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#### **Editorial**

Welcome to the August edition of the Haydon News. Hopefully you are all aware, this edition covers both August and September. So the next edition of the Haydon News will be in October.

The last month has certainly been a warm one, it's been great to have actual summer weather instead of the usual couple of good days here and there that have defined a British summer over recent years.

Since we introduced the 'What's On In Haydon Bridge' page back in April, we have received some great feedback, with people finding it a useful addition to the Haydon News. Putting together all of the information on the various events taking place is, as you can probably imagine, a time consuming task. We have found recently that some of the events we have listed as taking place, have unfortunately been incorrect, therefore all events listed in this month's edition have been entered as per the instruction from the person organising the event.

We have removed events where we have not received confirmation from the organisers, we are more than happy to reinstate or add additional entries, if we can get confirmation from those organising. Please send an email to thehaydonnews@btinternet.com

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We hope you have a great summer!!!

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## **PARISH COUNCIL NOTES**

MEETING OF HAYDON PARISH COUNCIL AT 7PM ON 28TH OF JUNE 2018, AT HAYDON BRIDGE COMMUNITY CENTRE.

Present: Clirs. J. Bates, I. Burrows, E. Charlton, E. Faulks (Chair), A. Kirsopp, A. Sharp, R. Snowdon, J. Thompson, and D. Thornhill; public; & C. McGivern (Clerk).

**Public participation** – Mrs Brown asked if the trees between the library and the farm shop could be pruned, as they were obstructing the path. The Handyman will do this.

A member of the public said that bumps on the pavement on the new bridge are rising up again in the heat. This will be reported to NCC.

Cllr Sharp said that he had spoken to the Fire Chief and to Legal Services in response to Mr Brown's questions. There were no contracts in place, or money changing hand with regard to the drill hall. With regard to the sale of the fire station he explained that the sale had not yet completed. Seven offers had been received, the highest being from Bradley Homes. NCC had accepted this offer and viewed them as the "preferred bidder" because they had a proven track record of providing quality homes. Unexpected issues had come up as the process went on, which had led to their offer being reduced. Cllr Snowdon asked whether the planning conditions had been met, and Cllr Sharp said that he had been told that they would be resolved. Cllr Sharp also said that Bradley Homes were not connected to Bradley Hall estate agents.

The PC was congratulated on the traffic calming measures on Ratcliffe Road.

Cllr Sharp said Murray Farm Services had been asked whether the site behind their shop could be used for a bottle bank. Although initially positive about this they now wished to create more parking for their own shop. Cllr Thornhill said that the PCC was in discussions with Murray Farm Services on a project to promote use of the churchyard. The PC wished to promote use of the picnic area. He suggested that Cllr Sharp write to him to involve them at the design stage and hopefully sort this out to everyone's benefit. This was agreed. Cllr Richardson suggested the site behind the Community Centre previously considered for car parking. Cllr Sharp will suggest this as a possible site.

Apologies - were received from Cllr L. Thompson.

**Declarations of interest** – were received from Cllrs J. Bates and D. Thornhill regarding a planning application at Innerhaugh Mews.

**Minutes of previous meeting** –having been circulated were agreed & signed.

Report from Northumberland County Council -

Cllr Kirsopp said that the banner had been removed from Martin's Close. The PC agreed that they were happy with the scheme for North Bank. The Shaftoe School scheme has been approved and Cllr Sharp is waiting for the final costings. It was noted that some people are already starting to park on the north side of Ratcliffe Road, although some people are unhappy about this. A drain has collapsed on Shaftoe Street and this is being investigated. Potholes on the roads to Elrington and Langley also need attention.

**Highways** – An anonymous letter had been sent to Cllr Fletcher complaining about branches overhanging the path near the Craggs. Cllr Faulks and Thornhill will ask the owners of the property for permission to do some pruning.

Cllr Sharp said that he liked the idea of a post with black finger signs for the village. He cannot use his Member's Allowance for this, but will ask NCC to fund it as part of the Ratcliffe Road scheme. He will also look at whether Community Chest funds could be used.

Cllr Charlton said that when recent road surfacing had been carried out the metal grids covering drains had not been emptied of weeds/soil. They need to be unscrewed and cleaned out.

Cllr Kirsopp said that bushes were overhanging a footpath near the Shaftoe School. Cllr Bates will mention this to the school and their gardener should be able to sort it out.

**Lighting** — Cllr Charlton said that there were two lights that were on all the time, at the fire station and a light at 12 Strothers Close. The Clerk will report to NCC.

#### Planning applications -

18/01602/FUL - No objections.

18/02047/FUL - No objections.

18/00042/LBC - No objections.

18/01632/FUL - Construction of timber garden room Innerhaugh Mews- The Parish Council objects to this application on the following grounds -

- a) When the Innerhaugh estate was going to be built a study was done of the surface water and how it would be dealt with. It was intended that the surface water would go into the river. When the river is in flood of course this cannot happen. In the original plans it was made clear that land around the properties had to be used to soak up surface water. Since then a number of property owners have installed conservatories etc which removes some of this capacity. This is another instance of this additional building which is a dangerous trend in an area liable to flood.
- b) This plan is retrospective. This should have been made clear on the website and plans. We also note that several bits of information are missing from the plans. These are no dimensions for width and length. No design and

access statement. Drawings of East and West views are labelled wrongly, (ie the wrong way round).

c) The Parish Council feel that there are privacy issues for neighbouring properties as from the height of the building you will be able to see into neighbour's homes.

