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**Editors: Mike Parkin and Dennis Telford.**

## **PARISH COUNCIL NOTES from the meeting in November 2012**

### **Public Participation**

Several complaints have been received concerning dazzle from the floodlighting on the old bridge. The lights have recently been realigned and have louvres fitted to reduce dazzle, but pedestrians walking over the bridge in the evening are unable to see their way clearly. The floodlights on the south side of the bridge seem to be causing the most severe problems for pedestrians. A discussion has taken place between a group of local residents who are keen to find a solution to the problem while retaining the flood lighting. They are looking at ways of tilting the lights downwards more but without having to replace the present mountings.

It should be noted that the floodlighting scheme has not been paid for by the Parish Council out of the Parish Precept (the money the Parish Council receive from the Council Tax) but through grants awarded for the work.

Further complaints have been received about the school buses parking in the lay-by on the eastern approach to the village. As they are parking there for most of the day, lorry drivers are unable to use the lay-by to make a stop in the village. There is no other off street parking for lorries and the next lay-by is on the A69 beyond the West Rattenraw turning. NCC Highways is to be informed of the problem.

The Council was informed that the Parish Church Council is considering refurbishing/restoring St Cuthbert's Church Bell(s). They have received estimates for the work which will cost about £2,500. A request was made to the Parish Council for support/ help with funding. The Parish Council recommended an application be made for a grant from NCC Community Chest.

### **Council meeting.**

7 councillors present and Alan Sharp, NCC councillor.

### **NCC Report.**

Crook Hill Close at the Showfield now has a street sign.

ISOS have agreed to put two name signs at Foundry Court. One will be fixed to the building on Church Street and the other sign will be free standing on the Strother Close side of the flats. This will, hopefully, end the confusion some visitors have faced as they have mistaken the flat numbers on the outer doors as referring to Strother Close

dwelling.

Some tree pruning near street lights is to be done in due course.

The road drains in Ratcliffe Road have now been cleared as have drains in Church Street and North Bank.

However, the drains in John Martin Street and Shaftoe Street, reported to the last Council meeting, have still not been cleared. In recent heavy rain John Martin Street was flooded where the drains are blocked.

No Community Chest applications have been received from Haydon Bridge this month although there is money available to fund appropriate and approved schemes. Information on this can be found on Northumberland's website.

The NCC Councillor is working with the local cricket and football clubs to considering ways in which the 'Developers Fund', for provision of local sports facilities, can best be used. The 'Developers Fund' was given by the builders of Innerhaugh Mews and The Showfield as part of their planning agreement with NCC.

### **Highways**

The branches/twigs, partially obscuring the 30mph sign on the Langley road, are to be cut back.

Following a meeting between a Parish Councillor and an NCC Official, proposals have been put forward to try and resolve the access problems on Shaftoe Street caused by parked cars. This may mean introducing yellow lines on sections of the road.

The possibility of painting yellow lines on Ratcliffe Road at the old bridge end was also discussed. These proposals will be discussed further at the next Council meeting.

The underpass from Station Road to the riverside has now been cleared of mud and leaves. Measurements have been taken for a handrail by the steps. Now the money for this has to be found!

Concerns were expressed about the quality of both the bus and train services from the village. Trains are sometimes full and are leaving intending passengers stranded on the platform. Not too bad if it was a five or ten minute service, but with an hour or more wait for the next train it must mean journeys being abandoned. Two coaches on some services is not adequate. A representative from the

Council was urged to go to the next TVRUG meeting to raise the issue. The poor quality of the bus service was raised again with buses frequently being late or not turning up at all. It wasn't that long ago when this issue was discussed by the Council. Complaints have been made to Arriva but have made little or no impact. The Council is to approach NCC Transport officials to see if they can take action to improve the service frequency and reliability.

The bench placed at the east end of the village a couple of months ago has been stolen. It had been bolted to the paving stones set in concrete, but these were smashed and the seat taken. The Council are claiming on its insurance to replace the seat. the Council will have to pay £125 excess.

A review has been undertaken by NCC of the no parking/waiting zigzag lines outside school entrances. It had been suggested that the one outside the Langley road entrance to Shaftoe School be extended. It appears from the correspondence and plans received that it will remain the same length. To be further discussed at the next meeting.

A complaint had been received about the maintenance of the cemetery. Inspection of the cemetery by some Parish Councillors found the cemetery in good order, especially so given the recent high winds and heavy rain.

A discussion followed during which the point was made that the charges made  
**(Continued on page 4)**

### **PARISH COUNCILLORS**

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Mrs. V Fletcher 688872  
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Mr H Oliver 688856  
Mrs J Thompson. 684376  
Mrs I Burrows  
Mr D Robson  
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Parish Clerk  
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### **Parish Council Notes (continued from page 3)**

by the Parish Council for a cemetery plot still remain considerably lower than those made by neighbouring councils. The income from charges doesn't even cover 50% of the annual maintenance costs. It was suggested that annual increases be made to the charges to ensure maintenance costs are eventually covered.

### **Planning**

A retrospective application for the work recently carried out at Low Hall Park by the Football Club was received.

Construction of an existing agricultural building at Tofts Farm  
No objections were raised to either application.

### **Correspondence**

The annual inspection reports on the Innerhaugh and Shaftoe Green Play Areas were received. No major faults were found at either site. The minor issues raised will be dealt with over the coming months.

A report, on local and county wide road gritting and clearance plans during the winter, was received from NCC.

Notice was received that Allendale Parish Council is applying for Neighbourhood Planning status.

### **Parish Projects**

#### **Haydon Bridge Development Trust**

The John Martin Heritage Centre is due to open shortly and will mark the end of the John Martin Project (See report on this page)

The village archives at the Bridge Library have received the collection of archive material compiled by 'Mitch' Mitchell. It is realised that some of this was lent to 'Mitch' but not returned. (See the Library article on page 12).

The Development Trust may apply for a grant to help with the cataloguing and storage of the archive materials gathered.

The panel, giving historical background information on the old bridge, has now been erected on the bridge. Thanks were extended to all those involved with this scheme.

#### **Shaftoe Green**

The Council has received the full grant to cover the refurbishment work and installation of new equipment at the Shaftoe Green Play Area. All this work has now been completed.

It was pointed out that the Parish Council has not yet received the funds, donated by The Showfield developers, for the maintenance of The Showfield Play Area. These funds were meant to have been transferred to the Parish Council when the responsibility for play area maintenance was transferred from NCC to the Parish Council. Urgent enquiries are to be made.

### **Christmas Lights**

The Christmas Tree lights on the old bridge will be switched on at 4.30pm on Sunday, 9th December. Children from Shaftoe School will sing Christmas Carols, and Santa Claus will be present (courtesy of Allendale Lions). Illuminated Christmas trees will also be set up in Church Street where refreshments will be served after the switch on ceremony.

### **Other Business**

The Council's thanks were extended to Mr Noel McGivern who has retired after many years as volunteer tender of the church clock. A replacement volunteer is now required.

Enquiries are to be made about the proposed tree planting on the slope north of The Showfield.

**Next meeting is on Dec 20th at 7.30pm**

**MP**

## **John Martin Heritage Centre**



The opening of the John Martin Heritage Centre at the end of the month will mark the completion of the almost two year long John Martin Heritage Project.

The project was inspired by one of the largest exhibitions of Martin's art works; on show for three months at the Laing Art Gallery, Newcastle, followed by three months at the Millennium Galleries, Sheffield and finally for four months at Tate Britain in London.

The Parish based project offered a wide range of activities, talks events and workshops exploring the Martin Heritage. Two of the speakers involved, Max Adams, who gave a fascinating talk on Martin's circle of influential and famous London friends, and Barbara Morden, who opened our eyes to the influence Martin's work continues to have in the world of cinema and special effects, feature in the film on Martin on show in the Heritage Centre.

