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The Horseshoe Inn – New Owner's Update



Just wanted to introduce myself, James, and my partner Clare - we're the new owners of the Horseshoe Inn.

I heard mentioned that there's a monthly newsletter. We would like to post some updates while we do the work on the pub.

We got the keys two weeks ago and now busy trying to get the works off the ground. We're going to have a full refurbished, brand new kitchen (and we have a very good chef joining). Lots of good plans and we're really hoping to breathe some life back into the place - it's a wonderful spot. So it would be great to keep everyone updated on progress.

Minal Resident Wins at Crufts



There was success for the village at this year's Crufts. Adam Slater's 15 month old bitch Regun Nara (Mossy) was placed 3rd in the Lagotto Romagnolo Junior Bitch Class. In a strong class she was only beaten by a very successful UK owned bitch and the Swedish Junior Champion. Mossy qualified for Crufts by winning Best Puppy in Breed at the National Dog Show. The Lagotto Romagnolo is a relatively new breed to the UK; the first Lagotti being imported to the UK from Italy in the 1990s. The Kennel Club awarded the breed its own show class in 2015 and the popularity of the breed and the number of dogs has increased each year ever since. An ancient breed the dogs were originally used to retrieve shot game from the marshlands and lakes of Romagna in north eastern Italy. A loyal and friendly breed that doesn't shed its coat, it is often mistaken for a Cockerpoop.

Village Socials – Dates for your Diary

Duck Races: 4pm Sunday 26th June: Werg Bridge
Come and chance your luck at the **Duck Races** on the Kennett river at Werg Bridge. Fun for the whole family. You can buy a duck on the day or contact Ashley Miles: 07594762541.

Cricket 6 a side 12pm Sunday 26th June: Minal Sports Field

There will be fun "6-a-side cricket" on the sports field from 12pm. BBQ and refreshments available. Contact Ashley Miles: 07594762541

Mikron Outdoor Theatre presents: RED SKY AT NIGHT: 7pm Friday 22nd July : Minal Sports Field.

Mikron returns to Minal to stage another amusing and skillful outdoor production. Payment for the show will be by donation on the night to Mikron. BBQ and refreshments will be on sale or BYO. For more details of the play and about Mikron go to : www.mikron.org.uk. Or contact the Minal Community Facebook page.

Village Fete: 1.30pm Saturday 23rd July on the Minal Sports Field.

Fun and activities for family and friends. Stalls, Dog Show, Fun Activities and Music. Watch this space for more details. If you would like to help or know more please contact Dom Coomber at dominiccoomber@gmail.com. or Clive Scholefield at cliveascholefield@gmail.com. We will start the organising meetings by Zoom in May. We need you!!!

Minal Parish Council

The Parish Council will be holding its Annual General Meeting on Monday 9 May at 6.30pm in the Village Hall
All welcome – come and have your say!

MINAL MUNCH

The next Minal Munch will be in the Village Hall on Friday 6 May from 3-4.30pm

Look out for the poster and pop in for a chat and cuppa

BOOK CLUB

The next meeting: Thursday 26 May.

We will be talking about 'Guardian Of Lies' by Kate Furnival. New members welcome. Please contact Deirdre Watson on 512729 or datsonweavers@gmail.com

Village Hall Moderisation

A moderisation programme with a view to achieving Net Zero carbon footprint by 2025 as directed by the Government took another step forward last month. The Hall is now fully double glazed with A-Rated windows replacing the original single-glazed, rotting ones of the 1980s. This will help reduce the heating bills and provides better noise insulation. Other future improvements include PIR lighting in the side rooms a new enclosed entrance hall and a warmer floor for the main hall! We welcomed 2 new members to the Committee: Sarah Foard and Valerie Hammelton. There is always room for new members!

MINAL CHURCH

Church Services are held every Sunday at 9.00 am