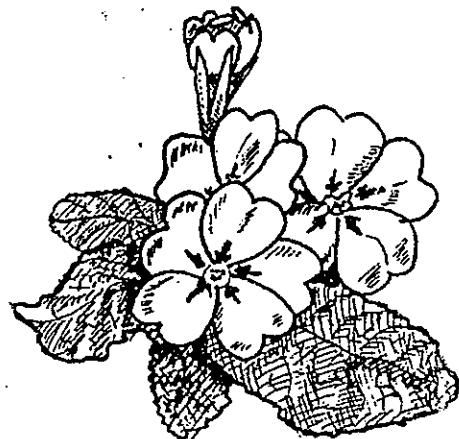
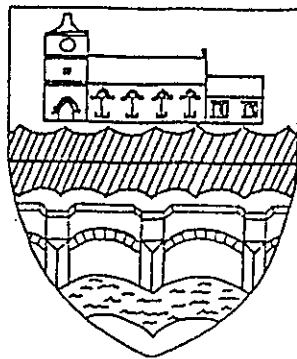


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Wed	11.30-1.30	-	7.30-12.00
Thurs	11.30-1.30	-	7.30-12.00
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MICHAEL JEFFS on HB 33!

March 1988

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Dear Friends,

This time, I am offering you Notes from Tynedale instead of my usual letter.

Home Insulation Scheme The new Homes Insulation Grants Order came into force on 1st February 1988. There are important changes to the conditions under which applicants will qualify for grant, and to the availability of different types of grant.

The general 66% grant (maximum £69) has been abolished.

The 90% grant has been extended to cover all householders in the "special need" categories, regardless of age.

This means that applications on the grounds of "special needs" are the only ones for which grants will be available. The grant is 90% of the cost of the qualifying works or £137, whichever is the less.

What is "Special Need" : related to Home Insulation Grant?

During the Transition period February 1988 to April 1988 the following householders are eligible:

- a) Those in receipt of a) Rate rebate
- b) Rent allowance, supplementary benefit or family income supplement.

After April 1988:

Households receiving housing benefit, income support or family credit will qualify.

All these subject to compliance with scheme conditions.

Housing Matters

Central Heating: British Coal has been requested to prepare a scheme for the upgrading of the solid fuel systems in some areas of Haydon Bridge. This means that all those who will be involved will receive a letter and an invitation to visit a mobile unit to view the types of fire available so that a choice can be made by each householder. If you miss the exhibition and wish to make a choice, contact me and I will pass on your request

Metal Window Replacement: Finances have been set aside from the Housing Capital Programme 1988/89 to replace the metal windows in 10 properties in Hordley Acres as Phase 2 of the scheme. A number of houses in Strother Close will also be financed in 1988/89 but these will depend on the capital available at the time of introduction.

Major Repairs: Hordley Acres will have gutter replacement and roughcast repairs.

Haydon Bridge By-pass: Both the Parish Council and myself have received letters from Mr Alan Amos, in which he makes the following statement:

"I am becoming increasingly frustrated and angry about the delays and uncertainty involved with this. Accordingly, I have written a strongly-worded letter to the Minister. Unless I receive a satisfactory reply, I intend to take the matter further by raising it in Parliament"

May I take this opportunity to hope you have a happy Easter holiday.

Best wishes
Marion Howard

PARISH COUNCIL PICKINGS (February and March 1988)

Both meetings well-attended by Councillors and by more members of the public than is usual.

Traffic and Roads

Some houses in Radcliffe Road are reportedly suffering damage caused by the vibration produced by large vehicles passing at speed. The Council will contact the Department of Transport about a survey of this problem. It will also be brought to Mr Amos' attention.

An 'old people' traffic sign at Peelwell has been refused. Apparently, if you put up too many, drivers ignore them.

By November we should have some new level crossing gates. These will be of the barrier type with a skirt underneath. They will continue to be operated by the signalman, so there should be no change in the safety aspect. But there will not be a footway wicket-gate, so a new access to the eastbound platform from the north-side will be constructed.

In spite of Parish Council protests on the last occasion, the County Council has agreed to allow British Rail to CLOSE the LEVEL CROSSING without any consultation about the date.

CLOSURE is from 2200hrs on Saturday 9 April to 1500hrs on Sunday 10.

Illuminations

New light fittings in Langley Gardens have made a welcome improvement. (No need to go to Blackpool!)

The Church clock-tower is to be re-wired for £255 plus VAT.

Playtime

Cllr Bill Howard drew pretty much of a blank when looking for any possible alternative site for the children's Play Area. Tyndale D C has all the new equipment waiting, so the Council decided to ask them to put some of it where the old equipment was, and see how things develop.

