

# THE HAYDON NEWS ON LINE





Members of two old established Haydonian families get together to see in the New Year.

Jeff and Ernest Marshall and Eileen (Charlton) and Barbara Wardle.

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Welcome to existing and new on line readers of The Haydon News

Established in 1979 and preceded on and off for over forty five years by a church Parish Magazine, The Haydon News is published by the Friends of Haydon Bridge and is written, printed, collated and delivered by volunteers.

Around 1,000 copies of The Haydon News are distributed free of charge, ten months of the year, throughout the parish of Haydon in Tynedale, Northumberland.

The Haydon News on line doesn't replace this traditional publication but allows those living outside our delivery area, who have a connection with or an interest in the parish, to keep in touch.

Welcome again then to The Haydon News on line, a web site that will build throughout the coming months and already includes an archive of earlier editions.

Contributions to The Haydon News in the form of articles or letters are welcome, especially from those with a family connection within the parish.

Please email us. email: editors@haydon-news.co.uk

Dennis Telford. (Chairman) Friends of Haydon Bridge.

### **EDITORIAL COMMENT**

With the completion of the bypass, housing development in Haydon Bridge is likely to become an even more contentious issue. Unless we want to see the village develop into a town sized settlement the parish council will need to have a clear view on how much development should take place in the village and parish and how quickly.

It is therefore timely that a plan for the parish is being developed and will be available to guide the council in its decision making. As the plan has progressed there have been several meetings with various groups and representatives in the community to ensure the plan meets the needs of all Haydon Parish residents.

Now, in the widest consultation exercise we are able to undertake, **YOU** are being asked for your views. At the end of this edition of the Haydon News is a questionnaire asking for your views on future building developments in Haydon. Please complete and return it. The more people that do return a completed questionnaire the more clout our Parish Plan will have with the decision making authorities. **NOW IT'S OVER TO YOU**.

MP

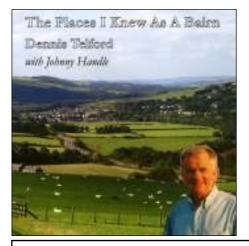
### WELCOME TO THE PARISH OF HAYDON, NORTHUMBERLAND ENGLAND

This month we provide an opportunity for our on-line readers and ex Haydonians to purchase the few remaining copies of two popular CD's that reflect Haydon Bridge life, history and the famous Victorian painter John Martin who was born in Haydon Bridge in 1789 and died on the Isle of Man in 1854.

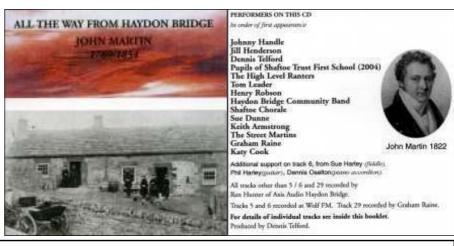
On the CD, 'The Places I Knew As A Bairn' Dennis Telford, accompanied by Johnny Handle of High Level Ranters fame, sings 15 of his own folk songs about Haydon Bridge and his life in the Tyne Valley.

'All The Way From Haydon Bridge' celebrates the life of John Martin through the words and music of present day performers.

# The CD's are £10 each or £17 for the two. Including postage and packing. In the first instance please email: editors@haydon-news.co.uk providing your name and address.



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### PARISH COUNCIL NOTES from the meetings in December 2007 & January 2008

# Parish Council Meeting held on December 17th, 2007

### **Public participation**

The council was asked what action it would take to protest against the proposed cuts to GP services. A letter is to be sent from the council and councillors are writing individually to protest.

The clerk is to contact Roadlink about the raised areas of footpath on either side of the new bridge.

The council was informed that the road sign at the end of Martins Close has not been moved and is blocking the view of motorists turning out onto the A69.

### **Council Meeting**

### **Tynedale Council Minutes.**

The request to link Haydon Bridge with Allendale to form a 'Belonging Community' (a new administrative grouping when Northumberland becomes a unitary authority) has been agreed.

### Highways

The council was informed that traffic lights would be in use to the west of the village while work proceeded on the bypass junction below West Rattenraw. This will take about 6 months. Traffic controls will then be put in place to the east of the village during the construction of the by pass junction with the Alston road.

A letter is to be sent to the Highways Agency regarding the hazardous junction of the A69 and Lowgate road following a 'near miss' incident earlier in the month.

### **Planning applications**

Notification was received from Tynedale Council on the following applications; Construction of first floor extension at West Elrington- granted.

Demolition of redundant dwelling at Haydon Hotel- withdrawn

Construction of agricultural workers cottages at Chesterwood- refused

### Correspondence

The council received notice that the railway crossing on Church St will be closed between Feb 3rd-5th for the installation of new barriers.

### Village Projects

Parish Plan. The council was informed about a public meeting taking place on Jan16th for village groups and a

presentation to the council on Jan 24th. A further public meeting will take place on March 5th when the draft Parish Plan will be discussed. In April/May an affordable housing survey will be carried out by Tynedale Council in Haydon Bridge.

A councillor is working on a business plan for the library.

### **AOB**

The council was asked to consider alternative sites for the recycling bins as Northern Rail are prepared to carry out improvements to the station car park if the bins are removed. This will provide additional off road parking for station users and visitors. The rail company are also prepared to install a train ticket machine in the library if the car park improvements go ahead and the PC take over the running of the library and introduce longer opening hours.

The council are to investigate purchasing the plot of land beyond the picnic area. It could be incorporated into an extended riverside park area.

# An additional meeting was held on January 17th when the council considered 4 planning applications.

Demolition of redundant dwelling and the construction of three two storey dwellings at the Haydon Hotel. The council raised objections to this development.

Change of use from commercial to residential - Demolition of existing garage & construction of 4 flats and 2 houses with associated parking at Anchor Garage, Haydon Bridge.

The council raised no objections to this development.

Construction of ground floor shop extension and formation of decked access stairs and entrance to first floor flat at 5 Church St, Haydon Bridge. The council raised no objections to this development.

Demolition of existing buildings and construction of a holiday village incorporating self catering accommodation, leisure building with indoor pool, lodge building with café, shops and bunk cabins etc at former Langley Brickworks. Many residents of Langley attended the meeting and raised several objections.

In supporting residents' objections the council said it was opposed to this development.

# Parish Council Meeting held on January 24th 2007.

### **Public Participation**

A large group of residents from Greenwich Gardens expressed concern about the proposed development of the Langley Gardens' Play Area. The proximity of play equipment to houses was a particular worry especially as in the past people had endured noise and in one instance damage to their property. A query was raised as to the need for a play park in the area given the excellent facilities available at Shaftoe Green. The council suggested that the best way forward was to arrange a meeting between the residents and representatives of Milecastle Housing to discuss concerns.

A member of the public asked about the type of pavement proposed for that part of Brigwood lane leading to the Taits Yard development. Concerns were expressed that it will not be raised above the level of the road with kerb edging but only be indicated by a line painted onto the road surface. It was explained by a county councillor present at the meeting that the plans for the roads and pavements would have been passed by NCC Highways Department as meeting Government guidelines and that neither (continued on page 14)

### **PARISH COUNCILLORS**

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Parish Clerk Mrs. C McGivern 688020(after 6pm)

### HISTORICAL NOTES OF HAYDON BRIDGE - Dennis Telford

I welcome in another year and wish you all the very best for a happy and healthy 2008.

