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The problem of inconvenienced tourists was predicted as long ago as October 1974. An un-named contributor to the Parish Council notes in the Haydon Herald of that date wrote:

"There are I believe, three notices pointing in the direction of the present toilets, but still reports come in of people being lost in the middle of the bridge. They don't know which way to turn. So it is hoped to erect a fourth - at Todd's corner, or thereabouts. Then it will be possible to cross the old bridge, proceed along John Martin Street, and back across the new bridge to where you started from and still not find the toilets."

At least one person in the village can now say "I told you so", but that doesn't help the visitors does it?

Gina Richardson

A Modern Folk Song

(to be sung to a well known tune)

Oh dear, what can the matter be?
Three poor tourists wanted a lavatory,
They looked round from Monday to Saturday,
No-body knew where they were.

First down the North Bank there came a fine walker,
Dressed for the part in a natty deer-stalker.
He prided himself that he was a good talker
But that didn't help him get there.

Oh dear ... etc

Next was a cyclist who came in from Allendale.
Gallantly battling through hail, rain and howling gale,
Following the signs till his face turned a deathly pale,
Not one explained to him where.

Oh dear ... etc

Lastly from Hexham there drew up a motor car.
Seeing a notice the driver said, "Look, Grandma.
You go, while we take a glass in the local bar."
What a distressing affair.

Oh dear, what can the matter be?
Three poor tourists seeking a lavatory,
Walking the bridges from Monday to Saturday,
Never discovering where.

Village Bard

A project for the future?

Recurring topics in our village are litter, unemployment, "the factories" and the needs of various village organisations for more money.

I wonder whether some progress to solving all these problems might not be found in a more vigorous approach to the recycling of waste.

Many places, both in this country and abroad, have found it profitable to collect glass, metallic waste (including milk bottle tops), metallic foil, tins etc and waste paper and by recycling these materials have reduced litter, provided employment, created profit and reduced incursions into natural resources. Many 'rag and bone' men have become wealthy by hard work and enterprise and, at a time when there is so much waste there should be rich pickings in this field if the enterprise was properly organised and the community played its part. At Fourstones we have a local paper mill with facilities for repulping and thereby recycling paper - and we all put out large quantities of paper, cardboard packing cases etc.

I am not sure of the technical problems involved in the recycling of glass bottles but I am sure that the supply is there and the same applies to metallic waste. It seems to me that what is required are collecting bins, that are correctly designed and suitably placed around the district so that they are easy to use by residents and can easily be emptied by collectors.

Are any of our factories capable of studying the problem and designing suitable 'bins', probably in concrete? Do we have anyone with the interest, energy and enterprise to see how glass and metals can be recycled and, if we cannot do it all ourselves, make contacts with people who can?

I think we have people with sufficient knowledge of the haulage business to organise the collection business.

Could a Haydon Bridge Recycling Company, perhaps with local residents and organisations as shareholders be a practical proposition?

Dr R High

Introducing ...

My name is Cat. At least, I think it is, because that's the noise The One That Feeds Me makes when my food appears. I live in a big cave at night, where there's a fiery red thing and it's cosy to lie beside it to sleep, and sometimes I cuddle up to the noisy Dark Creature who lives in my cave and shares my warmth. It tries to steal my food, but I don't mind, because The One gives me more to eat and scratches my head, which I like - then it makes a loud noise at the Dark Creature which hides in another part of the cave, so I get The One all to myself. The only time I get loud noises is when I fetch The One a present of a flying creature or a small furry one. It must be very pleased with me to make all that noise, but never keeps the gifts for long. I wonder why? When it is light and warm outside my night-cave I like to go to my other cave where those enormous smelly creatures live - I used to be afraid when they made the MOOnoise, but I can run faster than they can. It's nice and warm in there, lying in the stuff the creatures eat, and I have my work cut out watching the small brown furry things, which are very frightened of me. I usually can't be bothered to chase them, but every now and then I open one eye and LOOK at them and they all run away to hide. That's fun! The only thing I don't like is when outside the night-cave is wet-coming-from-the-sky, and I really don't understand why The One has given me another name for the wet-times; FILTHYCAT is a bit long to remember. It's nice being Cat, but hard work sometimes - I mean, fancy having to strain myself to eat when I could be sleeping all day!

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"How - Butcher!"

