# The Haydon News

March 2018

Welcome to the March edition of the Haydon News. This month's front cover is another great photo from Aron Måzel, capturing a Starling Murmuration (basically a mass aerial stunt with hundreds/thousands of birds swooping and diving in unison. Apparently they do this to warn off predators and to exchange information on good feeding areas, who knew!!) The picture is obviously taken over the Railway Station, which is the main feature of Dennis Telford's Historical Notes of Haydon Bridge this month. Thanks again to those that have contributed articles and photos for this month's Haydon News, if you are interested in contributing to the Haydon News please get in touch!!







#### HAYDON BRIDGE NATURE CLUB

#### TALKS DURING MARCH

#### MARCH 8th

Kielder – a Living Landscape Katy Barke

#### MARCH 22<sup>nd</sup>

Lynn's Antarctic Adventure

Lynn Patterson

#### ANNUAL EXCURSION

# Will be to Floors Castle (Nr Kelso) on Saturday May 19<sup>th</sup>

Contact Averil Harrison on 684994 for details

The Haydon Bridge Nature Club meets fortnightly between September and March at the Methodist Chapel in Church Street, Haydon Bridge.

 $\label{eq:march-22nd} \mbox{March 22$^{nd}$ is the last meeting this season - look out for posters advertising our summer walks.}$ 

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#### RAYDON FRIDGE and DUSTY DARMAID



February's riddle answer-Romeo and Juliet were goldfish and suffocated after their fish tank fell from the bed and smashed on the floor

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#### For our local businesses:

If you have an offer on – post it! If you have something new – share it! If you change your opening times – post it! Offering a service – share it!

#### For our locals:

Want to know what's on? Need to find a service? Want to check the opening hours of somewhere? Need a good local deal?

Find us on Facebook <Haydon Bridge Businesses> and support your local shop, pub, trader!

The April edition of the Haydon News will be printed and distributed around 5th April. Please submit any articles for inclusion by 19th March.

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thehaydonnews@btinternet.com or Brian Alderson. 27 Innerhaugh Mews, Haydon Bridge. Or: CLAIRE'S NEWSAGENTS 11, Church Street.

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Gordon Allan of Being Active Matters gave a presentation on a project which aims to improve mental health in the County by linking the health and sports / activity communities together using a team of trained volunteers. (See Page 24)

**Public Participation** – A member of the public raised concerns over the processing of planning applications. In particular where planning applications have been approved by Northumberland County Council's despite those applications contravening the Council's own planning guidance. Cllr Alan Sharp is hoping to arrange for a member of the planning committee of NCC to attend a future meeting. Cllr Sharp will also investigate how NCC selects preferred bidders.

**Apologies for absence –** Mrs J Thompson & Mr E Brown, who has resigned from the Parish Council, E Faulks has thanked him for his service.

NCC report from Clir. A. Sharp - A parking report relating to Ratcliffe Road is due soon. 20mph speed restrictions near our schools are progressing, double yellow lines have been installed and a new speed warning sign is due to be installed. A meeting regarding potholes is due to take place in the coming weeks. Potholes need to be reported to NCC by calling 0345 600 6400 or by using their online portal

http://mapreport.northumberland.gov.uk/potholes/

**Highways** - Concerns were raised about the undulating pavement over the road bridge. Salt bins are required around the village Cllr Sharp will investigate further. Replacement bin at Railway Inn is now be in place.

**Lighting** – Work has started on replacing and installing new lights around the village. Any issues with the new lights should be taken up with NCC directly on 0345 600 6400

**Planning applications –** 18/00368/LBC - Listed building consent for a stone portico built over the west gable main entrance at Threepwood Hall. - No Objections

**Correspondence** – Response from NCC re trees overhanging opposite South View - I have been up to have a look at the trees and while they are growing towards the houses, they are in a satisfactory condition and for this reason I do not believe that any remedial pruning is required at this time.

Response from NCC to TPO request for trees at fire station - Unfortunately, after considering [various] factors, we have come to the conclusion not to recommend a Tree

Preservation Order for the two Cherry trees because despite their amenity value, the Cherry trees are not under threat as a result of their location within the Haydon Bridge Conservation Area and through the planning process. If, in the future, a section 211 notice for works to these trees were to be submitted, then the application would be assessed as to whether the proposed works are acceptable or whether a Tree Preservation Order should be considered.

Response from NCC re ash tree on Lands End Road - I visited the tree within the last couple of weeks, however I was unable to carry out a full visual assessment due to the amount of ivy growing up the trunk. I severed the ivy at its base, which will, over time, kill it off. Once this has happened I will be able to carry out a more in depth inspection. The crown was less covered in ivy and so I could see that. The branches looked in good condition and there were no obvious defects that I could see.

News from the Haydon Development Trust & the Bridge. - The library this year has been self sustaining, well done to all of those involved. The bottle bank's location was discussed, the PC will write to NCC requesting the bottle bank is moved back to a central location within the village.

**Flooding** - A survey will be undertaken in the coming weeks to assist with flood modelling.

Patient group at Haydon & Allen Valleys . - Concerns were raised about appointment availability, with some residents reporting delays of 2 weeks for appointments. A volunteer transport link between Haydon Bridge & Allendale Medial Centres is being considered.