In our first issue of 2008 I continue my 'Notes from December 2007, examining the background to English Heritage's ancient monuments that are 'at risk' in our parish.

In December I visited Chesterwood and this month I recall the history of one of our most pleasant and peaceful wooded denes, part of which was transformed out of all recognition one hundred and forty years ago: the site of the 19c Langley Barony Lead Mines, on the banks of the Honeycrook Burn.

### LANGLEY BARONY MINES

September 2007. And I am sitting here in quiet contemplation with this year's only lately arrived, but most welcome, summer sun filtering through the deciduous leaf cover. The Corbies, who warned the rest of the wooded valley of my imminent arrival, still chatter but are now high above and out of my sight. The Blue Tits and Great Tits are not so cautious however and they flit from branch to branch amongst the foliage by the water's edge. My only companion is the call of nature and the Honeycrook Burn splashing gently over its stony bed as it meanders on its journey through the limestone gorge; from Muckle Moss in the north and down past Standalone towards the South Tyne.

It is hard to imagine that between 1871 and 1893 this sylvan setting echoed to the harsh sounds that were for a short while - along with the metallic ring of the heavy horse harness - a sign of the lifeblood of our locality, providing employment for up to one hundred and thirty men in the production of a spectacular 40,761 tons of lead ore in only twenty years.

And yet, as I read T.F. Bulmer's 1886 description of this same Honeycrook dene, I am soon transported back to the clamour and the sounds, the smoke and steam and the grime of heavy industry, in what is on this pleasant September afternoon a tranquil spot.

'Lead mining is carried on in the district to a considerable extent. The mines known as the Langley Barony Mines are situated about two miles north-west of Haydon Bridge, at an elevation of about 650 feet above sea



level. The system of Dressing, or separating the lead ore from the gangue and useless rock and earth with which it is associated in the vein, is of the most complete and extensive description.

The material as it comes from the mine is passed through Blake's stone - breakers, by which the lumps of ore bearing rock are reduced to the size of road metal, and then by large rollers it is crushed to the consistency of gravel. By a very beautiful contrivance, consisting of a series of revolving perforated drum cylinders, these crushings are sifted and classified. Each drum revolves upon its own axis, and is set in motion by the one above it.... The perforations in each drum are graduated in size.

The crushings are carried into the uppermost cylinder by a stream of water, and in their passage through, they are not only sifted into different degrees of fineness, but each sifting is delivered to a buddle or jigger, which may shortly be described as a sieve, to which a jigging motion can be communicated, suspended in water. By this operation a further portion of pure ore is separated. There are five of these dressings or washing floors.

The works cover a large extent of ground, and the refuse from the dressing floors and the mines has accumulated in mounds containing some hundreds of thousands of tons.'

The Langley Barony Mines - or as I, and I suspect other ageing Haydonians, will for ever know them, 'Honeycrook Mines' or 'Joicey's Shaft' - were developed by Bywell born civil and mining engineer Thomas John Bewick. Bewick had served his time with Thomas Sopwith, the Newcastle born Land and Mine Surveyor, and in 1868 he sought and obtained a prospector's lease for minerals in the area, from the main landowners in Langley Barony,

the Greenwich Hospital.

The initial exploration may have taken place when Thomas Bewick drove his first 'Honeycrook Adit' or horizontal tunnel, into the hillside from the north west bank of the Honeycrook Burn. The mine was developed from a second adit into the 'Bewick Vein' however, one hundred yards further up the burn. It is outside the entrance to this 'New Honeycrook Adit' where I'm whiling away my time today.



NEW HONEYCROOK ADIT

The entrance or portal to the adit level is arched in stonework and in common with other similar mine portals, it incorporated an inscribed stone above the keystone. In this case: *Honeycrook Adit July 1871*.

Unfortunately the inscribed stone at Honeycrook, which remained in place for over one hundred years, disappeared mysteriously in the 1970's. (A piece of our parish's history removed to a private residence in Fourstones if my informant is correct. And he usually is!)

To reach the lead ore that was to be found below the adit level, a number of shafts were sunk: principally the 520ft deep Leadbitter Shaft and in 1880 perhaps the shaft best remembered locally, the 545ft deep Joicey's Shaft.

The first ore from the mine was washed on September 22nd 1873 and from that date, lead was produced in remarkable quantities by Bewick & Partners Ltd. A total of over 25,000 tons of lead and 46,000 ounces of silver, (how many readers knew that silver was once mined

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at Haydon Bridge?) until imported lead forced down commercial prices in the 1890's and the mine was abandoned as uneconomic in 1893.

(In the mine's first year, 30 tons of lead was returned. Productivity increased to a yearly maximum of 4,760 tons in 1882, when the price for lead was £14/ton, but declined quickly to 230 tons in 1893, the year the mine closed and the local price had fallen to £9.10 shillings/ton.)

It is interesting to note that before closure was forced on the Langley Barony Lead Mines in 1893, it was Bewick's intention to drive Joicey's Shaft a further 500ft or more to the base of the whinsill which lies below the 19c workings at Honeycrook.

Thomas Bewick recognised that the whinsill was the principle ore carrier of the Settlingstones and Stonecroft - Greyside mines to the east and was worth further investigation at Haydon Bridge.

The substantial fall in demand and the low price of lead meant that he was unable to raise the necessary finance for his proposed exploration in 1893.

The seven directors of the company had provided capital of £32,000 in £10 shares and names given to the shafts and veins are permanent reminders of each of the Bewick partners.

Alexander Brogden (Hyde Park). 'Brogden Shaft.'

F. Bolton (Westminster). 'Bolton Shaft.'

Thomas Leadbitter (Newcastle).

'Leadbitter Shaft.'

Andrew Leslie (Wallsend).

'Leslie Shaft.'

John Joicey (Stocksfield).

'Joicey's Shaft.'

Rev. Dixon Brown (Unthank,

Haltwhistle). 'Dixon Brown Vein.' The Dixon Brown Vein proved unproductive.

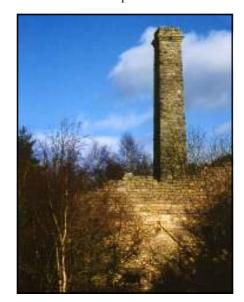
And the founder; Thomas John Bewick. 'Bewick Vein.'

The Bewick Vein was the most productive and therefore the most extensively worked.

The St. Andrew Vein and the New Vein were also discovered and a small amount of ore was obtained from them.

The 20c has taken its toll on this piece of our industrial heritage. Much of the stone used for the 19c buildings has been carted away and used elsewhere and the trees and scrub of the Honeycrook dene have been left to overgrow the now derelict site. We are fortunate however

that the 50ft high sandstone chimney and some remains of the three storey crushing mill, engine and boiler house still stand as a monument to the 19c lead miners of our parish.



THE STONE CHIMNEY AND REMAINS OF THE ENGINE AND BOILER HOUSE NEXT TO THE HONEYCROOK BURN

There are also equally important if less imposing signs of Bewick's industry here, if you know where to look. For example: the stone lined channel through which the Honeycrook Burn is diverted into two watercourses; the arched pack horse bridge crossing the burn; and especially interesting, four broken stone lined buddles used in the lead ore purification process.