"Hey - Lizzie, wats that thing hingin there?" ... "What thing?" exclaims Lizzie as she swiftly and skilfully turns the teeth over to capture a morsel of ham that had escaped and hid under the plate at lunch time. "Wey that thing-hingin there ... the thing wi the blue leet hingin fra butcher's ceiling" says Meggie with eyes fixed in a puzzled gaze. "Bit nice ham that butcher keeps" says Lizzie as again she savours the lunch that is now but a memory.

"THE THING LIZZIE ... WHAT IST?" says Meggie, now with a sense of urgency in her voice. Lizzie, now attentive and leaning back in her boots, fixes her eyes on the ceiling ... "A divvent kna? Mebys sumut to keep butcher warm" ... "Divvent be daft woman, a butcher's shop hez to be cowled to keep the meat reet" says Meggie. Lizzie now with her curiosity aroused and eyes fixed upon this weird and wonderful object of Man's modernisation gives Meggie the nudge as in unison they step inside the shop to take up a more inconspicuous position beside the delicatessen where a better observation of the thing with the blue light could be had. "Good afternoon Lizzie" says butcher's wife "what will it be today?" ... "Oh - er - aye, er - a pennoth o ham" replies Lizzie. "Sorry luv" says butchers wife "but you can't buy anything for a penny any more" checking herself with a snigger and remembering woman and the Penny. "O aye, wey giz enough for mee tea" says Lizzie as both her and Meggie stand with hands clasped and a broad smile of contentment as the butcher's wife fixes the ham on the bacon slicer, sets the guage and proceeds to put the device in motion and mouth watering ham drops onto the paper. "By Meggie, a nivor tire o watching that clivor machine cut the meat. Can yer mind the forst time wur siyd yen Meggie" says Lizzie. "It was 1929 when owld Melvin gat yen for the store. He had it fixed on the coonta roond the winda to watch. By what a clivor afere. Can yer mind how owld Doodle and Joe Irwin wi his white horse Polly could hardly git past wi their horse and cart ta empty the netties that Munda mornin for the croods o folk in Shaftoe Street gazing into the winda, and little Matty in the front standing on his toes to see it working. By, wat a grand invention that bacon slicing machine was."

"HERE, MEGGIE, axe butcher what that thing is. Oooooo - listen - it's ganin crackle." "A think it's summik Meggie Thatcher's government uses to watch what wur spend. It's spyin on wur." "Oooooo Lizzie, listen - it's ganen crack ageen." "HOW BUTCHER - what's that thing wi the blue leet on yer ceiling, the thing that gans crac ... Er yes, (putting on a refined voice) hoo - hoo - hoo - er, good afternoon Doctor hew arrr yew?" "Oh jolly good, Elizabeth. How's the Pains?" "Is he away yit Meggie" says Lizzie as the doctor crosses the road to Clarke's. "Aye, ees away" "HOW BUTCHER - what's that thing wi the ... " "It's a fly catcher, Meggie, a fly catcher" says he as the smell of fresh baked bread drifts through from the back room as Lizzie turns the teeth over again at the thought of a bit crusty loaf and ham. "Er - yis, a fly catcher - where's the glue ... on that blue lit?" "There is no glue" says the butcher "it electrocutes the flies!" "NUW DI YER HEOR THAT MEGGIE, HEV YER IVOR HORD OWT AS DAFT. Ivory body knass yer catch flies wid a bit claggy paper yer hing fra a hook on the ceiling, howt butcher, an ower fly to be caught wid a story like that! Lecrocute them me backside." "It's true Lizzie" says butcher "I climb my step ladders every morning before I open shop and spread honey on the thing with the blue light and when the flies come for the honey - PSSSSST - CRACKLE - ELECTROCUTED - KNACKED.

"Hum, aye, yis - wey, that's progress Meggie" says Lizzie. "Not as gud as watching the bacon slicing machine in action." "O leuk butcher - there gans Sammy Smith into the Railway. Him playing that wind instrument in the bath reminds me a want some Radox. Gis a packet as weel as the ham." "How Meggie - where yer ganin nuw?" "Just popping into the chemist next door for me smoked bacon, then over ta Wiggy's for a pair of shoe laces" says Meggie. "Wey aye - then wull gan over the bridge ta Scudies garge" says Lizzie "tell me thuv started selin luvly cream cakes."

Owld Tawny

Coffee Evening

On SATURDAY 21 AUGUST at 6 pm a coffee evening will be held in the Community Centre, in aid of the Community Centre funds. Entrance fee will be 30p, which includes coffee.