Feedback from meetings re High School - Members of the Parish Council have met with the Headmaster of HBHS and have a further meeting planned to discuss how the PC can assist. The recently released report was discussed, and was regarded as a poorly written report. The PC will request a breakdown of the financial information within the report. Cllr Sharp commented that his understanding was the report was intended to provoke discussion. Members of the PC will be attending the upcoming consultation meetings and would encourage as many people as possible to also attend.

The report lists 3 options for schools in our area, however, the PC would encourage people to consider alternatives to these options and put forward suggestions.

Any other business - None

Date of Next Meeting - 22nd March



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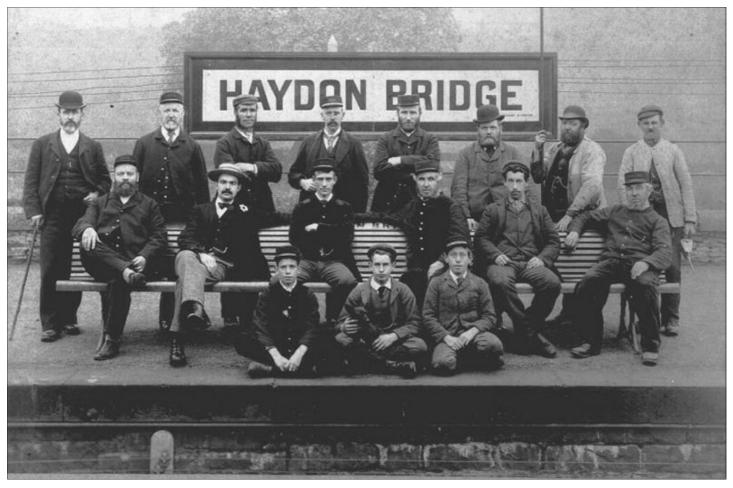
#### HISTORICAL NOTES OF HAYDON BRIDGE

#### **Dennis Telford**

In my archived Haydon Parish photographs, the change in pattern of employment is, probably, no where better illustrated than those images of our railway workers of the nineteenth century.

One of the most enduring of historic Haydon Bridge photographs is, arguably, this image showing seventeen of the railway workers employed at Haydon Bridge in 1896. It might surprise later generations that so many men were employed at our village station in 1896, if so, consider this:

There were 42 railwaymen in 1891 and 61 railwaymen in 1901 at Haydon Bridge; living, working or recently retired,



<u>Back Row L to R</u>: Irving Reay (Railway Inspector), George Harding (Signalman), William Boyd (Platelayer), Frederick George Wood (Station Master)\*, William Kindred (Signalman), Robert [Bob] Keenleyside Wood (Clerk), Joseph [Joe] Smith Kirk (Platelayer)\*\*, George Wray (Plate Layer).

Middle Row L to R: Joseph Todd (Signalman), George Young (Clerk)\*\*\*, James Todd (Porter), Mathew [Matt] Mews (Porter), William [Bill] Reay (Railway Carriage and Wagon Examiner), Joshua Elliott (Foreman Porter).

Front Row L to R: William [Billy] Todd (Boy Porter), John Telford (Boy Clerk), W.H. Smith Bookstall Keeper.

#### Notes:

- \*I cannot be one hundred per cent certain that the Station Master on the photograph is F.G. Wood (aged 42 years in 1896) who was Station Master at Haydon Bridge from 1896 until he retired in May 1918.
- \*\* Earlier captions to this photograph show this employee as Bob or Joe Smith. In fact, Joseph was known as Smith Kirk. (i.e. Joseph (Kirk) was adopted by the Smith family.)
- \*\*\* Earlier captions show this employee as G. Thom. I am assured by his relatives that the man in the photograph is, 'without doubt', George Young (Clerk).

So, who are these nineteenth century Haydon Bridge men whose faces have come to represent our railwaymen of the past? Follow my brief biographies; maybe your ancestors are here - alongside my great uncle's son, John, when he was 19 years old.

Abbreviations used occasionally in the following notes:

b = born/baptised.

d = died.

HB = Haydon Bridge

#### Irving Reay (Railway Inspector):

Born at Farlam, Cumberland in 1844 and was living in Railway Cottage, Haydon Bridge and working as a Railway Inspector by 1871.

Irving Reay married Margaret Dent of Brampton (1865). Irving Reay and Margaret (nee Dent) had 12 children: Elenor: b Cumberland 1870, died Haydon Bridge 1871.

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#### Irving Reay's children; continued from page 5

Fredrick George Irving Reay: born Haydon Bridge 1874. Gertrude Margurite Irving Reay: b Haydon Bridge 1875. Winifred Maud Irving Reay b Haydon Bridge 1777. Blanche Ethelberta Reay b Haydon Bridge 1880. I do not have a record of the remaining children.

Irving Reay died at 'Roseville', Haydon Bridge, Dec 1st 1915.

#### George Harding (Signalman):

Born at Haltwhistle (1853), George was living at Redburn, Henshaw in 1861. In 1871, 18 year old George Harding was a Railway Labourer of Tow House, Henshaw. By 1891, George was a Signalman. In 1901, George and his wife and children were living on Whittis Hill and in 1901, in John Martin Street, both Haydon Bridge.