THE REMAINS OF FOUR BUDDLES

Higher up the hillside, north of the works alongside the Honeycrook Burn, was the Leadbitter Shaft and its associated buildings and machinery. Near to the Leadbitter Shaft were two reservoirs into which the water required for dressing the ores was collected.

Walking a little further north east

through the limestone gorge today, I find it just possible to pick my way along the bed of the Honeycrook Burn. It is a scramble and there are many hurdles of fallen trees and branches, and limestone blocks that have fallen from the sides of the gorge over the years, to overcome. If you attempt it, and take my word it is not recommended, you will certainly have walked where very few have gone before in recent times.

Just before reaching the cart track that comes down from 'Chesterfield', and below and to the east of a waterfall, is a further reminder of our parish's early lead mining industry.

According to the Ordnance Survey maps this is an entrance to the 'disused Nattrass's Level' however, up to now, I haven't been able to find any further references to this mine.



NATTRASS'S LEVEL

Continuing beyond the cart track and following the burn towards Haresby Lonnin and Joicey's Shaft cottage I am reminded of my own youthful days. I have so many memories of times spent alongside the mysterious tea coloured Honeycrook Burn - so unlike the streams I knew on the south side of the river where the Carrsburn, Crossley and Langley Burns, sparkle as clear as crystal - and its history and landscape have always been a joy and a fascination for me, so much so that I named one of my own houses at West Rattenraw, 'Honeycrook'.

It is here, in the soft grassy clearings, among the tall and erect Scots Pine and the Norway Spruce with their pendulous cones hanging like bunches of rust coloured bananas, where I enjoyed many a happy weekend picnic in my younger days with the John Martin Street 'gang'; leaving our permanent 'camp' in the village to walk to 'Joicey's Shaft' to visit an unexplored northern wilderness far beyond the 'Tofts' horizon.

I also explored every hill and hollow of this countryside with Duncan Gurney, a

good friend until we lost touch in 1953. Older Haydonians will remember Duncan living with his father and mother, brother and two sisters at nearby New Alston.

I've joined the rest of the Peewit Patrol in this natural adventure playground, on their '1st Haydon Bridge Scouts' forays, and have accompanied Mr. Coombes and the Shaftoe Trust School Nature Club here on many an educational ramble.

If you can avoid the walkers, the young lads exploring, the Scouts and the naturalists, it's not a bad place to do your courting either!!

One word of caution. Much of the Honeycrook dene has been unchanged for centuries and it is on private land. If you do visit, please treat the area with respect.

I will continue my visit to the site of the 19c Langley Barony Lead Mines, in next month's issue.

### JOE WORTHINGTON 1940—2008

To cry for one's youth is in most respects pointless I suppose, but forgive me if I shed a tear for the happy times I spent with Joe.

I remember so well when Joe first came to Haydon Bridge as a cheery and lithesome young boy and immediately brightened up our lives.

If the memories of my teenage years and early twenties were written, Joe would stride with enthusiasm and determination through every chapter.

Okay, we cannot turn the clock back and re-live our younger days, but the memories left behind by Joe will be with me forever and I know, along with the many many more who knew and respected him and shared his life, at work, socially, as an inspiration in local football, and as a devoted family man, there will only ever be one Joe 'Bass'.

Joe died on Wednesday 2nd January 2008. One more friend gone, with whom shared memories of an earlier age could be recalled with laughter and knowing glances.

Our thoughts are with Joe's wife Pat and their family at this sad time.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Sunderland. December 2007.

Dear Editors,

Please find my subscription enclosed for the Haydon News 2008. I have found the 'News most interesting, particularly the Historical Notes. I was born (6 Station Cottages) and brought up in Haydon Bridge until I went to college. I visited my parents at 21 Strother Close frequently until my mother (Kitty Thompson) died in 1989.

Yours sincerely, Alan Thompson.

Hexham. December 2007.

Dear Editors,

Please find our subscription enclosed for Haydon News. Thank you for another great year.

Sincerely, Audrey Carey.

### WELL ALIGHT

Mrs. Carey's letter reminds me of an incident that may have been more appropriately revealed in my December 2007 Historical Notes, on Chesterwood.

Unfortunately, especially for one so keen to retain our historic heritage, when I lived in Chesterwood Farm House in the late 1970's the combination of a chip pan and burning fat in the kitchen on April 19th 1978, almost succeeded in damaging the walls of one of our historic buildings. Were it not for my wife Betty's quick action in the face of flames and extensive billowing smoke, and a four minute response by the Haydon Bridge Fire Brigade, damage to the ancient structure may have been substantial. As it was, a bit of elbow grease and a few tins of Lloyd Brown's white emulsion (or was it Billy Cooper's?) returned the blackened rooms to as good as new.

My own response to the fire that early April evening was delayed somewhat as I drove with some urgency from West Rattenraw where I was building walls. (And still am!)
Once onto Heugh House Lane, with the bells of the fire engine clearly

audible ahead of me, I was brought to a sudden halt as Grace Wilkinson stepped from the grass verge in front of my car and three cows scattered, sliding and skittering across the tarmac in the wake of Leading Fireman Alan Ord's attempts to break the sound barrier in the appliance.

"Dennis!" Grace beseeched me. "Help me get my cows off the road!" "Sorry Grace. I cannot stop. I'm in a desperate hurry there's a fire at Chesterwood."

"I know. That's why these cows are running wild. The fire engine you know!"

I couldn't persuade Grace that my case was more urgent than hers, so while Alan Ord, Eric Armstrong, Alec Sim, Tommy Clark and Dennis Bradley ensured the future of our historic building and the safety of my wife and family, I was railing in Grace's 'wild' animals.

Mr. and Mrs. Carey were our very good near neighbours at Chesterwood and it was no surprise that they handed us a gift, following our trauma in the farmhouse kitchen.

It was a source of some amusement however, when the gift was unwrapped. A fire extinguisher!!

Incidentally, this was not the first fire at Chesterwood to involve the Telford family, according to the historical observations of Haydon Bridge's William Lee, published in 1876. On July 24th 1829, Haydon Bridge was visited by a tremendous thunderstorm during which, 'lightning entered the chimney of a cottage at Chesterwood occupied by Mr. James Telford, setting fire to the bedclothes in which a child was sleeping. The mother seemed paralysed and was unable to move. The father sprung from his seat and snatched the little one from the very jaws of death. It also struck a massive oak seat which was erected outside the house, tearing it into atoms. The oldest inhabitant could never remember witnessing such a thunderstorm.'

Of more interest to me than you perhaps, but James was my great, great grandfather's brother; a farmer and cartwright and overseer at Chesterwood. His wife was Isabella (nee Temperley) and the child was probably Isabella, one of James' seven children.

### NOVEMBER'S LYRIC COMPETITION

There were no entries received for this competition.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Brentwood, Essex. December 2007.

Dear Editors,

The Haydon News, and I mean every word of it, is a great fillip to me here in Essex. And that is putting it mildly!

I know you will remember when I travelled to Haydon Bridge and called on an old school friend of mine at South View, Elizabeth Fitzgerald (nee Veitch). I've given up driving such distances now but I have kept in contact with Elizabeth since that day and I was able to call to see her at the Lowgate Care Home last July, I have just phoned her before Christmas and the Allendale Gift Shop kindly delivered a small gift to her on Thursday.