Accounts – as in budget.

**Correspondence** – no additional correspondence.

#### Parish projects -

**Development Trust/The Bridge** – The Haydon Hundred had gone well, with excellent weather for the event. Cllr Charlton reported that the cyclists had all used their vouchers in the village. There had been two children's craft events in the library, and there will be a reading challenge over the summer holidays.

Neighbourhood Plan - Mr Fletcher had circulated a document following an initial meeting. The draft Local Plan was now available, and will have a 6 week consultation period. As far as Haydon Parish is concerned this document suggests 7 new homes per year for the period covered. The sites suggested are the fire station and 2 fields in the Strawberry Fields area. This does not take into account all of the houses built/planned whilst the Core Strategy was being considered. The parish map has now been registered with NCC, so work can proceed on a Plan if desired. A NP could not challenge the numbers of new properties set out in the Local Plan. What it can do is to designate local green space & determine the type and location of development. The NP would be part of the planning structure in legal terms. The meeting had recommended that the PC proceed with the creation of an NP. The next stage is to apply for funding from Locality, as a planning professional will be needed. After this a public consultation event will be held. The Clerk will contact David English for advice on the funding process. Cllr Charlton reminded those present that someone from the PC would need to lead the response to the Local Plan itself. A draft response should be drawn up and brought to the July meeting for discussion. Cllr Charlton will do this.

Memorial seat at cemetery – Clirs Charlton and Faulks had met with a gentleman who wished to install a memorial seat. The old metal seat willd be removed and the new seat installed closer to the perimeter wall. The Clerk will be contacted when the seat is ready and the Handyman will install it.

Hanging baskets – Cllr Fletcher said that the hanging baskets had now been delivered. They were more expensive than before, but looked good.

Parking in village — Cllr Fletcher said that she been concerned that all of the focus of the parking initiatives seemed to be on Ratcliffe Road, and there was now confusion over where people could park. It was hoped that allowing parking on both sides of Ratcliffe Road would calm traffic by forcing drivers to slow down. NCC

had been asked to look at parking on Ratcliffe Road. Shortly after a site visit Cllrs had been told that there were plans to resurface the road. The decision had been taken not to reinstate white lines immediately, and to see how this worked. It was thought that without the white line traffic was staying closer to the pavement, instead of straying into the middle of the road. The PC agreed to wait and see how this worked in practice. Cllr Richardson said that for bus drivers this was a nightmare and Cllr Bates felt nervous about people parking on the bridge. Mr Fletcher said that it was important that the PC communicated about what it was trying to achieve. Articles in the Haydon News or on Facebook would be helpful. Mr Fletcher went on to say that 40-50 parking places might be created if the whole village was looked at. Cllr Sharp said that Haltwhistle had a parking plan and Cllrs had walked around the whole town collecting ideas, which were then submitted to NCC. Cllr Sharp will arrange a meeting.

**Panels for riverside** – The Clerk had circulated drafts of the panels and these were agreed. It was also agreed not to capitalise bird/plant names.

**Bunting** — Cllr Kirsopp complained about the length of time the bunting had been left up. It had been left up for the Haydon Hundred and Northumberland Day and had to be removed when people were available to remove it.

**Lighting the church** – Cllr Thornhill said that this has the support of the community and he hoped to take it forward.

**Riverside path** – Cllr J. Thompson said that the path at the end of Ratcliffe Road will be strimmed to tidy it up.

## Any other business -

**Flower beds on Ratcliffe Road** – Cllr Faulks asked for volunteers to help tend the beds. It was agreed that he would circulate an email when he intended to do the work and other volunteers could then join him.

**Electric charging points** – This will be considered as part of the parking discussions.

It was noted that a wall had been knocked down behind the Community Centre and access was being blocked to the disabled bungalow. It was thought that NCC had blocked the path as there were fears about the safety of the wall.



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## Saturday 04 August

10am Coffee Morning @ Community Centre

### Sunday 05 August

9.30am St Cuthbert's Beltingham , Parish Eucharist
 9.30am Mass at St John of Beverley Church
 10am No Service at Methodist Church
 11am St Cuthbert's Handan Bridge Basish Fusba

St Cuthbert's Haydon Bridge , Parish EucharistMass @ St. Wilfrid's Church, Haltwhistle

2pm Methodist Church, Puppet Show

6pm Methodist Church, Communion Worship

Rev. Jenny Porterpryde

#### Saturday 11 August

10am Coffee Morning @ Community Centre8.30pm Billy Idol Tribute & Rock Night @ Social Club

## **Sunday 12 August**

9.30am All Hallows' Henshw, Parish Eucharist
 9.30am Mass at St John of Beverley Church
 10am Methodist Church, Morning Worship
Rev. Terry Hurst
 11am Mass @ St. Wilfrid's Church, Haltwhistle
 11am St Cuthbert's Haydon Bridge , Parish Eucharist
 6pm Methodist Church, Readers Service
 Mrs B Hargreaves

## Friday 17th August

8pm

8.15pm Haydonian Social Club, Quiz Night, See Pg17

Bingo @ Haydonian Social Club

#### Saturday 18 August

10am Coffee Morning @ Community Centre7.30pm Haydonian Social Club, Family Prize Bingo

