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A debt of gratitude

The Friends of Haydon Bridge and anyone who enjoys reading the Haydon News owes a debt of gratitude to Keith Lees, the retiring Editor. Mr Lees took over the editorship of the Haydon News over a year ago and made a tremendous contribution towards it. He brought it out monthly instead of once every two months and he obtained the advertisements for the front and back pages which, with the generous support of local traders, effectively pays for paper etc. We also owe a debt of gratitude to Carol and Audrey Hill who did the typing: many people do not appreciate that these young ladies gave up their spare time to do the work, always under pressure to meet the deadline. Mr Lees has kindly undertaken to continue duplicating the Haydon News. We are lucky to have people who are willing to devote such a lot of time to providing a service to the community.

Being Editor is a pretty thankless job. If mistakes are made, as they are in all publications, people are quick to criticise but are rather slower in coming forward to offer praise when things go well.

Please help our new Editor, Mr Chris Bulman, as much as possible.

Pat Sharp

Can Outward Bound help?

Any parent who worries about their child's future might be interested in a recently published 'policy statement' issued by the Outward Bound movement:-

"Outward Bound is open to all without regard to sex, social class, occupation, nationality, up to the limits of their physical and mental capacity, with special emphasis on the 16-20 age group.

It provides training through the mountains, the sea and other natural elements, and through social challenge as a means of personal development. It fosters the ideals and practice of effective citizenship in the setting of an active and supportive residential community. It uses direct, dramatic experience in new and unfamiliar surroundings to help those taking part to discover their strengths, to build their confidence, and to re-examine their ideals and values.

Outward Bound demands adaptability, self discipline, resourcefulness and endurance in the face of hardship, tedium or disinclination. It encourages the imagination and the sense of adventure, and fosters true appreciation and concern for the environment.

It lays emphasis on practical work in small groups with adequate time for reflection, discussion and critical appraisal."

In Haydon Bridge we have a fund, raised by local effort, to assist young people to obtain the benefit of an Outward Bound course but, sadly, it is little used.

I have seen the benefits of these courses in my own children and would be happy to supply any interested parent or youngster with further information.

Dr R High

Workers' Educational Association

Under the auspices of the WEA Mr Coombes will be running a course entitled 'Man and the landscape'. There will be 6 meetings commencing on Thursday 17 September at 7 15 pm, then 1 and 15 October, 5 and 19 November and 3 December, all at the Community Centre.

The total fee for the course is £3 60. Pre-enrolment is not necessary - just turn up at the first or second meeting and pay then.

Mr Coombes will concentrate his talks on the Haydon Bridge area but will include other parts of south Tynedale. Topics covered will include the origins of Haydon Bridge, deserted and shrunken villages, farming, mining and quarrying, bridges and 18th century road building, the King's survey of Langley Barony 1608 and the 17th century court rolls.

Royal Weddings Footnote

10 March 1863

This day the whole kingdom united in celebrating the marriage of HRH the Prince of Wales to HRH Princess Alexandra of Denmark. In Haydon Bridge the same enthusiasm was manifested. The Langley Band was engaged for the occasion and played around the village, followed by the children of the Haydon Bridge and Deanraw schools - each one wearing a medal. They were provided with tea and cake in the girls' schoolroom. There was also a display of fireworks in the evening.

Goings on at the Day Centre

My daughter, teasingly and irreverently, refers to the Day Centre as "Grannie's Play Group" which may not be far off the mark if the report is true that, when a search was mounted (?) for a member who had been missing for some while, the truant was found riding a borrowed bicycle around the vicarage grounds.

Year of the Disabled it may be but this seems ridiculous!!

Anon

Enterprising youth

Great sighs of relief were heard recently when two young lads, complete with barrow, ladders and buckets, came knocking at doors asking if they could clean the householders' windows. What surprised me was that they could see at 9 30 at night, but I am assured they made an excellent job and satisfied customers hope they will return.

PS I think they could do with L plates on their barrow though!

Buses and chips

No doubt we were informed but I didn't know the 9 10 bus is now the 8 40. Having waited for 20 minutes to be told there was no bus I shall certainly be more observant in future. It's probably just me because the next day off I went to the fish shop only to find they were on holiday - which of course I had read in the Hexham Courant the previous Friday.

Forgetful

Haydon Bridge Past

With the news and press full of stories of rioting and social unrest we probably consider ourselves lucky to live in the relatively quiet backwater of Haydon Bridge though perhaps this has not always been so for some of the former inhabitants.

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1422 John Parker hung at Haydon Bridge for felony.