George Harding married Jane Lidell at Haltwhistle (1875).

Known Children:

John W: b Haltwhistle, 1878. Thomas H: b Haltwhistle, 1880. Harrison: b Haltwhistle, 1885.\* Mary E: b Haltwhistle, 1888.

Sarah Jane: b Haydon Bridge, 1895.

George Harding died aged 64 years, in 1917.

#### Note\*

It is interesting from a Haydon Bridge social history perspective, to note that signalman George Harding's son Harrison Harding, married Mary Ann Brogdon in 1914. The Brogdon family owned the newsagents and stationers on Church Street, Haydon Bridge that, in 1923, passed to Harrison (Harry) and the Harding family.

(Followed by John and Maureen Clarke from 1974 until 2008, and is Claire Marshall's in 2018.)

Harrison (Harry) Harding died in 1943 and at his funeral at Haydon Bridge Elmfield Church on March 3rd, many of Haydon Bridge's residents turned out to pay their

respects and the Church was too small to accommodate the large numbers.

Harry Harding's widow Mary, followed by their only son Robert and his wife Marie, continued to run the business on Church Street.

#### William Boyd (Plate Layer):

William was born at Simonburn in 1852 and he served his time as a blacksmith while living at Newbrough.

William married Elizabeth Woodman Mewes on July 19th 1879, at Haydon.

In the 1881 census, William and Elizabeth were living at 'Almshouse', Haydon Bridge. (Presumably, not in a charity house, but in the larger Mistress' house or one of the two Ushers' houses.) In 1881, William was a lead miner and by 1891 a Platelayer, living at North Side Railway Cottages, Haydon Bridge.

In 1901, William and Elizabeth have daughters, Emily Jane Boyd (aged 8) and Lillie Mary Boyd (aged 17). William Boyd died aged 61 years, in February 1914.

#### Biographies of railwaymen. Continued from pages 5 and 6

Frederick George Wood (Station Master 1896 to 1918):

Born in Caistor, Lincolnshire in 1850, Frederick George became a Railway Booking Clerk and moved to Alnwick.

Frederick George Wood married Frances Alice Mansfield at Alnwick (1891).

Frederick moved to Haydon Bridge as Station Master in 1896 and lived at Station House with his wife Frances and, by 1901, a family of: Mildred Ella (aged 5), Harold (3) and Charles Edwin (2).

Frances died at Haydon Bridge in September 1912, and Frederick George Wood, having retired as Station Master at Haydon Bridge in 1918, died at Tynemouth in 1930.

#### William Kindred (Signalman):

William was born at Haltwhistle in 1859, and was a lead miner before moving to Kinsley House, Durham as a Railway Signalman; from where he moved to Haydon Bridge in the same capacity.

William married Anna Walton of Lambley, on April 16th 1887. The couple had four children born at Consett - George, Mabel, Anna and Maggie - and three at Haydon Bridge: Thomas William (b 1897), Florence Mary (1898) and Harry (1902).

William and Anna Kindred (nee Walton) and their family lived on Smith's Terrace at Haydon Bridge.

Anna died at Haydon Bridge in 1921. William Kindred died at Newcastle upon Tyne in 1930, aged 76 years.

#### Robert Keenleyside Wood (Clerk):

Robert (Bob) Wood is probably best known for being the son

of former Haydon Bridge Station Master, Gabriel Wood.

(Gabriel Wood was born in Haydon Bridge on May 10th 1826 and married Mary Ann Keenlyside from Allendale, in 1852. Gabriel was a Railway Clerk at Newcastle

before his appointment as Station Master at Haydon Bridge - between 1862 and 1870. Gabriel Wood died in 1891, aged 63 years.)

Robert (Bob) Keenleyside Wood was born at Haydon Bridge in 1862; the son of Gabriel and Ann Wood. His brothers John Makepeace Wood and Thomas Keenleyside Wood, and his sister Margaret Jane Keenleyside Wood, were also born at Haydon Bridge.

The family lived at 'Station House', Haydon Bridge.

By 1901, 40 year old Robert, still a Railway Clerk, was living with his mother and three siblings at Brampton.

#### Joseph Smith Kirk (Platelayer):

Joseph (Joe) Smith Kirk was born at Haydon Bridge in 1869 and was the adopted son of Joseph and Elizabeth Smith. Joseph and Elizabeth's niece, Jane Kirk, was

living with them on Smith's Terrace, Haydon Bridge.

Joseph started his working life as a farmer, his father owned eight acres of land, but by 1896, he was a Ganger on the railway and, eventually, a Platelayer.

Joseph Smith Kirk 'of Whittis Hill, Haydon Bridge', died May 23rd 1939 at Newcastle upon Tyne RVI.

#### **George Wray** (Platelayer):

George was born in Haydon Bridge in 1830 to George and Hannah Wray. In the 1851 Census, George jnr is



Another of Haydon Bridge's enduring railway photographs.

Showing the 1877 Station Master's house, ticket office and waiting rooms on the south platform.