#### Sunday 19 August

9.30am	St Cuthbert's Beltingham, Parish Eucharist with Baptism
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9.30am	Mass at St John of Beverley Church
10am	Methodist Church, Morning Worship
	Roger Bland
11am	St Cuthbert's Haydon Bridge, BCP Communion
11am	Mass @ St. Wilfrid's Church, Haltwhistle
6pm	Methodist Church, Evening Worship
	Rev. Mary Elliot

#### **Tuesday 21 August**

8.15pm General Havelock, GITS Quiz Night

#### Saturday 25 August

10am	Coffee Morning @ Community Centre
	Café @ St Cuthbert's Church
11am	Messy Church, All Hallows' Henshaw
1pm	General Havelock Fruit & Veg Show, see Pg8
8.30pm	Live music & General Havelock

## **Sunday 26 August**

8.30am St Cuthbert's Haydon Bridge, BCP Communion
 9.30am Mass at St John of Beverley Church
 10am Methodist Church, Morning Worship Marjory Burgess
 10am St Cuthbert's Haydon Bridge, Parish Eucharist
 5pm Haydon Old Church, Evening Prayer
 6pm No Service at Methodist Church

#### **Saturday 1 September**

10am Coffee Morning @ Community Centre

## **Sunday 2 September**

9.30am	All Hallows' Henshaw
	Parish Eucharist with Storybook Church
9.30am	Mass at St John of Beverley Church
10am	Methodist Church, Communion Worship
	Rev. Mike Wilkinson
11am	St Cuthbert's Haydon Bridge , Parish Eucharist
11am	Mass @ St. Wilfrid's Church, Haltwhistle
6pm	Circuit Welcome for Rev. Marie Beard
	At Wylam Methodist Church

## Friday 7 September

9.15am	Pre-School Playgroup @ Community Centre
11.15am	Chair Exercise & Lunch Club @ Community Centre
4pm	Bardon Mill Village Shop, Parishes by the Wall
	Grill a Bishop
8pm	General Havelock, Parishes by the Wall
	Rev John's Pub Quiz

#### **Saturday 8 September**

10am	Coffee Morning @ Community Centre
2pm	The Sill, Parishes by the Wall
	The Way of Cuthbert
8.30pm	Neil Diamond Tribute Act @ Haydonian Social Club

#### **Sunday 9 September**

8.30am	All Hallows' Henshaw, BCP Eucharist
9.30am	Mass at St John of Beverley Church
10am	St Cuthbert's, Haydon Bridge
	Living Faith on the Frontier Celebration Service
10am	Methodist Church, Morning Worship
	John Macadam
10.30am	West Tynedale Rugby, See Pg13
11am	Mass @ St. Wilfrid's Church, Haltwhistle
6pm	Methodist Church, Communion Worship
	Rev. Tony Buglass

### Wednesday 12 September

3.30pm Methodist Church, Messy Church

#### **Thursday 13 September**

7.30pm Methodist Church, Nature Club Meeting
Photographing the Natural World – by Ken Hilton

### Friday 14 September

9.15am	Pre-School Playgroup @ Community Centre
11.15am	Chair Exercise & Lunch Club @ Community Centre

#### **Saturday 15 September**

10am Coffee Morning @ Community Centre

## **Sunday 16 September**

9.30am 9.30am	St Cuthbert's Beltingham, Parish Eucharist Mass at St John of Beverley Church
10am	Methodist Church, Morning Worship
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	lan Warburton
10.30am	West Tynedale Rugby, See Pg13
11am	St Cuthbert's Haydon Bridge , Parish Eucharist
11am	Mass @ St. Wilfrid's Church, Haltwhistle
3pm	Pitching tbc God's Tent
6pm	Methodist Church, Evening Worship
	Richard Porter

## **Tuesday 18 September**

8.15pm General Havelock, Quiz Night

## Friday 21 September

9.15am	Pre-School Playgroup @ Community Centre
11.15am	Chair Exercise & Lunch Club @ Community Centre

## **Saturday 22 September**

10am Coffee Morning @ Community Centre

## **Sunday 23 September**

9.30am	All Hallows' Henshaw , Parish Eucharist
9.30am	Mass at St John of Beverley Church
10am	Methodist Church, Morning Worship
	Joyce Short
10.30am	West Tynedale Rugby, See Pg13
11am	St Cuthbert's Haydon Bridge , Parish Eucharist
11am	Mass @ St. Wilfrid's Church, Haltwhistle
6pm	Methodist Church, Evening Worship
	Deacon Anne Taylor

## **Thursday 27 September**

7.30pm	Parish Council Meeting @ Community Centre
7.30pm	Methodist Church, Nature Club Meeting
	Pennine Wildlife Rescue – by Tony Johnson

## Friday 28 September

9.15am	Pre-School Playgroup @ Community Centre
11.15am	Chair Exercise & Lunch Club @ Community Centre

#### Saturday 29 September

10.30am	St Cuthbert's Haydon Bridge, Messy Church
	At the Haydon Bridge Harvest Market

## Sunday 30 September—Harvest

9.30am	All Hallows' Henshaw , Harvest Festival
9.30am	Mass at St John of Beverley Church
10am	Methodist Church, Morning Worship
	Diane Wylie
10.30am	West Tynedale Rugby, See Pg13
11am	St Cuthbert's Haydon Bridge , BCP Communion
11am	Mass @ St. Wilfrid's Church, Haltwhistle
5pm	Old Haydon Church, Harvest Festival
6pm	No Service at Methodist Church

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#### John Harrison

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Joking aside, this summer has been remarkably hot and there has been plenty of sunbathing weather. June was another very dry month extending the late spring/early summer drought. With clearing night skies nocturnal minimum temperatures were below average for much of the month. Daytime temperatures exceeded 20 degC on 12 days. A gale and a heatwave in the same month.