There will be a stall with home made cakes, jams etc. Anyone wishing to contribute towards this stall, please contact the Watson family, who are running this venture with the help of friends. Telephone HB 214 or call at Watson's Garage, Shaftoe Street. Any gifts will be much appreciated. Come and have an enjoyable evening and make this venture a success.

Don't forget the SUPPER DANCE at the High School on 15 OCTOBER. Dancing 9 pm till 1 am. Music by Alex MacArthar and his Scottish Broadcasting Band. Book early and avoid disappointment. Limited number of tickets at £2.50, available at the above address.

Carnival

Well Readers, we can now give you the final figure for the money raised for the TORCH appeal on 5 June. The five ladies who ran the 4 marathon raised between them £210.67. That was a marvellous effort and brought the final total up to £736.77 which will be handed over to the TORCH Committee. Once again we the organisers thank everyone who helped in any way.

Mary Porteous

Council meeting Thursday 22 July 1982

There was no public participation.

Mr Bates, on behalf of the whole Council, thanked Mrs Knight for her services and wished her well in the future. He welcomed Mrs Swaddle who is the newly appointed clerk.

Library

The Charity Commissioners have told the Trustees of the Shaftoe Trust that Trust money must not be used to fund the village library. The decision was given over the telephone and a letter setting out the reasons in detail is to be sent to them. Because of the delays the Task Force intended to do the building alterations will have to be disbanded. The Trustees are hoping that there will be a way to comply with the terms as set out by the Commissioners and still provide assistance but the outlook is not hopeful.

Highways

A decision on what should be done to improve the safety on the A69 east of the village is still awaited from the Department of Transport. The signing on the western approach to the village is also being considered. Hordley Acres is being repaired, and the reflecting light at the top of the North Bank is to be replaced. A letter setting out suggested alternative routes while the Cupola Bridge is closed was read out and it was explained that the bridge by Ridley Hall had had to be repaired to exactly the original in order to obtain an EEC grant. The difficulty of large vehicles trying to cross it is to be alleviated by altering the angle of approach. The hedge and grass at the Langley Castle corner is to be cut. The subway under the railway has rotting woodwork at the ends - British Rail is to be notified.

Litter

Doubt was expressed at the assertion by Tynedale District Council that the regular sweeping schedule for Haydon Bridge is being maintained. The grassed area in Langley Gardens is to get attention shortly. The owner of the path by the Catholic Church is to be asked to clear the debris caused by it. It was reported that Mr Bowes made regular attempts to persuade the school children not to drop litter, but it is hoped that some additional attention by staff to areas prone to litter could be incorporated into work schedules.

Accounts

£18.25 is to be paid to NEEB for clock lighting and £22.36 to Rickerby for tools.

Annual Audit

PAYE forms are now required to be filled in for all employees of the Council. Receipts and invoices are now required for every item of expenditure. The auditor suggested that the cemetery fees were far too low and should be revised. Rev Beniams is to find out what fees Haltwhistle Council charges and make definite proposals to the next meeting.

Cemetery

The tap is still not functioning. Mr Bates is to investigate.

Stationery

New clerk's stationery - updated and amended - is to be ordered.

There is no meeting in August.

St John of Beverley Garden Fete

On behalf of Father Histon and the parishioners of St John of Beverley Church I would like to say thanks to the people who supported our garden fete on 26 June. We have a reputation of always having a fine and sunny day, but not this year. It rained all day, so we all packed into our small Church hall (stalls and people). I think it was great the way the people of the Village turned out on such a day. We made £416.00 and ended up with a very nice tea from the very hard working tea ladies.

Mary Porteous

The Methodist Church invites you to the following:

- 1 August 10 45 am Mr J H Bainbridge
 6 pm United Service in the Parish Church - Rev A Wignall
- 8 August 10 45 am Rev A Wignall
 6 pm United Service in the Methodist Church - Rev A Beniams
- 15 August 10 45 am Miss A Garbutt
 6 pm Mr R Dodds
- 22 August 10 45 am Mr J Graham
 6 pm Catton Mission Band
- 29 August 10 45 am Mr P Eavis
 6 pm Mr A Beattie

Over 60s and Day Centre News

The weather has not been too kind to me this year with my organizations. I took the Over 60s Club to Redcar on 12 June. It was raining when we left Haydon Bridge. We stopped at Sedgfield for coffee and it had cleared up a bit, but by the time we got to Redcar it was blowing a gale and the heavens had opened. The shops and cafes did well as we were dodging in and out of them until home time. We all enjoyed our day out but would have welcomed a bit of sunshine.

