

# Views

## The Great Langdale Beck Weir

In December 2008 the weir between Chapel Stile and Eiterwater was breached and during the following 18 months the damage has worsened. There is no clear ownership of the weir, but it has been in place for about 200 years and is now both an integral feature of the valley landscape and a monument to the area's industrial past.

The Langdale Estate has been working with the local community, Burlington Slate and the Environment Agency to enable the restoration of the weir to take place. This has been a long, and often fraught, process, but we now have a licence giving permission to rebuild the weir. However, and sadly so, there is no agency prepared to fund the works.

In order to expedite the repairs, Langdale Owners PLC has agreed to finance the rebuild in the hope of recovering the costs from donations by owners, the local community and other visitors to the valley. Any donations at this stage will be a contribution towards the estimated cost of £55,000, which excludes VAT, to rebuild the weir.

The work is being carried out by a company dedicated to traditional stone crafts and the weir will be restored using methods very similar to the original techniques used when it was first built.

The main beneficiary of the repair will be the Estate and in particular the tarns around the lodges. Owners have been eager to see water back into the tarns and the weir rebuilt. We hope you will support the efforts of the Company in making this happen.

If you would like more information, wish to follow the progress, provide your weir

memories or photographs and to see how the collection is going, please visit the Langdale Owners' Website, follow us on Twitter or become a 'Friend of the Langdale Weir' on Facebook - just search for Langdale Weir. We hope we can count on your support in order to try to return some of the beauty to the Estate, and assure you that we will continue our efforts to retain the water once it is on the Estate, in order that there will be water all the year round.

If you would like to make a donation, you may do so as follows:

- 1. Adding a donation to your management fees**
- 2. Making a donation via credit or debit card directly to the Accounts Department at Langdale**
- 3. Sending a cheque to Accounts at Langdale - Payable to 'Langdale Leisure Ltd'**



The Weir 2010 - Work starts to repair the damage



The Weir 2009 after the first damage was caused

Langdale Accounts  
The Langdale Estate  
Great Langdale  
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The Weir in 2008 before any damage  
Photo by Colin Ashcroft - Lodge 2 Week 26



# Infrastructure Project

The infrastructure project is scheduled to be complete by the Autumn, and by the time you read this, timeshare owners will hopefully be enjoying a full range of FreeSat television channels, including some in HD, and Wi-Fi internet access.

The project has been a significant one for all those involved and, at times, challenging but we are sure that you will be happy with the results. Fibre optic cables that will feed television, telephone and wireless internet services to each lodge and the infrastructure are now in place to offer flexibility for the future.



## Privilege Card

Use of the Owners' Privilege Card at Langdale continues to grow, as do the opportunities to use it off-site. Total owners' savings since the card was introduced are just over £85,000.

The opportunities for using the card outside the Estate now include Highpoint Mountaineering, who have had connections with Langdale for over 20 years and are now established in Elterwater. They offer a range of courses and experiences for all abilities. You can also hire walking boots and mountain bikes from half a day to a week. All owners will receive a 10% discount on production of their Privilege Card.



## AGM - Coming Home Again & Again

The Langdale AGM returns to Langdale again by popular demand following the success of the 2009 event. You should have received voting forms for the AGMs with Views.

### Highlights

All Hotel rooms are now booked for Friday 19th and Saturday 20th November. Rooms are still available for Sunday 21st.

Events include -

### Saturday

Guided walk from Langdale lasting approximately four hours. The route will depend on the weather and number of participants, but guarantees some fine views of the local scenery.

Guided walk with Nurture Lakeland to see some of the work funded by the 'Our Man at the Top' donations.

Jennings Brewery tour. One year on from the floods of 2009 that closed the brewery and devastated the town, visit one of the main attractions of Cockermouth and sample some of their fine ales.

Our Man At The Top. Talk to the people

who are funded by your donations to preserve access to the fells in the Langdale Valley.

Spa Makeover. BareMinerals make over session in the Spa for £20, plus a £20 Voucher redeemable against Spa products.

Wine Tasting. The European Wine Growers Association (EWGA) will be hosting a wine tasting session.

Celebratory dinner with entertainment, fine food from Purdey's and traditional Langdale hospitality, giving you a chance to socialise with other owners as well as your Board and Committee.

### Sunday

Langdale Owners' PLC AGM (shareholders)

Buffet lunch in the Terrace Restaurant  
Langdale Owner's Club Committee AGM

Places on the above (except AGMs) are limited; book early to avoid disappointment.

For more information and to make a booking please call Jackie 015394 38066 or email [jackie@langdale.co.uk](mailto:jackie@langdale.co.uk)

## The Timeshare Owners' Website

[www.langdaleownersclub.org.uk](http://www.langdaleownersclub.org.uk)

You can now share your favourite Langdale and Lake District photos with other owners via the website where there is an image gallery. Send your pictures to Nigel Harper, [info@langdale.co.uk](mailto:info@langdale.co.uk).

The same interactive map on the Langdale public website has proven very popular with browsers booking self-catering holidays directly online. Since the map went live, 112 reservations have been taken with a total value of £116,940.

