

The Haydon News

February 2019



Congratulations to Peter Robertson, of Haydon Bridge who was awarded a BEM in the New Years honours list for services to Scottish Rugby



Well, John and I weren't here to see it, but everyone I've spoken to says that the New Year Fireworks were wonderful.

It was the 5th year that the Get It Together Society have organised this and it seems that the word is continuing to spread as there was a wonderful crowd including lots of visitors to the village.

Just before midnight there was a rousing rendition of Happy Birthday for a young man called Wilf and then Lexy Gillespie from Shaftoe Primary School, pushed the button to start the display and we had several minutes of amazing sounds and colours to welcome 2019.

As most of you know, the cost of closing roads has gone up a lot and is set to be higher in 2019 so we have a lot of fundraising to do this year.



We're looking at alternative sites for various events, but the fireworks are perfect on the old bridge and there really isn't anywhere else that's suitable, so we have to bite the bullet and pay up. If you see one of our events advertised, please try to come along. We try very hard to put on a variety of events for all ages, but we need your support.

There was a lot of organising throughout the year to make this event safe and successful. Appreciation to everyone involved - the Get It Together Society, Reaction Fireworks, the long list of volunteers, the Parish Council, Northumberland County Council, English Heritage, Northumbria Police, Shaftoe Trust Primary School, everyone who came along and enjoyed it and

everyone who donated. Thanks also to The Havelock, The Railway, The Anchor and The Haydonian who all helped everyone to have a great night. Apologies to anyone I've missed. Roll on next year.

Any more donations towards next year are always very welcome.



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 or just pass on your ideas to us and we'll see what can be done.

Pauline Wallis—The Get It Together Society

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"WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS"

Gary and Jo Thompson provided a warm welcome to the

senior citizens who enjoyed a complimentary Christmas dinner at the General Havelock in December.

Thank you to Gary and Jo and their staff, and all who made the Carol singalong a success.

Santa Claus put in an appearance and is seen here with pianist Sheff Exham.



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Editorial

Happy New Year to you all and all the best for 2019.

As usual we are hoping this year will be another great year for the area and we encourage you all to forward any articles, events' notices, photos etc. to the Haydon news e-mail address below, so we can keep everyone up to date with what is going on in the area.

We have a number of regular contributors to the Haydon News, but we are always on the lookout for new people to get involved. This month we have an article from the WISE Shaftoe Trust Academy (Pg 24). Hopefully we will continue to receive updates from the school and hopefully information from the High School as well.

After numerous years as the Treasurer of the Haydon News. Peter Parker is stepping down from his role this year. On behalf of the Editorial committee, past Editors and particularly from myself, please accept our thanks for a job very well done. We have an advert on page 23 for anyone who is interested in taking over from Peter please send an e-mail to :

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Please submit any articles for inclusion by 19th February.

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PARISH COUNCIL NOTES

NOVEMBER

MEETING OF HAYDON PARISH COUNCIL AT 7PM ON 22ND OF NOVEMBER 2018, AT HAYDON BRIDGE COMMUNITY CENTRE.

Present : Cllrs J. Bates, E. Charlton, E. Faulks, A. Kirsopp, K. Richardson, A. Sharp, R. Snowdon, J. Thompson and D. Thornhill; C. McGivern (mins.), public & press.

1. Public participation

Mrs Brown asked what was happening about the proposed residents' parking bays on Church Street. Cllr Sharp said that this could not go ahead unless all agreed. It was noted that when the PC had met with NCC this had been one of the options on the table.

Cllr Sharp had talked to NCC officers following a report on the latest road surveys. A drop-in session where designs were available for the public to see was the best way to proceed. Officers will meet with the PC first to plan for the public meeting.

Mrs Brown said that the paving on Church Street was treacherous. Mrs Armstrong had had a fall, as had Mrs Parker. Cllr Sharp will arrange discuss this with NCC.

Ms Spark said that Ratcliffe Road was hazardous as there was no crossing for people with mobility issues. NCC have informed the PC that this road no longer qualifies for this type of crossing. Cllr Bates explained that NCC would not be willing to do anything with this road as an emergency measure, any changes would have to wait until after the public meeting in January.

The drain beside the war memorial needs attention again. The Clerk will report this to NCC.

2. Apologies – were received from Cllrs Burrows, V. Fletcher and L. Thompson.

3. Declarations of interest – none were received.

4. Minutes of the previous meeting – having been circulated, were agreed and signed.

5. Report from Northumberland County Council

Cllr Sharp said that all the drains should now have been cleaned and he promised to report faulty drains mentioned at the meeting. The grills in the pavement on Ratcliffe Road have also been cleaned out. The bus stop sign outside the Community Centre is not in place yet, but work has begun. In answer to a question from Cllr Bates, Cllr Sharp said that granite strips would go right across the road near the Shaftoe Academy. Double yellow lines outside the cemetery still need to be replaced. Confusing speed signs in this area were also noted. Potholes still need to be dealt with near Ridley Hall. Cllr Sharp will make sure that the road closure for the New Year is sorted out. Cllr Bates reported that the road near Castle Farm was in a terrible state.

6. Highways – nothing to report.

7. Lighting – Cllr Charlton said that quite a few orange lights remain. Cllr Sharp had been told that these were all on the system and will be sorted out.

8. Planning applications –

18/03830/LBC - Listed building consent for removal of old Baxi, wall-mounted fire and back boiler and restore inglenook fireplace hidden beneath wall-mounted fire. Installation of free-standing, cast-iron stove and electric boiler at 24 Shaftoe Street - no objections.

18/03849/FUL - Proposed alterations and two storey side extension to existing dwelling at Holmlea, Alexandra Tce. - no objections.

It was agreed to send a letter to the Planning Department, (with copies to Guy Opermann and Northumbria Water), raising concerns over the amount of development in the village given the existing problems with drains etc.

9. Accounts – as in budget.

It was agreed that a start-up grant for the Beavers would be paid in December 2018.

Budget for 2019-20 and precept request – The draft budget was agreed and a precept request of £42,000 was agreed. Revised burial fees were also agreed and details

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will be sent to funeral directors.

10. Correspondence – Details of a definitive map modification order relating to footpaths 68,69 and 70 were received from NCC.

11. Parish Projects –

Development Trust – Cllr Charlton said that a meeting of the sub-committee was needed prior to a meeting with David English in January. The Clerk will contact Mr English to find out when he is available.

A new wheelie bin for the layby at Esp Hill had now been delivered and would be installed by the Handyman.