On 12 July we were lucky. I took the Day Centre members to Seahouses and the weather was perfect. After a very good lunch we went down to the harbour and sat in the sun all afternoon. We had a marvelous day's outing and I thank all the ladies who came to help. There were 31 of us altogether. We had a lovely tea and then got home for 7 o'clock.

I would like to take this opportunity to praise the children of Langley Gardens who for the last 3 years have been thinking of ways to help our old and disabled members of the Day Centre.

They held a Jumble Sale in a garage the first year and raised 65p. Last year it went up to nearly £4.00 and this year they brought me £5.07. Keep it up children and thank you.

I wonder if I can get any volunteers from the grown ups. We have got the chance of the use of a mini bus to bring the members to and from the Day Centre, but I need about 6 voluntary drivers. If there is anyone with some spare time and a clean licence please contact me.

Mary Porteous

Do you have anything you want to sell or swop or even just get rid of?
Put an ad in the News - there is no charge.

Is there anything about to happen that could do with some free publicity?
Or something that has already happened that needs a thank you.

U S E Y O U R N E W S

Haydon Bridge Cricket Club

On 12 July 1982 at Tynedale Cricket Ground Haydon Bridge won the Second Division Knockout Cup for the first time in 22 years in one of the most exciting finals seen for a long time.

Haltwhistle, the favourites, batted first and thanks to excellent fielding by the entire Haydon Bridge team were contained to a total of 89 runs off their 16 x 8 ball overs, despite sound batting by Michael Parker who finished with 46 not out. J Carruthers bowled well and finished with 4 for 42.

Haydon Bridge started their innings well and had 18 runs before the first wicket fell in the 5th over. The middle order batsmen kept up the run rate and a good stand between J Carruthers and J Irwin added 20 runs before Irwin was run out. When the 8th wicket fell and there were only 10 balls left 13 runs were needed for victory but hard hitting by D Liddle and E Corbett produced the required runs and by the last ball they needed 1 to draw and 2 to win. Dan Liddle hit the winning stroke to give Haydon Bridge the victory.

Breaking Point

If you think of CB as something practised by American truckers talking unintelligible jargon, then you may be missing out on a fascinating hobby, a world of social life and the possibility of instant help in a crisis.

Since CB was legalised last year, the number of breakers has been increasing steadily, covering all age groups from schoolchildren to grandparents. Of course for some people it is just the latest 'craze' to cross the Atlantic in the wake of skateboards and roller disco, but for many it will become a part of life.

When I was introduced to CB in the days of the illegal AM rigs, I soon became an addict. I found it was tremendous fun to pick up a microphone and ask for a 'copy', never knowing who would answer. This means it is a quick and easy way of making new friends - there's always someone new out there waiting to talk to you. You don't need to talk CB slang all the time, though some people think this makes it more fun, but it is possible to have a normal conversation over the air.

CB can be an enormous benefit to people who feel isolated either because they are physically housebound or because they are shy and lonely. It puts them in contact with a wider world. The anonymity of being invisible and using a 'handle' or nickname makes it easier for shy people to talk. Over the radio it doesn't matter whether you are young or old, fat or thin, plain or beautiful - the other person's image of you is built on what you say, not upon your outward appearance.

In many a crisis, CB can provide instant help. Most towns now have a voluntary group of breakers who make sure the emergency channel 9 is continually monitored. Whether you're involved in a road accident, you've lost your cat, or you simply feel you'll crack up if you don't talk to someone, help is always at hand. All you need to do is pick up the microphone.

If you want to get into CB, you'll need a rig (radio), which comes complete with microphone, power lead and mounting bracket; an aerial (ask your dealer which type is suitable for your intended use eg home-based or rig in your car); and a car battery or specially designed 12v transformer. If you find your transmissions are causing TV interference (very unlikely) you may need a filter to prevent this happening. Prices vary according to type and quality of equipment, but about £50 to £70 will get you on the air. Experienced breakers are always willing to help with technical problems.

When you do get on the air, give a shout for Jean Genie (me) or Computer (my brother). We're waiting to hear from you!

Jan Hawley

The deadline for the September issue will be FRIDAY 28 AUGUST. All contributions should be sent as soon as possible and not later than that date to.

Martin Scudamore : The Anchor Garage (tel 345)
or
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Community Centre

Again we give our thanks to Mr and Mrs Harry Watson, and to their many friends, for such an enjoyable evening on Saturday 21 August.