Elizabeth and I are the last remaining members of that 1920 to 1930 class of Shaftoe Trust school children.

Thank you again so much for the Haydon News,

Sincerely, R.H. Veitch. (Maybe one of the longest living Haydonians?)

Thank you to all who have passed on their kind remarks and renewed their Haydon News subscriptions for 2008. Ed's.

### "THANKS SUE"

Clifford, Angela and Trevor Corbett wish to thank Sue and her staff at the Railway Hotel for the very kind gesture in providing a complimentary Christmas lunch for the over 60's.

Sue served over 40 lunches and I'm sure that everyone who enjoyed the day will echo the Corbett family's appreciation.

### TOP OF THE WORLD

The most perilous terrain. Mile upon mile of huge blocks of ice heaped together, to be surmounted pulling two home made sledges containing all the supplies for an unbelievably hazardous two month journey.

Hundreds of miles of vast, moving ice fields stretching way beyond a grey, inhospitable horizon.

No visible landmarks, the route into the unknown to be navigated with only a compass bearing.

The 1,000 m deep Arctic Ocean and its forever changing moods and 'leads' between ice flows, to be traversed. Inches from death as the ice breaks underfoot and the intrepid explorers slide up to the neck in the freezing ocean

Blizzards, week long 'white-outs' and temperatures of minus 45 degrees. Frost bitten fingers and toes and a permanent threat of hungry polar hears

Trekking 17 hours a day without breaks, then sleeping fitfully for 7 hours to awake having floated 3 miles back towards the starting point.

There were moments of humour however.

A diet of modified dog food. Underpants re-designed for head and face cover.

The consistency of butter used as a temperature gauge.

The difficulties in dealing with natural bodily functions. With a warning that, "You never leave your flies open in temperatures of minus 45 degrees!"

And all this for pleasure? And personal satisfaction. Certainly a holiday with a difference.

Conrad Dickinson took the Nature Club members on a memorable 500 mile, 53 day unsupported journey from Ward Hunt Island in Canada to the North Pole. The destination is reachable only during a short period. Start the journey too early and face dangerously low temperatures. Attempt it too late and the melting Arctic ice cap makes the trek impossible.

After commencing in 24 hour darkness on March 5th 2006, on the first polar trek to be done in snow shoes alone, and completing the trek in a record time on 27th April, Conrad and his colleague Richard Webber, placed the Union Jack and their 'Northgate' sponsor's logo on the top of the world.



Haydon Bridge Nature Club meets every other Thursday, in the warmth of the Haydon Bridge Methodist Chapel.

New members are welcome.

Conrad Dickinson

# HAYDON BRIDGE NATURE CLUB 2008

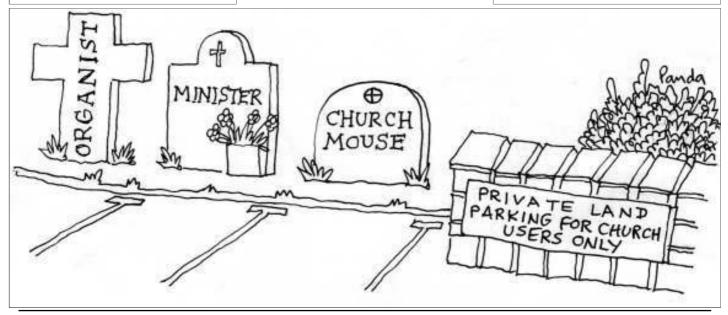
**7th February:** Trevor Bridges. 'Images of Northumbria.'

AND: Annual General Meeting. Annual Subcription £10 Non-members £2 each meeting.

**21st February:** Steve Hewitt. 'Insects.'

**6th March:** Graham Bell. 'Siberian Dream. — To find nesting Ross's Gulls.'

7.15 p.m. In the Methodist Church every other THURSDAY Coffee/tea and biscuits provided



### HAYDON BRIDGE BYPASS UPDATE

In spite of the winter weather, work continues on the Langley (Cemetery) Road. The concrete deck to the bridge has been cast since our last issue. Project Manager Andrew Harding expects that the Langley Road will be open to traffic from Easter 2008 and this will enable further work to take place at the east end of the bypass, and



eventually a 'tie-in' at the junction with the A686, at which stage the A686 will be closed temporarily.

Traffic lights are now in operation at the west end of the bypass and eventually the main A69 will be diverted onto the new West Rattenraw junction for a while. Traffic management will continue at this junction in one form or another until June 2008 at the earliest, by which time it is expected that the west end tie-in will be well underway.

On the north bank of the river at West Rattenraw, the concrete pile cap for the west abutment of the South Tyne viaduct has been cast, and within the cofferdams in the river the aero dynamic (lozenge) concrete piers are under construction; the contractors having been granted permission to continue with the work, albeit under strict environmental conditions.

Earthworks are now substantially complete except for the embankment at East Land Ends.

Finally, we offer our best wishes for a speedy recovery to CVC Works Manager John Batey, who sustained serious injuries during an incident at Haydon Bridge in December.



### TYNEDALE SPORTS COUNCIL AWARDS

A total of 15 trophies were presented at the Sports Council Awards on December 3rd by Newcastle United footballer Steven Taylor, and we are delighted that Haydon Bridge residents were among the winners.

The Ian Turner Trophy for youth team of the year was won by Tynedale Harriers' under 13 boys cross country team. The team were overall winners of the North East Harrier League, won the North East Counties Championship in Sunderland, were runners-up in the North of England Championships at Manchester and finished in the top 10 of the English Championships.

Congratulations to the under 13 boys team, shown in our photograph and published in the Haydon News with the kind permission of the Hexham Courant.

From left to right: **Simeon Greenwood** of Hexham. **Dan Parker** of Haltwhistle (Dan's father is a signalman at Haydon Bridge). Steven Taylor. **Kieran Robley**, Haydon Bridge and **Josh Brown**, Haydon Bridge.

# HAYDON BRIDGE CRICKET CLUB 2007

1st XI Batting Averages (League)				
Name	In- nings	Runs	High score	Av.
R.N. Hines	12	292	68	29.20
I. Watson	11	255	73	23.18
G. Pigg	16	171	38	17.10
R. Gibson	15	212	74	14.13
B. Ray	11	154	27	14.00
N. Kendrew	12	165	43	13.75
R. Stephen-	14	98	23	8.91

2nd X	I Battir	ıg Avera	ges (Le	eague)
M. Jackson	11	193	59	21.44
J. Lambert	10	136	35	19.43
W.G. Liddle	11	201	53	18.27
S. Elliott	11	103	26	11.44

son

Name	Overs	Runs	Wkts	Av.
R. Stephen- son	145	479	27	17.74
R. Gibson	50.3	186	10	18.60
N. Kendrew	41.4	190	10	19.00
L. Scudamore	95	369	12	30.75

1st XI Bowling Averages (League)

2nd XI	Bowlin	g Aver	ages (L	eague)
J. Kirkup	54	108	20	5.40
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### THE FRIENDS OF HAYDON BRIDGE

The Annual General Meeting of The Friends Of Haydon Bridge took place in the Community Centre on Monday January 21st. 2008.