Local schools participated in a series of painting, sculpture, writing, design, music and drama workshops and produced some excellent work. Various workshops for adults were also organised; writing, photography, industrial heritage, film animation, poetry, genealogy and walks along the John Martin Trail. Most of these were very well attended. One that wasn't, but was for me one of the highlights of the whole heritage programme, was the genealogy workshop. The poor response was a surprise given the current interest in researching family history. But maybe next time.

Hope you find the Heritage Centre interesting. The project was made possible by funding from the Heritage Lottery Fund.

**The John Martin Heritage Centre is  
in the Community Centre & opens  
on Dec 1st**

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**THE HAYDON BRIDGE FLORAL  
AND  
HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY**

**Part 10  
1960 - 1981**

**The Haydon Bridge Floral and Horticultural Society was established in 1840 and held the first exhibition under its jurisdiction in September 1841 at the Black Bull Public House on Ratcliffe Road.**

**I have followed the history of the much loved Haydon Bridge Show, in the Haydon News (Issues 1 to 9 - 2012) from those early days at the Black Bull and then the Anchor Yard, to its permanent home in 'McDonald's Field' off the Langley Road. It was in this Show Field that the last outdoor Show was held, on September 5th 1959, and I know for certain that those who lived in Haydon Parish and enjoyed the Show days on the first Saturday each September, will have quite wonderful memories of the events. Memories that will remain with them for ever.**

Regular social activities, aimed at funding a Show in 1960, included a Whist Drive and Dance and Children's Dance on New Year's Day 1960, and Dances on March 11th, with Alan Hobson's Band, March 18th, and March 25th, 1960.

The committee's plans were to hold the one hundred and tenth Haydon Bridge Show on Saturday, September 3rd 1960.

**However, on Monday, March 29th 1960 at a committee meeting of the Floral, Horticultural and Industrial Society, held in the Town Hall and chaired by Norman Ohlson, it was decided: 'Due to lack of interest, a Special General Meeting to decide the future of the Flower Show' would be held in April.**

**There was an attendance of twenty at the Special General Meeting on April 20th 1960, most of whom were committee members, and a proposal by John Waugh, seconded by W.B. Watson that: 'The Haydon Bridge Show be suspended and the situation be reviewed at the AGM in November 1960' was carried.**

**Sadly, the Haydon Bridge Show in its much loved form was no more and, as far as I am aware, the November AGM never took place.**

**My research suggests that the next recorded meeting of the Haydon Bridge Floral, Horticultural and Industrial Society was held on Monday, June 9th 1968.**

After a gap of nine years in the Society's activities, a number of residents who had been on the Society committee in the 1950s, got together at the request of the recently formed Haydon Bridge Community Association and agreed to organise a 'small flower show' in the Community Centre on September 14th 1968.

John Waugh was appointed chairman of the Society, Wilf Dawson agreed to continue as secretary and a committee of Alan Moffatt, W.B. Watson, J. Scaife, T. Marshall, M. Brown, J.T. Mewes and W.J. Smith drew up a schedule for the Community Centre Show.

**A detailed history of the Society's activities, following its resurrection, may appear in my Historical Notes in the future, however, I will bring my history of our Floral, Horticultural and Industrial Society to a close, for now, with a brief examination of those issues that were important in prolonging the Society's life from 1968.**

Dormant funds from the Society's earlier activities amounted to £79 thirteen shillings and fourpence, and £60 was allocated for prize money for the 1968 Show. It was decided that there would be no entry fee for the floral classes, but the exhibits would remain the property of the Society and would be auctioned at the close of the Show. Robert Harding agreed to be the auctioneer.

Entry for the Vegetable and Industrial Classes would be sixpence per exhibit.

The allocation of the Society trophies was agreed:

Coronation Cup - Open Section.

Bowes-Lyon Cup - District Section.

Margaret Smith Cup - Rose Class.

George Anderson Trophy - Industrial Section.

**The 1968 Show, the first since 1959 - 'The Revival Show' - was advertised in the Hexham Courant and proved to be a great success. The Haydon Bridge Floral, Horticultural and Industrial Society was up and running again, in partnership with the Haydon Bridge Community**

**Association.**

Sixteen year old John Davison of Langley won the Margaret Smith Rose Bowl; John Oliver won the Coronation Cup for most points in the Open Classes; Ronnie Moffatt won the Bowes-Lyon Cup in the District Class; and the George Anderson Trophy for the most points in the Industrial Classes was shared between Mrs R. Robley and Mrs D. Davison.

It is interesting that the expenditure for the Society's 1968 activities amounted to £88 nineteen shillings, whereas, in 1959 the annual expenditure had been £608.

A profit of £2 four shillings was made on the 1968 Show when income was £82 thirteen shillings from entry fees, takings at the door, raffles, the sale of flowers, and donations of £8 ten shillings.

**The first AGM of the reconstituted Haydon Bridge Floral, Horticultural and Industrial Society, on November 11th 1968, was cancelled as there were insufficient members present. Not a promising start for the new life of the Society, however, the committee were determined to make a success of the second coming and another successful Show was held on September 20th 1969, in the Community Centre.**

An AGM in February 1970 was well attended and a committee was appointed to take the Society forward.

President: John Davison.

Vice Presidents: Dr R. Bell, D. Oliver, W.H. Davison, W. Rutherford, E. Waite, A. Moffatt, R. Harding.

Chairman: John Waugh.

Secretary and Treasurer: Wilf Dawson.

Men's Committee: J.W. Adamson, E. Armstrong, M. Brown, W. Davison (Jnr), E. Walker, T. Marshall, J. Mewes, O. Moore, C.A. Robinson, J. Scaife, J. Smith and W.B. Watson.

Ladies' Committee: Miss E. Gibson, Mrs Halkier, Mrs D. Oliver, Miss L. Phillipson, Miss S. Pickering and Mrs B. Welch.

The 1970 Show was held on September 19th and the Society had been supported throughout the year with Whist Drives and Dances in the Community Centre and the Church Hall, and Whist Drives in Langley Village Hall.

In 1971, Mrs E. Armstrong, Mrs J. Oliver, Mrs D. Davison and Mrs E. Burrows were added to the Ladies' Committee.

It is clear that from 1968, the ladies on the committee had a much greater say in the affairs of the Society than had been the case in earlier years, when their role had been very much restricted to the Industrial Classes of the Haydon Bridge Show, while the men were responsible for the administration of the Society.

In 1972, the Parochial Church Council offered the Society the Colonel Cruddas Challenge Trophy, to be competed for in a class of Floral Art in the District Section of the Show.

At the Society's AGM in 1973, John Davison (President), did not seek re-election as he had moved out of the area; Dr Richard Bell accepted an invitation to replace him.

In 1974, the finances of the Show were improved when £45.51 was transferred to the Floral, Horticultural and Industrial Society, from the respected 'Haydon Parish Product Association'; a village group that had been wound up in 1958. (See separate panel on page 7.)

At the February 1976 AGM, the treasurer reported a balance of £229.49 in current and deposit accounts, and a tribute was paid to C.A. Robinson who had been a member of the Show committee for many years.

The Society held Whist Drives in 1977, to support a donation to the village's Silver Jubilee Celebrations.

At the AGM in 1979, the death of Dr Richard Bell, the Society's popular president, was reported as a terrific loss to the organisation. Doctor Bell's wife accepted an invitation to replace her husband as President.