A packed hall, a well laden display of "Goodies", leaves one in no doubt that they have the know how, and I am sure that all who attended, went home feeling that they had an evening to remember.

I understand that there is more to follow with a dance in October, and yet another Christmas dance. More about this later.

The sum raised was £177.00. Thank you Harry.

Thanks are also due to Mr Peter Robertson, for his great effort in completing the Great North Run. By his efforts the Community Centre has benefited to the extent of £88.15. Congratulations, and many thanks, to all those who collected and contributed towards this effort. Thank you Peter.

The repairs having been completed the heating will be on, as and when required, so please let Mr Coombes have your bookings.

The next item on the agenda is to decorate. This we hope will be started next month.

A Duncan

Ben Nevis sponsored climb (for TORCH)

Saturday 22 May 1982

Mr J C Heslop, Mr J Taylor, Mr W K Kirsopp, Mr H N Kirsopp

The party travelled up to Fort William on the Friday and had a good night's rest before commencing the ascent at 9.30 am on the Saturday morning.

Mr Taylor being a close friend of Mr Heslop's and an experienced climber set the pace and led the party. The weather was poor and rain persisted for the first hour. At 11.15 am and approximately 1500 feet we had our first snack and coffee which was very acceptable.

By this time mist was drifting and we only had odd glimpses of the views we had heard so much about. At a height of 2000 feet we met three ambitious young men who were on their descent and informed us that they were also on a sponsored climb taking in the three peaks on the same weekend: Ben Nevis - Scotland, Helvellan - England, Snowdon - Wales.

At 2500 feet the visibility was poor and getting worse. At approximately 3800 feet we encountered hard packed snow and patches of ice with visibility down to 50 feet. Despite the poor weather we were amazed at the number of climbers on the mountain. We could hear people talking ahead of us and behind us and not able to see them.

The remainder of the ascent was through snow until we reached the summit at 1.45 pm, which was 4 hours 15 minutes, and considering that 4 hours is classed as average we felt that under the conditions this was not a bad time.

The only visible signs of the summit was the old disused weather station where we sat around and enjoyed our mid day meal. Mr Taylor with all his climbing ability and experience carried a large bag of mixed nuts and dried fruit which was all he ate during the climb. He told us that this produced a quick conversion to energy which is so vital.

After posing for photographs and exchanging conversation with others who had made the summit - including a young boy of 8 years of age with his father who had coaxed him to the summit on the pretext that there was a cafe where he could get hot dogs - we commenced the descent at approximately 2.15 pm. This as it happened was harder to bear than the ascent.

We met quite a number of climbers on our way down and due to the poor visibility all were anxious to enquire how much further they had to climb to reach the summit.

At 3.30 pm we were now down to 1500 feet and clear of the mist and clouds so we decided to have another snack - which was to be the last on the mountain. As we had drunk all our tea and coffee we had to be content with ice cold clear water from a nearby stream.

The descent ended at 5.30 pm with mission accomplished and with no casualties - all tired but jubilant.

The amount raised was £135.00 for which we convey our sincere thanks to all sponsors.

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Church disco : 13 August

May I take this opportunity to thank everyone who helped to make a success of this event. In particular I would like to thank John and Viv Dees for the use of the Anchor, also Allan and Don who provided the music and Jackie Storey who did all the posters. A special vote of thanks also goes to Rita for selling raffle tickets during the evening, and Mrs Bottomley and Christine for their help at the door.

Finally I would like to thank all those who so kindly donated prizes for the raffle which was won by the following:

1st prize	whisky	Keith Barton
2nd prize	groceries	Jean Oliver
3rd prize	groceries	Arnold Mason
4th prize	basket of fruit	Mary Oliver
5th prize	fruit loaf	Martin Scudamore
6th prize	chocolates	Mrs Bottomley
7th prize	wine	George Carn
8th prize	Vidal Sassoon	Julian Beadle
9th prize	sherry	D Douthwaite
10th prize	scarf	Elsie Watson

The total amount raised was £151.40, less £15 expenses - final total £136.40.