#### The Friday Lunch Club

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Village volunteers run the club, and we always welcome more. Drop in on any Friday and we will show you how we work, and what we do. If you can spare a couple of hours a week once a month (or more) we would love you to get involved, come along or contact Carole Price on 07939202930

# Green/Woodland burials at Haydon Bridge.

The field to the South of the cemetery in current use on Langley Road has been allocated by Haydon Parish Council as a green burial area. The field has been seeded with wild flowers, which it is hoped will spread over the coming years to provide a colourful scene. The plan is to start with burial plots along the existing hawthorn hedgerow to the West. No headstones are permitted, but a plaque and/or a small tree -species and position to be approved- is acceptable.

For further details including prices please contact Carole McGivern, clerk to Haydon Parish Council Telephone number 07543912113

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#### Beltingham Church

Over the river and under the bridge and right by the lodge of the Hall

By farm and bastle, hamlet and castle, on the road to nowhere at all

Then by a green circle of stones, a pleasure, a treasure appears

A church to St Cuthbert has stood on this sport for over a thousand years

When Vikings came to Lindisfarne with axe and sword and fire

The bones of Holy Cuthbert were hidden in this shire

It may be only a legend that he rested in this place

But a spirit of tranquillity and sense of love and grace

Lingers in the stonework and under the ancient yew

Come and stand and feel it, the legend may be true

Keith Brunton

#### George Wray continued from page 7

shown as a labourer.

In 1858, George Wray married Margaret Barron from Warden and he was a labourer at the Haydon Bridge Iron Foundry.

George and Margaret had two children, John (b 1859) and George (b 1862).

Margaret (nee Barron) died in 1862.

In the 1881 Census, widower George is described as a labourer at a stone quarry but, by 1891, he has a job as a Platelayer on the North Eastern Railway.

George Wray lived at 6 Shaftoe Street and by 1911 at 17 Shaftoe Terrace as a 'Railway Pensioner'.

George Wray died in 1914, aged 85 years.

#### Joseph Todd (Signalman):

Joseph was born at Haydon Bridge in 1852; his parents were Joseph Todd and Hannah Glendinning. Joseph jnr started his working career as a Grocery Cartman at Newbrough before becoming a Railway Signalman.

Joseph Todd and Harriet Ridley, both of Haydon Bridge, were married in 1876 and I have records of six children, all born/baptised at Haydon Bridge.

James: Born 1877, Mary Hannah: Born 1878. Joseph William: Born 1881. Charlotte Ann: Born 1884. Charles: Born 1887.

John: Born 1890.

In 1881, Joseph and Harriet Todd were living at 'Dale Cottages', Haydon Bridge with their three children. This is the first Census in which Joseph is shown as a Railway Signalman. By 1891, the family are living at 'North Side,

Station Road', Haydon Bridge and their son James (14) is a Railway Lamplighter. In 1901 the family are recorded, variously, as living at Station House and 8 Church Street and their second son Joseph (20) is a Railway Porter.

Joseph Todd, by this time of 2 Alexandra Terrace, died in 1910.

In 1911, Harriet, Joseph's 59 year old widow, was living at 2 Alexandra Terrace with her children: James (34), Mary Hannah (33), Joseph William (30), Charlotte Ann (27) and John (21). Harriet died in 1914, aged 62 years.

It is, perhaps, no surprise that the Todd family of our

Haydon Bridge past, are remembered to the present day for their historic connection with the railway; given that, of Joseph and Harriet's 20C children: James (Signalman),

Joseph William and Charlotte Ann (Railway Porters) and John (Clerk - Railway Advertising), all followed their father and pursued their careers in what became a family tradition.

I will continue the brief biographies of our railway workers in April's Haydon News.

In the meantime, I'd be delighted if you recognise the railway staff as being your ancestors and can shed further light on their lives and/or careers.

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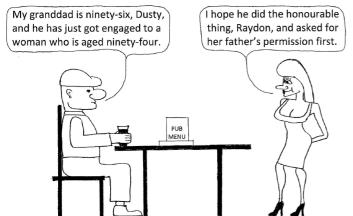
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In February's issue I failed to recognise a well known Haydonian in my photograph of Jock King's Band. Thanks to Tula Thompson (nee Moore) and Kevin Moore, I now know it is their father Kitchener Moore, seen here on the banjo, with Jock King.

Thank you Tula and Kevin.

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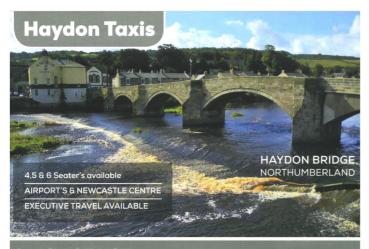