Only seven people turned out for the AGM on Wednesday, March 19th 1980, and although the September Shows in the Community Centre had proved to be a huge success since 1968, there was concern that support from volunteers willing to organise and run the Show and the Society's associated activities, was waning - a problem that had, in part, led to the demise of the outdoor Shows, in 1968.

At a committee meeting in July 1980, further disappointment was expressed when there were insufficient members present to form a quorum.

In spite of the poor public turn out at meetings, the committee organised a September 1980 Show and, once again, on the day it proved to be a success.

The Chrysanthemums on show were

particularly impressive, with most of the awards going to Alan Nichol, George Hall and John Davison.

In fact, the Davison family were winners of three of the Society trophies in 1980. Kathleen Davison won the Coronation Cup with most points in the Open Flower Section; John Davison won the Bowes-Lyon Cup for most points in the District Section; and the Margaret Smith Cup was won by Billy Davison with his roses.

The Colonel Cruddas Cup for Floral Art went to Mrs Betty Dodd, and Frances Dodd won the George Anderson Trophy with the most points in the Industrial Section. In the vegetable classes, the champion pot leek was shown by Arthur Dodd of Langley and the open classes were dominated by John Oliver, with four firsts out of the five sections.

Seventy eight year old Fred Pearson, who had been benching produce in the Haydon Bridge Show for fifty five years, won first prizes with peas and asters as well as collecting several seconds and thirds.

**This highly successful Show in the Community Centre on Saturday, September 20th 1980, proved to be the last exhibition of the Haydon Bridge Floral, Horticultural and Industrial Society as, at a Special Meeting in the Congregational Hall on April 14th 1981, E. Armstrong proposed and Miss L. Phillipson seconded, a motion that - after one hundred and forty one years and one hundred and twenty three exhibitions - the Society and the Haydon Bridge Show be wound up and the £348 balance of the Society's funds be donated to the Community Association. The proposal was carried unanimously.**

**Finally,** I have a copy of the 1980 Schedule - the last Exhibition of the Society - and it includes the list of officials who, along with those who went before them, deserve a great deal of credit for their roles in extending the life of the Haydon Bridge Show during the period from 1968 to 1980.

President: Mrs F. Bell.

Vice Presidents: J. Anderson, Rev. A. Beniams, J.B. Bowes, N.L. Brown, W.H. Davison, J.C. Heslop, D. Oliver, Dr R. High, A. Moffatt, J. Nicholson, J.M. Pumphrey, W. Rutherford, J.J. Rumney, E. Waite O.B.E., and

Miss J. Waugh M.B.E.

Secretary and Treasurer: W. Dawson.

Chairman: J. Waugh.

Auditor: A. Moffatt.

Ladies' Committee: Mrs J. Waugh, Miss E. Gibson, Mrs Halkier, Mrs J. Oliver, Mrs D. Oliver, Mrs B. Welsh, Miss L. Phillipson, Miss S. Pickering, Mrs E. Burrows, Mrs W. Dawson, Mrs M. Moore, Mrs E. Clark.

Men's Committee: J.W. Adamson, E. Armstrong, M. Brown, R. Charlton, W. Davison (Jnr), G. Marshall, T. Marshall, O. Moore, W.B. Watson, W. Gibson.

Judges:

Horticulture: J.C. Sanderson, R. Carr.

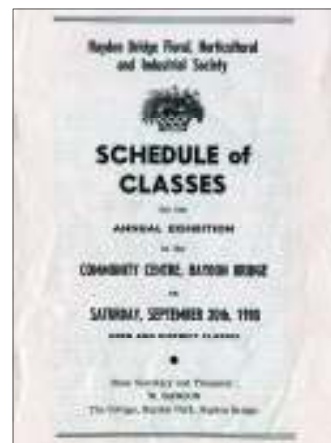
Industrial: Mrs V. Drydon,

Mrs M. Sayburn, Mrs I. Fulton.

School Classes: F.D. Robertson.

Floral Art Classes: Mrs S. Bell.

Photography: R. Curry, D. Westall.



A Schedule of the final Haydon Bridge Show

### THANK YOU

***Sources of information for my history of the Haydon Bridge Show, published in ten parts in the Haydon News from February to December 2012:***

*I could not have written my history of the Society and its Shows, without access to Newcastle City Library's archive of 19th Century newspapers, and especially the Newcastle Courant. The Hexham Courant archive, made available in Hexham Library, provided me with extensive detail of our Show entries and winners of the red ticket.*

*In addition to my own collection of Haydon Bridge Show memorabilia and my personal memories of the 1950s' Shows, I am most grateful to those Haydonians who have shared memories, information and advice over a glass or two in our village Public Houses, and to those who have provided documentary evidence and photographs.*

***Thank you all so much.***

## THE HAYDON PARISH PRODUCE ASSOCIATION

It may surprise you that, from 1943 to 1958, the Haydon Bridge Floral, Horticultural and Industrial Society was not the only gardeners' group in our parish. And neither was **THE** Show the only September exhibition.

**The first meeting of the Haydon Parish Produce Association was on March 9th 1943 in the Town Hall and, perhaps inspired by the 'Dig For Victory' slogan, a committee of fourteen Haydonians set about making it easier and less expensive for those in the parish with allotments or gardens to grow their own vegetables, and to encourage them in the task.**

Alongside its better known Society, the Produce Association also became part of our parish's social scene in the 1940/1950s; holding monthly Whist Drives, Dances, and a Show - generally on the last weekend in September. Essentially, however, the Produce Association was formed to support growers in their day to day gardening and, while competition engendered by the September Show was important, it wasn't a priority; unlike the parish's Floral, Horticultural and Industrial Society Show.

The main objectives of the Produce Association were achieved through discounts for bulk purchase of lime, fertilizers, seeds and seed potatoes, material and equipment and, importantly, education in all aspects of horticulture. Lantern lectures and talks by experts, on subjects such as Propagation and Plant Protection, Fertilizers and Soil Testing, Gladiola and Chrysanthemums, attracted large audiences each month; and 'Brains Trusts' or quizzes were held regularly and designed to reinforce the knowledge gained. Visits to famous growers in the north of England and in Scotland were also included in the Association's annual educational programme. I have happy memories as a young boy of bus trips, in the company of my parents, to Wells' Nursery Gardens at Kendal, Dobbies at Edinburgh, Southport and Scarborough Horticultural Shows and, locally, Robson's Nurseries at Hexham and Beveridge's at Ebchester.

The September Show, held in the Wesley Hall on Ratcliffe Road, was restricted to Haydon Parish gardeners who were paid up members of the Produce Association - membership was two shillings and sixpence per year - and a rule that was strictly observed was that: 'All members must exhibit their own produce'. (*So no going along to the Co-op or Joe Armstrong's grocers for their best turnips or tomatoes to exhibit!*) All the produce was sold or auctioned after the Show and the proceeds given to local charities.

The Annual Show did extend its exhibits and activities over the years. For example: in 1948 a 'Cage Bird Section' was included; in 1949 a restricted number of Open Classes were introduced; in 1951 a 'Pigeon Shoot' was organised; and in 1952 Shaftoe Trust School Children's Classes were scheduled.

**After a life of fifteen years, during which our parish gardeners clearly increased their horticultural knowledge and expertise, at a meeting in Shaftoe Trust School on June 13th 1958, the resignation of the secretary and a decision to abandon the Association until another volunteer for the position could be found, signalled the end of a very successful Haydon Parish Produce Association. The Association's closing balance of £45.51 was, in 1974, handed to the revived Haydon Bridge Floral, Horticultural and Industrial Society.**

**I have a record of the original committee members of the Produce Association:**

President: Mr W. Walker. Vice President: T. Wilson (Park Cottage)  
Secretary: H. Watson (Shaftoe Street) Treasurer: J. Mewes (Whittis Hill)  
Committee: W. Whittan, C. Telford, G. Robinson, W. Urwin, C. Sinclair, G. Nattrass, J. Charlton, J. Mellish, J. Keen, W.W. Ridley.