Cemetery – Mr Grieve has carried out work tidying path edges and the entrance to the cemetery. It was agreed that once Mr Grieve had completed the relevant paperwork he could be given extra hours to get the cemetery in good condition.

12. Any other business –

Cllr Kirsopp wondered whether it would be possible to have a new bin for the Showfield. This was agreed. The Clerk will get a quotation and liaise with NCC.

Cars have been parking on the pavement in front of the library. A lady who walks with a zimmer frame had said that she had been forced to walk on the road because of this.

Cllr Kirsopp asked about the heather bed. Cllr Faulks said that rabbits have eaten many of the new plants and that a team of volunteers was needed to look after this bed. Cllr Bates said that her husband could cut down the tree in the centre of the bed, which is now dead.

Mrs Brown thanked Claire Marshall and Richard Hood for the Tommy sculpture at the east end of the village. Cllr Charlton said that a bag of poppies had been knitted for the railway station. However someone had come to collect them, but nothing had been done at Haydon Bridge station.

A new build on North Bank was discussed. When the plans had been discussed the metal roof had been missed. It was felt that this did not fit in to the surrounds at all.

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February 19th

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March 19th

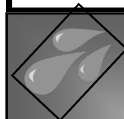
Breast Cancer NOW (Queenie Quiz)

April 23rd

St George's Day Quiz for Tynedale Hospice at Home RNIB

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Friday 1st February

09.15 - Playgroup @ Community Centre
10.00 - Keep fit @ Community Centre
12.00 - Lunch Club @ Community Centre
19.30 - Shaftoe Singers @ Methodist Chapel

Saturday 2nd February

10.00 - Coffee morning @ Community Centre

Sunday 3rd February

09:15 Mass, St. John of Beverley, Haydon Bridge
09:30 Parish Eucharist with Storybook Church
All Hallows' Henshaw
10.00 Morning Worship, Methodist Church,
Deacon Anne Taylor
10.30 - Junior Rugby @ Haydon Bridge High School Field
11:00 Parish Eucharist, St Cuthbert's Haydon Bridge
15.00 Messy Church Extra , Methodist Church,
Deacon Anne Taylor
20.00 - Busker's Night @ Anchor Hotel
20.00 - Bingo @ Haydonian Social Club

Monday 4th February

09.15 - Playgroup @ Community Centre
10.00 - Yoga @ Community Centre
15.15 - Youth Dance @ Community Centre
19.30 - Dance Club @ Haydonian Social Club
20.00 - GITS @ General Havelock Inn

Tuesday 5th February

10.00 - Coffee for all @ Methodist Chapel
18.00 - Cubs
18.00 - Judo @ Haydon Bridge High School
19.00 - Zumba @ Community Centre

Wednesday 6th February

18.00 - Scouts
19.00 - Yoga @ Community Centre
20.30 - Bingo @ Haydonian Social Club

Thursday 7th February

09:30 Mass, St. Wilfred's Church, Haltwhistle
10.00 - Coffee for all @ Methodist Chapel
19.00 - Bowls @ Community Centre
19.15 - Nature Club @ Methodist Chapel

Friday 8th February

09.15 - Playgroup @ Community Centre
10.00 - Keep Fit @ Community Centre
12.00 - Lunch Club @ Community Centre
19.15 - Pie Night @ General Havelock
19.30 - Shaftoe Singers @ Methodist Chapel

Saturday 9th February

10.00 - Coffee morning @ Community Centre
19.30 - Prize Bingo @ Haydonian Social Club

Sunday 10th February

09:15 Mass, St. John of Beverley, Haydon Bridge
09:30 Parish Eucharist, St Cuthbert's Beltingham
10.00 Morning Worship, Methodist Church,
Richard Porter
10.30 - Tynedale Junior Rugby @ Haydon Bridge High School
11.00 Parish Eucharist with Storybook Church
St Cuthbert's Haydon Bridge
18.00 Evening Worship, Methodist Church
Jackie Males and friends (Hexham Community Church)
20.00 - Bingo @ Haydonian Social Club

Monday 11th February

09.15 - Playgroup @ Community Centre
10.00 - Yoga @ Community Centre
15.15 - Youth Dance @ Community Centre
19.30 - Dance Club @ Haydonian Social Club

Tuesday 12th February

10.00 - Coffee @ Methodist Chapel
18.00 - Cubs
18.00 - Judo @ Haydon Bridge High School
19.00 - Zumba @ Community Centre

Wednesday 13th February

15.30 - Messy Church @ Methodist Chapel
18.00 - Scouts
18.30 - Art Club @ Community Centre
19.30 - Yoga @ Community Centre
20.30 - Bingo @ Haydonian Social Club

Thursday 14th February

09:30 Mass, St. Wilfred's Church, Haltwhistle
10.00 - Coffee @ Methodist Chapel
18.00 - Haydon Bridge United FC U10 Training
19.00 - Bowls Club @ Community Centre

Friday 15th February

09.15 - Playgroup @ Community Centre
10.00 - Keep fit @ Community Centre
12.00 - Lunch Club @ Community Centre
19.30 - Shaftoe Singers @ Methodist Chapel

Saturday 16th February

10.00 - Coffee morning @ Community Centre

Sunday 17th February

09:15 Mass, St. John of Beverley, Haydon Bridge
09:30 Parish Eucharist, St Cuthbert's Beltingham
10.00 Local Arrangement Service, Methodist Church
10.30 - Tynedale Junior Rugby @ Haydon Bridge High School
11.00 Parish Eucharist, St Cuthbert's Haydon Bridge
15.00 God's Tent pitched at Newbrough
18.00 Café Style Worship, Methodist Church
Deacon Anne Taylor
20.00 - Bingo @ Haydonian Social Club

Monday 18th February

09.15 - Playgroup @ Community Centre

10.00 - Yoga @ Community Centre
15.15 - Youth Dance @ Community Centre
19.30 - Dance Club @ Haydonian Social Club

Tuesday 19th February

10.00 - Coffee for all @ Methodist Chapel
18.00 - Cubs
18.00 - Judo @ Haydon Bridge High School
19.00 - Zumba @ Community Centre
20.15 - Quiz @ General Havelock

Wednesday 20th February

18.00 - Scouts
19.00 - Yoga @ Community Centre
20.30 - Bingo @ Haydonian Social Club

Thursday 21st February

09:30 Mass, St. Wilfred's Church, Haltwhistle
10.00 - Coffee for all @ Methodist Chapel
18.00 - Haydon Bridge United FC U10 Training
19.00 - Bowls Club @ Community Centre
19.15 - Nature Club @ Methodist Chapel