### Chairman's Report

The committee met once every two months during the year, to oversee the activities of the Friends Of Haydon Bridge

The focus of the Friends Of Haydon Bridge continues to be the publication of The Haydon News. 980 copies were printed, collated and delivered free each month (10 issues during the year, excluding January and September). A limited number of spare copies are left at J & M Clarke, Newsagents; for those who do not receive direct delivery of The Haydon News.

During 2007, subscriptions/donations were received from 125 members of the public including 21 who made anonymous donations. This does not include the valuable contributions made via the collection box in J&M Clarke, Newsagents. Publication of The Haydon News is reliant upon these subscriptions/donations, along with our advertisers' income. Thank you all!

Normally 20/22 pages, on four occasions during 2007 The Haydon News comprised 24 pages (the maximum number we can produce using our present equipment). Our May issue included the Haydon Bridge Local Artists' Summer Exhibition entry form supplement, and in December we included the Haydonian Social Club 'What's On' supplement.

The regular features in The Haydon News included: Editorial Comment, Parish Council Notes, Historical Notes, Dr. Steve Ford, Church Pages, local group meetings/events/ projects, monthly crossword, Sylvia's Poets' Corner, Correspondence, reports of individual achievement and issues of interest and concern within the parish. We are also pleased to have been able to include a monthly cartoon by 'Panda' during the year; which generally takes a wry look at issues confronting/affecting the parish. We continue to report on the progress of the Haydon Bridge Bypass (the official start was April 5<sup>th</sup> 2007) as a result of regular meetings with Andrew Harding of CVC Solutions; the Project Manager of the work. Regular updates have also included activities of the Parish Plan committee and its sub groups, the Haydon Bridge Flood Group and the Tyne Valley Rail User Group. We are grateful to Mrs. Jean Tait and Christopher and David Coombes for allowing us to publish the work of the late Bill Tait and Charlie Coombes.

Thanks are also due to the Hexham Courant and particularly Steven Brown, for providing access to and occasional use of their press photographs.

I thank all those who have contributed to our magazine during the year and hope that they continue to do so in 2008. I also hope that we can persuade others, including perhaps our Haydon Bridge Community High School and Shaftoe Trust First School, to join our list of contributors next year.

An exciting initiative in 2007 was the development of our Haydon News web site (<a href="www.haydon-news.co.uk">www.haydon-news.co.uk</a>). The Haydon News is now available on-line and an archive of back issues is included. Thank you to all who have advised on and supported this initiative – we will continue to develop the web site links during 2008.

In 2007, on behalf of the Friends of Haydon Bridge, Storey Hall laid a remembrance wreath at the village monument on November 11<sup>th</sup> and during the year The Friends of Haydon Bridge has undertaken its Community Association responsibilities.

Finally but perhaps most importantly, thank you to those volunteers who deliver The Haydon News to your doors, to John and Maureen Clarke who provide a central location for The Haydon News contributions etc., and to the committee members who oversee the activities of the Friends of Haydon Bridge.

Dennis Telford Chairman.



Take a good look at our railway crossing gates, a feature of our village for so many years. We are about to get something new. More efficient and up to date. Mmmm! So was the bridge at Plankey Mill!! (see November 2007 HN)

### HAYDON BRIDGE CRICKET CLUB



HAYDON BRIDGE CRICKET CLUB IS ACTIVELY SEEKING TO RECRUIT NEW PLAYERS FOR THE 2008 SEASON AND BEYOND

> IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN BECOMING THE NEW 'FREDDIE FLINTOFF'

> > PLEASE CONTACT GRAEME PIGG 01434 688079 or MIKE JACKSON 01434 688518

### DR. STEVE FORD'S PAGE

### AN EVENTFUL FEW WEEKS

### What's it all about?

My Goodness! It's been hectic.

In case you've just returned from somewhere remote I'll briefly recap.

In the 1990s Northumberland was one of the best run and most innovative counties with respect to health.

Since when, over a number of years, the Care Trust (aka Head Office, Northumberland) has been making a complete backside out of running its own affairs with the result that it has amassed a vast deficit, claimed to be in the low teens of millions of pounds. Independent estimates range up to fifty million pounds.

For reason's which have not yet been discovered it decided that this year was when it had to be all put straight again and it had to be done NOW!

Proposals were announced, without even the pretence of consultation, to withdraw large sums of money from all and sundry – hospitals and GPs. When the arithmetic was done and when the whole plan was viewed against the background of government policy (privatisation by the back door) everybody had conniptions.

There were adverts in the press, hot letters to editors, fulminations on radio and TV, urgent meetings, threats of legal action, dark mutterings about corruption in high places and all the other elements of a good going major controversy.

There were questions in the House of Commons and the House of Lords, email traffic reached previously unscaled heights, petitions were started, questions outnumbered answers and all the while numerous back channels were glowing with activity.

Eventually a sort of peace offering was made by the Care Trust and rejected forthwith.

What had been a thundering tumult redoubled in size, some home truths were voiced into receptive ears and a Judicial Review in the Administrative High Court in London was threatened.

Meanwhile, out of sight, quiet diplomacy had been taking place and a new proposal was hatched. This proposal, the current one, has some promising features and is at present being buffed and polished. It involves smaller reductions in financial losses and the opportunity to bring some work from hospitals back into the community where we can do it better, quicker, cheaper and more conveniently for patients. There may also be a 1.5% inflation adjustment upwards.

Confusing, ain't it.

A number of points can be drawn from this tale.

The Care Trust made the mess, all by itself, but insist that the patients pay for it. Odd that. Nobody's been sacked – yet, either.

The Strategic Health Authority (the next layer up) and the Department of Health are both swimming in surplus cash at present and yet both maintain the bizarre fiction that the Care Trust cannot be bailed out. To judge by a recent letter in the Courant I suspect this is going to be challenged.

The Care Trust employed some very dubious 'facts' in its presentation of its case. For example, the claimed 88.1 GPs per 100,000 population is really 58.8 when you take the trouble to count them – the UK average lies between the two figures.

The threat that all of this activity poses to general practice is real – there is no shroud waving happening here. The whole thing is entirely consistent with Government's general policy thrust towards NHS privatisation.

Northumberland may be the test bed.

Patient power works! When mobilised patients can exert a decisive influence. I wish to offer my most grateful thanks to all of those who have signed petitions, written letters, sent emails and otherwise shown solidarity – we are all in this together and we need to stick together.

We are not out of the woods yet. As I said on TV – the Care Trust has to prove that it cares and that it can be trusted. It has a long way to go. The

contractual arrangements are so prodigiously complex that an attempt to double cross seems almost certain (to me) – we'll find out over the next few years.

During these events I have sent a couple of letters to the Courant that were quoted but not printed.

We ain't dead yet and there is still all to play for.

There is a 10 Downing Street epetition site on <a href="http://petitions.pm.gov.uk/">http://petitions.pm.gov.uk/</a>
NorthumberlandGP/

Please add your names to this if possible. The written petitions are going to be collected together from all over the county and presented as one – possibly to the door of Number 10.

As and when there is any more news to tell we will bring it to you. Ask any questions you like and we will try to answer them.

Rural patients can and must demand equal access to equal quality primary care. We do not want any more services disappearing from villages and small towns.