**Others who followed later, as committee members, included:**

W. Fox, J. Coates, J. Leathard, R. Armstrong, W. Johnson, N. Veitch, T. Teasdale, S. Young, O. Bury, J. Brown, R. Telford, Wm Watson, Wm Ward, E. Mitchell, E. Raine, J. Turnbull, R. Murphy, T. Armstrong, F. Summers, F. Gurney.

**In 1951, a Ladies' Committee was formed:**

Mrs Robinson, Mrs Watson, Mrs Chase, Mrs Summers, Mrs W. Walker, Mrs Kent, Mrs Brown, Mrs Waite, Mrs Raine, Mrs Oliver.

## CORRESPONDENCE

October 27th 2012

Good morning,

On a visit to your stunning area from South Devon last weekend, I picked up a copy of your October issue of The Haydon News. Can I congratulate you on such an excellent community effort in producing this excellent magazine. The mixture of current topics, parish council news and items of historical interest really combine to make an excellent publication.

As a publisher of our local Great War Roll of Honour and a regular visitor to the Western Front, I particularly support the item dealing with the Haydon Bridge War Memorial. The records have obviously been well researched and should be useful to the younger generation (or their teachers) to make any school trips to France and Belgium, in the run up to 2014, more focussed.

Keep up the good work and I shall certainly look for a copy of the Haydon News on future visits to your area.

Yours faithfully,  
John Ellis.

September 2012

Dear Editors,

Last week I had a very productive time researching the Brogdon families of Haydon Bridge and Hexham. I called in at 'The Bridge' and was welcomed by the friendly and helpful staff. As a result I was able to locate the grave of my ancestors in the old cemetery of St Cuthbert's. Robert Brogdon and his wife Annie Isabella (nee Stoker) lived at 11 Church Street in the late 1800s and ran the newsagents in the village. Their daughter Mary Anne Brogdon married Harrison Harding and they took over the business that eventually passed to their son, Robert Harding.

A lovely lady named Eileen, in 'The Bridge' was particularly helpful, showed me old photos of Robert Harding and made a copy of an old photo of Church Street taken from plates that had been found some years ago and were originally used to produce postcards that were sold in the newsagent's shop. It would be interesting to find out if anyone locally knows what happened to the plates.

Eileen also told me about The Haydon News and when I returned home I browsed some recent editions on-line. I couldn't believe it when I came across an 1885 photo of Robert Brogdon, in Dennis Telford's article. I was so thrilled to see my cousin 3 x removed.

Finally, Thank you to the staff in The Bridge, I thoroughly enjoyed my stay in such a beautiful part of the country and I was heartened to see a thriving village community.

Regards, Joan Clucas (nee Brogdon)

## MISSING BUT NOT FORGOTTEN

The village Remembrance Service in November each year, concentrates our minds on those from our parish who lost their lives in conflict and are commemorated on our local memorials.

It is also an appropriate period in which to bring to your attention the quite remarkable research, being undertaken by two of our residents, into the backgrounds of soldiers whose names are engraved on the arches of the Thiepval Memorial in France, as having fallen in the area of the Somme during the Great War and having no known graves.

The Memorial at Thiepval commemorates 72,000 men from British and South African regiments who fell on the Somme between July 1915 and March 1918.

It is one of the memorials set up by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission to mark the battlefields of the Great War and to record the missing officers and men of the British and Commonwealth Armies.

**Pam and Ken Linge, of Heugh House Lane, first visited the Thiepval Memorial in 2001, drawn there by five men on the Haydon Bridge War Memorial who are commemorated there. John Gibson, Norman Charlton, Benjamin Cuffe MM, John Pearson Hutchinson and James Edward Robinson.**



THIEPVAL MEMORIAL TO THE MISSING

*Pam and Ken said:*

**“It was the power of those names on the Memorial, and the individuals they represent, which drew us back to Thiepval in subsequent years and, in 2003, we became aware of the work being done to create a Visitor Centre. We suggested that it would be appropriate for the Centre to house an archive of photographs and information relating to the men who are commemorated on the Memorial.”**

**In spite of the enormity of the task, Pam and Ken volunteered to undertake the research and presentation of the information.**

As well as continuing with the project (9,500 biographies have been prepared to date) they have also spent the last two years preparing the content for the 2012 Exhibition of Remembrance, ‘Missing of the Somme ...’ commemorating the 80th Anniversary of the opening of the Thiepval memorial.

*Christian Manable - President of the Somme General Council said:*

**“To commemorate the missing soldiers on the Thiepval Memorial, an English couple - Mr and Mrs Linge - have been conducting extensive investigations for over ten years now, to collect information on the soldiers on these walls. Thanks to their efforts and help from the families, they have gathered together photographs and memories to give each and every one a face, a biography and to keep the customary promise: ‘We will remember them’. I am deeply grateful to Pam and Ken Linge for making this international exhibition possible.”**

The ‘Missing of the Somme ...’ (which finished in early December) was the last of four major exhibitions in a European project of France - Belgium cross-border co-operation: ‘The Great War Remembered’. Pam and Ken were Curators for this major exhibition held at the Historial de la Grande Guerre Museum at Peronne and their presentation was designed to explore the theme of remembrance by looking at some of the personal stories of men who were and still are, the ‘Missing of the Somme’.

The stories were told chronologically, with 42 biographies from the 12,000 men who went missing on July 1st 1916, the first day of the Battle of the Somme, and individual stories highlighting a man who was posted as missing on each of the next 140 days of the Battle.

“These stories stand as testimony to the 72,000 that are untold” said Pam and Ken, and they are recorded in their impressive catalogue of the exhibition, ‘Missing But Not Forgotten’.

As readers of The Haydon News, since October 2010 you have shared in Pam and Ken’s research through our monthly publication of their biographies of our own parish war dead; however, although their quite remarkable commitment to this labour of love is recognised internationally, I wonder whether their work has been given the publicity it deserves at home.

**The summer of 2014, the centenary of the start of the conflict, provides an opportunity for our parish to come together in honour of those who fought and those who died in the First World War; to ensure that their sacrifice will not be forgotten.**

**In our February 2013 issue we will examine how we could appropriately commemorate the occasion and bring together the views, ideas and support of individuals and parish social groups, in preparation for 2014.**



## A VIEW FROM UP THERE ....

John Harrison

There's a pub in the South Tyne Valley that has a large sign across its front door "Watch the Step" – I have to say that after exhaustive research and many return visits, made entirely in the interests of science, I have yet to see the step do anything worth watching. In-depth interviews with pub regulars reveal the same disappointing tale – an inactive step not worthy of being watched. And when I am asked to "Watch Your Head" at the same time, life gets just too complicated.

Talking of watching, the weather at least provides something of interest, even if we don't like the show. Checking back through the records reveals that October 2012 was 3 degC colder than October 2011 and colder even than November 2011. Indeed, we have already had the all the basic ingredients of late autumn – mist and fog, night frosts and the first snow. Is this cold theme going to continue? We have the encouraging announcement from the Met Office that we are facing the coldest winter in 10 years – this will, of course, be following the 'barbeque summer' that we have just experienced. So we should be OK.