Muggy weather with hazy sunshine continued from May over the first two days and there were thunderstorms across the country but not here in Haydon Bridge. However, on the 2nd a muggy day turned to continuous rain by mid-afternoon, which continued into the night. This was the wettest period of the month providing more than 60 percent of the total (13.7 mm). Pressure remained steady and the wind settled into a light easterly flow from the 4th which resulted in a long dry spell of weather with early morning cloud clearing to sunny but relatively cool afternoons. As pressure began to fall after the 10th, the weather became slightly more unsettled with strong winds and occasional rain. A deep low affected much of the UK from the 14th bringing cloud and, on the 14th, extremely strong winds which caused local damage and brought leaves from the trees. Piles of fallen leaves accumulated giving the appearance of autumn rather than June. The 15th was blustery and was the coldest day of the month (14.2 degC).

Less settled weather continued until the 19th when a strong ridge of high pressure began to develop across the UK. The remaining days of the month were dry and by the 24th **heatwave** conditions were firmly in control with daytime temperatures across the UK exceeding 30 degc. Under clear skies the daytime temperature in Haydon Bridge exceeded 20 degC on the 24th – 30th, reaching 28.2 degC on the 28th. Away from the light breeze conditions were uncomfortably hot in sheltered spots. Relative humidity dropped to below 15% on some days.

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Month	June
Average Maximum Temperature (Daytime) deg C	20.0
Relative to long-term average degC	+2.3
Average Minimum Temperature (Night-time) deg C	9.2
Relative to long-term average degC	+0.5
Rainfall (mm)	21.3
Percentage of long-term average	41

Gladys has been traveling again, this time in the USA where she heard this story in her hotel bar. One of the local cowboys had walked into the hotel recently and ordered three cold beers, which he took nearly an hour to consume. He then came back to the bar and ordered three more. The bartender suggested to him that in that length of time the beer would have gone flat and it would be better if he ordered one at a time, to which the cowboy replied that he had two brothers, one in the Air-Force and the other in the Navy, both of whom were serving oversees. When his brothers left they had promised that whenever any of them went for a drink they would order in threes in order to remember the days when they had drunk together. So he was drinking one beer for each of his brothers and one for himself. The cowboy became a regular in the bar, and always drank the same way, three drinks at a time, but one day he came in and only ordered two beers. The other regulars, well-used to his drinking habit, assumed the worst, that one of his brothers had been killed, and offered their condolences. Realising that there had been a misunderstanding, the cowboy laughed and explained "Oh, no, everybody's just fine," he said, "It's just that my wife and I have joined the Baptist Church and I have had to quit drinking. This hasn't affected my brothers though...."

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I grump at my missus when she's hoovering the floor
I grump at the grandkids when they slam the door
I grump at the barmaid when I'm drinking my Brown
And I tell her a bottle used to cost half a crown.

I recall when beef dripping was used to cook chips
I remember when Elvis gyrated his hips
I remember when astronauts walked on the Moon
I remember when Supermac played for the Toon.

I grump at my fork when I eat calf's foot jelly
I grump at the actors when I'm watching my telly
I grump at other geezers when they sidle up to me
Saying, "Nostalgia ain't what it used to be".

The years have slipped past just as they're bound to do
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The theme of the competition is: "What does Allendale Mean to Me" and children from under eight years, eight to twelve years and up to eighteen years - are all eligible. The closing date is 31 August so there is plenty of time to get outside and find suitable subjects, at any time of day - in black and white, or colour.

Organisers at the Forge have explained that subjects 'can be anything which makes Allendale very special', so the trick for the photographer will be to convey that through his or her pictures. Three images, all of which can be different subjects, can be submitted by one person, but portraits of people are not eligible. Once the shortlist has been selected, the casting vote for the winners in each category will be left to the Allendale Forge Facebook users to make the final decision.

Directors at the Forge think that young people will be excited and enjoy taking part in this first Forge photographic competition, saying: "Winners from each of the three age categories will receive a training session with experienced photographer Colin Potsig, and all the winning entries will be displayed in the Forge before being professionally printed as postcards for sale in our shop. Profits from their sales will be reinvested in community projects for the area's young people."

The judging panel will have a lengthy and difficult task when entries start arriving by email, as there is no shortage of wonderful subjects, both ancient and modern, in and around the north Pennines.

Users of mobile phones can also submit images, but they must be no less than 300dpi resolution and no more than 3mb. Take care to make a copy as a back-up at home, before sending in the original.

Details of how to enter, what to do and how to submit the pictures are all on entry forms available from the Allendale Forge Studios shop, so don't wait; get moving and get clicking!!!



## **West Tynedale Junior Rugby**

## New Season Starts September 9<sup>th</sup>

West Tynedale Junior Rugby Club is based at Haydon Bridge High School and provides coaching for girls and boys aged 5-12 years. Sessions take place on Sunday mornings at 1030. Training is delivered by qualified and enthusiastic coaches and assistants with the emphasis on having fun. Each session last for about ninety minutes and finishes with refreshments in the club house.



Prior experience of rugby by parents or players is completely unnecessary and not expected. Many families turn up and soon become ardent enthusiasts of the game which is underpinned by the core principles of: Teamwork, Respect, Enjoyment, Discipline and Sportsmanship.