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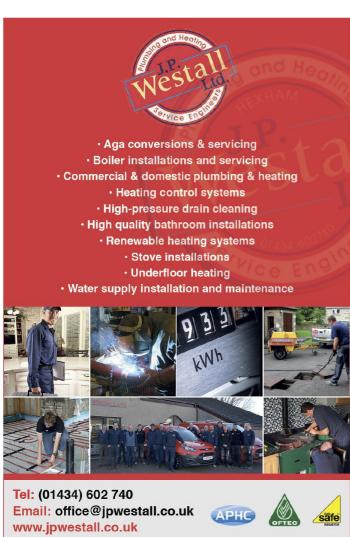
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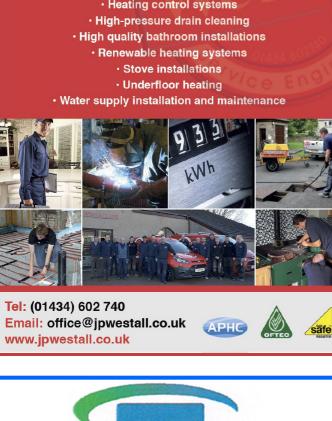
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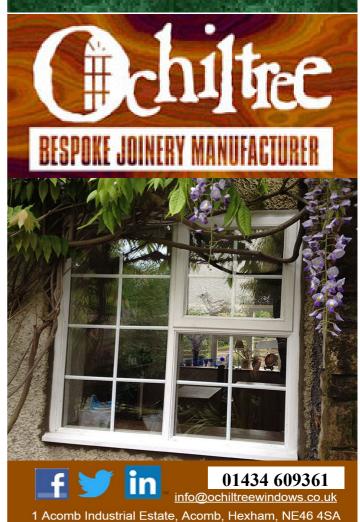
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#### **WOVEN STORIES**

Woven Stories is the first gallery exhibition of the collaborative arts group 'Edit & Doodle', based in Haydon Bridge. It is open to the public from 1<sup>st</sup> of March until the end of the month in the Allendale Forge Studios, Market Place, Allendale.

Representing a two and a half year creative collaboration between visual artists and writers, all have some connection with the local area, although the project has gained an international dimension: renowned artist Susan Routledge was born and bred in Haydon Bridge but now lives in California, USA, while Katrin Auld from Sweden and Natalie Nera from the Czech Republic have moved into Northumberland.

The work featured includes art from multi-talented Victoria Holt, now living in Bardon Mill, and a young photographer, Jessica Salmon, from Newcastle. Poems and flash fiction are from local performance poet David Roe, the 'Unexpected Poet' from Haltwhistle; and members of the Allen Valley Creative Writing Group - Lesley MacDonald and Andrew Cooper, plus Haydon Bridge-based Indiana Shaw and Bridget Enever.

'Woven Stories' was conceived between three creative friends over a cup of coffee - artists Victoria Holt, Imogen Mitchell and author Natalie Nera, who subsequently founded the collaborative arts group: 'Edit & Doodle'. The original concept has expanded and in 2016 other artists were invited to join, while the group continued to work on their own individual projects.

In 2016, a booklet called 'Traces in the Sand' featuring original poems and illustrations by Natalie Nera and Victoria Holt was published in support of the people in Aleppo, Syria, raising much needed funds. In June 2017, Victoria's portrait: 'Northumbrian Beauty' inspired by Natalie's poem of the same name, won the jury's prize in a 'Local Artists' exhibition in Haydon Bridge and in September, also last year, an anthology of poems by twenty-one prominent Czech female poets, with illustrations by Victoria and under Natalie's editorial guidance, was published in Prague.

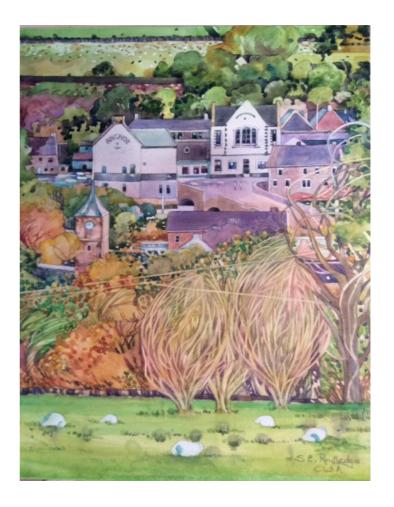
This first exhibition by 'Edit & Doodle'at the Allendale Forge, demonstrates the process of collaboration - the never ending work of artists - always in progress.

Issued on behalf of Allendale Forge Studios by Lesley Gosling Public Relations

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#### The Bridge Opening times

Monday 9.00am -12.00pm
Tuesday 1.00pm - 4.00pm
Wednesday 1.00pm - 4.00pm
Thursday 4.00pm - 6.30pm
(summer only – starting after Easter on April 5th)

Friday 4.00pm - 6.30pm Saturday 9.30am -12.30pm

Tel: 01434 688 658

email admin@haydon-bridge.co.uk

#### **EVENTS DIARY**

An events diary is kept on the counter at The Bridge in which organisations can enter their event, or check to see what others are being held on a particular date to avoid clashes. To facilitate communication between groups and the public, please could the Contact Person for each organisation please enter their name, email address and telephone number(s) at the front of the diary.

Jigsaw Library
If you're looking for
entertainment during the
cooler spring days, we've
had a fresh influx of
jigsaws donated. If you're
a jigsaw fanatic, do come
and inspect them.

John Martin medal
We're now exhibiting the Bronze medal
awarded to John Martin K. L. BY Frederick
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community of Haydon Bridge by Norman
Watson of Aylsham, Norfolk, from the
collection of his grandfather, Mr. John G.

# Original artwork & Cards by Nicola Mazel

Talented Haydon Bridge artist, Nicola Mazel', has a display of beautiful Giclée print pictures and quality greetings cards in The Bridge this month. Prices start at £2.20 for a card. www.nicolamazelartndesign.com



Calling all gardeners. Why not sow a few extra seeds and donate the plants to our Bridge Plant and Produce Stall when it opens for business on Saturday mornings later in the year.