For a change, it was temperature that made the October weather headline. Although there were a few mild spells the weather was generally cold and grey – the national weather forecast described conditions as 'dank' on many days. Fog occurred on ten days, occasionally accompanied by a light frost. Much of this was restricted to the floor of the Tyne Valley, where it lingered through the morning on many occasions. At this time of year, clear skies at night tend to lead to frosts, the worst of which occurred early in the morning of the 10th when the air temperature fell to -1.4 degC. Although the month's rainfall total was close to the long-term average, nearly 30% of it fell during one particularly wet spell late on the 11th and there were 8 rainless days. Much of the month's rain fell as drizzle from low clouds which shrouded the hillsides. A fresh northerly airstream brought raw conditions from the Arctic Ocean on the 26th and 27th and snow showers fell late on the 26th, surviving in isolated patches early the next day when there were poor driving conditions on some local roads. Winds were generally light but freshened during unsettled weather over the last 5 days.

In the early morning here at Plunderheath we sometimes look out over the top of fog in the valley below – while we bathe in warm sunshine. Valleys are particularly prone to fog as cold air drains down to the lower ground. As it does so, it picks up moisture, to which is added water evaporating from the river. The moisture condenses to fog which is usually trapped in the stable air below a temperature inversion. As the south-facing slopes warm in the morning sun, the air begins to mix and the fog can spread upslope before dissipating.

### Monthly Weather Summary (Haydon Bridge : Height 162m asl)

Month	Average Maximum Temperature (Daytime) Deg C	Relative to long-term average degC	Average Minimum Temperature (Night-time) Deg C	Relative to long-term average degC	Rainfall mm	Percentage of long-term average
October	11.2	-1.5	4.1	-1.9	85.2	98

Finally, **Gladys** tells me of a conversation between a little girl and her mother after they had attended a carol service at the local church. "Mummy, did Jesus come from an egg?" asked the little girl. "Of course not", her mother replied, why do think that?" "Well the minister just said that Jesus was laid in a manger."

And, reportedly from the insurance policy of a church, a clause which states that they are covered against "Acts of God".

### HONOUR TO WHOM HONOUR

When dim in the far time  
It shall not be war-time,  
And life be not death, and pleasures increase;  
When dazzle the cheering,  
And the end of the fearing  
And the manifold blessings of Commerce and Peace.

When pulpits are crowing,  
And wine is a-flowing,  
And friends are a-meeting who long have not met;  
When fair is Earth's promise,  
And you patronise "Tommies"-  
In the day of rejoicing you shall not forget :-

'Tis ours that you're reaping,  
Ours, who lie sleeping,  
Princes of Ypres and Loos and the Aisne:  
To us be the glory,  
Us, mangled and gory  
First honour to Us, whom you honour in vain.

Then sorrowing greatly,  
Your Jubilee stately  
You shall keep for a fast to the friends who are fled;  
And solemnly voicing  
Shall cease you rejoicing  
To toast and keep toasting the health of THE DEAD

**Written by Henry Blythe King Alpass, one of the 'Missing of the Somme' (16th September 1916)**

**Published: St Bees' School Magazine, April, 1916**

We continue our series of articles on those individuals from our parish who died in the Great War.  
The biographies are published chronologically and the twenty first casualty, in 1916, was

### John Murray Birnie

#### (21) John Murray Birnie



Photograph courtesy of  
Haydon Bridge Community Centre

John's brother, Joseph Stanley Birnie, served in the Tank Corps.

John's cousins, Corporal John Joseph Birnie and Sergeant Charles Thomson died in 1917 and will feature later in this series.

John Murray Birnie served as Private, 1255, 4th Battalion, Northumberland Fusiliers.

He died on 29th September 1916, aged 20.

Born in Haydon Bridge, he was one of at least seven children of Robert and Margaret Birnie (nee Kell).

John enlisted at Haydon Bridge and went to France on 20th April 1915. He was wounded during the fighting at St. Julien.

After recovering at home he returned to France in September 1915.

John was wounded in the leg and arm and died a few days later in a Military Hospital.

As well as having his name on the War Memorial and the Reredos in St. Cuthbert's, John is also commemorated on the Shaftoe School Memorial.



John is buried in grave XI.G.10A.  
in Etaples Military Cemetery.



**If you have any information relating to John Murray Birnie, or any of those individuals commemorated on the Haydon Bridge Memorial, then please contact Pam & Ken Linge at: Drystone, Heugh House Lane, Haydon Bridge, NE47 6HJ, phone (01434) 684050 or email: [pam\\_ken.linge@btinternet.com](mailto:pam_ken.linge@btinternet.com).**

#### "WE WILL REMEMBER THEM"



The Rev Judith Hampson leads the Haydon Bridge Remembrance service on Sunday, November 11th 2012, as the names of the fallen of our parish are recalled by W. Foster and M. Rumney. Wreaths laid at the War Memorial include those from The Friends of Haydon Bridge, St Cuthbert's PCC, Friends of the Methodist Church, 1st Haydon Bridge Scouts, Guy Opperman MP and Haydon Parish Council

**They shall grow not old, as  
we that are left grow old:  
Age shall not weary them,  
nor the years condemn.  
At the going down of the  
sun and in the morning,  
We will remember them.**

## Shaftoe Trust First School.

### WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO?

**Coaches from Newcastle United Foundation** have delivered a 6 week programme for all pupils in Years 3 and 4.

These sessions were linked to our Healthy Lifestyles project promoting fitness and health.

**Year 3 and 4** have also been involved with staff from Barclays bank learning about money skills.

**Alnwick class** visited the Hancock Museum this week, exploring Ancient Egyptian artefacts.

**Kielder class** had a fantastic day in Hexham Abbey; learning about it's history and the many very special features within it. The children's favourite was the underground crypt!

### DATES FOR CHRISTMAS.

**FRIDAY 7th December:** Christmas Fayre 3.15 - 4.30

**MONDAY 17th December:** Dress rehearsal for Christmas Play for Senior Citizens followed by afternoon tea.

**TUESDAY 18th December:**

Christmas Play evening performance 6.00

**WEDNESDAY 19th December:**

Christmas Play afternoon performance 2.00



**WATCH OUT FOR DETAILS ABOUT THE  
CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING UP EVENT.  
WE WILL BE SINGING CAROLS SO PLEASE COME ALONG  
TO SUPPORT THIS VILLAGE 'GET TOGETHER'.**

### RAISE MONEY FOR US WHILE SHOPPING.

By using the website details:

**[www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/shaftoefirstpta](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/shaftoefirstpta)**  
you can be raising money while you shop on line at no extra cost to yourselves.

**STAFF AND PUPILS WOULD LIKE TO WISH EVERYONE A  
PEACEFUL AND ENJOYABLE CHRISTMAS  
AND A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR!**



### LANGLEY WI

An evening of tasting wine was thoroughly enjoyed by the ladies of Langley WI in November. John Lognonne, assisted by Natalia, provided an insight into the qualities of the wines produced in France. He started his business just a few years ago as a hobby. John went on to explain how different regions can grow the same variety of grape and yet produce very different wines depending on soil condition, temperature, at which point of ripeness the grape is harvested and how the wine is stored. Then came the best bit, the tasting. John had brought four wines for us to try, two white and two red. He recommended types of food to have with each wine and much discussion took place as to which wine was preferred.

John and Natalia then judged 'A coaster' competition, awarding Sheona first and Cathy second.

Next month Langley ladies will be at The Centre of Britain in Haltwhistle to enjoy their Christmas Meal.

Cath Duffy

### THREE HAPPY GUYS



The Get It Together Society's Guy Making Day on Saturday November 3rd was enjoyed by all, including six year old Lyla Robson and twenty two month old Connie Schatzberger; seen here with Lyla's Guy, 'Frankenfaulk'.

### DO YOU RECOGNISE THIS OLD HAYDON PARISH DWELLING?



If you do, please let the editors know where it is



The rising cost of reindeer feed means that Santa has to rely on his bus pass.