1516 This year the streets of Haydon Bridge were desecrated with the murder of Matthew Harrisson by Robert Hutchinson, who stabbed him in the right breast with a lance staff. The murderer and his father fled to Durham for sanctuary.

1583 So wild and insecure was the country between Newcastle and Carlisle that the judges of assizes were escorted by an armed force for their protection through the area.

1619 A certain Lord Walden wrote that he could not persuade honest people to live in Tynedale because those already there were too lawless!

25 August A fire broke out in the dwelling house of Mr Thomas Forster, merchant of Haydon Bridge, which burnt with such fierceness that in a short time it consumed five houses. Two days after the fire Forster, having been suspected as the incendiary, was found in an outhouse, near the Old Sun, with his throat cut.

9 March A serious riot took place in Hexham between people opposed to the balloting for the militia. After the death of Ensign Hart and a private the magistrate ordered the militia to fire on the mob. 50 were killed and 300 badly wounded: one man from Haydon Bridge (west quarter) Nicholas Forster, was killed and William Lamb suffered a fracture of the right leg.

The good old days?

St Cuthbert's Seal Club will meet again on 17 September at 7 30 pm in the Church hall. The speaker is to be Dr Singh who is a sikh. He will talk about his religion. All are welcome to come to this meeting. (Please bring a small contribution for supper.)

Shaftoe Trust first school PTA held a very successful dance on 3 July in in the school hall. Over 140 tickets were sold and a profit in excess of £250 was made. One of the raffle prizes, a silver bracelet, was made by Mrs Lesley Philp. Music for the evening was by Sue and the Danjolaurs.

Mugs!

The children of the first school received commemorative mugs of the royal wedding which were provided by the Shaftoe Trust and the PTA.

The Mother and Toddler Group run by Mrs Hogg which is held in the Community Centre will re-start on 9 September. The group which meets at 9 30 am to 11 30 am Wednesdays and Fridays charges 30p for children under 2 and 35p for children over 2. Parents are reminded that they should be members of the community centre as the group has use of the rooms free of charge.

Slimming in Haydon Bridge

The Silhouette Slimming Club is starting classes on 9 September in St Cuthbert's Church Hall at 7 30 pm. The membership fee is £2.10 and the weekly class fee is £1.15.

Day Centre, Haydon Bridge

The members of the Day Centre would like to say thank you to the children of Langley Gardens who held a jumble sale. Last year they made 65p. This year there has been a great improvement - the sum of £4 55½ was raised. The fund raiser's leading lights are Stephany Alder and Tracy Newman. Keep it up children - the committee and organisers are very grateful to you. The two leaders were invited to the day centre where they helped the old people to pull out and wind wool to knit for blankets. They enjoyed themselves so much they asked if they could come again.

The outing to Alnmouth was a great success; we had the weather in our favour and spent the afternoon in the sun and paddling. Thanks to all who came with us and helped.

Mary Porteus

The Over 60s have had two outings this year. One to Alnwick where we spent a pleasant day and the second to South Shields which was not so good as it rained all day; but we found the shops and that helped to fill in the time. We returned via the Tyne Tunnel which was an experience for some of us.

On 9 September we are holding a Pie and Pea Supper, followed by a session of Mr and Mrs. It will be an open night - visitors welcome, 40p a ticket.

M Porteus

School Boarding Wings

Arising from Government cuts in education and in order to rationalize the existing boarding provision, the boarding wing at Bank House will cease to be used as such from September 1981. Haydon Bridge High School pupils who require boarding education will in future be accommodated in Haydon Lodge (5 day boarders) and at Ridley Hall.

The next council meeting will be 24 September 1981.

Children's International Summer Village 1981

"The power of love is stronger than the love of power" - a maxim of CISV well illustrated at Haydon Bridge recently where the 21st Children's International Summer Village was held for the 4th successive year at the High School.

The roll call included visitors from Costa Rica, Martinique, South Korea, Turkey, Norway, Luxembourg, the United States and trouble-torn Lebanon. Representing Britain were a group from Leeds; the host staff were co-directors Jennie Watson and Dave King, and other North Easterners Mike Tait and Louise Spoors.

This year the "Village" has enjoyed good weather, and trips were made to Whitley Bay, the Roman Wall and Hexham where swimming was a real highlight.

The open day this year attracted many people to see the pageantry of costumes and dances, and to meet with the children in the informal atmosphere at the traditional summer fayre. This event was again strongly supported by local Round Tablers and other charity conscious organisations. The candy floss and Koncord Kastle attractions were both outstanding successes.