Adam Sharrock, Owner Relations Manager, has a section on the website with details of his recommendations on things to do and see in the Lake District. This is

proving popular, with some good feedback received from owners who have followed his advice.



# The Langdale Spa

As many of you may be aware, the floor of the swimming pool has been relined in order to reduce the number of people suffering scrapes and grazes from the rough surface. At the same time as this work was being carried out, the reception and ladies changing rooms were refurbished, along with the shop area.

The Spa now offers the exclusive Anne Semonin range of treatments and products. Combining trace elements and essential oils whose synergy contributes to effective penetration and action, the Anne Semonin brand has existed for over twenty years and was the precursor to the concept of "made-to-measure" beauty.

These fantastic products are exclusive to Langdale in the North West and available to buy only at exclusive spas and at Liberty's.

**ANNE SEMONIN**  
PARIS

# Timeshare Reurbishment

The annual maintenance period will soon be upon us once again and you can see what is scheduled for your property on the Owners' Website. During the last refurbishment period (the details of which were in the Spring edition of Views) the published schedule was completed on time and within budget.

## Management Fees by Direct Debit

You can now pay your management fees by direct debit. Please see the Owners' Website where you can download the relevant forms, or contact Sarah O'Boyle in the Accounts Department for more information.

015394 38020  
sarah.oboyle@langdale.co.uk

## 4 Star Hotel



Following an inspection from the AA, the Hotel has been awarded 4-star status and retained its two rosettes in Purdey's. This award is in recognition of the effort that has gone into the refurbishment of the rooms and the improvements in service from a number of departments, particularly Hotel Housekeeping and Purdey's Restaurant. Well done to all those involved.

The quality of the Hotel bedrooms is now as good, if not better, than any other hotel in the Lake District. If you have not yet stayed in one of the new rooms remember you will receive a 10% discount with your Owners' Privilege Card.



## 'Our Man at the Top'

The Lake District Tourism and Conservation Partnership, with whom we work on the Our Man at the Top footpath restoration programme, have rebranded as Nurture Lakeland.

On 21st November there will be a guided walk with Nurture Lakeland to see some of the work made possible with the support of Our Man At The Top.

The name change and rebrand is to get the charity more widely known amongst the general public rather than just those people who join schemes like Our Man at the Top, and their work in caring for the Lake District landscape will remain unchanged. Additional services available through the new Nurture Lakeland website include an online gift shop, green business directory, green shopping guide and information on making the most of your visit to the Lake District. See [www.nurturelakeland.org](http://www.nurturelakeland.org).

Individual memberships are also now available from £2.50 per month; again, information is available on their website and there is a link from the Langdale Owners' Website.



Book online and save 10% with the exclusive Timeshare Owners' Promotional Code - **owner1**

[www.langdale.co.uk](http://www.langdale.co.uk)

# Langdale Board & Committee Workshop

Interested in becoming a Langdale Board Director or Committee Member?

The Langdale Owners PLC (LOP) Board and the Langdale Owners` Club (LOC) Committee are currently giving consideration to the "next generation" of main Board Directors and Committee members.

Although there are no current vacancies, the Board and Committee believe it would be beneficial to those who think they might like to become involved, if they were aware of what the roles entail. To this end it has been decided that the Board and Committee will run an introductory workshop, where owners can learn in greater detail how the

Langdale Estate, LOP and LOC work, the duties and responsibilities of the elected representatives and the level of commitment required.

The four hour event will be held on Saturday 2nd April 2011 in Harrogate, North Yorkshire, commencing at 10.30am. The content will be a series of presentations from current Directors and Committee Members, as well as contributions from the Langdale Management Team, and a question and answer session. All owners and their family members who think they may be interested in joining the LOP Board or LOC Committee at some future date and would like to attend this event, should contact Anne Durnall at Langdale. [annedurnall@langdale.co.uk](mailto:annedurnall@langdale.co.uk)



## Announcements

Beryl Hannigan in the Accounts Department celebrated the fantastic milestone of her 60th birthday in August.

Patti Kolarczyk has been promoted to Hotel Head Housekeeper. We wish her well.

## Weddings

Dawn (Front of House Manager) married Gerrie de Beer in Sedbergh in July.

Katarzyna & Jakub Flantowicz who you may have seen working in the Terrace were married in Poland in June, as were Patti & Sebastian Kolakowski who both work in Housekeeping.

## The Estate's Waterways

The team at Langdale has been busy working on the waterways in an attempt to retain the water on site. Tarns have been relined and sluice gates repaired, along with other works including diversion of run off. A borehole has been established for the abstraction of water and other options continue to be explored.

The work on the waterways and the weir will hopefully return water to the tarns and streams across the Estate, providing of course that we can also rely on some traditional Lakeland weather (rain).



## Onsite Recycling



Owners are reminded that there are recycling facilities at four points for a range of waste materials around the Estate.

### Gateway -

Glass  
Plastic  
Paper  
Cardboard  
Cans

### Chapel Stile -

Glass  
Plastic  
Paper/card  
Cans

### Elterwater Hall -

Glass  
Plastic  
Paper/card  
Cans

### Brackens -

Glass  
Plastic  
Paper/card  
Cans

Please only put materials as specified in each container.

