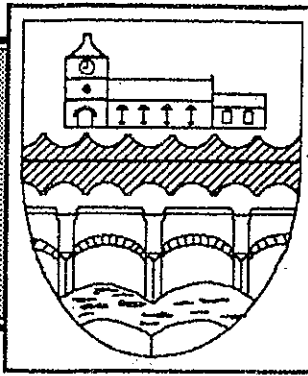


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EDITORIAL

The friends of Haydon Bridge wish to apologise for the very late appearance of the November issue of the Haydon News. Since March of this year we have had to seek the assistance of either Tynedale Council or of Dr Gordon Adam to get the Haydon News printed. In either case delays have often been caused by (understandably) having to wait-our-turn in the queue for the printing facilities.

However, help is at hand in the form of a new copying service which is about to be launched by the Parish Church and when this is under way there is every prospect of a more regular publication date being achieved. We can only say that we will continue to do OUR best.

In the meantime, the Friends of Haydon Bridge would like to send

SEASONAL GREETINGS  
to all our  
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& READERS

Thank you all for your support throughout the year.

Gina Richardson  
Editor

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NOTICES

Poppy Appeal

In the recent Poppy Appeal the sum of £703.34 was collected in Haydon Bridge District. In difficult times for many this was a good result - just a little down on last year. I should like to thank everyone who helped or contributed in any way.

Audrey Carey  
Hon. Organiser.

Red Cross

The annual subscriptions collected for the Red Cross Society amounted to £380. Mrs Nicholl wishes to thank all who donated so generously.

Age Concern

Following an inaugural lunch on the 19th Sept. Age Concern with Haydon Bridge High School has successfully launched the Lunch Club. The club is being well attended on Wednesdays, during Term-time, by 'Over Sixties' of both sexes. The meals are of highest quality, with plenty of variety to suit all tastes, including vegetarian. They are well served in pleasant surroundings at nominal cost.

Talks by visiting speakers, on various topics, are being arranged for afternoons, in School premises set aside for the Members of the Club. There is a 50p subscription each week for

Fund raising and a 10p raffle for participants. Coffee, tea and biscuits are available for those who require it. Transport for those who need it can also be arranged. For further particulars please contact Mrs G Reynolds, Age Concern, Morpeth, Tel: 0670-519959, Ext 319

Ms P Parslow  
Honeypot Cottage  
Haydon Bridge

BY-PASS UPDATE

We are still persevering with our fight. You may have seen, in the local press, reports of a 'new traffic survey' being carried out and also that 'a new full blown detailed study will be undertaken by the Department of Transport, to examine all possible options and routes afresh'. Although I am glad that the DOT is doing something, I do not agree that either of these actions can be furthering our cause. Both studies have already been done so doing them again is wasting time and money. A traffic survey cannot at the moment give a realistic account of the A69 because, during major roadworks traffic travelling a long distance uses different routes altogether, not just diversions around the roadworks. The second study is completely unnecessary.

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The work was done in great detail in 1978. The people of Haydon Bridge were given the choice of five routes and the RED B route was selected. According to the original brochure, this route was also the cheapest, apart from the yellow route which cut our Village in two, running through the centre of the village: this is unacceptable as a 'by-pass'.

Although 13 years have passed our village is the same so I feel the Department of Transport is playing for time, to placate us, so we must keep up the pressure.

At the moment we are lobbying wagon companies to help us by writing to the Minister for Transport and also asking them to give details of their journeys. We need to prove the A69 is not just used by Newcastle-Carlisle traffic but also as part of a Euro-route.

We must also stress the dangers of the traffic through our village. Potentially dangerous incidents take place regularly but no record is made. We must collect details of these. Within recent weeks there have been three incidents:

- in the first, a wagon caught fire at the west end of Ratcliffe Rd; if you witnessed this let us have written details to go with the photograph supplied by a quick thinking villager.

This is the type of action we need.