### Reasons to take your own pulse.

At a recent meeting that I attended it was pointed out that far too few people in the UK have pacemakers fitted compared with other advanced countries.

From soon after conception to death everybody's heart beats continuously – obviously. It is a startlingly reliable piece of kit despite all it has to put up with.

Inevitably, sometimes problems arise that lead to irregular pulse, missed beats, extra beats, fluttering instead of beating, the top and bottom chambers acting independently and a host of other oddities. These things happen much more often that most people realise.

Common causes of people coming to see the doctor include: 'queer dos', feeling a bit funny, dizziness, light-headedness, falls, faints, breathlessness, tight chest and being 'absolutely b\*\*\*\*\*d'. There's loads of diagnostic possibilities with these symptoms but the first thing to do is to check the pulse.

If you know where to put a finger, the pulse can be felt almost everywhere on and in the body. Usually it is checked at the wrist – simple and uncontroversial. Look at your wrist now – the palm side. Just where your thumb meets your wrist there is a bony knobble – put your other index finger tip half an inch further in than the knobble and half an inch away from the hand and there it is – the radial artery.

If at first you cannot feel a pulse – DON'T PANIC! Press a little more firmly or a little more lightly. Move your finger tip a quarter inch in every direction and try again.

Whilst watching a watch or clock with a second hand, count the number of beats in a minute. Top class athletes may have a pulse of forty or less. Most people have a pulse in the sixty to eighty range. Emotion (fear, anger) may increase pulse rate. Exercise, even of the slightest kind, increases pulse rate. If you are really observant you may notice that the pulse rate increases as you breathe in and slows as you breathe out – very slightly.

Next notice the rhythm. Is it regular, like the ticking of a clock? Are there missing beats – if so how many and how often? Are there extra beats – how many and how often? Is your pulse completely irregular – no obvious regular rhythm at all?

If your heart is not keeping time properly then it is no surprise that you may feel less than well and, almost certainly, something can be done about it

Make a note of all your observations and come and have a talk about the situation

A pacemaker is a small electrical gadget that is put under the skin below the collarbone – usually. It watches the heart beat continuously for years and makes corrections automatically when things go astray. Simple, effective and safe.

### A lesson from Ancient Greece

Eubalus was a famous Greek playwright from the 4<sup>th</sup> century BC. Three fragments from one of his plays survive and from these we can read his advice about alcohol consumption.

Wine was consumed, up to 75% diluted, when men gathered for a symposium – a formal opportunity for discussion and conversation. The amount to be consumed was often decided before the event and the

diluted wine measured in Kraters – a bowl of unknown dimensions but sufficient for distribution between fifteen to thirty men.

Eubalus describes the effects thus:

One is for good health, which they drink first.

Two is for love and pleasure. Three is for sleep, and when they have drunk it those who are wise wander homewards.

The fourth is no longer ours but belongs to arrogance.
The fifth leads to shouting.
The sixth to a drunken revel.
The seventh to black eyes.
The eighth to a summons.
The ninth to bile.
The tenth to madness, in that it makes people throw things.

We've all been there at one time or another. You'd have thought that more than two thousand years later the message would have begun to sink in.

Cheers!

Steve Ford

### **Langley WI December 2007**

Langley WI's December meeting saw Mr Robson of Fentimans telling members the history of the company he runs. He regaled us with tales of the factory in Bensham which was owned by the maternal side of his family, of the mills used to crush the ginger and herbs used in the brewed botanical beverages. He told how he had a Saturday job delivering the stone jars door to door. Sadly the company closed in the 1960's due to the influence of supermarkets and the arrival of plastic bottles which did not suit the product.

After a varied career Mr Robson began to consider restarting the company in 1984 but it took another decade before this actually happened. This was partially due to the fact that none of the recipes for the drinks had been documented. After consulting his grandmother and uncle Joe recipes were devised, however a chemist had to be consulted due to EEC regulations and the need to display use by dates. After many ups and downs the company Fentimans is going from strength to

strength, with many new opportunities opening up worldwide.

The bottles still have 'brewed botanically' embossed on them and Mr Robson was kind enough to leave samples for members to enjoy, these included Cola, Ginger Beer, Victorian Lemonade, Shandy and Dandelion and Burdock.

Over a pleasant supper provided by committee members some members remembered the stone jars which Mr Robson had been telling us about. An enjoyable evening was had by all. Next meeting 8<sup>th</sup> January 2008 with the subject of "Coast to Coast".

### **Langley WI January**

Veronica and Eddie Yarwood gave a fantastic talk about their coast to coast walk including all the preparations beforehand. They explained how they trained by completing small local walks such as the John Martin Trail whilst testing out different types of boots and socks also carrying backpacks. After organising bed and breakfast accommodation along the route and making arrangements with

the charity Apostleship of the Sea to maintain contact along the walk, the Yarwoods set off from St Bees on the 13<sup>th</sup> April 2007.

Between them they kept their audience enthralled with stories of the bed and breakfast places and the people they met on the walk. When they finally reached Robin Hood's Bay they had to dip their feet in the sea in order to receive their certificate and badge for completing the walk

A month after completing the walk they took part in a presentation on Holy Island where the charity presented them with a plaque. The charity had made daily contact throughout the walk and had maintained the Yarwoods daily blog on the internet. After this inspiring talk the competition for a coaster was won by Muriel with Shona coming second. Arrangements were also made for a night out at Langley Castle later in January.

**Cathy Duffy** 

# February's Meeting Peter's Bakery All welcome

### CHURCHES WORKING TOGETHER

### **CHURCH PAGE**

### **CLERGY MESSAGE**

From

Les Hann

Dear Friends,

It often seems to be dark and damp at this time of the year and perhaps a little dreary, but then February does have a bright spot in it for some. The fourteenth of the month is St. Valentine's Day.

A day for giving and receiving cards for those who are young or young at heart or just feel inclined to. Some will place adverts in the newspapers of undying love.

Some are genuine signs of love and affection others are sent to tease.

St. Valentine was a priest or Bishop who was martyred during the time of the emperor Claudius, about 269 A.D.

The traditional association of courtship and the choosing of a valentine with the fourteenth of February doesn't seem to have anything to do with this early Christian martyr.

But just think of it a special day for love! Do we have to wait for such an excuse to declare our undying love?

St. Valentine was martyred because of his love for God, and for declaring God's undying love for us.

A special day for love? .....Love makes every day special.

