

A trip to **Rock and River Outdoor Centre** is all about trying something new and challenging.

There's a huge range of exciting activities to try including Climbing, Kayaking, High Ropes, Raft Building, Archery, Den Building, Abseiling, Canoeing and lots more. We welcome all kinds of groups for Adventurous activity trips such as school, corporate groups, birthday parties, scouts and guides and more.

We're open to individuals too - our School Holiday Activity Club is perfect for keeping children active every day during the school holidays or you can bring them to our climbing club 'Crag Rats' every Wednesday and Friday evening.



The Farmers Arms
Chorley Rd, Bispham L40 3SL
01257 464640

Are you a hard worker with great personality?
 Staff required please contact for details

Come and join us and treat your loved one this **Valentine's weekend**.

Friday 12th and Saturday 13th February

Fantastic Menu

Book early to avoid disappointment



Mother's Day

Sunday 6th March

Celebrate Mum and Grandma in style.
 Treat them to Sunday Lunch – and no washing up!

Join us – but book your table early!



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Why not join us at one of our meetings? It's all very informal – do come along!



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Hilldale Community Newsletter

Stephen & Pernille Quigg



12th March

Tickets are only £7.50 each

Doors open at 7:30 pm

For tickets:

Text to 07957135961

Email to hilldale@btconnect.com

Pay by BACS – see the website

Bring your own drinks nibbles for a memorable time!

Tina Swaine's untimely death just before New Year robbed us of a truly lovely person. So bubbly and full of fun but also a carer in all senses of the word, Tina was unstinting in her support to Village events and we will miss her greatly.

Our sympathies go out to Gary and to Tina's family.

For your diary

27th February – Lancashire Fire & Rescue will be here from 10:00 until 12:30 with a **Fire Engine and the Mobile Fire Station**.

26th March – **Easter Egg Hunt** – between 10:30 and 12:00 for all children.

14th May – the Hilldale Fair and afterwards, at the Farmers Arms, the Hilldale Party – it's free!

The Hilldale Coffee Mornings

Our Coffee Morning is held on the last Saturday of each month – except May, August and December - in the Hilldale Village Hall. There are cakes, tea, coffee and soft drinks and Gary makes his renowned bacon and sausage butties.

The cakes and the ingredients for the butties are all sourced locally.

The next few Coffee Mornings are on

27th February, 26th March and 30th April.

We are open from 10.30 until 12.30.

And there is usually a selection of small toys and plant seeds – all FREE.

Fire Safety Awareness

27th February

**Lancashire Fire & Rescue will be at the Hilldale Village Hall
from 10:00 until 12:30 with a**

Fire Engine and the Mobile Fire Station.

There have been local two house fires recently, so be aware: prevention is so much better than the alternative!

Lancashire Fire and Rescue will be at the Village Hall to offer advice and to answer questions about how to keep you and your family safe.

Hilldale Fair- 14th May – put it in your diary!

The **Hilldale Fair** is already being planned and as usual we'd like some help. Please help by volunteering to help with a stall for a while – it's great fun – or giving a raffle or tombola prize; whatever it is you can do to help let one of us know. Finally, if you have an idea which would improve the Fair, please tell us. It's never too early to think about these things!

The Fair will have all of the usual stalls, the donkey rides, cream teas, BBQ and the Fun Dog Fair.

The HCA Award

The HCA committee has decided to make an award of £100 to a child of 16 or under living in the parish of Hilldale. The award will be made to help a child complete a project. The application should describe in about 100 words what the project is, what or who it will benefit and why £100 would help. The application should be made by email to Hilldale@btconnect.com. All applications have to be submitted by 30th April and have to include the name, address and contact details of the applicant. The winner will be announced at the Hilldale Fair.

Did you go to....

the Beaujolais Nouveau evening? For those who did, there was the opportunity to taste several Beaujolais wines from Nouveau to Cru. There were also cheeses and charcuterie to help get into mood and there was Gary's "fiendish" quiz. We might do something similar this year; it could be other wines or beers or ciders or ...? Let us know what you think, please.

Finally, we would like to thank SPAR for donating the excellent non-Nouveau Beaujolais wines.

Dog poo

We made a lot of progress following last year's the Dog Awareness Week and incidents of dog poo in the Field and on the local pavements and grass verges reduced a lot. But it's getting worse again. PLEASE watch your dog and always pick up after it – there is no excuse for contaminating our Playing Field, verges and pavements. The Parish Council set up bag dispensers but it seems that people have been taking them by the handful which is an abuse of their excellent intention.

How about promoting your business?

The Hilldale Community Association Newsletter, is distributed to about 300 homes in Hilldale Parish 4 times a year. To advertise, email us at hilldale@btconnect.com and we'll be in touch.
