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