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The Chairman of Haydon Bridge Parish Council

I would be grateful if the Parish Council will clarify for me, and the public, the legal status of sections of the A69 (and other roads) which have become redundant, as public highways, as a result of motorway development.

For many years the A69 between Haydon Bridge and Hexham has been a Public Highway for vehicles and pedestrians and, as such was maintained out of public funds.

Within recent years sections of the original A69 road and I have in mind particularly the section from Haydon Spa through the "Bush Bends" but the principle is of wider application.

As these now redundant sectors have for many years been regularly used by public traffic and pedestrians and maintained by public funds, should they not now be officially classified and recognised as Public Rights of Way?

If so, will the Parish Council take whatever action it feels appropriate to effect removal of "Private Keep Out" notices and paddlocked gates which at the present time, deny the public across to these routes. As a secondary consideration, what is the status of the trees which have been planted, presumably by the Highways Authority at public expense, on land which now seems to be privately enclosed? In other words, where exactly does the private boundary lie in this section and does the public have a Right of Way along the old A69 road?

R High

Havdon Bridge Old Cemetery

I write in reply to Mrs J Brown of Church Street Haydon Bridge, her letter in the last issue of the Haydon News, regarding the old cemetery. I am happy to learn from Mrs Brown's letter that she agrees, and admits it would be nice to have the old cemetery cleaned up.

Why then does she take me to task, unnecessarily - over a couple of triviol matters, when the main point in my original letter was that the general condition of the cemetery leaves much to be desired, as it is now the winter season, the bracken and weeds have died down, but will, no doubt, grow again with renewed vigor come the spring. Mrs Brown refers to twenty graves attended to by caring relatives, I suggest she takes another walk around the old cemetery again. When she will find less than she makes out - her comments regarding my own relatives graves are totally unwarranted, I would like to make it clear to Mrs Brown that the move to clean up the old cemetery was in hand long before the current round of :

public spending cuts, and had the full support of the Haydon Parish Council, it appears highly inconsistant, hat other cemeteries in the Village are attended to, while the old one is abandoned.

Mrs D Thompson Temple House Haydon Bridge

Over 60's Club

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A Happy New Year to the Councillor on the Committee for the over 60's. Thanks for your charming thought for my Christmas. I have been a member of the over 60's club for 14 years now and yet I am treated like I have only been a member for the past 2 years - like some new member I have not been blessed with goodwill. I have not been to the club through a death and through ill health. Once we had someone to call to see us in the 's and now there is not even a Christmas card - not even from the school where I have always been to the dinners.

So, I say she will make a good bedfellow for Mrs Thatcher.

Mrs G B Swainston

Best Kept Village - Judges Report

The judges recognised thas Haydon Bridge has the disadvantage of having the A69 running though the middle of it, and commented that despite this Haydon Bridge managed to maintain a generally tidy appearance. The side streets were quite and pleasant, but there was a litter problem particularly around the shops.

The judges were full of praise for the upkeep of the churches both inside and out. The school and fire station were also found to be in good, mart condition.

The judges felt that the appearance of some of the shops was marred by the number of advertisements/special offers, etc. in the windows. Over all, however, they felt that the standard of the town was reasonably high.

Car Sharing

From 6th October 1980 nearly all restrictions on sharing cars and contributing towards the cost of journeys are removed.

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You may tell people that you are making an occasional or regular run and offer to take passengers in return for a payment which you say specify if you wish. You may do this as an individual, or W.I. or church or other group can arrange a regular rota with a booking system. You may not only tell your friends or workmates or members but also tell the public by advertising in any way you like. No permissions are needed from anybody (except maybe your firm if it's the firm's car).

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The rules for taxis and private hire cars are different. Provided that the vehicle has no more than eight passenger seats, and individual or group (not the driver or owner) may advertise a sharing arrangement at a workplace or club or church or in a members! magazine. No permissions are needed from anybody.

However, if the individual or group wants to advertise an arrangement using a taxi or hire car to the public, permission must be obtained from the County Council which will consider whether the arrangement is designed to meet the social and welfare needs of the community. This opens up the possibility of arranging occasional or regular runs by a commercial operator where these will not conflict with existing public services.

Parish Clerk

The Community Association

The Community Association wishes to thank the following for efforts they have organised to raise funds for the community centre.