A list of the major events in the village has been posted on the notice board outside The Bridge.

Organisers – please check that the dates are correct and if there are any other major events you would like to see advertised there, please let us know.

The Haydon Hundred Saturday 9th June 2018

Volunteers from the Bridge usually staff the feed stations, but this year the camper van that is normally located at the most exposed station, Kilhope Cross, isn't available. If there's anyone with a motorhome or minibus who could spare four hours that day, it would be wonderful. If there's a howling gale or a heatwave, a spell of shelter can be very welcome.Please either add your name to the list in The Bridge or email admin@haydon-bridge.co.uk



The Get It Together Society is raising funds for New Year Fireworks 2018/2019.

You are all invited to come along to our next event which is a



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Contact any of the GITS for more details on how to do any of the above: Kevin Moore, Janet Johnson, Pat Hirst, Mark Weldon, Karen Lumsden, Pauline Wallis, Jo Thompson, John Wallis, Tula Thompson.....

We meet on the first Monday of each month in the Havelock at 8pm. Meetings are very informal. We'd love you to join us.

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#### A VIEW FROM UP THERE .....

John Harrison

Engineering is definitely not one my strong points. My wife told me that I was a fool to build a car out of spaghetti but you should have seen her face when I drove pasta. And when I decided to start building yachts, the only space I could find was in my loft. Now sails are going through the roof. Which reminds me that there is now much talk in the scientific literature about engineering our global climate so we can avoid the worst effects of global warming. I had an idea the other day – when we breath we release Carbon dioxide into the atmosphere, which is the main greenhouse gas – so if we all stopped breathing ......

I was amused to read the report from a recent meeting of Tynedale Local Area Council where the issue of potholes was being discussed. Discussion apparently became quite heated over the issue of the weather over this last winter. When it comes to categorising the weather over a season it is rarely helpful to use blanket terms such as 'warm or cold' and 'dry or wet'. The problem over the last winter has been its day to day fluctuations. Over this last winter we have experienced a higher than usual frequency of day to day freezethaw. Sub-surface water has remained above freezing but when it comes to the surface it has occasionally encountered freezing conditions. So surfaces have been subject to conditions which are conducive to weathering and subsequent erosion. The lane up to our house was occasionally more suited to bobsleighs than road vehicles.

During January, the winter theme continued to be set by cold and quite wet polar air from between west and north-west. Snow showers were relatively frequent, but, unlike elsewhere in the UK, did not settle to any great depth. Indeed, Haydon Bridge and the Tyne Valley were fortunate in avoiding the very poor road conditions experienced elsewhere in the UK. Another winter plus for the A69 and a case for increasing its capacity? The first few days of the month were unsettled with an overnight gale on the 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup>. Pressure began to rise from the 6th onwards and night skies cleared under a ridge of high pressure after a brief spell of snowy weather. The 7th to 9th were bright and clear after early morning frost. Milder air moved in on the 10th bringing a period of murky weather with fog. Less settled weather returned by the 15th and rain began to turn to snow, which became heavy at times in a freshening breeze. The snow began to settle by the morning of the 16th but not to any great depth. The greatest depth was 10 cm on the 18th. Thawing was relatively rapid and was complete by the 22<sup>nd</sup>. The remaining days of the month were very unsettled with occasionally strong winds. The 28th/29th was a particularly stormy night. Cold polar air became re-established by the end of the month.

Month	Jan
Average Maximum Temperature (Daytime) deg C	5.8
Relative to long-term average degC	0.0
Average Minimum Temperature (Night-time) deg C	1.4
Relative to long-term average degC	+0.1
Rainfall (mm)	88.9
Percentage of long-term average	108

Gladys tells me that she has recently become a vegetarian and attends her local vegetarian club. One of the women said that she recognised Gladys but she had never seen herbivore. She has also taken up dog-walking but one day all four dogs vanished into thin air, never to be seen again. Gladys is still looking but has some leads.



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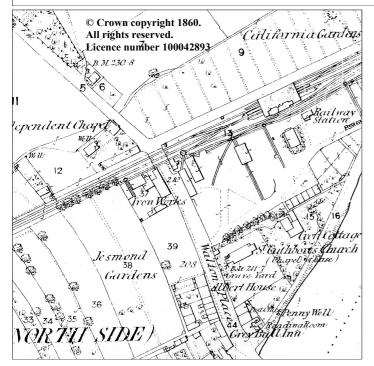
Monday and Friday ~ 9.15 to 11.15 £7.00 per session

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or call into one of the sessions upstairs in The Community Centre

# THE HAYDON VIEWS Haydon History in Black and White



The OS Map of Haydon Bridge in 1860 shows the Railway Station in its original position - east of its position in 2018.