- another incident took place at the lights at the east end of the bridge; a car ran into the back of another, spreading glass all over the road. We again have photos of the damaged car and of cars driving round the glass - but no eye witness account.

- the third incident will be recorded by the Police. This was the very sad accident involving Mr Marshbank as he crossed the road at the west end of the village.

Our Action Day was 'Inactive'. WHERE WERE YOU? Those who did come, although small in number, did a very good job and we got a great response from road users: they are obviously on our side. The lively posters designed and made by the High School are being kept for future use.

If you agree we need a by-pass don't sit back waiting for it to happen but come along instead to the next meeting of the action group on Wed. January 8, in the Church Hall.

We also intend to hold a coffee evening in January and would like anyone who has had a nasty experience or witnessed a dangerous event to come along with their account of the event in writing or just come and tell us and we will write it up.

Reminders for both of these events will be found on notice boards nearer the time.

Best wishes to everyone for Christmas and let us look forward to an eventful New Year.

E Charlton

### SCREENING FOR BREAST CANCER

The Health Centre talk on November 6 was given by Mr Wilson MD FRCS who is Consultant Surgeon Oncologist at Newcastle General Hospital.

The talk, which was on Breast Cancer and the importance of Breast Screening, was most interesting and informative but it was given to a pityfully small group of 10. Where were all the women between 50 and 64 years of age to whom this screening is so very relevant? You missed a worthwhile talk and discussion. Let's hope you bothered to travel to Haltwhistle to keep your appointment! How does saving the cost of the bus fare compare with peace of mind?

Our thanks are due to Drs High and Ford for arranging this series of worthwhile talks at the Health Centre. Details are posted at focal points in the village. Do take advantage of them - the refreshments are good, too.

E Garrow

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Haydon Bridge Nature Club  
1992 Programme

Jan 9	AGM & Archaeological Digs	Miss M Creighton
Jan 16	Poles Apart	Mr Simon Fraser
Jan 30	The Vanishing Rain Forest	Dr A Donaldson
Feb 13	Bastles in Tynedale	Mr Peter Rider
Feb 20	North Tyne Valley	Mr Jack Mills
Mar 5	Tracks and Trails in Northumberland	Mr T Hopkins
Mar 19	Beekeeping	Mr John Theobald

Meetings are held at 7.30 pm in the Community Centre.  
New members always welcome

L C Coombes

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Balloon Race Results

The final date was taken as October 26, being two months from the date of the Fete

No	Winner	
81	Paul Charlton	found by Neil Parson, 2 Pear Tree Grove, Aldwalk, York
No	Runners up	Found at
72	Ian Gilhespy	High Pickleton, Chester-le-Street
31	Jamie Harris	Great Lumley, Chester-le-Street
32	Paul Harris	Great Lumley, (by same lady)
23	Joyce Carruthers	Doxford Park, Sunderland
75	Philip Bell	Penshaw, Durham
68	Mary Porteous	Shiney Row, Durham
9	Joe Nevin	Holy Cross, Wallsend

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JUST A LOAD OF  
RUBBISH

Have you thought how much goes into your dustbin that could be used again? Recycling could enable around a quarter of your domestic refuse to be kept out of your dustbin and taken to recycling points in Hexham.

Many different materials can be recycled but this depends on the means of collection, storage and transportation being available and just as important, there needs to be a ready market for the particular material. In this area the main items are glass, paper, steel food tins and aluminium and steel drinks cans.

Steel food cans should be washed out and flattened and taken to collection points in Wentworth Car Park

Steel & aluminium drinks cans should be flattened and also taken to Wentworth Car Park, Hexham

Glass should be washed out, tops and corks removed. These can be taken to either the Wentworth Car Park or to Wastesavers in the Coal Yard next to Hexham Station.

Paper & cardboard should be taken to the skip provided by Wastesavers in the Hexham Coal Yard.