- 1. Mrs H Watson £130 from sale of Christmas cards.
- 2. The Badminton Club (Tuesday) £100 proceeds of a dance.
- 3. The Dance Club £40 from a jumble sale.

None of the above was asked to provide money. Their efforts arose from a spontaneous desire to help. Other organisations use the Community Centre. There is hardly a day in the month when it is not in use. I should like to point out the hiring charges and perhaps a snall donatjon at the annual sale do not by themselves provide enough cash to run the centre. Efforts like the above do and leave something over for all the other necessary things which need to be done.

Hon. Csembesary

Council Meeting

Present Chairman - Mr Bates, Secretary - Mrs Knight
Mrs Porteous, Mr Wardle, Mr Tait, Mr Dryden, Mr Rumney, Mr Duncan
Public Participation

The siting of the telephone box was brought up and it was stated that it was hidden from view from the road, nor did these appear to be a sign post for it. The Council agreed that it was a cause for concern but that it would probably cost about £500 to the Council to resite it and the GPO had made it impossible to do so. There was probably no possibility of maving it but maybe a good sign could be put up.

The Minutes were agreed and passed.

The footpath in Church Street was being investigated and repairs would be carried out.

mere was a letter about the cleaning of the statue in Church Street in which a firm had offered to clean it and would demonstrate their method on part of it first.

There was a letter from the Friends of Haydon Bridge which said that, they could manage without financial assistance but, were glad to hear that an applecation for a grant would be received, synpathetically.

A query was raised abour Grindon School which was an a delapidated condition.

<u>Highways</u>. A question was put as to whether the level crossing was finished because it was as bad as ever. It was suggested that it would not be completed for 2 years. A discussion took place on tts condition both for traffic and pedestrians. The Council agreed to make a representation about it.

) surveyor was to look at the roadside near the Derwent Cross. There seemed to be a danger of traffic running off the road and also the stream running over. There was a similar problem at Brockenheugh. A surveyor would also be asked to look at that.

The footpath from 25 Langley Gardens to the road was very bad in wet weather.

<u>Library</u>. This was now coming monthly. The approach from Langley Gardens was dangerous in the dark as there was no light. The light previously there had been broken and had been taken down. The Council agreed to ask for the light to be put back.

Finance. The accounts were discussed. The balance at the bank should be £80 by the end of March and hee balance at Tynedale £689. A penny rate should see the Council through unless anything unforward cropped up but would leave nothing in reserve. A discussion took place about whether the penny rate would be sufficient. This would give resources of about £2000 with its present balance. It was pointed out that fractions of a penny

were not approved so the Council had to keep it at a penny or ask for two pence. It was agreed to ask for a two penny rate to avoid the possibility of having to borrow to meet obligations.

Any other business. The picnic site on the North side was in need of maintainance, the Church hedge was overgrown, there were pot holes in the road and grass. It was agreed to ask Tynedale to do the work.

Age Concern. were asking for a grant. It transpired that Age Concern did work in the Village, helped with the day centre and meals on wheels. A £50 grant was agreed.

Haydon Bridge Over Sixties Club

The club had it's Christmas dinner on Wednesday 10th. It was a most enjoyable evening. The main course of Roast Beef, was provided by our resident. The rest of the meal came out of club funds. We were waited on by eight young wives from the Village. Each member received one pound from club funds, if they had put in six meetings during the twelve months We also had a grand bonus of two pounds each from the Railway Hotel. Roy and Helen and all their patrons work very hard all the year round to fill the bottle which stands on the counter this year when our Treasurer and I emptied the bottle there was £200 in it.

Thanks to everyone who helped in any way. We would welcome any new members to join our club. I would like to thank the school Task Force and wish them well in all their efforts in 1981, we were given a donation of £100 which has gone into the club funds for next year.

Haydon Bridge Day Centre

We now have twenty members on our register, it is going very well, I would like to take this opportunity to wish all our voluntary helpers and transport drivers a happy and healthy 1981 and thank them all very much for all the help they have given me through the last twelve months. January 29th we will have been running for one year. It has been alot of hard work for the workers but alot of pleasure for the members. We ended this year with a grand Christmas dinner which we cooked on the premises. A big thank you to Neville our butcher, Helen from the Railway, Mrs Gillespie, Mrs Drydon, Mr Robley, Mrs P Dalton, Mrs C Wardle. people provided the food for the meal. The important people in the kitchen were Mrs Stewart, Mrs Turnbull, Mrs C Black, Mrs E Halkere. Thank you very much ladies, and anyone I may have missed out. After dinner we had a visit from Santa and every member got a present, then we were entertained for an hour by the children from the Shaftoe School, it was really lovely. My thanks to Mr Hogg and all the teachers for coming to the old people. After tea the transport was waiting to take them all home.