Friday 22nd February

09.15 - Playgroup @ Community Centre
10.00 - Keep fit @ Community Centre
12.00 - Lunch Club @ Community Centre
19.30 - Shaftoe Singers @ Methodist Chapel

Saturday 23rd February

10.00 - Coffee morning @ Community Centre
11.00 Messy Church, All Hallows' Henshaw
19.30 - Live music @ General Havelock

Sunday 24th February

08.30 BCP Communion, St Cuthbert's Haydon Bridge
09:15 Mass, St. John of Beverley, Haydon Bridge
10.00 Celebration Service, All Hallows' Henshaw
10.00 Communion Worship, Methodist Church
Rev. Marie Beard
10.30 - Tynedale Rugby @ Haydon Bridge High School
15.00 Evening Prayer, Haydon Old Church
18.00 Evening Worship, Methodist Church
David Stabler
20.00 - Bingo @ Haydonian Social Club

Monday 25th February

09.15 - Playgroup @ Community Centre
10.00 - Yoga @ Community Centre
15.15 - Youth Dance @ Community Centre
17.30 - Dance Club @ Haydonian Social Club

Tuesday 26th February

10.00 - Coffee for all @ Methodist Chapel
18.00 - Cubs
18.00 - Judo @ Haydon Bridge High School
19.00 - Zumba @ Community Centre
19.15 - Film and Food night @ General Havelock

Wednesday 27th February

18.00 - Scouts

18.30 - Art Club @ Community Centre
19.00 - Yoga @ Community Centre
20.30 - Bingo @ Haydonian Social Club

Thursday 28th February

09:30 Mass, St. Wilfred's Church, Haltwhistle
10.00 - Coffee for all @ Methodist Chapel
19.00 - Bowls Club @ Community Centre
19.30 - Uketeers @ General Havelock

MONDAY 4th February

Methodist Church 7.30 pm

Talk with slides to be given by Hannah Bell
entitled 'Life on Fair Isle'
Light refreshments served

MEALS ON WHEELS. RECIPIENTS AND VOLUNTEERS NEEDED.

Meals on Wheels are delivered in Haydon Bridge on Tuesdays and Thursdays throughout the year at a cost of £2.70 per meal. They are cooked at The Shaftoe Trust School during the term time and at The Anchor Hotel during the holidays. Anyone who would like to receive a meal, twice a week, can do so. Recipients no longer have to be referred.

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PARISH COUNCIL NOTES

DECEMBER

MEETING OF HAYDON PARISH COUNCIL AT 7PM ON 20th OF DECEMBER 2018, AT HAYDON BRIDGE COMMUNITY CENTRE.

Present : Cllrs J. Bates, I. Burrows, E. Charlton, E. Faulks, V. Fletcher, A. Kirsopp, K. Richardson, A. Sharp, R. Snowdon, J. Thompson and D. Thornhill; C. McGivern (mins.), public & press.

1. Public participation –

a) A member of the public said that trees at Greenwich Gardens needed cutting back, as they were making his property very dark. The Clerk will report this to Karbon Homes.

2. Apologies – none were received.

3. Declarations of interest – Cllr Faulks declared an interest in the letter regarding 3 Station Cottages.

4. Minutes of the previous meeting – having been circulated, were agreed and signed.

5. Report from Northumberland County Council –

The bus stop sign was now in place outside the Community Centre, but there is no timetable yet. The yellow lines have not been done yet either. Cllr Sharp promised to fund a 20 mph zone on Ratcliffe Road if this was not done as part of the larger scheme. The public drop-in session to discuss parking will be held from 3-7pm on the 31st of January. A pre-meeting with NCC Officers was agreed so that parish Cllrs can see the options that will be on display. Blocked drains on North Bank, Church Street, and Foundry Court have been looked at but not dealt with yet. Cllr Charlton wondered if some of the drains were broken, as they had already been cleaned out, but had just clogged up again. Cllr Sharp wondered if it would be worthwhile meeting with the Head of the High School again, and it was agreed that it would be good to keep the dialogue going. The remaining orange street lights will be dealt with. Cllr Thornhill said that he was worried that the contract

would come to an end and the lights would be left. Cllr Sharp said that the contract was running 4-5 months behind. Potholes between Ridley Hall and Plankey Mill have not all been repaired yet. Nor has the hedge which is blocking the 30mph sign near Innerhaugh Mews. Cllr Sharp will give a donation for the road closure bill at New Year. Cllr Thornhill said that there was inconsistency from NCC. On the one hand they say that they want to support local communities but then they do things like this, which obstruct communities. Cllr Charlton suggested that this was stated in the response to a consultation on such charges. This was agreed. Cllr Thompson said that the PC is trying to promote Northumberland Day to encourage local businesses and this would be a massive cost before they even started. This will be pointed out to NCC. A second grit bin for Langley was discussed, but it was felt that this was not needed. It is hoped an additional bus stop near Innerhaugh Mews will be installed. The wheelie bin at Threepwood layby is now in place. Cllr Bates said that there was a lot of litter at Langley bends. Cllr Sharp has spoken to Tim Fish about the Spa Well, and had been told that the problem is the lack of permission from landowners. The pavement on Church Street is being looked at.

6. Highways –

a) Bin for Showfield – The Clerk said a new bin would cost about £250, but she was waiting for an installation price from NCC.

b) Cllr Charlton said that people had reported cars driving at 30-40mph between the entrance to the Showfield and the far end of the estate.

c) A member of the public complained about the pavements throughout the village.

d) Cllr Kirsopp said that when houses were built at the Showfield, close to Land Ends Road the bank was reinforced with concrete. This is still exposed with a fence around it and looks bad. The Clerk will contact Bellways.

7. Lighting – nothing to report.

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8. Planning applications –

18/04069/LBC - Listed building consent for maintenance of North-West gable wall to fix loose stones and replace historic cement pointing with more sympathetic, hydro lime pointing to prevent water penetrating into the chimney, and more generally to preserve the stone exterior of 22 Shaftoe Street - no objections.

18/03884/ADE - Advertisement consent for 1 x freestanding V board, comprising two signs, land West of A686 South of Esp Hill Farm - no objections. However, it was agreed that the Clerk would query the timing of the application.