## The Bridge Library and Visitor Information Point

The new Friday closing time seems to be working well and it's certainly more economical for the Bridge. Thank you for your forbearance. As the Bridge develops and becomes an integral part of the community, it is good to see our customers visiting the Bridge as and when they feel the need, rather than sticking to one particular day. Quite often now, there is a bustle about the place as people visit more often. In fact, on one Saturday morning recently, there were as many people having coffee, buying books and honey, using the local studies book shelves as there were borrowing books – a lovely atmosphere.

### Children's Corner

Because the school term ends so close to Christmas this year, we have changed the Christmas Crafts Day from Monday to the Saturday morning. As a result, the **Christmas Crafts session will be on Saturday, 22<sup>nd</sup> December from 10am until 11am.** Posters will advertise the event from the beginning of December in the Bridge and also at school. Do make sure that you put your child's name on the list at the Bridge to secure a place. This Craft morning will be the first that we have organised ourselves (rather than the County Library) and we are hoping that you will make special efforts to attend and support us.

### Archives

With gratitude, we have accepted into our care from Sylvia Mitchell, a large amount of archival material held in the past by Mitch. Some of it belongs to people in the village, who lent it to Mitch. If there is anything that you wish returned to you, could you put a request in writing. Describe what it was that you lent to Mitch; place it in an envelope with ARCHIVES written on it in block capitals and just pass it in at the Bridge or through the letterbox.

The Archives section is constantly expanding both in the amount of information that we are putting on line and that we are saving as a written record. In addition, both the number of local people and visitors to the area, who are interested, is increasing all of the time. We hope to establish an Archives Centre that will grow and flourish for future generations. I can't stress enough the importance that your help is to us, in recognising events and remembering names. Do come along and take a look. Tuesday afternoon during the time from 1pm until 4pm is a really good time to pop in. We'd love to see you.

Happy reading ...

Pat Snowdon

## Haydon Bridge Pharmacy Update

### Antibiotic Resistance Awareness Day

The 18th November was European Antibiotic Resistance Awareness Day. As part of promoting the event, GPs and Pharmacists have been giving out leaflets and publicising good practice with antibiotics.

For many decades antibiotics have cured life threatening infections. However, more recently, incorrect use of antibiotics has caused the development and spread of bacteria that are resistant to antibiotics. When people get infections that are caused by resistant bacteria, antibiotics are no longer effective at treating the infection so the disease can take longer to go away or become more serious.

There are several simple measures that can help prevent antibiotic resistance spreading:

Not taking antibiotics for simple viral infections such as the cold. The symptoms of a cold are best alleviated by medicines that can be purchased from the pharmacy.

If prescribed antibiotics, ensure you take them as instructed. Not taking the full course, or not taking them as regularly as prescribed, can increase the chances of resistance developing.

Never take antibiotics that were not prescribed for you or the infection you have. There are different antibiotics for different types of infection. If you think you need antibiotics see a GP who can evaluate your symptoms and choose the most suitable antibiotic if it is assessed you need one.

If your symptoms do not improve in the time frame indicated by the healthcare professional, go back for a reassessment.

Prevention is better than cure.

There are several things that you can do to help prevent you picking up infections.

Keep your hands and surfaces clean. If you do not have access to hand-washing facilities keep an alcoholic hand gel close by.

Make sure you get the flu vaccine every year.

Stop smoking. Smoking stops the cilia in your airways from working correctly this means mucus can build up increasing the chances of a chest infection.

If you use a tissue dispose of it immediately.

Hope you all have a happy and healthy December.

Tom  
Haydon Bridge Pharmacy



# Haydonian Social Club



Shaftoe Street, Haydon Bridge, HEXHAM. Northumberland.  
NE47 6BQ

**A SOCIAL CLUB FOR EVERYONE- CALL IN AND SEE OUR FACILITIES  
FOR YOURSELVES**

## **CHRISTMAS PROGRAMME**

Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup> December 2012	XMAS FAMILY PRIZE BINGO eyes down @7.30pm. Come along and have fun- you could be a winner!
Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> December 2012	BINGO + MEAT VOUCHERS EYES DOWN @ 8pm + KEY DRAW @ 10pm
Wednesday 19 <sup>st</sup> December 2012	BINGO +Wine & Chocolates Eyes Down 8.30pm
Saturday 22 <sup>th</sup> December 2012 (Afternoon)	CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY 2pm.to 5pm. (list for names behind bar –before 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec.2011) REMEMBER SANTA WILL BE CALLING!!!
Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December 2012 (Evening)	KARAOKE in Bar from 8.30pm. Come and sing along for Christmas!
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> December 2012	BINGO 8.00pm + KEY DRAW 10.00pm (Draw tickets on sale until 9.30pm only)
Monday (XMAS EVE) 24 <sup>th</sup> December 2012	BINGO eyes down 8pm. Try and win some money for Christmas.
Tuesday (XMAS DAY) 25 <sup>th</sup> December 2012	OPENING AT NIGHT 8pm to 11pm. Come and have some Xmas cheer!
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> December 2012	BINGO + Cash added Eyes down 8.30pm
Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup> December 2012	BINGO 8.00pm + KEY DRAW 10.00pm (Draw tickets on sale until 9.30pm only)
Monday (NEW YEAR'S EVE) 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2012	DISCO + KARAOKE from 8.30pm. Come and dance the New Year in with fun at your club
Tuesday (NEW YEAR'S DAY) 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2013	HAPPY NEW YEAR! Open all afternoon and night til late Welcome 2013 and Celebrate with us!
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January 2013	BINGO AS NORMAL @ 8.30pm (All monies paid out on last flyer- £50 or more)
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WEEKLY BINGO SESSIONS Everyone welcome to come along and enjoy a friendly social night.	Every Wednesday eyes down 8.30pm. Every Sunday eyes down 8pm. Final flyer is all monies paid out approx. £50 + The more people that come the bigger the payouts.
LOCAL GROUPS & ORGANISATIONS	Have a fund raising disco/party here and get 5% of the Concert Room takings towards your funds at the same time as enjoying yourselves.
Membership subs are now due for 2013 Still only £2.00 each.	Join our Social Club for only £3 and take advantage of our cheaper prices for alcohol and have free hire of the Concert Room for parties.

***The Committee and members of Haydonian Social Club send everyone best  
wishes for Christmas & the New Year***

**CHURCH PAGE**CLERGY MESSAGE from *Les Hann***Chocolate Christmas**

At the time of that first Christmas in a far country there were wise men, **smarties** some would say, men who studied the stars and planets in fact the whole **Galaxy** and one day they noticed a new **star burst** on the scene in the **Milky Way**. They checked and double checked their readings and books and no it wasn't **Mars** but a new body in the heavens.

A new star meant that a king had been born. So they packed their bags and took with them gifts **full of eastern promise** and set off on their journey, they weren't just **drifters**, they were going to seek for this new king. They knew it would be a very long journey, but they didn't travel by **aero** (plane) or on a **double decker** or even in a **taxi** as they made their way passed the **pyramids**.

They had been on the road for some time, well it was a bit of a **marathon**, just threw that in for the oldies, (no need for the rest of you to **snicker**) they were hungry and tired so they decided to take some **timeout** for a **picnic**, well it was **after eight**.

The wise men set off again and arrived in Jerusalem where they asked at the palace of King Herod, "Where is the new born King of the Jews?" Herod was very worried and a **ripple** went around the city, "a new king?" And the city was very worried.

Herod found out from his advisers that the king would be born in Bethlehem and he sent the wise men there and asked to be informed when they had found this new king so that he too could welcome him.