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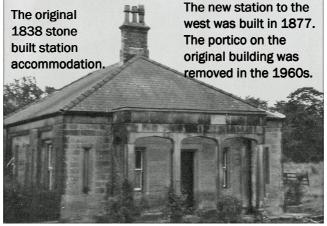
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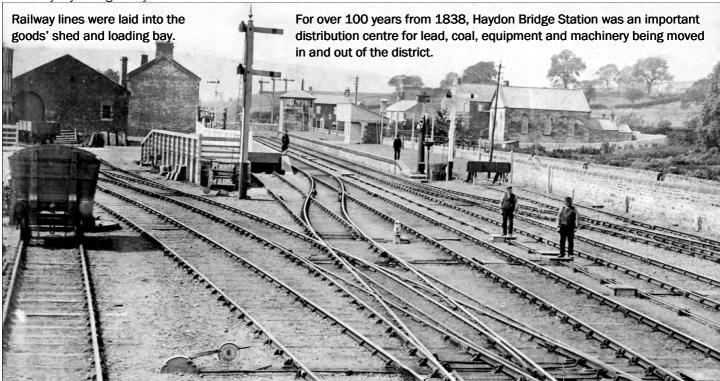
The OS Map of Haydon Bridge in 1896 shows the Railway Station in its new position - rebuilt there in 1877.

Continuing with the railway theme, the two Ordnance Survey Maps above show how the Haydon Bridge station was moved to the west after the line was opened through to Carlisle in June 1838. From its opening from the east to Haydon Bridge in June 1836, until 1838 the line terminated at Haydon Bridge.

Below: A view of Haydon Bridge station from the east, when it was in its heyday as a goods yard.







# **NOTICES & WHAT'S ON?**

#### HAYDON BRIDGE UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB

Hold their monthly meeting on the first Monday of every month at 8pm in the Lounge of the Anchor Hotel where representatives of every football team in the village are invited to attend. This meeting is also open to members of the public.

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From: Rev. Benjamin Carter

As many people noticed last month, Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent fell on 14th February, Valentine's Day. If that was not strange enough, it also means that the great day of Easter, which falls at the end of this time of Lent through which we are living, falls on April 1: April Fools' Day. We are as we walk through the weeks of Lent, this year, bookended by love and foolishness.

This could be seen as a coincidence, and accident of the calendar which moves Easter around each year depending on when is the first Sunday following the first ecclesiastical full moon that occurs on or after the day of the vernal equinox (in case you were wondering). This means that from time to time these calendrical coincidences will occur.

A couple of years ago this happened when Good Friday fell on March 25th, the Feast of the Assumption – nine months before Christmas – so that the conception and death of Jesus were marked on the same day. As a child I remember a year when Good Friday fell on April 1st and my father was very clear with me that Good Friday trumped April Fools' Day, and it was not a day to be playing silly jokes on my brothers.

But there seems to be an even greater power to this bookending of love and foolishness we find this year. Some will, no doubt, point to the seeming anachronism of this. The commercialism of Valentine's Day clashing with the austerity of Ash Wednesday, just as the profundity of Easter not fitting with the silliness of April Fools' Day.

But there is a foolishness to Easter which we should not miss. Through the days of Holy Week which we will walk through at the end of this month, we will remember how Jesus was tricked by those we thought were his friends, put on trial on made up charges, put to death like a criminal. But it was through this that God showed us his love in Jesus in the power of the resurrection. It was through this act of love that, as St Paul tells us, "God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong (1 Cor 1:37)".

The story of Easter, the promise of Easter is that God shows his love for us through overcoming the weakness, the selfishness, the foolish things of this world. It might be a coincidence of our calendar, but the story of Easter really is one of foolishness that ends in love.

#### WHO AND WHERE

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

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Deacon Anne Taylor, with the Methodist Congregation Woodville, Redesmouth Rd, Bellingham. Tel. 01434 220283

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#### Mothering Sunday: Sunday 11 March

9.30am: All Hallows' Henshaw, Parish Eucharist with Story

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11am: St Cuthbert's Haydon Bridge, Parish Eucharist

#### Passion Sunday: Sunday 18 March

9.30am St Cuthbert's Beltingham, Parish Eucharist11am: St Cuthbert's Haydon Bridge, Parish Eucharist

3pm: God's Tent

#### Palm Sunday: Sunday 25 March

8.30am All Hallows' Henshaw, BCP Communion
 10am All Hallows' Henshaw, Celebration Service
 5pm Haydon Old Church, Evening Prayer

#### Holy Tuesday 27 March

6pm All Hallows' Henshaw, Eucharist

#### Holy Wednesday 28 March

10am All Hallows' Henshaw, Eucharist

#### Maundy Thursday 29 March

7.30pm Haydon Bridge, Eucharist and Stripping

#### Good Friday: Friday 30 March

10.45am Haydon Bridge Act of Witness gathering at the

War Memorial

12 noon All Hallows' Henshaw, The First Hour

2pm St Cuthbert's Haydon Bridge, The Last Hour

#### Holy Saturday 31 March

10.30am All Hallows' Henshaw, Messy Church

#### Easter Day: Sunday 1 April

6.30am Haydon Old Church, The Liturgy of Easter
 9.30am St Cuthbert's Beltingham, Parish Eucharist
 11am St Cuthbert's Haydon Bridge, Parish Eucharist

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# METHODIST CHURCH SERVICES

#### 4 March

10am Communion Worship - Rev. Stephen Lindridge 6pm **CIRCUIT SERVICE -** West End Methodist Church