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Age-grade (children's) rugby is strictly non-contact until the players are under-9s. Tag rugby is played where the players tackle each other by pulling Velcro strips off waist belts. Thereafter, contact (tackling) is introduced in easy stages where safety is paramount.

There are opportunities for the entire family to be involved at West Tynedale, whether as a young player, coach, committee member or club house volunteer.



The first training session of the new season is at 1030 on Sunday  $9^{\text{th}}$  September. We will meet at the cricket pavilion at the rear of Haydon Bridge High School. Why not come along and try a session or two? It costs nothing to find out ... .

We also hope to run a couple of 'touch rugby' sessions (non-contact rugby for any age) at the High School during August - watch Haydon Bridge Matters on Facebook for more information or Haydon Bridge village notes in The Courant.

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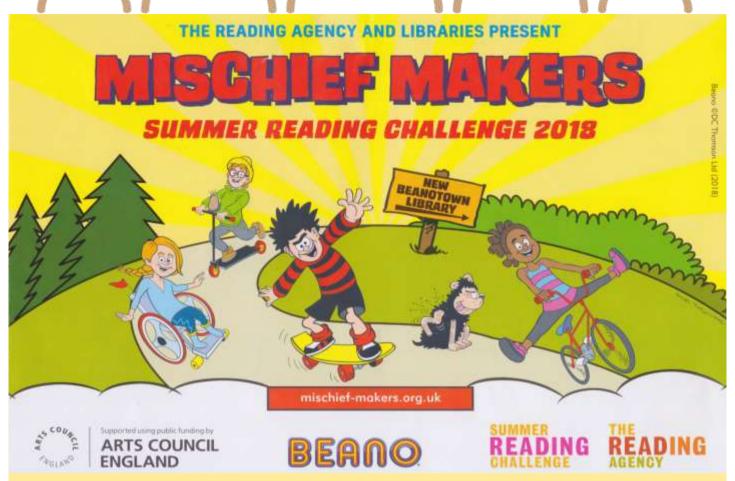
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## The Bridge Garden and Produce Stall

Even though they were only planted last year, we've had an excellent crop on our fruit bushes enough to sell on the produce stall. Donations to the stall are increasingly varied and generous, the profit contributing towards funding the upkeep of the Bridge. The herbs are also doing well. You're welcome to help yourself to a few sprigs and we're working on an information sheet with suggestions for using them.



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## CHURCHES WORKING TOGETHER CLERGY MESSAGE

From: Rev. Benjamin Carter

On the second weekend of September Newcastle and Northumberland will be visited by a bench of Bishops (at least that is what Google tells me the collective noun for Bishops is!). This is part of the fifth annual northern bishops mission led by the Archbishop of York.

All this began in Northumberland a few years ago when Archbishop Sentamu gathered the bishops from the north of England along with a group of young people and asked the young people what they wanted from the bishops. The resounding answer from that was to lead in mission. As a consequence, the Archbishop Sentamu invited the bishops to join him in a Diocese supporting local parishes in getting out and meeting their communities.

So, this September it will be out turn. The Diocese of Newcastle 'Pathways Mission' will begin with a service on Holy Island on Thursday 6 September and end with regional services on that afternoon of Sunday 9 September. Over the weekend Archbishop Sentamu and about thirty bishops with teams from the local dioceses will be working with local churches all across the Diocese of Newcastle to tell people what we are about and more about the God in whom we trust.

We in the Parishes by the Wall will be no different and are planning a series of events through the weekend – from one of Rev John Harrison's fantastic Pub Quizzes to kite flying on the Roman Wall, 'Grilling a Bishop' in the Bardon Mill Village Shop to school visits, treasure hunting to worshipping together. We hope that the events we have plan will be of interest to as many people as possible. The events are planned to get us out of Church and into the community. There is further information in this copy of the Haydon News and there will be posters and fliers available in the days and weeks before the weekend.

At the heart of this weekend for us on the Parishes by the Wall is our deep desire to be a community of invitation, inviting people to spend time with us, and each other, and God in new and interesting ways.

With every best wish for the summer ahead and the Pathways weekend that follows!

Benjamin

Mass on weekdays (except Mondays) at 10.00am either St John of Beverley or St. Wilfrid's, Haltwhistle For all other services, see What's On In Haydon Bridge, Page 6

## Churches Together in Haydon Bridge note of thanks

Many thanks to all who supported the outdoor time in the grounds of St. Cuthberts Church on Sunday afternoon 8<sup>th</sup> July. Thanks to all who helped during the afternoon and to those who donated food. Special thanks to the Co-op for their kind donation of ice cream, to Claire's Newsagents for supplying us with Juice/Paper Plates/Cups and Serviettes, to Kevin for loan of the sound system and to Doris for organising Face Paints and Parachute Games.

A good time was enjoyed by all.

Kathleen Armstrong

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

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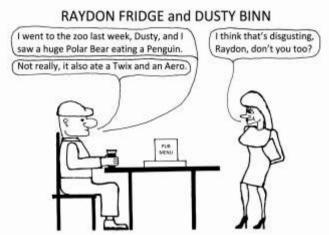
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## CHESTERWOOD Part 3

(For Parts 1 and 2 see Haydon News' June and July 2018)

My June to August 2018 Notes on Chesterwood, follow the recent interest shown by 'Historic England', in the hamlet and its ancient bastles.