In response to a letter regarding flooding and the number of developments being granted permission to proceed in Haydon Bridge Neil Armstrong (NCC) had written with his comments and he said that “the Lead Local Flood Authority, Northumbrian Water Ltd and the EA are working on a joint project looking at alleviating flooding in Haydon Bridge from all sources. This includes the sewerage network, where within the modelling NWL will include a factor for growth. At present, the project is in its early stages, where they are gathering data and information. It was agreed that the Clerk would write to invite all parties to the March 2019 meeting of the Parish Council to discuss progress.

9. Accounts – as in budget

10. Correspondence –

a) Details of proposed naming and numbering of the planned dwellings on the fire station site were received. These were 1-5 Stone Halt. It was felt that a more imaginative name could have been chosen.

10. Parish projects –

a) **Development Trust/Bridge** – Cllr Charlton said that the bases for the stone signs are now in place and the signs will be installed soon. These will have a logo of the 6 arches of the bridge and “Haydon Bridge”. Grant money has been received from the Coop to pay for new picnic tables and other improvements at the riverside. Two representatives of the DT and of the PC will meet to consider what improvements could be made. A

representative of the Tyne Rivers Trust will also be invited along. Mr Wardle will supply large stones to put on the edge of the car park to deter vehicles from parking on the grass. He will need to be contacted in May 2019.

b) **Neighbourhood Plan** – A meeting with David English was planned, however Mr Fletcher said that a person to take the lead on this project was needed before this step was taken. A meeting of the committee was agreed for 18th of January 2019. Mr Fletcher said that two key points had come from the last discussion with David English. Firstly the plan would be signed off by an independent person and so would need to be community led. Secondly it would be vital to narrow down the focus of this project as the grant application has to be very specific. There would be nothing to stop the PC /committee asking about other parish issues as part of the consultation and then dealing with these matters separately.

11. Any other business –

a) A letter had been received from the owners of 3 Station Cottages, who plan to renovate the property. They wanted to let the PC know their plans. It was agreed that the PC could not comment until they had seen a formal application.

b) It was noted that there was a large tree in the river. Cllr Snowdon had spoken to NCC about it and had been told that it was not causing a problem. However concern had been expressed by a number of people in the village.

c) Cllr Snowdon said that the Environmental Protection Officer was concerned about the plans for the fire station site. His concerns were around the glazing in the properties and reverberation of noise. He had also noted that the plans did not match. He had stated that unless conditions were met then the development should not go ahead.

d) Cllr Faulks read out a sample of the responses to the highways questionnaire – these expressed views both in support and against the changes.

e) A member of the public complained that grass clippings were not collected after cutting on the estate. The Clerk will raise this matter with Karbon Homes.

f) Cllr J. Thompson thanked her fellow councillors for their work over the year, as well as County Cllr Sharp and the Clerk.

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Lasting Power of Attorney

Many thanks to Peter for the article in December's Haydon News about the Lasting Power of Attorney. An elderly relative of mine put one in place some years ago for Property and Financial Affairs and it has proved useful as her confusion has increased. We put this in place online ourselves, without solicitor support.

However what we hadn't realised was that even though she is self-funding her care (being above the savings limit for council support) the family couldn't itself determine the sort of care or care provider she should have. Without a Lasting Power of Attorney (Health and Welfare) in place Social Services take the lead on care and support when someone loses the capacity to decide for themselves. Once capacity is lost, the only option for the family to take decision-making back is a very expensive, long drawn-out application to the Court of Protection. This is most unusual apparently, we were advised they may not even allow us to apply.

Social Services have difficult decisions to make and are under enormous pressure thanks to insufficient funding for social care. My advice to save you and yours worry and angst in future years - should the worst happen - is to get Lasting Powers of Attorney in place for both Property and Financial Affairs and Health and Welfare as soon as you can.

Carole

The Children's Society

Thank you to all the folk for donating to the Children's Society with their collecting boxes. A total of £268.56 has been given in 2018. This goes to making a difference to the lives of vulnerable children and young people through some of the most difficult times of their lives.

Children like Abi, who was struggling to look after her sick mum, being bullied and experiencing mental health problems.

If you would like to help and become a Box Holder please contact me

Thank you

J Armstrong 01434 684094

Haydon Bridge Calendars 2019

Thank you to everyone who bought a 2019 calendar last year, which was financed by Candles4Charity, which raises money for local good causes. We sold them all.

The profit from the sales after paying printing, VAT and collection charges was £225. We also bought more envelopes for the calendars in 2020 - yes, we're already thinking that far ahead!

The money was distributed to Tiny Tots, the GITS firework's fund, and the Northumberland Cancer Support Group. If you would like a complete breakdown of income and expenditure, please contact me, and I will arrange it.

Here's hoping the 2020, calendar will be as popular as this year's proved to be, and thank you again for your support.

Pat Hirst on behalf of the calendar group.

Caretaker needed for Haydon Bridge Community Centre.

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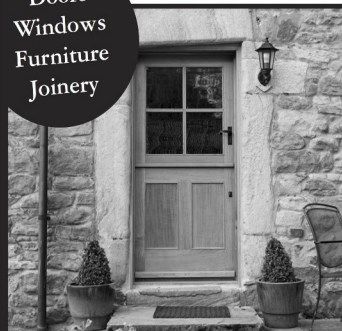
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An Air Raid Shelter Tip from WWII

Cut off the sleeves of old jumpers and make them into leggings for the children when in the shelter. Sew an elastic band at the top and a band to go under the instep of each foot.

WWII

Next year we will be celebrating the passing of 75 years since the end of World War II. Pam and Ken Linge, who did such a magnificent job of assembling details of WW1 servicemen, have also assembled a file with details of Haydon Bridge Servicemen and Servicewomen who served in WWII. Section one relates to names on the War Memorial. Section two concerns other deaths connected with Haydon Bridge, and lastly there is a section about others who served in WWII.

Please call in at The Bridge to see the file. If you can add any information or correct any errors, please contact Pam and Ken at pam_ken.linge@btinternet.com, Tel: 01434 684050, or speak to a volunteer at The Bridge.



Pat Snowdon presents volunteer, Sandy, with her prize for winning the "Name the Elf" competition with Alvin".