The children returned home having made many more friends than the 50 or so directly involved in the CISV. Though their aim of world peace through children may still be a long way from reality, one cannot help but reflect upon the words of the CISV song -

"Sow a seed and plant a tree, beneath whose branches there may be all the nations gathered free"

Dave King

Silver Band - Musical Evening

A concert will take place at the High School on Thursday 24 September at 7 15 pm. Entertainment will be given by Haydon Bridge Silver Band and a varied selection of other local talent. Light refreshments will be available. Tickets can be obtained from J Clarke's shop.

Adults	£1 50
Senior Citizens	£1 00
Children	£0 50

The Methodist Church invites you to the following meetings and services:-

Sept 2nd	2 30 pm	Women's Own Speaker - Mrs Brown (Hexham Library)
6th	10 45 am	Mr S Tippins BA BD (Wylam)
		Sunday School recommences after summer break
	6 30 pm	United Circuit Service in Trinity Church, Hexham (Transport available from outside chapel on Church St)
13th	10 45 am	Rev Wignall (New Superintendent Minister) Family service - all welcome
	6 00 pm	Mr Richard Hunter (Humshaugh)
16th	2 30 pm	Women's Own Speaker - Rev Wignall
20th	10 45 am	Mr Peter Waugh (Crawcrook)
	6 00 pm	Mr J F Hutchinson (Riding Mill)
27th	10 45 am	Rev G Forster BA
	6 00 pm	Rev Wignall - United Harvest Service in Reformed Church

Haydon Bridge County High School

Haydon Bridge Adult Association

Classes held under the auspices of the above association begin during the week commencing 21 September 1981. The main enrolment will be at the High School on Wednesday 9 September from 7-9 pm.

There are also classes run by Haydon Bridge Adult Association at Langley, Catton, Allendale, Humshaugh and Newbrough.

Since 1979 all non-vocational classes in the county have had to be self-supporting so it is vital that students enrol in large numbers - a minimum of 12 is needed to make a class financially viable. This year fees have increased only slightly, rather less than the rate of inflation, so it is more important than ever that we get a good enrolment.

The basic fee of £9 is for a term of 10 weeks - this may be increased to 12 weeks given a good overall enrolment. Details may be obtained from the official programme which has been distributed to shops, post-offices and libraries or from Mr Bennington at the High School - telephone HB 456 who would welcome suggestions for other classes either during the day or evening, which you feel may be supported.

Please support these classes which offer a social as well as an educational service. Enrol on the 9th or if this is inconvenient, use the postal enrolment form in the prospectus, or turn up at the first class.

Married couples £16.00 per term
Additional classes after the first £1.50
OAPs half of the full adult rate

Mr J Bennington

Parish Church Flower Festival

St Cuthbert's Parish Church is holding another Flower Festival this year - on Saturday 12th and Sunday 13th September. The Church will be open all day Saturday and on Sunday there will be services at 8 am - Holy Communion; 10 am - Morning Prayer and 6 pm - Evensong.

In the Church Hall there will be coffee served on Saturday from 10 till 12 noon and teas from 3 pm to 5 pm.

On Sunday there will be coffee after the 10 am service and teas in the afternoon from 3 pm to 5 pm.

Cake and Country Produce stalls will be well stocked for all our visitors.

Dance in aid of the Community Centre Fund

Harry Watson wishes to thank all the people who have helped and given prizes and donations towards the forthcoming dance in the High School at Haydon Bridge. The proceeds are to be given to the Haydon Bridge Community Centre fund, as stated in last month's Haydon News.

The tickets for the dance were in great demand and have all been sold, so it is with regret, that some may be unable to attend, as admission is by ticket only.

It is hoped that the amount of money raised can be published in next month's Haydon News.

Haydon Bridge Day Centre

You are invited to an open day on Thursday 3 September in the Church Hall. There will be coffee and biscuits in the morning, 20p, also a cake stall and a stall of goods made by members of the day centre. In the afternoon there will be home made teas, 35p.

Come and enjoy a day with the older generation.

The Women's Cancer Detection Society is a registered charity supported entirely by the people of the North of England for the benefit of the women of the North of England.

In April 1978 many people in the village supported the appeal made by the Newcastle Journal to provide equipment for this clinic so that women may have regular check ups. During the past 12 years over 40,000 women have attended the clinic and a large proportion of these, for one reason or another, are advised to pay an annual visit so that only a limited number of appointments are available each year for women going for the first time. There is a waiting list and women applying must be at least 40 years of age. They are asked to make a £10 donation towards the cost.

The appointments list for new attenders opens in September. Applications should be made giving your name, address and date of birth and your