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I almost forgot to thank Mr S Gilchrist for moving the tables, and Mr J Wardle and helpers for putting up the decorations, and Mr T Bates for the Christmas Tree. On the 29th January we are having a special tea with a birthday cake made by Mrs E Dodd. You are welcome to come in for a cup of tea.

Mary Porteous Organiser

W I Report

Haydon Bridge held their Christmas party when members sat down to a traditional Christmas Fare, made by the Committee.Mrs V Reed cut the Christmas cake which was made by Mrs Betty Oliver. A competition for a table decoration was won by Mrs Ethel Routledge. Miss Doriss Lowdon won the Silver Cup for the most points over the year entertainment was by the den Vale Concert Party from Carlisle. Miss D Lowdon gave the vote of thanks. All members received a Christmas gift.

F M Turnbull 21 Ratcliffe Road Haydon Bridge

Christian Mens! Fellowship

The year ended on a high note with an excellent slide show from Mr Ralph Curry. Followed on December 16th with our annual Christmas supper. Thanks to Mrs Todd and Mrs Ken Smith whose efforts every year are appreciated. We had an excellent meal.

We now go forward to 1981 with fresh hopes and new ideas, and to start with on January 13th we have the Rev G Lister as our guest speaker. January 27th is our ladies night, when ladies are invited to join us for an evening entertainment commencing at 7.15.

We are delighted to welcome the return of Mr Drew Brown and welcome Mr John Corbett. There is, however, plenty of room for new members and any who would like to rejoin. So come along on January 13th at 7.30 pm in the Methodist Church Hall, Church Street. You will find a good welcome and interesting entertainment.

Thank you all and Best Wishes for 1981.

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10th December 1805

Thomas Graham, a tallow chandler of Haydon Bridge, was found dead on the Lowgate Road: he had been thrown from his horse. A strange dog with him at the time followed his body to Haydon Bridge and later to the Old Church where the man was interred. He was 42 years of age.

<u>Haydon Bridge Methodist Church</u> 1981

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January	4th	10.45	am	Rev H Rushworth Covenant Service
		6.00	pm	United Carol Service in Parish Church
	7th	.2.30	pm	Women's Own Speaker - Mr A Duncan
	1.11th	10.45	am	Rev H Rushworth Family Service
		6.00	pm	Rev A Beniams
	13th 	7.30	pm	Mens Fellowship Speaker - Rev Glynn Lister
	18th	10.45	am	Rev Glynn Lister
		6.00	pm	Rev H Rushworth
0)	21st	2.30	pm	Women's Own Speaker - Mr A G Bell
·	25th	10.45	am	Rev Peter Wrigtt
		6.00	pm	United Service in United Reformed Church
•	27th	7.30	pm	Mens Fellowship Ladies Night
	31st	10.00 11.00		Women's Own Coffee Morning
<u>February</u>			·	
	lst	10.45	am	Mr T G Hindsley
		6.00	pm	Rev H Rushworth Family Service
	8th	6.30	pm	PLEASE NOTE THE TIME
O) *				Circuit Service at Trinity Church Hexham Special visit of Rev Kenneth Greet.
	·· 、 ·			(President of the Methodist Conference)

Haydon Bridge Nature Club.

Meetings for 1981

8th January - A G M followed by Ben Lawers and it's Flowers talk by Mr Coombes

22nd January - Northumbrian Castles by Mr Lan Nelson

5th February - Slides; Bird Life by Mr Lyall Grey

19th February - School Biology; projects and changes by Mr J Bowes

5th March =-Northumbrian Birds by Mr Brian Little

19th March - Living Creatures in Freshwater Lakes by Mr T T Macan

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A message to all of our readers. Next year, 1981, we are hoping to have some new ideas to publish in the Haydon News. Things such as cookery tips and extra things in our swap shop feature. We also hope to have some special features although we are not sure what these will be as yet. Haydon News will be published on a monthly basis just as it has been done since July 1980. You may remember that we only published our magazine once every two months previous to July 1980. Perhaps some of you ladies would like to share your economy tips with other people. If so, perhaps you could write to our Editor before each deadline and it will be published for you. We are hoping to have some more people who have things for sale to advertise them in the Haydon News and perhaps if you require any certain article you could also ask via the Haydon News. Why not give it a try? If you have any special events which you plan to hold in the village the Haydon News will be glad to let people know for you and this would

help things to go perhaps that little bit better. Well, it just leaves

The Editor

Please don't forget that our deadline is Sunday 25th January!

us to wish everyone a very Happy New Year for 1981.