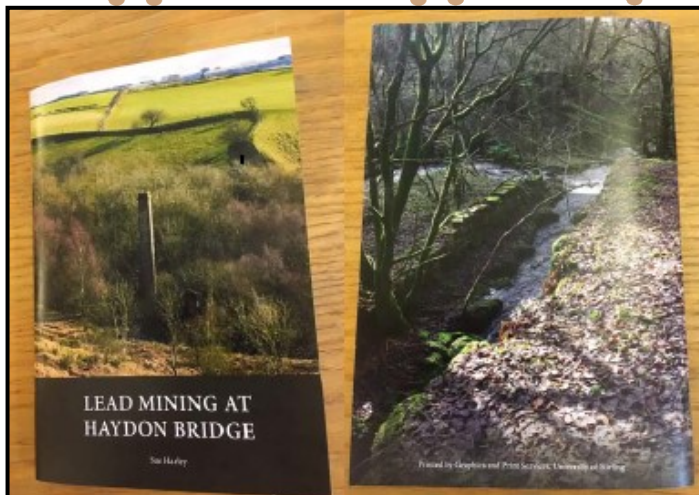
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HAYDON BRIDGE CHRISTMAS LIGHTS 2018.

Another year over and time to reflect on the festive period. Again, everyone came together as a community to celebrate Christmas and the New Year. Tireless fund raising throughout the year resulted in beautiful Christmas lights and a spectacular fireworks display. The hard work and generosity of the community are to be applauded!



A brother and sister act, Isaac and Eva Woodburn, switched on the lights over the old bridge and Paul Dunn and Frankie Eales lit up the trees at the War Memorial. It was extremely difficult to choose just two children as the competition entries were of a very high standard hence the increase to four! The musical entertainment provided, once again, by children from Shaftoe Trust Academy was amazing. This year we must thank Colin Todd for organising his fellow band players who provided an extremely seasonal brass accompaniment for the children. The instruments added that extra special Christmas touch and sounded beautiful. Some of the musicians travelled considerable distances and their support was very much appreciated.

Santa and his helpers thoroughly enjoyed meeting all the children and hearing about their wishes for Christmas. Many people commented on the new elf that had joined Santa's team; the children thoroughly enjoyed chatting to him.



There are too many people to name individually but many, many thanks to everyone who supported this event in any way; Collecting and erecting trees, providing refreshments, storing equipment, loaning us trailers, collecting and counting money and organising the actual lighting up event. Also many thanks to Graeme Collingwood of Karbon Homes, who kindly allows us to erect the four trees on the grassed area in Strothers Close.

This year, as we had spare trees, we donated one to Haydon View Residential Home and one to the primary school; both establishments appreciated the gesture. This is something we may aim to do each year.

As always people gave generously and we collected another amazing amount of money from the jars located in local businesses round the village and from donations at the lighting up event. The total collected was **£652.12** of which half (**£325**) will go to the Get It Together Society for the New Year Eve fireworks. This year we declined the £500 donation from the parish council, asking that it be used for something else in the community as our funds were quite healthy. However the wooden boxes used to display the trees are finally obsolete and have rotted so much we have had to scrap them and some lights have also failed. This will result in a considerable outlay during the year to replace these items. **With this in mind we may reinstate our requests for small donations from local businesses in the forthcoming year.**

Our outgoings totalled **£503.00**: **£220.00** for trees, **£223** for insurance, **£20.00** for the batteries and tea lights and **£40.00** for electricity (Anchor Hotel).

Julia Cooper

Haydon Bridge Christmas Tree Lights Committee.



Saturday 1st June 2019

CHURCHES WORKING TOGETHER CLERGY MESSAGE

From: Deacon Anne Taylor



Matthew Chp 2: v. 10 'When they saw the star they were overjoyed.'

As I sit writing this in my study it is a dark morning and I need the light on to see what I am doing. At the time of writing, in our churches we have just celebrated Epiphany (6th January) the visit of the Magi to the infant Jesus. It was also 12th night when tradition says we are supposed to have our Christmas decorations taken down. Yet it is still very dark both in the morning and early evening and even sometimes during the day. We are still very much in need of light to see what we are doing and guide us on our way.

We are not sure when the visit of the Magi took place but it was sometime after the birth of Jesus and probably not in the stable as many nativity plays would tell us. So talking about this in January or as you read this in February, is ok with me. **The Magi 'saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him.'** (Matthew 2:2.)

The star is said to have appeared at the birth of Jesus, whether it was a comet or the conjunction of planets possibly Saturn and Jupiter causing a bright light we do not know, but it was impressive enough for the Magi to follow and to guide them. The Magi first travelled to Jerusalem to see King Herod (a very dark and evil character). After a dream sent by God the Magi realised Herod was not a good person to follow or take advice from, on leaving King Herod they once again see the star and they were overjoyed, the star comes to rest over the place where the child was.

'On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshipped him. They opened their treasurers and presented him with gifts of gold and of incense and of myrrh.' (Matthew Chp2: v.11)

They had not only followed the star but as we read in John's gospel they had found the light.

John Ch 1: v.9 'The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world.'

John Ch 8: v.12 'When Jesus spoke again to the people he said, 'I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life.'

We may have put away the decorations for another year but we still need a light to follow and guide us on our way.

Jesus said 'I am the light of the world.'

WHO AND WHERE

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

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His generosity and energy supporting ecumenism in the area has set the standard for our continual resolve in working with churches together . Father Leo has helped many individually, emotionally and spiritually and will continue to be met with great affection by all, far beyond the bounds of our parishes.

Thank you to you all for your gifts, good wishes, friendship and love shown to Father Leo over the years.. He will be dearly missed around the area as he moves into his well-earned retirement.

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MESSY CHURCH

Wednesday 13th February 3.30 pm

This takes place on at the Methodist Church all children welcome, under 8's to be accompanied by an adult.

MESSY CHURCH EXTRA

A very informal hour of worship followed by refreshments will take place from February on the first Sunday of each month at 3pm and will replace (for that week only) the evening service.

HOME FRONT 1939 - 1945

I continue my Notes on events at home as our residents of the parish supported the war effort.

VE Day (*See HN December 2018*) celebrated the end of the Second World War in Europe with street parties held on May 8th 1945. However, even though the war was officially at an end, in the Far East it raged on, claiming even more lives and injured. On August the 6th and 9th 1945, atomic bombs were dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki and it was only then, on August 15th in the UK, that the Japanese surrendered to the allies (VJ Day).

When the Japanese formally surrendered on the 2nd of September 1945, the war came to an end throughout the rest of the world.

Back Home: Prisoners of War who had returned home by May 1945, included: Flt Lieut. Sidney Melvin, Warrant Officer James King, Cpl. William Birnie, Cpl. Joseph Hall, Fusilier Spencer Wren, Fusilier Kitchener Moore. Fusilier William James Ridley and L/Cpl. William Foster. The former POWs were entertained at a whist drive and a supper on Friday May 11th. Various other efforts were still being organised in the district to raise funds for gifts for the POWs, including a whist drive, a 'Victory' bring and buy sale and a barn dance held at Whinnetley, all of which raised £52.10 shillings.