Cllr Loyd told us that an appointment to the job of 'Motivator' at the Sports Hall will definitely be made in May. It seems that the County Council has agreed to take responsibility for the whole thing, but subject to reserved rights for local use. However, some members were doubtful whether the County had actually made the necessary financial provision.

Amenity

Nobody has thought of a 'Go-go Area' for dogs. (There is some knowledgeable advice on this subject on the Letters page)

It was reported that Bowman's Chemists are to give up selling three-wheeled bikes from the riverside. The idea of placing some large stones to dissuade cars from cutting up the grass will be looked into again.

There is to be more frequent road-sweeping from June. Church Street will be attended to twice a week and the other roads once. It was suggested that this improvement will have even more noticeable results if the Church Street residents could be persuaded not to leave their cars parked there on sweeping days.

Best-kept Village

In spite of some notorious black-spots in the village, the Parish Council thought there might be some value in entering the 1988 competition provided some people can be found who will organise it.

If anybody feels like taking on this task, please get in touch with the Parish Clerk. The decision whether or not to compete must be taken at the meeting on 28 April.

YOUR LETTERS

A few observations on that perennial problem - dog droppings.

If dogs are regularly wormed, the very unlikely possibility of a toxacara infection is greatly reduced. However, getting the mess on your feet or clothes is still very unpleasant.

It is possible to regulate a dog's habits by altering its mealtimes, once it is adult. While it is young and untrained in toilet habits, it shouldn't be out in public anyway, because its vaccinations aren't complete.

A "poop-scoop" costs under £3 and all the pet shops in Hexham stock them. They are very easy and convenient to use. I took one with me to Crufts. The Borough of Kensington have a fine of £20 for anyone allowing dogs to foul public areas - no distinction between pavements and grassed areas - simply "public areas" Crufts also have an instant fine of £5 if dog exhibitors allow dogs to foul inside Earls Court. The poop-scoop doesn't get dirty as it is used with a plastic bag around it - it is a neat little invention and occupies as much space as a half-pound pack of butter. If it's kept beside the dog's leash, it won't be forgotten when going for a walk.

I must say that the problem is not as bad in Haydon Bridge as it is in Newcastle. There, many dogs are turned out to exercise themselves and it would be difficult to trace the irresponsible owners.

My own dogs will not defaecate when on their leads, and are only allowed to run free in their own garden. This posed quite a problem when in London and required some hours of hopeful lead-walking with scoop at the ready! Dogs not fortunate enough to have a large garden need somewhere to run free, but if watched carefully, the scoop can be used.

The whole problem boils down to education of dog-owners, which could start by asking a representative of PRO-dogs to visit schools with a demonstration dog. PRO-dogs give talks on responsible dog ownership and their visits are always very popular. The children usually pass the message on. Leaflets are available for schools. There were 15,567 dogs at Crufts and very little mess, so it can be done, mainly because of constant propaganda by the dog press.

Usually it is a very small proportion of uncaring owners who allow fouling, and this gives them all a bad name. I am all in favour of not allowing dogs in play areas or on football fields, having had some nasty football kit to wash in years past. But dogs are a very necessary part of some people's lives; and some provision must be made for them. Dog-owners are ratepayers t o.

Before the old chestnut of horse-droppings is brought up - it is much easier to see and avoid horse-droppings, and they do seem to disperse very quickly. At one time city gardeners used to rush out to collect them for the roses!

Finally, PRO-dogs motto: - Dogs Deserve Better People

Joan Hawley
Heugh Lane Cottage

PS We got a fifth place with our exhibit out of 20, and came home with a very constipated dog!

PPS If there was a hall available in Haydon Bridge for a dog-training class it would be very popular. Dog-training classes are very conscious of their image, and often leave the hall cleaner than they found it. Training provides fun and education for dogs and owners. Such is the witch-hunt about dogs just now that many training classes have lost their venues, which aggravates the problem of uneducated owners. Newcastle have NIGHTCLASSES in dog training and they are held in school halls.

There is a waiting list until Easter as they are becoming so popular. This could provide some revenue.

YOUR LETTERS (Continued)

To the girls of our local Co-op.

May I say a few words of thanks and praise. You all work so hard and have your own problems, yet every day you have a nice smile and kind words to cheer and comfort me without fail and nothing is too much trouble for you, which is so very much appreciated, and from the bottom of my heart I thank you for all the wonderful service you provide for everyone and most of all your caring friendship.

Sincerely, from one very satisfied customer,

A Cuthbertson
22 Greenwich Gardens

Congratulations to the Haydon Bridge Football Club for their great performance of the pantomime "Cinderella". A good night's entertainment for young and old alike. A lot of hard work put in by Christine Oliver the Producer and all the ladies who helped with costumes and make-up etc. and of course the cast, all acted their parts without a hitch.

A good sing-a-long with Alan White during the interval and altogether a great show enjoyed by on and all I'm sure.