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In accordance with our resolve to make the appearance of the Haydon News as interesting as possible you may have noticed that we have a new heading on the front page. The (amateur) artist has asked if there is anyone who could give a reasonably accurate description of the device - we would describe it as: Bend over fess, Bridge covering dexter chief, Dexter flank and middle cheif; church covering sinister flank, sinister base and middle base in argent. Any comments on the precision of this description would be most welcome.

Haydon Bridge Silver Band - A Progress Report

The Trustees of the Band are delighted to be able to report that prospects for our Band now look very much more encouraging than they did six months ago.

Thanks to Patrons, raffles and increased money collected at Band functions, the financial state of the Band is much more secure. This is not to say that we shall not remain heavily dependant on financial support from the public in the future, perhaps even more than in the past as the numbers of new players and potential players increases but we have the satisfaction of knowing that money donated to the Band is not going to "flog a dead horse" but will be used for the positive purpose of providing young players with the tuition, instruments, music etc, the "tools of the trade," that will help them to develope their talents.

The initial response to night classes in "Brass Instrument Tuition" at Haydor Bridge High School was most encouraging, almost overwhelming in fact, up to 33 young people attending a showing interest in joining. Apart from the administrative problems involved with arranging small enough classes to be handled by the tutors, who have other commitments to be dovetailed into their timetables, we have a problem of ensuring that all pupils will have an instrument and "tutorial" programme that they can use for practice at home. It will take a little time to solve all these problems and we would ask pupils and parents to be patient meanwhile. We are determined that these problems can and will be solved.

So, what might the future hold?

If all this enthusiasm from the young, support from the public and tutorial expertise can be maintained and developed, a Haydon Bridge Youth Brass Band to support and supplement the thriving Haydon Bridge Silver Band would not seem an impossible goal!

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The Trustees Highfield, Haydon Bridge 457

'Haydon Bridge Cricket Club

The Club was formed in 1897, and for the first few years played on the old show field before moving to their present ground, Haydon Park. During their long history they have had many talented players. Two periods stand out in my memory, 1920 - 24, and 1950 - 55. It is the former period that I intend to write about.

At that time I was still a schoolboy, but I can still recall with nostalgia the players of that time. There were batsmen such as Frank Thompson, Tom Horsfall, Willie Pittar, Stan Armstrong, Willie Clemitson, Haydyn Walton, Howard Deveroux, and Paul Gibb, whose son Paul went on to play for Yorkshire, Essex, and England as a wicket-keeper batsman.

There were two very fine fast bowlers, Willie Cooper and Willie Thompson, and they were well supported by Frank Thompson (spin) and Haydyn Walton (mediun-fast).

ong other players at that time were Dr Routedge and the vicar the Rev W H Ainger. The doctor who was quite a useful batsmen was prone to shuffling across his stumps, and was frequently given out leg before the wicket, and then the doctor's comments on umpires were both fruity and interesting. The vicar, who in his younger days had played top class club cricket, although now nearing the end of cricket career, was still a powerful hitter who scored most of his runs by hitting boundaries.

As he said "it helped to save the old legs."

Alan Moffat (still at school) forced his way into this powerful batting side. He was a beautiful stroke player, and was doing very well until he sustained a serious injury, which shattered his confidence and although he resumed playing after a long absence, he never recovered his old form. One of the great characters was Bob Wood, a retired station master. He was a leen supporter and seldom missed a match, home or away.

Bob was a short, stocky man with a bushy white beard, and always wore a bowler hat, and a long frock coat. He always carried a rolled umbrella. Bob was the central figure in the funniest incident that I have ever seen on a cricket field.