Meanwhile on a hillside above Bethlehem, some shepherds were looking after their sheep huddled round the fire because of the cold and there were even a few **flakes** of snow on the ground, when suddenly there was light all around them and singing and lots of **celebrations** but these were not **minstrels** at their **revels** they were angels, messengers of God, and the shepherds were afraid. Well they weren't **heroes** just ordinary men. The angels said to the shepherds "Do not be afraid, we have **good news** for you and for everyone." "A child is born, not on **Quality Street** but in a stable, not on a bed of **roses** but in a manger." Well you could have knocked them down like **skittles**. The shepherds set off down to Bethlehem and their only **topic** of conversation was the message of the angels. They found Mary & Joseph and the baby, Jesus, just as they had been told and the love of God shone all around him just like a **halo**. The shepherds returned to their sheep giving thanks to God for what they had seen and been told.

Later the wise men arrived to see the child and bowing before him offered him **treats**, it wasn't **all gold** there was Frankincense and myrrh too in their **bounty** and they looked at the child in wonder. The wise men being warned in a **dream (bar)** not to go back to Herod, returned to their own country by another route.

This Jesus is still a cause for **celebration**. The love of God in Jesus Christ is not just for a select few, those in the **club**, but for **all sorts**. A **classic** tale; make it the **topic** of your conversation this Christmas.

**Chewit** over with those you meet.

**DECEMBER & JANUARY**  
**2012 2013**

**WHO AND WHERE**

The names and phone numbers of the Clergy who minister in Haydon Bridge

Rev Judith Hampson,  
with St Cuthbert's Anglican Church  
The Vicarage, Station Yard  
Tel. 01434 684307

Rev Les Hann,  
with the Methodist Congregation  
Wesley Manse, Moor View,  
Haltwhistle  
Tel. 01434 320051

Father Leo Pyle ,  
with St John's Catholic Church  
St John's Presbytery, North Bank  
Tel. 01434 684265

**HAYDON BRIDGE METHODIST CHURCH****CHRISTMAS FAYRE**

**Sat, 1st December**  
**2.00pm-4.00pm**

***Stalls, teas, Santa***  
***All welcome.***

**Christmas Concert**

**at St Cuthbert's Church,**  
**Haydon Bridge**

**7.30 pm Friday, 13th December**

**Shaftoe Chorale &**  
**Hadrian Singers**

**Tickets £5 includes refreshments**

**METHODIST CHURCH  
SERVICES**

**December 2nd**

10.00am Mark Knowles  
6.00pm Jackie Males

**December 9th**

10.00am Toy Service  
Collection for Salvation Army  
6.00pm Rev Leo Pyle

**December 16th**

10.00am Spt Stephen Caddy

**December 23rd**

10.00am Morning Service  
Local arrangement

**December 30th**

10.00am Morning Service  
Local arrangement

**January 6th**

10.00am Ann Worthy

**January 13th**

10.00am Lesley Saxon  
6.00pm Rev John Harrison

**January 20th**

10.00am Rev Les Hann  
6.00pm Spt Stephen Caddy

**January 27th**

10.00am Tom Dodds  
6.00pm *Christian Unity Service at St  
John's RC church*

**BELTINGHAM/HENSHAW  
CHURCH SERVICES**

**December 2nd**

**Henshaw**  
9.30am BCP Communion

**December 9th**

*10.00am Joint Service at Haydon  
Bridge*

**December 16th**

**Henshaw**  
10.00am Carol Service

**December 23th**

10.00am Joint Communion *Haydon  
Bridge*

**December 30th**

**Beltingham**  
10.00am Joint Communion

**January 6th**

**Beltingham**  
9.30am BCP Communion

**January 13th**

*10.00am Joint Communion at Haydon  
Bridge*

**January 20th**

**Beltingham**  
9.30am Communion

**January 27th**

**Henshaw**  
10.00am Joint Communion

**ST JOHN OF BEVERLEY  
CHURCH SERVICES**

Mass each Sunday at 9.30am at St  
John's

Mass each Sunday at 11.00am at  
Haltwhistle

Mass on weekdays (except  
Mondays) at 10.00am either  
St John's or Haltwhistle

**ST CUTHBERT'S CHURCH  
SERVICES**

**December 2nd**

11.00am BCP Communion

**December 9th**

10.00am Joint Communion

**December 16th**

11.00am Communion

**December 23th**

11.00am Joint Communion

**January 6th**

11.00am BCP Communion

**January 13th**

10.30am Joint Service

**January 20th**

11.00am Communion

**January 27th**

*10.00am Joint Service at Henshaw*

**February 3rd**

11.00am BCP Communion

**HAYDON OLD CHURCH  
SERVICES**

**January 6th**

**3.00pm Epiphany Evensong**  
(weather permitting)

If it is too icy this service will be  
held in St Cuthbert's, Haydon  
Bridge

**Messy Church**

Haydon Bridge  
Methodist Church  
3.30pm-5.45pm

**Wednesday, 12th Dec &  
Wednesday, 9th Jan**

Come along and bring your friends

**CHRISTMAS SERVICES 2012**

**Sunday, 16<sup>th</sup> December 2010**

6.00pm United Village Carol Service, *St Cuthbert's Church*

**Christmas Eve (Monday)**

4.00pm United Crib Service, *St John's, R C Church*

6.00pm Crib Service *All Hallows', Henshaw*

9.30pm Christmas Carols, *St John's R C Church*

10.00pm Christmas Vigil Mass, *St John's R C Church*

11.30pm Midnight Mass, *St Cuthbert's C of E Church*

**Christmas Day (Tuesday)**

9.30am Mass of the Nativity of the Lord, *St John's R C Church*

10.00am Christmas Family Service, *Methodist Church*

11.00am Communion at Christmas, *St Cuthbert's C of E Church*

**Sunday, 6th January**

**3.00pm Epiphany Evensong at Haydon Old Church**

*(weather permitting,*

*If too icy then St Cuthbert's, Haydon Bridge)*

## NOTICES & WHAT'S ON?

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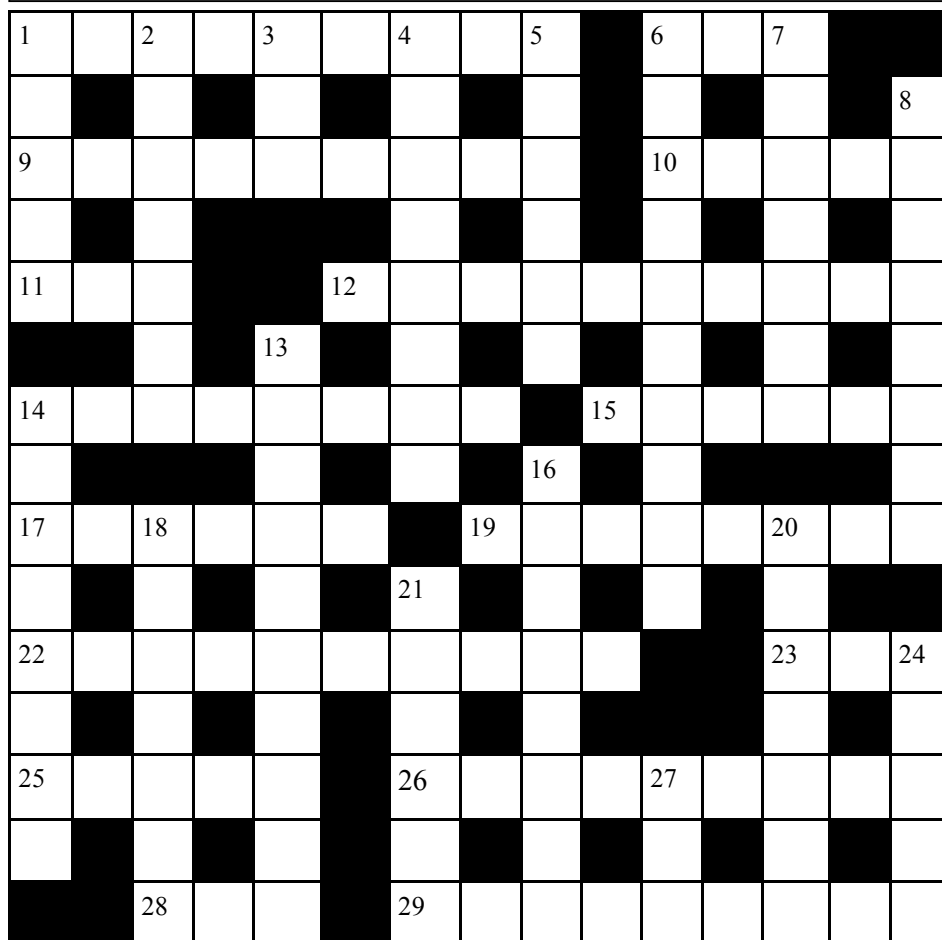
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## The £10 Crossword