Local Soldiers' Fund: At Haydon Bridge, events related to the war effort continued after VE Day and in May 1945 a whist drive was held at 'Braeside' on the invitation of Mrs. Baker. R. Armstrong and Matt Smith were MC's and the prize winners included Mrs Norman Veitch, Miss Hebron of Langley Castle, Mrs Ed. Raine and Mrs. Ernie Marsh.

Victory in Europe: A village VE Celebration Dance was held in the Town Hall in May 1945. Jock King and his popular band played for dancing and £40 was raised for the Haydon Bridge Welcome Home Fund.

Tennis Tournament: May 1945 ended with Haydon Bridge Central Methodist Tennis Club's Annual Fete and Tournament. The event was opened by Mrs. Iceton who was presented with a spray of flowers by four year old Dennis Telford. (*Oops! Now I'm giving my age away.*) Heavy rain caused the postponement of the competition for seniors but the juniors competition was won by Amy Stokoe and Audrey Thompson.

The Last POW's Return: Thirteen prisoners of war who had recently returned from the conflict to the Haydon Bridge district, met at a Social Evening in the Church Hall in June 1945. The event was especially pleasing for the folk of the Haydon Bridge district, as they welcomed the last two returning POWs; Sergeant Harry Watson and Lance Corporal Edward Moffatt. Harry and Eddie were each presented with 100 cigarettes and a cash gift. The event included a whist drive (*Yes! Yet another whist drive*) in which prize winners included Mrs Hilda Spark, Mrs. A. Robinson, Mrs. J. Routledge, Mrs. G.T. Brown, Miss Iris Frost, Miss Sheila Benson and Fusilier Kitchie Moore. Six year old Norma Brown presented Matt Smith with an electric reading lamp, in appreciation of services to the Welcome Home Fund committee.

United Services End: With the cessation of hostilities in Europe, it was agreed the Congregational and Methodist Churches' united services held since January 1943 would finish at the end of June 1945. The resolution expressed deep gratitude for the friendly and helpful spirit which had characterised the memorable period of co-operative worship and fellowship.

Churches United: The success of the war - time religious co-operation (*see previous paragraph*) may have given encouragement to those charged with organising what was an important event in the history of the religious life of Haydon Bridge; when it was agreed at the Hexham Circuit quarterly meeting that the Elmfield Church (formerly the Primitives) and the Central Methodist Church (formerly the Wesleyans) of the village would merge. Officials of the newly merged 'Society' would be: Stewards - E. Armstrong, J. Todd, J.S. Armstrong and T. Thompson. Poor Stewards - Miss M.H. Todd, E. Dinning and W.G. Thompson. Overseas Mission Stewards - Mrs M.P. Watson (Secretary) and Mr J.W. Hamilton (Treasurer). Secretary for Social Welfare and the Home Missions - Mr. Noel Shaw.

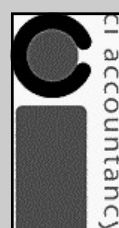
It was agreed in June 1945 that, 'for the time being' the Sunday services would be held on alternate weeks in the Elmfield and Central Churches.

The Central Methodist Church of 1945 was on the site of our present day Community Centre, while the Elmfield Methodist Church was on the site of today's Methodist Church on Church Street.

Incidentally, (See the May 'tennis tournament' paragraph earlier) the Central Methodist Church tennis courts were



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behind Church Street and Ratcliffe Road on land that was called the 'Rec' locally and where Hordley Acres' estate was built, eventually. While the Elmfield and in time the combined churches' tennis courts, were down the back of the station east of California Gardens and readers of my generation and earlier will remember the happy times we shared there.

Anniversary: If you seek an unofficial listing of most of the children who lived in Haydon Bridge in the 1940s/50s, good places to start are the Shaftoe Trust School and Sunday School attendance records. The boys and girls who took part in the Elmfield Methodist Chapel Anniversary in 1945 included: Denis Boyd, Bobby and Norah Beckwith, Norma Brown, Isabel and Pat Charlton, Kathleen Glenwright, Aileen Hill, Rene Lax, Denis, John and Noel Oliver, Alma and Vera Philipson, John and Mary Ridley, Margaret Ransome, Alex Sim, Amy and Mary Stokoe, Kenneth and Alan Storey, Evelyn Thompson, Betty and David Tulip, Eric and Marlene Turnbull, Sheila Todd, Margaret and Michael Walker, Margaret Watson, Vernon Welch, Edmund Johnson (playing the violin), John and Ann Leathard (*Ann was a contributor to our local facebook pages from her home in Nigeria, until her death in August 2018.*)

And, I'm so happy to say:

"I knew/know all these memorable Haydonians."

Methodist Union: To inaugurate the union of the Central and Elmfield Sunday Schools at Haydon Bridge, following the amalgamation of the two societies, a special service was held in the village in the Central Church on Sunday, June 17th 1945.

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Shaftoe Terrace's 'Battlements'

Excitement has been building on social media locally, as demolition of the Scudamore family's former garage on John Martin Street, Haydon Bridge, has revealed a clear view of the north elevation of the embattled wall that runs parallel to Shaftoe Terrace alms houses. Many reasons for building this wall, and assumptions as to its original purpose, have been forwarded on the internet and in local pub gossip. It may not be a surprise to you, that the facts are mundane compared to some of the speculation. (*Read on!*)



The twenty Shaftoe Terrace alms houses, together with two houses for Shaftoe School ushers and one for a mistress, were built on Chapel Hill Close between 1802 and the arrival of the first alms house occupants - William Corbett, Thos. Coats and Jane Bennet - in 1810. It wasn't until 1826 that the castellated wall, that has attracted so much attention recently, was built together with a number of 'necessary houses' (*earth closets or netties*) for the occupants of the alms houses. The stone wall and the earth closets were built by Edward Charlton and John Marshall, for the sum of £200, and the impressive structure has been a distinctive feature of Haydon Bridge South Side for over 190 years. The 'battlements' were an architectural feature serving no useful purpose but, perhaps, impressed the governors of the Shaftoe Trust who appointed the two builders and agreed their contract. As for the narrow arched indents and wall crosses beautifying the external wall, I do not have a source of reference, but would like to believe they represent and respect the earlier small 'Langley Chapel' dedicated to St Mary and St Katherine, that once stood on Chapel Hill Close.