Haydon Bridge were playing Clara Vale at Haydon Park. It was late in the season and both teams were running neck and neck for the league champion-ship. Clara Vale had a wicket-keeper called Pomeroy - probably the best in the league at that time. He crouched right over the stumps, and he moved like lightning. There had been several complaints from opposing sides that he flicked the bails off when the ball had just missed the wicket, and that batsmen had been given out as bowled. He was so quick that he foxed many umpires. Haydon Bridge lost the match by a few runs, but many of the spectators thought that Pomeroy had "Done" two of the Haydon batsmen. When the last Haydon wicket fell, and the players started to leave the field, an infuriated Bob Wood dashed on to the field and laid

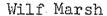
into Pomeroy with his umbrella. Poor Pomeroy made a Gash for the safety of the pavillion with old Bob in hot pursuit!

In thos days the grass was cut by a mower pulled by a pony. The pony was kept in an adjoining field and the groundsman had to go and bring it to the mower.

At one period we had a pony (aptly named Satan), who led the grounds an a merry dance. Satan would let the groundsman get within a few yards of him then gallop off to another part of the field. This would go on for half and hour or more, before Satan would let himself be caught. Occasionally the groundsman would lose his temper and let forth a stream of colourful language! We youngsters learned alot of new words.

Happy days - Happy memories.

I hope to write more about players and incidents of later years in a future issue of the "Haydon News".



Haydon Bridge Scout Group

We had our yearly meeting in November last year and had a very poor turn out of parents, infact only six parents turned up out of fifty nine scouts and cubs in the groups.

Mr Jones was unable to carry on as treasurer, but we all thank him very much for the time he has given to the scouts which was all voluntary, like everything else that has to do with the group. John Dixon for years has travelled from Prudhoe and never tables any expenses, not forgetting that he gives up some of his annual holidays to take the scouts away in the summer. Raymond Henderson often pays for things for the group, he also paid for the sign writing on the mini bus, one person we must not forget s Jeffery Dixon he doesn't give pounds, he gives hundreds. One year, so the scouts could go on summer holiday he bought a van, we had no transport at the time and the holiday would have been cancelled but for his kindness, he often gives fifty pounds towards weekend camping so scouts only pay a minimum fee, so with people as generous as this, we as parents must try and make an extra special effort this year with fund raising. future se hope to hold display in the comminity centre showing what the group can do, as we are one of the best scouts groups in Northumberland I hope parents will come and see their sons in action, there will be coffee and biscuits provided. You will be notified of the date later. Our new treasurer is Mrs E Charlton and secretary is Mrs R Irwin, so I hope we can keep Mrs Charlton busy running to the bank with all the money we must try and raise if we want to keep the mini bus running which I understand the group alot of pleasure from.

We must also thank very sincerely the senior citizens of Haydon Bridge not only do they give to our stalls, they faithfully support us, I feel sure

at times if it hadn't been for the senior citizens some of our coffee nights and Christmas Fayre would have been a complete disaster. Noping for more support from parents in the coming year, and thanking everyone who has supported us over the years.

Joyce Brown Fund Raising Committee

Letters

It would be nice to establish a Philatelic Club in Haydon Bridge.

It's an nice and interesting hobby for all ages. It would be nice that members or interested people could meet from time to time to discuss, exchange, sell or buy or exhibit their stamps among themselves. (say once a week)

game and I am quite sure that there are players in Haydon Bridge who would like a game from time to time. If there are people who don't know how to play but who would like to know how, this could be an opportunity to learn.

These are only suggestions - but it's worth trying.

(would the sender of this letter please notify the Editor of his/her and address)

The War Memorial

The Parish Council have been discussing over the past few months, the possibility of having the War Memorial cleaned at a cost of £300. With understandable caution they have asked the firm who sent the Quotation to clean one of the plaques behind the statue and this has been done.

the face of it, it seems to be a straightforward issue but the more you go into it the less straightforward it becomes.

Bronze is seldom seen in its natural colour because most sculptors and foundries apply a patina to the bronze after it is cast and cleaned. I quote from a book on the subject, "A clean bronze exposed to the atmosphere is liable to tarnish with motley effects unless preserved. The glossy look of the lacquer, however, is not pleasing and gives a cheap appearance. It is also difficult to wipe off if the effect is not successful."