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### SOLUTIONS TO OCTOBER'S CROSSWORD. (77)

#### Across

1. Professional
9. Architect
10. Cargo
11. Hear
12. Deregulate
14. Andropov
15. Attest
17. Gyrate
19. Spinsters
22. Librarians
23. Tide
26. Coral
27. Oviparous
28. Preferential

#### Down

1. Peach
2. Orchard
3. Exit
4. Skeleton
5. Ostler
6. Accountant
7. Triage
8. Forester
13. Footballer
14. Angelica
16. Spongier
18. Robert
20. Tripoli
21. Tip off
24. Easel
25. Main

#### NUMBER OF ENTRIES

**9 (All correct)**

#### THIS MONTH'S WINNER

**Doreen Dodd**

#### ACROSS

1. Panel disbanded after chocolate bar took to the skies.(9)
6. Mistake in statement made by Terry. (3)
9. Printer and French can decipher.(9)
10. see 18 down.
11. see 4 down.
12. Anticipate the French at the front of the ship.(10)
14. Tear around the truth, it's a man made work of art!(8)
15. Cheese dish found out east.(6)
17. A girl for every excessive treat.(6)
19. Only she took time in good faith.(8)
22. Amend tacit disturbance to reveal acknowledgement.(10)
23. Spill tea while taking nourishment. (3)
25. One of three as a host might be.(5)

26. Red guru that is a requirement of fashion.(2,7)
28. Song and film from a stylish era. (3)
29. Builder at large in the lodge, perhaps.(9)

#### DOWN

1. Friend of a friend who went!(5)
2. Go back and care for again.(7)
3. Father, we hear, was in average condition.(3)
- 4 & 11 ac. One where a nice roofer took a tumble.(3,5,3)
5. Is French her nationality? No she's Jewish.(6)
6. Amble around before a dozen trumpeted.(10)
7. Altered and connected.(7)
- 8 Cerium met Erbium and Yttrium at necropolis.(8)

13. Lingering sense that could follow style.(10)
14. First man to provide stream of particles.(5,3)
16. One that met with agreement out east.(8)
- 18 & 10ac. City girl was on this wartime one.(7,5)
- 20 see 21.
- 21 & 20 down. One that crashed was constructed of brine, we hear. (4,2,3,4)
24. City of maturing architecture.(5)
27. Man, we hear, goes here to sweat.(3)

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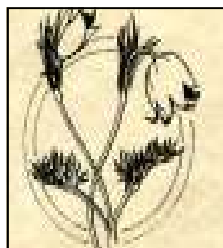
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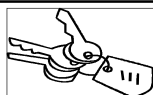
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**Monday**

Closed

Closed

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6.00pm-9.00pm

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6.00pm-9.00pm

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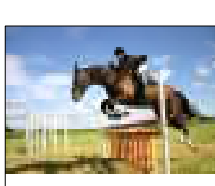
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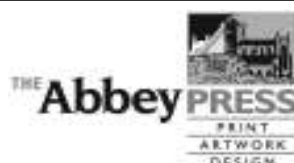
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### RAILWAY HOTEL

#### December 21st

Mick's Disco & Karaoke from 8.00pm

#### Christmas Day

Open lunchtime 11.00am-1.00pm

Evening 7.00pm-midnight

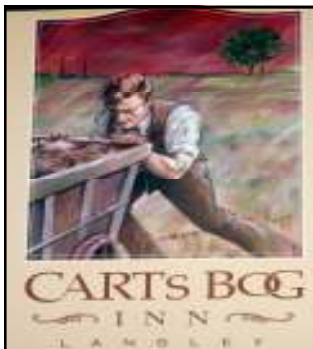
Open usual hours on other days over the festive period

Dec 29th 'The Promise', 9pm til late

#### New Year's Eve

Traditional bar nibbles and a wee dram to see in the New Year.

*Thanks for your support through 2012  
Happy Christmas & all the best for 2013*



### CARTS BOG INN

#### Tuesday, 4th Dec STEAK NIGHT

(Two starters and two steaks for £30)

#### Tuesday, 11th Dec CHAMPAGNE

TASTING with Bin 21

#### Tuesday, 18th Dec CHRISTMAS

QUIZ

#### Friday, 21st Dec DOMINO

HANDICAP EVENING

Christmas Day Lunch fully booked

(Closed Christmas Day evening)

Boxing Day Lunch. Booking required

(Closed Boxing Day evening)

Open usual times on other days over Christmas and New Year (Page 22)

Open for New Year's Eve Lunch & Supper (Booking essential)

*Wishing you a Happy Christmas*



### THE GENERAL HAVELOCK & Riverside Restaurant

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Dec 18th OAPs' Traditional Christmas lunch with carols

Christmas Day Lunch 12noon-5pm

Closed in the evening

New Year's Eve Open 12noon-4pm & 7pm-midnight.

Quiz 10.30pm with John and Joyce. Fizz & fireworks. All welcome

New Year's Day drinks only

Jan 25th Burns Night from 8.00pm

Food/fun/canny crack.

We wish everyone a peaceful and happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year. Thank you for your continued support. Jo & Gary



#### CHRISTMAS DAY & BOXING DAY

Special menu. Booking required.

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THESE MENUS ARE NOT AVAILABLE ON CHRISTMAS DAY & BOXING DAY

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The staff of Langley Castle wish all a Merry Christmas & Happy New Year



### ANCHOR HOTEL

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Dec 8th from 9.00pm

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Christmas Day open 12noon-5.00pm

Boxing Day 10.00am Haydon Hunt

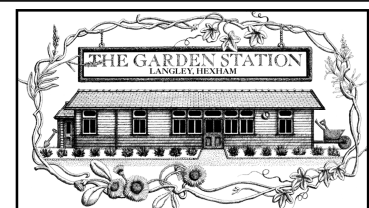
New Year's Eve.

Haggis piped in at 10.00pm, complimentary haggis, neeps & tatties, complimentary glass of sparkly or a wee dram at midnight.

New Year's Day Party live music from 'Snakeyes' from 9.00pm.

We would love to look after you and make your Christmas special and fun. Phone or email to make a booking or for more information. **01434 688121**  
[hello@anchorhotelhaydonbridge.com](mailto:hello@anchorhotelhaydonbridge.com)

Merry Christmas from all at The Anchor



### THE GARDEN STATION

Until Christmas the cafe will be open Friday-Monday 11am-4pm. It will then close until February 2013. The self service cafe will remain open.

**HAYDONIAN SOCIAL CLUB**

**See full list of seasonal activities and events on page 13**