### Les Hann

### **FEBUARY 2008**



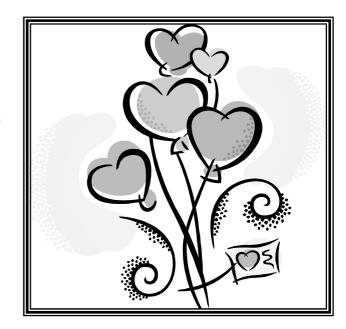
### WHO AND WHERE

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

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

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

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



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# METHODIST CHURCH SERVICES

### 3 February

10.00 am Morning Worship Valerie Anthony 6.00pm Communion Les Hann

### 10 February

10.00 am Family Service Les Hann 6.00pm Evening Service Ray Best

### 17 February

10.00am Morning Worship Brenda Mearns 6.00 pm Evening Service Gilbert Hall

### 24 February

10.00am Morning Worship David Applegarth 6.00 pm Evening Service Leo Pyle

### 2 March

10.00am Family ServiceMark Knowles6.00 pm Evening ServiceLes Hann

# BELTINGHAM/HENSHAW CHURCH SERVICES

### 3 February Beltingham

10 am BCP Communion

### 10 February

10.30 Joint Service at HaydonBridge

### 17 February

Henshaw

10.00am Morning Prayer

### 24 February Beltingham

10.00am Joint Service

### 2 March Henshaw

10 am Family Communion for Mothering Sunday

### HAYDON OLD CHURCH SERVICES

Next service is Evensong 4th May at 4 pm

# ST. JOHN OF BEVERLEY CHURCH SERVICES.

### Mass each Sunday

9.30am Haydon Bridge 11.00am at Haltwhistle

### Mass on weekdays

(except Mondays) 10.00am St John's or Haltwhistle

# ST CUTHBERT'S CHURCH SERVICES

### 3 February

10.30am All Age Service

### 10 February

8 am BCP Communion 10.30 Joint Service

### 17 February

10.30 Communion

### 24 February

10 am Service at Beltingham

### 2 March

10.30 am Morning Prayer For Mothering Sunday

# Confirmation Service at Saint Cuthbert's Church, Haydon Bridge

There will be a confirmation service on Sunday 13th April at 10.30 am. Bishop Martin Wharton will be taking the confirmation. If anyone, young or old, wishes to be confirmed could they contact the Vicar on 684307 to arrange appropriate preparation sessions during Lent

Ash Wednesday 6th February 2008

10 am St John's - Mass and Imposition of Ashes

7.30 pm Communion for the beginning of Lent

# NOTICE Saint Cuthbert's Church Hall is no longer available for private hire. The Parochial Church Council will be discussing their options regarding the future of the building.

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the district council nor the parish council could override this ruling.

A question was asked about repairs to the church yard wall behind the chemists shop. The council are to enquire about who is responsible.

A complaint was made about the grassed lane between the East Land Ends Road and the river, next to the Old Tan Yard, being blocked by a vehicle. The council was informed that the situation had existed since the beginning of the year and that the lane was used regularly by the public for access to the river. The council said that it could not become involved in what was disputed access but that residents should approach NCC Highways if they wished to request a public right of way status along the lane. They were also advised to contact The Ramblers Association for advice on how to proceed.

### **Council Meeting**

9 councillors were present.

### **Tynedale Council Matters**

Councillors were informed of a meeting about the new 'Belonging Communities' to confirm the groupings of parishes and to discuss how the 'Belonging Communities' are to be formed. At present there seems to be some confusion as to whether or not they will be elected, just made up of nominated representatives or a mix of the two. The function of the 'Belonging Communities is also likely to get an airing as no one appears to know just what powers they will have and what power will remain with, or be devolved to, Parish Councils. The meeting is to take place in February. At least three representatives from Haydon Council are to attend. Councillors were also informed that there will be no parish council elections until 2013 so, barring retirement/ resignations/other departures from the council, the present councillors will remain in post until then. Councillors have not been consulted about this issue.

### Highways

Although the clerk had received an agreement from the bypass construction team to move the sign from the end of Martins Close it is still in place and presenting a hazard to drivers emerging from Martins Close, as their view eastwards is obscured.

NCC Highways are to replace the section of missing rail from the safety barrier on Shaftoe St.

The sign at Langley crossroads is to be re sited.

NCC are to provide an additional light on the Old Bridge during the year if funding is available.

### **Planning Applications**

Construction of a two storey side extension and conservatory to the rear at The Barn, North Bank.

No objections were raised.

Submission from Bellway and Home Housing regarding the Showfield site. This was not a planning application but an outline of proposals for an affordable/social housing development of 40 units at the Showfield. No one from either Bellway or Home Housing was available to attend the meeting to discuss the proposals.

A new affordable housing survey is to be undertaken in April this year to ascertain the level of demand for affordable housing in Haydon Bridge. The council felt that the proposals for housing should be postponed until after the survey especially as there are housing developments already in preparation or about to commence in the village.

### Correspondence

In a reply to a letter sent by the council expressing concern about the proposals for GP services in Northumberland, the council was informed that the new proposals should not result in the closure of practices, particularly in rural areas. The council was assured that the health trust recognise the problems faced by the rural nature of the area covered by many GP Practices and that this was likely to lead to an increase in investment.

The council has received notice that the railway crossing on Church Street will be closed for night time work on February 9th-11th; February 16th-18th and February 23rd-25th. This is to enable work to be done for installation of the new barriers.

The Air force are to give a presentation to the council in March regarding low flying.

### Village Projects

A short presentation was given on the progress made with the Parish Plan. (See page 14 for report on the Parish Plan)

Agreement has been reached to extend the period of the library lease to 20years. This will mean that the help with improvements to the library and set up costs. The council is required to meet the cost of making this change to the lease.

An initial meeting has taken place between High School students and two councillors to discuss future participation of the High School in the council.

Interviews are to be held to appoint a new cemetery maintenance worker. 16 applications have been received for the post.

Arrangements are to be made to repair the corner wall on Ratcliffe Rd near the Co op.

It was suggested that 'Reminiscence Boxes' be installed in the library. This would enable people with memories of the village to record them for posterity.

The council received a letter of thanks regarding the public conveniences on John Martin Street. The writer was delighted to find that the toilets were open on Christmas Day . The council wish to pass the letter on to the person responsible for maintaining and opening the toilets but no one knows who this is. Can you help? If so call the Parish Clerk. Telephone number is given on page 3.

Next meeting February 27th. 7.30pm MP

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Dear Sir,

Village Design Statement—Article in the December Edition of the Haydon News.

I was intrigued by the reference to 'Making it more difficult for businesses to close'

Are we considering forcing unprofitable business to continue to trade just so that we can make occasional purchases from them? Coercion is surely an unrealistic approach. The only sure way to keep shops open in small rural communities is to use them daily.

Yours (Name and address supplied)

# THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

COLLECTION TOTAL FOR 2007 WAS £543.10

Many thanks to all who contributed



### HAYDON PARISH PLAN UPDATE AND INVITATION

### What we have been doing

Since the last update in October the Parish Plan Group has:

- Held a second public meeting with local businesses
- Had a public meeting with a number of the sports clubs in the Parish
- Held a public consultation day for the Village Design Statement see the feature in the Parish Plan on this and PLEASE COMPLETE THE QUESTIONNAIRE THAT HAS BEEN CIRCULATED WITH THIS EDITION OF THE HAYDON NEWS
- Visited and talked with the High School
- Held a Public Meeting with Community Groups in the Parish
- Met with Tynedale Council
- And more......

# Public Consultation on the draft Parish Plan

We are now working towards having the plan completed by the end of March and are planning a public exhibition and evening meeting on the draft plan.

### Come and give us YOUR views about the proposals in the draft plan

# Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March

**Exhibition 10am to 4pm** 

Public Meeting 7.30 - 9pm - followed by wine and nibbles!