The patinas applied to bronze can vary from greens, through various browns to a deep blue black. These are achieved with the application of liquid solutions of chemicals or acids. The Haydon Bridge Memorial has achieved by natural means, a patina of its own. If it had become uniformally black or green perhaps nobody would have minded, its patches are probably what some people find offensive. However it is partly a matter of taste; I was discussing it with a sculptor who expressed the view that the years had given the statue a patina that many a sculptor might envy.

The few people I have discussed the matter with have expressed the view that the statue should either be left alone or given a good scrub once a year to remove surface dirt and that the £300 should be spent on something that is going to give a more predictable result. I would be happy to volunteer to do some of the work.

Pat Sharp.

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Letters or any contribution for inclusion in the Haydon News must include the senders name and address. This does not mean that the senders name will be published if anonymity is required.

The Editor

Recipes

This is a recipe which is definitely not for those of us who could lose a few pounds after Christmas!

Mix two heaped teaspoons of instant coffee with a little warn water until disolved. Make up to half-a-pint with cold water, and perhaps a drop of sherry for a special treat. Whisk half-a-pint of double cream until thick, and sweeten with one rounded teaspoonful of caster sugar. Next comes the messy bit! As quickly as you can, "Dunk" a ginger snap in the cold coffee until soaked, spread with cream, and repeat, making either a log-shape or a ring-shape of ginger snaps sandwiched together. Spread or pipe any surplus cream over the cake, sprinkle with grated chocolate, a cover and leave in the fridge for an hour before serving. Instructions on how to remove soggy ginger snaps from the kitchen floor will follow in a later issue!

Car Sharing

In the January issue of the Haydon News, there was an article by the Parish Clerk explaining the new regulations regarding car sharing. If you want to take advantage of the scheme why not advertise through the News whether for passengers or for a lift by sending the details of your journey to the Editor.

W I Report

The first meeting of the year was held at Haydon Bridge, when Mr Coombs gave a film show and a talk on the local country side. He was thanked by Mrs Norris. The competition for a village limerick was won by Mrs Heather Smith. Arrangements for an Evening Dinner. Hostesses for the evening were Mrs M Mahonney, Mrs E Halkere, Miss N Marshall and Mrs D Lowdon.

F M Turnbull

21 Ratcliffe Road Haydon Bridge

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February	Ten 4th Ten	2.30 pm	Women's Own Film by Mr and Mrs Robson (Catton)
•	8th	10.45 am	Rev H Rushworth (Family Service)
: :		6.30 pm	(Please note the time) Circuit Service at Trinity Church Hexham - Special visit of Rev Kenneth Greet (President of the Methodist Conference)
• •	10th	7.3° pm	Mens Fellowship
		10.45 am	Miss N Garbutt
		6.00 pm	Rev K Beardsley BA BD
	18th	2.30 pm	Women's Own Rev H Rushworth
	22nd	10.45 am	Rev H Rushworth (Sacrament)
~ `		6.00 pm	Mr A Duncan
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		6.00 pm	United Service in Parish Church
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Mens Fellowship

The New Year started off on a high note, with a visit from the Rev G Lister of Wylam. The daily life of the Vicar is often thought to be a quiet peaceful day with a busy Sunday - Not so. It appears that a Vicar works an average week of about 84 hours which doesn't leave much time for lesiure. Thank you Mr Lister.

) h January 27th, we had our "Ladies Night" with a large turn out. We are glad to have our friend from Allendale with us, including Bill Nixon now recovering from his illness.

We were entertained by Mr L Irwin from Haltwhistle with a film covering the Alston railway line from its opening days until its final close. A film well worth seeing, full of beautiful senery, monuments and other interesting items. It brought back memories to us all. What a pity that such a pleasant and enjoyable part of our heritage must now pass into the history book.

Next month we have meetings on February 10th and February 24th at the usual time of 7.30 pm in the Methodist Church Hall.

February 24th is a special night with a visit from Mrs Hilda Forster with slides on her recent visit to Israel, Lebannon.

There is still plenty of room in the Church Hall, so please come.

A Christian Act

Thank you Mr Fitzsimmons for clearing the snow from the Bungalows in Langley Gardens. Welcomed and appreciated by all. Thank you. A Duncan

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Film Show

Bill Tait's most recent film will be shown in Mid March. (more details in next months Haydon News).

Please don't forget that our deadline for the next issue is <u>Tuesday</u> <u>February 24th!</u>



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