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I have not included vegetable matter as this cannot be dealt with in any of the above ways. However, it can of course be recycled in the form of compost, to be used in your garden instead of buying expensive alternatives. Why not make yourself a compost heap or buy one of the bins available? At the moment there are no local collection facilities available and I would be interested to hear your views on the provision of such facilities and whether these would encourage you to recycle more of your refuse.

Councillor Bill Howard  
10 Ratcliffe Road  
Tel: 684535

#### PARISH COUNCIL PICKINGS

##### November meeting

There was no Public Participation because no member of the public was present.

**Beacon Europe**, December 31 1992; the Scout troop which does such sterling work for November 5 does not wish to be given the responsibility for the Beacon fire. Who will be responsible for the Parish Beacon? Where should it be sited? How about Langley on the way to the Pagan Festival at Allendale - would that suit?

You will have read in the Courant that Tynedale is to have a

£10 million cut in budget so it is not surprising that Election expenses are to be paid by each Parish, whether they are having an election or not. This matter was discussed at length by the Parish Council.

There was also much discussion concerning the missing pathway from the main road to the Caravan site. Does anyone know when it disappeared? An easy and safe passage to the Caravan site from the village is needed

The Parish Councillors feel that we must let the District Council know how we feel about the Hexham General Hospital. March 1992 will see the publication of the next report so your letters of support are required, stating the real need you have for this hospital. What problems will you have if this hospital disappears or is down graded? Write now to:

Mr Batey  
Chief Executive  
Tynedale District  
Council

Something good and positive to end:

Mrs Charlton is to be our representative on the Community Education Council. The Squash courts have been re-decorated and the floor has been stripped. In fact they are beautiful and only waiting for more players.

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#### Councillors

Marion and Bill Howard  
Wish You All

a Very Happy Christmas &  
a Happy, Prosperous and  
Peaceful New Year

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#### PRE-TV LATE NIGHT HORROR Nr HAYDON BRIDGE

Public Health warning:  
This Article should *not*  
be read late at night if  
you are in the house  
*alone*.

December 1 1840

An event displaying the extreme point to which certain impressions can be carried took place within a few miles of Haydon Bridge. On the preceding evening, about ten o'clock, a woman of the name of Ann Laing, housekeeper with Thomas Errington, a workman under the lessees of Stubick colliery, retired to rest, nothing being perceived in her appearance denoting that she was labouring under any mental infirmity. Her master went to bed about midnight and was shortly fast asleep. Between two and three in the morning, he was awake by his housekeeper coming to his bed-side and shaking him very violently by the shoulders, telling him that she could not succeed in cutting her legs off with the axe,

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and that he must get up and take them off with the saw. On leaving his bed he found the house in total darkness. However he contrived to arouse his nearest neighbour, who came with a lighted candle and discovered the floor of the cottage completely deluged with blood and the woman herself standing almost naked, with the axe in her hand greatly besmeared. On examination it was found that the unfortunate woman had inflicted on one of her legs no fewer than thirteen cuts, many of them presented dreadful appearances, the bone in several places being splintered, whilst the other leg was severely injured, though not to so great an extent. It is strange to say, that whilst the wounds were being sewed up, and the sinews attempted to be united, she never seemed conscious of the slightest pain. On enquiring into the cause of her so injuring herself, the only reason which she assigned was, that she could not enter heaven with her legs on.

From Vol V of 'The Local Historians Table Book of Remarkable Occurrences'.

PAT GOES TO SEATTLE will be continued in February

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COMMENT ON ARTICLE  
DECEMBER 1 1840

This is almost certainly an example of a disease that was not uncommon, though rarely proceeding to such bizarre results. (but then, Haydon Bridge has always been a bit different!) This was before penicillin came along and virtually eradicated it. The disease was the venereal (ie sexually transmitted) disease SYPHILLIS which, in its late stage could attack the nervous system in two ways, often in both. One effect was on the brain causing dementia, sometimes referred to medically as 'G P I' or

'General Paralysis and Insanity', while the disease could also affect the spinal cord, especially in its lower part serving the legs, where two effects could be produced. The first was 'lightning pains', sudden flashes of intense pain, worse than the worst toothache you have ever had. The second was destruction of the nerve fibres that conduct ordinary painful sensations. Thus you could have legs that were giving intolerable pain and yet, if you stuck pins (or an axe!) into them no pain was felt.