Well done all! Let's hope there's more to come in the future.

'Spec. Tater'

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CHILDREN'S SOCIETY WEEK 1988

"from door to door to children"

Last year, the Church of England Children's Society helped care for more children, young people and their families than ever before: 11,000 in a record 107 projects throughout England and Wales. Every year, inflation increases the costs of caring, and opening new projects puts greater strain on the Society's resources.

During Children's Society Week, April 10-16, every home in this parish will be getting a small blue envelope from the Children's Society. Please consider this envelope carefully and think about those 11,000 young people; young people under pressure from poverty, unemployment, mental or physical handicaps, homelessness or the lack of a family.

If you place a gift in your envelope, you will be sharing in bringing hope to young people who feel unwanted and overwhelmed. You will be showing that there are people who care.

During Children's Society Week, volunteers throughout England and Wales will be delivering envelopes to as many homes as possible and collecting them later.

Here in Haydon Bridge we have a team of volunteers raring to go; but their efforts will be wasted if the envelopes are not returned. The Children's Society needs a gift in every envelope.

Let's make sure that even more people than ever before make a generous donation towards the work of the Society. Please pray for our collectors and all the people they will visit in our Parish.

Thank you

Children's Society Week Organiser: M L Curry

CARPET BOWLS

The Council of the Community Association has decided that it is prepared to pay for the necessary sub-structure to create a proper bowling surface in the Main Hall of the Community Centre. It already has the carpet and four sets of bowls.

All that is now needed is the formation of a properly-constituted Committee to organise a Carpet Bowling Club as a Group Member of the Community Association.

Will anybody who is prepared to undertake the formation of such a Club please speak to the Community Association Chairman (Mr G M Rowarth) on Haydon Bridge 207? The Community Association will give any assistance required for the calling of a meeting to discuss the formation of a Club: thereafter, the Club must organise itself, subject only to paying a reasonable fee to the Association for use of the premises and equipment.

The Club must be in existence before the Association will commit the necessary money to purchasing the wooden flooring.

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CHRISTIAN AID

COFFEE MORNING with CAKE STALL

in aid of CHRISTIAN AID will be held at the home of Mrs M Young

Burswell House Church Street

Thursday 21 April

10.30 to 12.00 noon

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A PAINTING JOB

The Trustees of the Almshouse Charity of John Shaftoe invite local tradesmen to tender for the external repainting of Nos 15 to 23 Shaftoe Terrace (the row between Middle House and East House).

Please contact the Clerk to the Trustees (Mr J Richardson) at the Office (in writing) or by telephone on HB 298.

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RAFFLE ORGANISER

The Community Association has a license to run a fund-raising raffle but nobody to organise it. Will some budding financier have a try? Contact any member of the Committee if you are interested.

PRINTING PROBLEM.

If you can't read Michael Jeffs' phone number on Page 1 - it is HB. 339.

SERVICES IN THE PARISH CHURCH

April 1	Good Friday	2.00 pm	A one-hour devotion (Rev Stanley Prins)
2	Easter Eve	8.00 pm	Vigil of Prayer and Readings
3	Easter Day	8.00 am	Holy Communion
		10.00 am	Family Eucharist
		11.45 am	Holy Communion at the Old Church
		6.00 pm	United Service at United Reformed Church
4	Easter Monday	8.00 am	Holy Communion
5	Tuesday	8.00 am	Holy Communion
6	Wednesday	8.00 am	Holy Communion
7	Thursday	8.00 am	Holy Communion
8	Friday	9.30 am	Holy Communion
9	Saturday	9.30 am	Holy Communion
10	1st after Easter	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist and Sunday School
17	2nd after Easter	8.00 am	Holy Communion
		10.00 am	Parish Eucharist and Sunday School
		6.30 pm	Deanery Evensong at Hexham Abbey
24	3rd after Easter	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist and Sunday School
		6.00 pm	Evensong and Annual Church Meeting
25	Monday. St MARK	9.30 am	Holy Communion
27	Wednesday	7.30 pm	Inaugural Service for Mothers' Union
May 1	4th after Easter	8.00 am	Holy Communion
		10.00 am	Family Eucharist
		6.00 pm	United Service at Roman Catholic Church
2	Monday St PHILIP and St JAMES	8.00 am	Holy Communion
8	Rogation Sunday	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist and Sunday School
		3.00 pm	Rogation Service at Old Church
12	Thursday ASCENSION DAY	9.30 am	Holy Communion
		7.00 pm	Holy Communion
14	Saturday St MATTHIAS	8.00 am	Holy Communion
15	Sunday after Ascension	8.00 am	Holy Communion
		10.00 am	Parish Eucharist and Sunday School
		6.30 pm	Deanery Evensong at Henshaw

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The FRIENDS OF THE OLD CHURCH

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