# THIS IS <u>YOUR</u> PARISH AND <u>YOUR</u> FUTURE PUT THE DATE IN YOUR DIARY

### HAYDON BRIDGE DANCE CLUB

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### **VICTIM SUPPORT**

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> 01670822334 (Bedlington office)

### THE MEETING PLACE

at THE METHODIST CHURCH

Come and Join your friends for Coffee and Refreshments on Tuesdays and Thursdays 10am - 12 noon FAX facilities

Warm welcome to all

### **HAYDON BRIDGE UNITED** ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL CLUB

**HBUAFC** hold their monthly meeting on the first **Thursday** of every month at 7.30pm in the Lounge of the Railway Hotel where representatives of every football team in the village are invited to attend.

This meeting is also open to members of the public.

### **NOTICES**

### HAYDON & ALLEN VALLEYS **MEDICAL PRACTICE**

(Haydon Bridge Health Centre)

8.00am to 12.00 noon Monday to Friday:

2.00pm to 6.00pm

8.00am to 11.00am Doctors consult from:

3.00pm to last appointment at

5.30pm

All phone calls for appointments and visits, including 'out of hours': 01 434 684 216

All phone calls for dispensing or prescriptions:01434 688351 E-mail address: Admin@GP-A84045.NHS.UK

### MUSIC AND MOVEMENT

Calling all parents/carers! Did you know that there is a Music and Movement group running in Haydon Bridge?

We meet at the Methodist Church on Friday afternoons (1.10pm and 1.50pm) during term time.

This is a fun get-together for parents/carers and pre-school children alike which involves singing, instrument playing and movement with coffee and orange juice served afterwards.

### WEST TYNEDALE JUNIOR RUGBY CLUB

FOR BOYS AND GIRLS AGE 6yrs-11yrs

TAG/CONTACT RUGBY

MEET AT HAYDON BRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL ON SUNDAYS 10.30am-12.00noon

CONTACT SUE BELL 688534. ALL WELCOME.

### HAYDON BRIDGE JUDO CLUB.

Keep Fit, Have Fun! Young and Old welcome. On Tuesdays at Haydon Bridge High School Juniors: 6pm - 7pm Seniors: 7pm - 9pm BJA Qualified Coaches

Contact Michael on: 01 434 684 783

### WHIST DRIVES Langley Village Hall

Fortnightly on Saturdays at 7pm.

50p entrance (Everyone welcome)

### HAYDON PARISH PLAN VILLAGE DESIGN STATEMENT QUESTIONNAIRE

Attached to the back of this edition of the Haydon News is a questionnaire. It is about how you would like to see Haydon Bridge develop over the next 5 to 10 years. The questionnaire is based on a series of statements mostly drawn from the ideas and comments made by members of the public at a Village Design Consultation and Display session last November.

In the questionnaire **YOU** are asked if you agree or disagree with each of the statements.

There are no right or wrong answers. The Parish Plan team want your views and comments.

In February a Village Design Statement will be written based on the views expressed in the questionnaire.

The purpose of a Village Design Statement is to give guidance on design and environmental issues to ensure our village is not spoiled by ill considered and unsympathetic development. It is NOT about whether development should take place. That is the job of the District Council's Local Plan.

It is about how planned development should be carried out so that it is in harmony with its setting and contributes to the conservation and enhancement of the local environment.

A Village Design Statement is aimed at those wishing to build, modify or extend property in the Parish of Haydon.

Once adopted as Supplementary Planning Guidance by the Local Planning Authority the Village Design Statement assists the authority in determining planning applications. It also gives designers and developers positive guidance on the preparation of proposals which will be more acceptable to the local community.

However, it is more likely to be adopted as Supplementary Planning Guidance if it can be shown to represent the views of the majority of people in the parish.

PLEASE COMPLETE THE QUESTIONNAIRE AND RETURN IT. WE NEED TO KNOW YOUR VIEWS

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report May 2005)Report can be

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# HAYDON BRIDGE PLAYGROUP AND TINY TOTS.

### TINY TOTS from Birth upwards

Tiny Tots sessions run on Thursday mornings, from 9.15 to 11.15 at **Haydon Bridge Fire Station**. These sessions are for parents and carers of young children and provide an opportunity for a coffee & chat, whilst the children play. **Cost:**£1.50 per family and includes a drink & biscuit.

### PLAYGROUP - From 2 years

Playgroup runs on Monday and Friday mornings from 9.15 to 11.15 at Haydon Bridge Fire Station

The sessions give children a chance to learn through play and to experience lots of different activities. Playgroup is lead by a fully qualified Playgroup Leader & assistant(s). Cost per session is £5.

Haydon Bridge Playgroup is a member of the Pre-School Learning Alliance

For more information on the above sessions or an informal chat please contact Kathryn McHarg on Tel; 01434 688718

### **LOGS FOR SALE.**

Soft and hard wood Free delivery in Haydon Bridge

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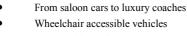
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### **ACROSS**

- 1. Artificer resigned perhaps.(8)
- 5. Impress a good man with blaster.(5)
- 10. Had a swell time before saying farewell.(4,5)
- 11. A passage in cinema is lengthy.(5)
- 12. Tendency to change the diet.(4)
- 13. Appreciate what is beneath the stage.
- 15. Overtook and drank up.(6)
- 16. Film to mark and encounter.(8)
- 18. Climbs a mountain in the driver's compartment of the French vehicle.
  - (5,3)
- 20. Acquire a boat in trouble.(6)
- 24. A true star went round the pole to find a place to eat.(10)
- 25. Encourage to beat up.(4)
- 27. Plead in trial I bickered about.(5)
- 28. Carnivorous warder.(9)
- 29. Silly in a needless way.(5)
- 30. Let a ring be essential.(8)

### **SOLUTIONS TO DECEMBER'S** CROSSWORD. (28)

**DOWN** 

1. Gaped

2. Eccentric

3. Triathlon

6. Regal

7. Melba

8. Nosteratu

13. Trimmings

15. Table wine

16. Run rabbit

20. Lowly

21. Ozone

23. Stein

4. Alimentary Canal

5. Longframlington

### ACROSS.

- 1. Great Wall
- 6. Roman 9. Puccini
- 10. Niggles
- 11. Donat
- 12. Exfoliate
- 13. Tvrol
- 14. Trattoria
- 17. In control
- 18. Bantu
- 19. Mallorcan
- 22. Evans 24. Newborn
- 25. Trimble 26. Style
- 27. Long Eaton

- 1. Type of clock, so appreciate it Mr Jolson.(7)
- 2. Arose and left one waiting.(5,2)
- 3. Travel to Newcastle and be no longer present.(4)
- 4. Genie and knight combine to form motor.(6)
- 6. Record and scan around the clan.
- 7. Cosmetic found in Thelma's caravan bedroom.(7)
- 8. Good man had spasm for time in prison.(7)
- 9. Aggravate and miss the French.(6)

- 14. Alliance freed Ian to confuse.(10)
- 17. Capital mixture of Sodium, Iridium, Oxygen and Bismuth.(7)
- 18. Food that could be killer.(6)
- 19. Graduates into stronghold.(7)
- 21. I barter to bewilder the judge.(7)
- 22. Indigenous number at the river.(7)
- 23. Detain a doctor.(6)
- 26. Nothing more than a lake.(4)

### **NUMBER OF ENTRIES** 8 (All correct)

THIS MONTH'S WINNER **Mary Jo Fleming** 

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Entries in by FRIDAY, 23RD FEBRUARY 2008

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