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A VIEW FROM UP THERE

John Harrison

I suspect that many of you attended shows during the Festive Season, which puts me in mind of a couple of unfortunate church notices sent to me from the USA. The English language is such a cruel master !! The first announced a play being performed by a Senior Sunday School which said that "the Young Church will be performing Shakespeare's Hamlet in the Church Hall this coming Friday. You are all invited to attend this tragedy" – in the second, a careless typo changes the meaning somewhat "Any member of the congregation who enjoys sinning is invited to join the church choir".

The weather performance during 2018 met with mixed reviews. To some, memories are of a snowbound March, while others will remember 2018 as the year with the long hot summer. (See later for detailed facts and figures). The finale, however, was cloudy and dull. At this time of year, the shorter daylight hours made this into a very gloomy anti-climax.

Cold polar air continued to dominate the weather at the start of **November** but by the 2nd this had been replaced by warm tropical air and between the 2nd and 15th daytime temperatures exceeded 10.0 degC, reaching 15.2 degC on the 15th (6.5 degC above the long-term average for November). However, despite the presence of active low pressure systems during this period, rainfall amounts were relatively slight (only 10.0mm in total). An area of high pressure developed across the British Isles from the 15th which extended the long spell of relatively dry weather in a developing easterly airstream until the 18th. However, with the wind coming from a cold continental landmass to the east, the weather became very raw with low cloud and poor visibility. Active fronts embedded in the easterly air eventually brought oppressive conditions and heavy showers, some of which contained sleet. Some areas of higher ground, above 300m or so, experienced lying snow, although amounts were small. The 20th was a particularly blustery and very raw day with very heavy showers (25.1mm). While wind remained in the east there were some spells of very cold weather when the skies cleared a little. The 21st to 26th were particularly cold with a frost early on the 22nd. The wind moved around to a more southerly direction on the 26th heralding a sharp rise in temperature.

The first eight days of **December** were mild and wet with a freshening westerly wind, culminating in a spell of very wet and windy weather on the 8th. This brought in cold polar air under a ridge of higher pressure, so by the 9th the daytime temperature was struggling to reach 5 degC. Temperatures fell under clearer night skies which brought hoar frosts on many mornings. As the wind moved around towards the east cold air

arrived from continental Europe and there was spell of very cold weather on the 14th and 15th. As milder air moved in very slowly from the west, precipitation fell as blustery showers of snow pellets followed by that fortunately rare meteorological animal, freezing rain, on the 15th. Surfaces became very slippery for a while. As the warmer Atlantic air encroached steadily eastwards in a complex cyclonic system, temperatures began to rise in a west/south-west breeze which was very fresh at times. However, there was very little rainfall activity under low cloud. Pressure began to rise sharply from the 23rd onwards and an anticyclone covered the greater part of the British Isles for the remainder of the month. The days 23rd-30th were predominantly dry although occasionally dull with patchy drizzle. Under a clear night sky Christmas Day dawned with a carpet of hoar frost – a White Christmas of a different sort !!

If you wish to receive a monthly weather summary by e-mail, free of charge, contact johnandaveril@aol.com. Please indicate your willingness to have your e-mail address on the distribution list.

Month	Nov	Dec
Average Maximum Temp (Daytime) deg C	10.1	7.7
Relative to long-term average degC	+1.4	+1.7
Average Minimum Temp (Night-time) deg C	4.9	2.9
Relative to long-term average degC	+1.4	+1.7
Rainfall (mm)	67.1	53.5
Percentage of long-term average	82%	63%

And finally, thinking ahead to warmer days, one of Gladys' friends used to own his own ice-cream business. He was very successful and made so much money that he blew the lot on a vintage Rolls Royce. Unfortunately, he didn't budget for a driver so having spent his money he had nothing to chauffeur it. The next day the police found him lying on the floor of one his ice-cream kiosks, covered in butterscotch sauce and hundreds and thousands. It is believed that he topped himself.

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The Weather during 2018

(Summary table available from johnandaveril@aol.com)

One thing about observing the weather is that it is very easy to accumulate statistics. Rather than providing you with all the numbers I'll give you the main bullet-points of the year.

Relative to long-term averages the temperature and average windspeed over the year were generally above average and rainfall below average. Both fog and thunder were rare visitors.

The growing season was delayed by a late Spring and then affected by dry ground and very high temperatures.

The cold winter. The months January and February were cold and damp, but there was no substantial snowfall until February 27th when cold winds from the east, from a cold continental Europe, brought in very cold air. Snowfall was substantial for several days, and because it came with strong winds, drifting was a major problem. Alston was isolated from the outside world for a while. As the roads were cleared the wind blew the snow back again. March remained cold with snow flurries and frosts, which continued into April when the wind turned away from the east to a milder westerly direction. It was mid-April before the temperature began to rise and the vital signs of Spring revealed a considerable delay in the growing season.

Summer Heatwave and Drought As Spring progressed the temperature began to rise very rapidly but unfortunately we lost the rain. There was very little rain in May and by the end of the month we had the first signs of the heat to come. The wind turned to the east again but this time the air was warm and dry. The latter half of June was hot and dry but it was July before the temperature began to hit the heights. In Southern England the air temperature routinely topped 30.0 degC while here in Haydon Bridge it managed to reach 29.5 degC on July 26th. The hot weather continued into August by which time we were in to a drought. Small streams dried up completely and the flow in the South Tyne was lower than most locals could remember. Such

was the drought that the ground had still not recovered by the end of the year.

Gales Autumn is a season usually associated with strong winds and 2018 was no exception. However, the only memorable storm here in Tynedale occurred on September 19th when a full gale caused local damage, with fallen trees, some quite large, blocking roads. Unfortunately the gales came at a time when fruit trees were loaded with a larger than usual crop as a result of the warm summer. The ground became littered with an excess of fallen fruit.

Mild December There was certainly no chance of a White Christmas this year as the weather was unsettled and dominated by warm winds from the west. While I personally enjoyed being able to visit folk without fear of snowdrifts I have to admit that the dull grey murky weather was rather depressing.



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E-Mail June 2018

August 2018

Email

Hello Dennis,
Chesterwood.

I have enjoyed the Chesterwood articles (*June, July, Aug. 2018*) and they have raised a few more memories, and I have found the 'Definitive List' for Chesterwood in 1939 which might be of interest:

Thomas and Annie Moore and family.
 Michael Pigg and Ida White.
 James and Barbara Frankland.
 Henry and Mary Philipson and family.
 William and Sarah Walker and family. And John Curry.
 Sarah Reed and William. And Clara Black.
 Thomas and Olive Pigg and family.
 Thompson Brown.
 Jean Broadfoot.
 Edith Benson.