#### 11 March

10am Family Worship - Deacon Anne Taylor (including Puppet Songs)

6pm Evening Worship - Rt. Rev. M. Sadgrove

#### 18 March

10am Morning Worship - Anne Worthy 6pm Evening Worship - Geoff Orrock

#### 25 March

10am Morning Worship - Rev. Mike Wilkinson 6pm Evening Worship - Supt Paul Dunstan

#### 1 April EASTER DAY

10am Communion Worship - Rev. Tony Buglass 6pm Village Easter Praise - Rev. Alex Dunstan

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# SERVICES in EASTER WEEK Tuesday 27th March 7pm

Stations of the Cross - St. John's Catholic Church

#### Thursday 29th March 7.30

Maundy Thursday Service - St. Cuthberts Church

#### Good Friday 30th March

10 am Short Service at Methodist Church prior to ... 10.45 am Procession of Witness at War Memorial and moving onto the old bridge

2.00 pm St. Cuthberts - Service for Good Friday

3.00 pm St. John's Catholic Church Celebration of the Passion of the Lord

#### **ADVANCE NOTICES**

METHODIST CHURCH SATURDAY 10th March 7.30 pm

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- 1 Chevalier substitution of carbon with uranium in ceramic? (7)
- 2 Divulge 1.ac. university in curious e-talk (4,3)
- 3 Musically essential obit a blog circulated (9)
- 4 King of Algeria left alone at first climbs trees in Australia (5)
- 5 Material length of golfer's drive? (7)
- 6 Call up Eve she's consumed unstitched coat! (7)
- 7 Siren faced ark or maybe a famous Elizabethan bowler (7,5)
- 10 No company to coincide with National Trust and friend by the way (12)
- 15 Inapt, I ask about Asian person (9)
- 17 Final consumer to cause death of druggie (3-4)
- 18 Supernatural little baddie in charge (7)
- 19 Vexation shown when cleaner imbibes some spirit (7)
- 20 Was the soubrette thus christened in England? (7)
- 22 Wants not the French heckles (5)

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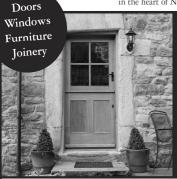
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# Bellway demonstrates community spirit at Showfields

Sales advisor, Diane McDonough is thrilled to be managing sales at Bellway's new Showfields development in Haydon Bridge.

"This is a sort of home coming for me," she said. "I went to school in Haydon Bridge so I know everything about the area, it is such a beautiful place to live. "We are very pleased with how popular the development is, a number of sales were achieved within the first week of opening and the development is as busy as ever with potential buyers looking for a new home. We have a good selection of homes available including two bedroom terraced houses as well as larger three bedroom semi-detached properties and three and four bedroom detached homes. All the homes benefit from having modern kitchens which include built-in ovens, hobs and cooker hoods and master bedrooms feature ensuite facilities. Price start from £124,995 and I would urge potential buyers to speak to me about the many ways in which Bellway can help them access the housing ladder."

Apart from playing a role in meeting demand for new homes in Haydon Bridge, Bellway has also been playing its part in the wider community by helping out Haydon Bridge High School with an urgent plumbing issue and will be sponsoring the Haydon Bridge Summer Festival this year.

Bellway's Site Manager at Showfields, Eusuf Ali, said: "It was a tricky job to complete as the leak at the school which had caused a considerable amount of damage over a long period of time. The work took a couple of weeks to complete but I think the school are very pleased with the final result, and we were very pleased to be able to help them out."

"Bellway have done a superb job and we are absolutely delighted with the final result. The building is an eco efficient facility that was designed by the students and is an important school asset." confirmed Mr Glover.

For more information about Showfields visit <a href="https://www.bellway.co.uk">www.bellway.co.uk</a> or call the sales team on 01434 688718.



"Showfields has been designed to integrate as seamlessly as possible within the existing community and to offer the benefits of 21st living standards. I am delighted that the development has helped so many local buyers from Haydon Bridge and the surrounding community buy their first homes," said Diane.





# **Being Active Matters**

...mind and body

As mental health awareness grows, we all know that the benefits of sport and exercise are far greater than just physical. Exercise is also great for the mind and our mental health.

We are looking for volunteers for an exciting project, funded by Sport England and Northumberland County Council, for people in this area to become volunteers to support people with mental health considerations to become physically active.

Some people just need confidence and motivation to partake in an activity, and this project will create a 'buddy scheme' where volunteers will be matched to someone who needs support. It will also invite sports clubs and organisations to learn how they, as a club, can be supportive.

Whether it be a walk, trip to the gym, game of hockey or recreational game of badminton, we want as many opportunities as possible. Can you share your activity with someone else?

Training will be provided and you can volunteer for as many hours as you can give, in an activity of your choice. This is a very rewarding volunteering opportunity and is flexible - you are in control of the activity you can support and the times that you are available.

Please contact volunteer@tmnorthumberland.org.uk for more details. (Recruitment of volunteers will start in April 2018.)



The Being Active Matters project is kindly funded by Sport England and Northumberland County Council. It is led by Talking Matters Northumberland, a partnership between Mental Health Matters, Sunderland Counselling Service and Efficacy, and supported by Active Northumberland.