Chesterwood at the beginning of the C20th, provides two interesting stories reflecting contrasting emotions in the social history of our old 'towne' hamlet.

On May 27th 1905, members and visitors from all parts came to witness the official opening of the 'new' nine hole golf course on land tenanted by Mr Pigg and Mr J. Davidson jnr.; with its club house situated in an ancient pele house close to the links. The inhabitants of the Chesterwood hamlet were reported in the Hexham Courant to have 'risen to the occasion', and had 'appeared in holiday attire to welcome the visitors'. The Golf Club secretary, J.M. Beattie, reported the opening drive by President Ald. Thomas Carrick as being, 'nicely done', and the play that followed was recorded as of 'brilliant character'. A happy day indeed!



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Haydon Bridge's nine hole golf course was opened officially at Chesterwood on May 27th 1905

My thanks to T. Dent Oliver for this photograph

**Dennis Telford** 

In November 1918, however, a more sombre occasion than that which struck a family at Chesterwood could hardly be imagined.

While Germany was capitulating abroad, influenza was rife in the district and there were many cases of serious illness as a consequence. My research shows there were twenty deaths in Haydon parish in the two months of November and December 1918; one gentleman aged 85 years and the remainder averaging 33.5 years old. In the twelve months of the previous year, 1917, there had been nineteen burials in the parish and yet seventy six parishioners died during 1918 and 1919.

One household suffered more than most. Mr and Mrs George Reed of Chesterwood Park, lost three of their children through the epidemic and the remaining four members of the family were seriously ill. Emma Reed (24 years) died on Sunday November 3rd, Elizabeth her sister (18 years) died on Thursday 7th, and the Reed's eldest son Nicholas (27 years) died on the 8th.

On a much lighter note I can report that, remarkable as it may seem today, Chesterwood once had a football team ... "Really?"

I'll let one time 'Cubstocks' resident, the late William Foster, take up the story:

"Oh Yes Dennis, Chesterwood had a football team; they used to play derby matches against Altonside.

I remember those games and they would be fought just as fiercely as any Newcastle and Sunderland matches.

And, what's more, none of today's England team would have got a game for Chesterwood. In those days, players kicked the ball up the field to try to score a goal, and not back and forwards across the pitch and then backwards again towards their own goalkeeper!"

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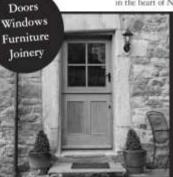
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#### **Chesterwood One Hundred Years Ago**

One hundred years ago, Chesterwood hamlet was a very different place in which to live. Genealogist Wm Veitch's research shows there were 12 households; 3 consisting of 2 rooms and 5 of 3 Rooms, the largest dwelling was Chesterwood Park with 6 rooms and the total population was 78. Of these, 28 were fourteen years or under.

The inhabitants at Chesterwood, circa one hundred years ago, were:

Michael and Annie Pigg and 4 children, in 4 rooms.
William and Jane Veitch and 4 children in 3 rooms.
George and Sarah Reed and 11 children in 6 rooms.
Christopher and Hester Wannop in 3 rooms.
John and Susannah Sowerby and 6 children in 3 rooms.
John and Annie Liddle, 2 children and lodger, in 3 rooms.
George and Mabel Dodd and 7 children in 2 rooms. (A further 7 children had died young in this, apparently, overcrowded household.)

Annie Dargue (A 'boarding house keeper'), 4 children and one lodger in 3 rooms.

John and Mary Ann Paxton and 2 children in 2 rooms. Thomas and Margaret Pears, 4 children and 2 lodgers in 4 rooms.

John Joseph and Margaret Dargue in 2 rooms.

Joseph and Annie Jackson, 5 children and 1 servant in 5 rooms.

Michael Pigg, George Reed and Joseph Jackson were farmers and 8 of the inhabitants were farm workers. There were 12 who worked at Settlingstones Barytes Mine. One was a 'kennelman' who looked after the foxhounds of the Haydon Hunt, there were 2 gardeners and William Veitch was the greenkeeper at Chesterwood Golf Course, until it moved to Esp Hill in 1915.

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#### **Chesterwood Circa 1940**

Following my earlier article about Chesterwood - in the Haydon News of December 2007 and from which parts of these 2018 Notes have been edited - I received a lovely letter from Mrs Joan Grey (nee Pigg) who once lived at Chesterwood and in which she recalled the 1940s there.

Dear Dennis,

As a result of your article in the Haydon News, myself and my two sisters, Ida and Doreen, have put our heads together and thought you might be interested to hear about Chesterwood when we lived there and went to school from there. Around twenty four children went to school from Chesterwood and I can remember us all sledging down the fields where the golf course used to be. I enclose a rough plan of the houses at Chesterwood around 1940, and details of the people who lived there at the time, as far as we can remember. There were three houses which do not now exist (2007).

I hope you find this to be of interest. We all very much enjoy your research in the Haydon News.

Regards.

Joan Grey.

Thank you so much Joan! Sadly, at the time of writing these Notes (June 2018) Joan Grey (nee Pigg) is the only one of the Chesterwood sisters still alive.

William Veitch also comments on Joan, Ida and Doreen's 2007 accommodation sketch and key: Joan and her two sisters were older than me - but I remember most of the families they have quoted and during the 1940s I recall further accommodation changes at Chesterwood: The Walker family moved from number 1 to No.7. No.1 was occupied by Matt Brown and family. (Matt worked for Bill Reed.) The Straughan family took over from the Moor's at No.8. The Benson family lived at No.10. The Layton's lived at No.13. And, as Joan points out, No's 11 and 12 were demolished.