This was the list used for the Identity cards everyone was given during the war ... I can still remember my number!

You stirred my grey cells into life! My grandfather and his family lived in West Cottage in the early 1900s before moving to the front house. He was given it six months rent free on condition that he, 'did it up'. I have a photo of my father - Norman - and my grandfather William, in front of the house circa 1908. (*See next column*) The house must have been run down at the time but, despite this, I have a note that in 1990 it was for sale priced at £85,000. Incidentally, Tommy Pigg's mother and my grandfather were brother and sister.

Finally - for now - I can remember that Cissie Layton who lived in the south house (*Number 13 on Joan Grey's map HN Aug 2018*) would go to the Town Hall Cinema then on her return home, sit down and play the songs from it on her piano - despite the fact that she couldn't read music!

Best wishes.
 William Veitch.



William Veitch's grandparents William and Jane Veitch with four of their children photographed outside the West Cottage at Chesterwood. (Circa 1908) Many readers will remember William's father Norman Veitch, seen here on the bicycle. William Veitch (Snr) was greenkeeper at Chesterwood Golf Course from 1905 until it relocated to Esp Hill in 1915.

Dear Dennis,

All the way from Haydon Bridge.

I spent a day in London yesterday getting a culture fix. One of the exhibitions I visited showed the works of **Thomas Cole**, whom I had never heard of but who was a highly successful American landscape artist of the first half of the 19th century. His work was interesting, some of it really good, but, the thing I found most interesting was that his inspiration was **John Martin**.

Martin was described as; 'already well known in New York by about 1800'.

It is amazing how someone you have only heard of by a road name crops up, and I thought this snippet would be of interest in Haydon Bridge.

Best wishes.

John Thompson.

I wonder if, like me, you find John Martin's success quite remarkable, given his birth into poverty on July 19th 1789 down the Land Ends: "By birth, my station could scarcely have been humbler than it was." A situation not helped by his father Fenwick's itinerant life-style which, "kept the family exceedingly poor".

It is also curious that, in spite of world-wide popularity, which attracted a number of famous imitators - including Thomas Cole - John's fascinating life story was largely unknown by Haydon Bridge inhabitants of recent years. Neither was his fame adequately commemorated in the place of his birth; save for a couple of street names, a weathered stone plaque on the north end of the Martin family home at East Land Ends and, more recently, Henry Swaddle's excellent World of John Martin web site.

It was not until our organised commemoration of his life in 2004, and the development of the successful 'John Martin Trail', that interest in and worthy of our famous Haydonian, was generated in the parish and the district.

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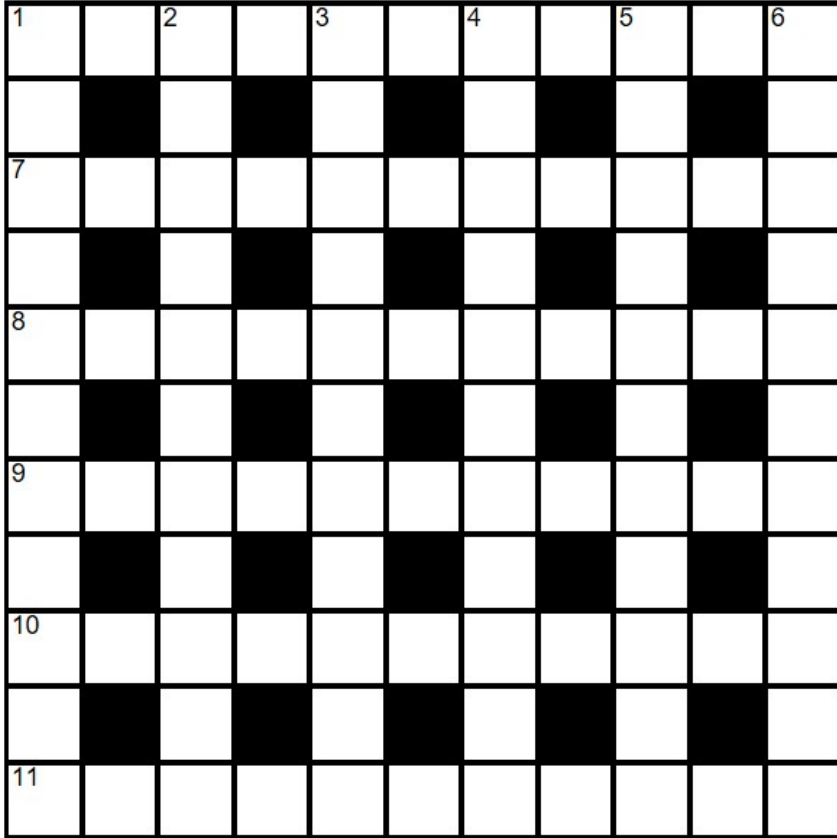
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December's Answers



ACROSS:

- 1 Movie heroes in a small, shallow boat. (11)
- 7 Sounds like small articulated wooden models of Robin Hood's girlfriend. (11)
- 8 Medium dry Spanish wine. (11)
- 9 Usually advertised as killing 99% of all known germs. (11)
- 10 Flying high after one over the eight.(2,5,4)
- 11 Relatives to borrow a ladder from? (11)

DOWN:

- 1 It's a battle to get them on your feet. (6,5)
- 2 Sounds like a bike carved out of charcoal. Continuous biogeochemical process. (6,5)
- 3 Stunt pilot flips backwards into the pool twice. (4,3,4)
- 4 B-I-N-D-E-R. Fascinator. (11)
- 5 Obsolete custom sent for trial abroad. (11,)
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People were very primitive in those days, Dusty, they probably ate their soup straight out of the tin.



Children, parents and the wider community at Wise Shaftoe Trust Academy have had a very busy Xmas.

A group of children sang carols for the Friday Lunch club and we hope this will become a regular event.



Doris Wardle and her team from 'Gateway into the Community' performed a Xmas Panto for the school.



We had a visit from Pauline Wallis to get us all excited about the New Years Eve firework display and look forward to supporting her further.



A huge thank you to everyone who donated presents for Mission Xmas.



Older children put on a superb production of Peter Pan, while the younger children performed Prickly Hay.



Please contact Victoria Binovec if you would like to get involved with school life at Shaftoe. We would welcome any volunteers and ideas in taking our school forward into the community.

*Victoria Binovec, Assistant Head Teacher
Shaftoe Trust Academy, Haydon Bridge - 01434 684309*