Jean Oliver

The Methodist church invites you to the following:

September 1	2.30 pm	Women's Own - members meeting
5	10.45 am	Rev P Hutchings - Sacrament
	6.30 pm	United Circuit Service at Trinity Church, Hexham
12	10.45 am	Rev A Wignall - Family Service
	6.00 pm	Rev G Ambler - Allendale Men's Fellowship Service
15	2.30 pm	Women's Own - Mrs E Routledge
19	10.45 am	Miss M Armstrong
	6.00 pm	Mr R Wilkinson
26	10.45 am	Mr G Wilson
	6.00 pm	Mr J Carrick
29	2.30 pm	Women's Own - Rev E Wright

TORCH

(Tynedale Orthopaedic Recreation Centre for the Handicapped - Hexham General Hospital Spinal Unit)

A coffee evening with stalls, tombola and raffle was held at Burn Brae and Highfield on Friday 27 August.

Mrs Heslop and Mrs Waite thank all who contributed and assisted. A big thank you to all who attended and played a part in raising £232.

Child welfare clinic

After 6 September this clinic will be held on Monday afternoons in the Church Hall. A move from my surgery has become necessary as the clinic has become, deservedly, more popular. Lack of space for equipment, space to store baby foods and space for a doctor to examine toddlers properly is inadequate in the North Bank surgery.

The village needs a Health Centre. There, under one roof, all the members of a Primary Care Team - Doctor, District Nurse, Health Visitor and other skilled ancillary workers - can see patients and consult easily with one another to meet their needs. In other words, work together as an effective team. For a long time I have urged the Area Health Authority and before them the County Medical Officer of Health, to recognise this need in Haydon Bridge and do something about it. So far without success.

All the staff of a Primary Care Team, apart from the Doctor and his Receptionist, are employed by the Area Health Authority who direct their work and, I believe, should provide them with proper and adequate accommodation. I have offered the AHA land adjacent to my surgery on which such accommodation could be built together with a good car and pram park, below such buildings, off the North Bank road. So far the offer has been declined.

The best site for a Health Centre would be in the heart of the village where sheltered accommodation for the elderly, Community Centre, Library and other community amenities could be pleasantly and usefully grouped together. I realize that my surgery, being up a hill, is less convenient for the elderly (though up less of a hill than the Allendale Health Centre) but it seems to me that it would be less costly to taxpayers to add to my surgery rather than build anew. Particularly as the best site in the village has been used for other development and until such time as a decent, sensible and complete development of a Village Centre can be achieved.

Allendale has its Health Centre built entirely by the AHA. Haltwhistle has theirs built as a joint venture by the AHA and local GPs. Haydon Bridge needs and deserves its own Health Centre no less.

When I retire my surgery as it stands now may not be wanted by my successor. He may expect, as do most modern doctors, to work in a Health Centre with other members of a Primary Care Team around him. Indeed a doctor may be unwilling to come to Haydon Bridge unless Health Centre accommodation is available. As the AHA are unwilling to accept my surgery and land as a basis for a Haydon Bridge Health Centre I am applying for planning permission for it to be converted to a private dwelling and garden when I retire.

People in Haydon Bridge and district will want to encourage a good doctor to come to the village in the future. They must ensure that he is attracted by the right sort of place in which to work. The bureaucratic process is slow and tends to inertia. I believe that pressure should be put on local councils and the Community Health Committee to see that a Health Centre is prepared, either by an extension of my surgery or elsewhere, within a year. The issue needs your urgent attention.

Dr R High

Haydon Bridge Silver Band - Grand Concert

Thursday 23 September at 7.15 pm in Haydon Bridge High School

The Silver Band will be supported by the following artists:

- a) Two instrumental soloists from Bedlington
- b) A lady vocalist from Bedlington
- c) Mr Robert Allen
- d) Mr Ken Cousin
- e) Mr and Mrs Jack Shield

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(Available from Mr J Clarke, Church Street).

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E Waite

On behalf of the Trustees

SOS

As you may already know, the Haydon News is produced entirely by volunteers with the revenue from the advertisements paying for the paper and ink. There have been changes over the years and the inevitable near disasters but somehow these have been coped with.

However, we are now facing a dilemma which can be solved only by the injection of new volunteers for future issues. The Friends of Haydon Bridge owns the duplicator used to produce the News but a new home must be found for it. We also need people willing to duplicate the pages and staple them together. It is the sort of job that a small group of friends can enjoy doing together. Can you spare a few hours each month? We must have some volunteers prepared to help with the next issue. Please help. The work does not require special skills. Please contact Martin Scudamore, Susan Beer or Pat Sharp.

The deadline for the October issue is Friday 24 September. All contributions should be sent as soon as possible and not later than that date to Martin Scudamore at The Anchor Garage (tel 345)

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