If anyone would like to add to my Chesterwood story, I'd be delighted to hear from you ... Thank You, Dennis!



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#### HISTORICAL NOTES OF HAYDON BRIDGE Dennis Telford

## Chesterwood Sketch - Around 1940 1 6 8 5 10 11 Houses demolished 12 2 13 The house numbers relate only to the key below.

#### Accommodation key to the sketch of Chesterwood

1 Mr & Mrs Walker, Jack & Stan.

(\* Communal tap)

- 2 Mr & Mrs Reed, David & Hazel.
- 3 Mr & Mrs Tommy Pigg, Ida, Jim, Doreen & Joan.
- 4 Various workers with the hounds, kennelled at Chesterwood Grange with Major & Mrs Branfell.
- 5 The (1905-1915) Golf House. The last tenants had been Jeannie and Vida Douglas; leaving around the end of the 1930s to work for Mrs Burns and Mrs Douglas - sisters of Miss Hetherington the school teacher - on Belmont Gardens.
- Mr & Mrs Amos & family. Followed by Mr & Mrs 6 Frankland, Charlie & Dick.
- Michael Pigg (Joan, Ida and Doreen's grandfather) 7 and their Aunty Ida and Uncle Willie.
- 8 Mr & Mrs Tom Moor, Stan & Tom & Gladys & June.
- Mr & Mrs Sanderson. One of the houses pulled 9 down. This house had the communal tap outside\* from which everyone had to fetch their water.
- 10 A family called Dockrey.
- Mr & Mrs Duffy, John & Clive & Violet etc. 11
- 12 Harry Philipson, Norman & Tom. (Harry used to gather up the boots at night to throw at the rats!)
- Harry Philipson moved into 13. 13

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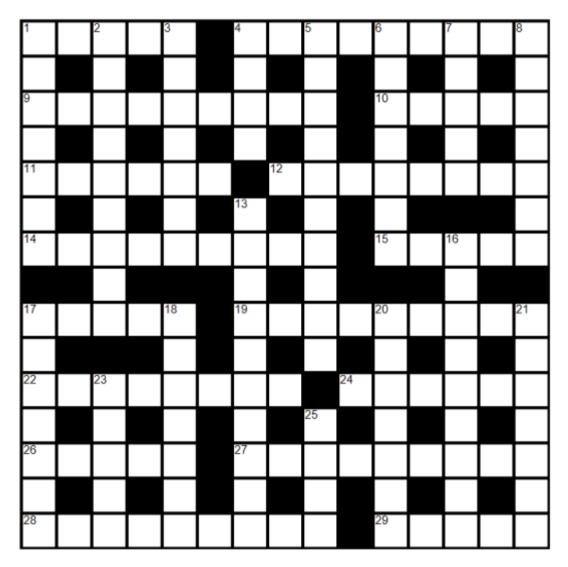
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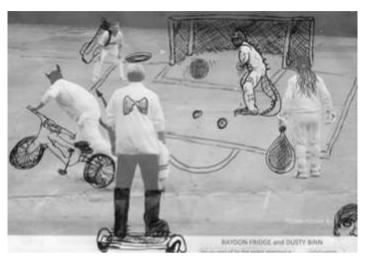
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## **Spot The Ball & Sudoku Answers**

Thanks to everyone who took part in our first Sudoku and Spot the Ball competitions. The answers to both are below, I have also included the most entertaining entry to spot the ball. The ball was nowhere near the correct location, but they get points for artistic flair!!

Both Sudoku and Spot the Ball will return in a future edition of the Haydon News.



#### Spot the Ball, correct location!!



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## Bellway pitch in to support a local football team

Haydon Bridge football club have secured a new shirt sponsorship deal with local house builder Bellway Homes.

Jonny Flanagan, coach for Haydon Bridge, said: "Since Bellway started building their Showfields development they have really become part of the local community and have thrown their weight behind the recent Haydon Bridge Festival and provided help to the local school, so I thought it would be worth approaching



them to see if they would sponsor us for a season and they said yes. The team are absolutely delighted and the shirts with the Bellway logo look really professional."

Diane McDonough, sales advisor at Bellway's Showfields development, said: "The local football team are a key part of the local community, the fact that this is there 137th season is extremely impressive and also that they rely totally on volunteers which just illustrates how close the local community is. We are really pleased that they approached us and wish them well for this season."

Pre Season training has started for most of our teams now. We are always looking for new players, coaches etc to get involved with the Football Club. Contact details for our various teams and coaches can be found on our website:

## www.haydonbridgeunited.co.uk

We have a new Under 9 team this season who are in need of a few players to get them up and running. If you have a child who is interested in joining the team, training is on Thursday's between 5-6pm on our 3G pitch.

# Haydon Bridge Cricket Club (Cont'd)



After a good win versus Belsay, Haydon Bridge travelled to Matfen to play South Northumberland. The reverse fixture had seen a 90 all out tie between the two teams and South North lay 3 places behind Haydon Bridge coming into the game.

Again we struggled to field a team with holidays and injuries so this week were indebted to Phillip Leadbetter and Kevin Barber to step in to make the 11. Batting first on a difficult green wicket, Joe Barber (23) and Robert Gibson (25) got the team off to a good start. A slow scoring middle over period against the excellent spin attack of M.Harbottle (3-32) and M.Ragbir (1-13 from 8 overs) meant Haydon Bridge looked destined to post a low score. Ian Watson (40) kept the innings ticking and a late flurry got the total to 134 all out.