Dr R High

Haydon Bridge Community Centre Floor Fund  
Grand Christmas Draw

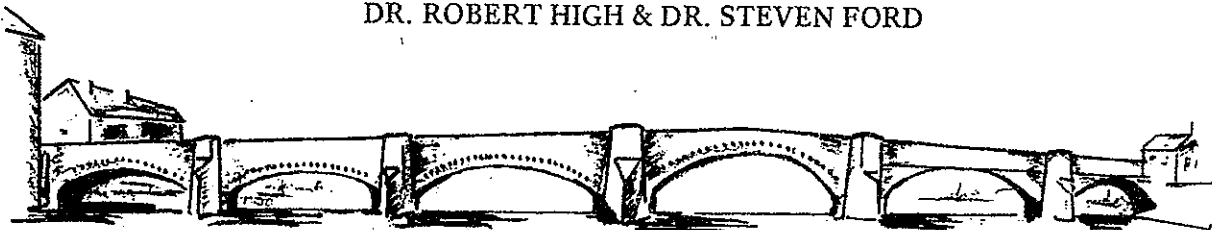
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# HAYDON BRIDGE HEALTH CENTRE

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## HEALTH CENTRE NEWS

### RELAXATION CLASSES

Massage and Aromatherapy featured in the relaxation class on 21 11 91 when Ms Catherine Stirling of Burswell House, Church Street, came to demonstrate the skills she offers. A very fragrant and interesting evening!

The following week Ms Carolina Casson from the Shire came to speak about Yoga. She introduced the subject in a most interesting manner and then supervised some introductory exercises for the group.

In view of the success of these evenings it is anticipated that a further set of eight evenings may be arranged in 1992. Please leave your name, phone number and preferred day of the week at the reception desk if you are interested.

### FAMILY PLANNING

The seriousness with which many of the local young people approach their sexual behaviour and their contraceptive needs is very reassuring. We offer a FULL RANGE of FAMILY PLANNING advice and supplies (except condoms) and keep strictly confidential all information about patients. People registered with other practices are welcome to make use of our Family Planning facilities - just make a regular appointment.

### Mrs FLO ACONS

The relatives of Mrs Flo Acons have made a very generous donation to the Health Centre Equipment Fund of £385. We are most grateful. Priorities at the moment are additional surgical tools and possibly some electrical instruments for the Asthma clinic.

### APOLOGIES

Apologies to those parents who were upset by the informal label attached in previous News sections to what will henceforth be termed the "Children's Clinic".

### AIDS & HIV

The death of Freddie Mercury and the publicity which surrounded it coincided with the arrival of an educational display for Health Care professionals on the subject of HIV and AIDS. This is a good opportunity to emphasise publicly, the availability of a non-judgemental, caring and CONFIDENTIAL reception at the Health Centre for anyone who suspects that they are HIV positive or may have been exposed to risk. Anyone who wishes to talk about sexuality, orientation, contraception, sexually transmitted disease or any other topic can be assured of calm and close attention to their needs at the Health Centre.

### AVOIDING CANCER

There is some evidence that eating lots of fresh fruit and vegetables may give some protection against developing cancer. Besides providing many vitamins and plenty of fibre, a diet including a lot of fruit and veg can also be cheap to provide, easy to prepare, filling and yet not fattening.

### SMOKING

110,000 people die early in the UK each year because they smoke. Approximately 3,000 people die each year because of other people smoking around them. To understand these figures in local terms - that is everyone in Tynedale within six months.

### CHILDREN'S CLINIC

Jan 2nd and 16th  
Feb 6th and 20th  
Mar 5th and 19th

### SEASON'S GREETINGS

The Doctors and the Staff at the Health Centre offer their Best Wishes to all their customers for a:

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