On paper South North looked to have a strong batting team but Tommy Waugh simply blew them away in his first couple of overs, well supported by the unlucky Joe Barber (1-20 off 8 overs) whose pace was also troubling the batsmen. At 4-4 after 3 overs then Bridge were on top. Even the inclusion of former Newcastle Utd goalkeeper Steve Harper didn't help as he went for 1. Only D.Harbottle (16) and M.Ragbir (13) contributed runs as South North were bowled out for 55 in 20 overs. Tommy Waugh the pick of the bowlers with a superb 6-13 and Ian Watson contributing 2-9.

Table as of 15<sup>th</sup> July

	Played	Points
Humshaugh	13	246
Allendale	13	201
Matfen	13	189
Hexham Leazes	13	187
Haydon Bridge	13	185

So Haydon Bridge finish the month in 5<sup>th</sup> place but with only 16 points between 5<sup>th</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place.

Matches coming next month includes several derby games: 21<sup>st</sup> July home v Haltwhistle; 28<sup>th</sup> July away v Benwell Hill; 4<sup>th</sup> Aug. home v Allendale and 11<sup>th</sup> Aug away v Hexham Leazes. As always, you can follow our progress on a weekly basis by liking our Facebook page 'Haydon Bridge Cricket Club'.

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# Haydon Bridge Cricket Club



Haydon Bridge began the month in 4th place of the West Tyne League Division 1 after a good start to this year's season.

Haydon Bridge travelled to Mowden Hall School to take on a struggling Newton team, and after winning the toss and batting, the Bridge began well with Joe Barber (80) taking apart the opening bowling with help from Michael Cunningham (20. There were steady runs down the order too and a fluent 50 not out from Ian Watson got Haydon Bridge to a challenging 194 all out, with Newton's Goulding (4-37) helping to curb the runs when a mammoth total looked on the cards.



In reply Newton started well as Haydon Bridge looked to take early wickets. Jeffrey (23) took the game to the Haydon Bridge bowlers, with great support from Taylor. Tommy Waugh 2-34 and Gavin Boyd 2-40 bowled well early on, however the Bridge had no answer as Taylor (78no) and Jones (39no) punished the bowling on a fast outfield and Newton won by 6 wickets.

A disappointing start to the month which dropped Haydon Bridge to 5<sup>th</sup> with Hexham Leazes winning.

The semi-final of the T20 Knockout Cup and Haydon Bridge travelled to league leaders Humshaugh, in the first of a cup/league double header in 4 days. A depleted team started well with Joe Barber (33) and Robert Gibson (15), and with Michael Cunningham weighing in with 26 not out then the Bridge set a decent total of 121-4 in 20 overs. Thompson (2-13) being the best of the home bowlers.

Tommy Waugh (2-12) got the visitors off to a great start in Humshaugh's innings with a couple of early wickets but Renton (46) and Crawford (20) responded well for the home team. A later knock by Parkinson (21no) saw them into the final, despite heroics in the field, to play

Haltwhistle, who beat Allendale on the same night.

In the second game of the week against Humshaugh, Haydon Bridge played hosts this time and again started well with Joe Barber (49), Michael Cunningham (20) and Dale Leadbetter (23) racking up the top order runs. Contributions all down the order gave Haydon Bridge a decent looking total of 182 all out on a sweltering day, one of the hottest most long serving players can remember on the scorched ground. Parkinson (3-27) was the star bowler for Humshaugh.

Murray (25) got Humshaugh off to a good start but then a couple of quick wickets looked to have turned the tide for Haydon Bridge. However another excellent innings by Crawford (44no) and especially by Garrett (75no) pulled Humshaugh back into the game, and then into a dominant position to win, as the Bridge wilted in the heat. It was an impressive performance by the leaders who showed fighting spirit and showed why they are top.

So at the halfway stage of the season, Haydon Bridge had lost a little ground with some indifferent form, and stood 5<sup>th</sup> in table with 145pts, narrowly behind 3<sup>rd</sup> place Matfen with 162pts and Hexham with 150pts. Humshaugh had opened up a 33 point lead over Allendale, at the top, with 207pts.

Our next game saw a Sunday match when Belsay come to Haydon Bridge, the day after England's World Cup match v Sweden. Haydon Bridge desperately now needed to put a string of results together to make up ground again near the top and were short of players. Although not quite as hot as the Humshaugh game, the scorched pitch reflected the heat of the day making it equally uncomfortable conditions to play in.

Joe Barber's pace stormed through the Belsay line-up on a sometimes uneven pitch, his 5-22 only told half the story as Belsay's top order collapsed with only Brock (30) standing firm. A later contribution from Sharif (36) and Mills (14) saw Belsay through to 126 all out. Even captain Graham Pigg contributed in the bowling figures with 2-18 of extra slow 'spin'.

Special mention to James Brown and Barry Hope who rolled back the years to support the team in making up the numbers although a hamstring injury curbed Barry's involvement.

In reply, Robert Gibson (61) made light of the conditions with a typically stylish innings, Joe Barber hit a quickfire 23 and later on, Gavin Boyd (22) helped knock off the runs to win in 22 overs (130-4). Sharif gained 2-15 for Belsay.