

HEAR ABOUTS

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The Free Community Magazine for Eglington Parish
North Charlton | South Charlton | Eglington | & Everywhere Between

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10 years, 10 YEARS! 10 FREAKING YEARS!!

Wow where has that time gone?!!

10 years since I had the pleasure of putting my first issue of Hear Abouts together for the community, attempting to carry on the tremendous work that Geoff Osmond had done upto that point. Of course the Hear Abouts team, couldn't allow him to quit altogether - he does probably more for Hear Abouts now than he did before ...but don't tell his family that ...Sssshh!

Seriously though, I can't believe that I've been involved in this now for 10 years! So I'd like to say a quick thank you for baring with me over this time and putting up with my occasional tardiness, aesthetic choices, occasional lost article, and poor spelling in my sections!

I hope you all had an enjoyable Christmas, fingers crossed this milder winter weather can continue right through to spring!!

Andy

Lunch Club Returns After Christmas Break

On February 19th 12noon
South Charlton Village Hall

Join us for Soup and Pudding - All Welcome!

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Also please be aware that Hear Abouts is made available online digitally at www.eglingham.info and is searchable worldwide, so any information you provide will be published "beyond our borders".

100 Club Draw

January

1st - 85 Ian Grant - £25
2nd - 78 Eileen Morgan - £15
3rd - 43 Jennifer Grant - £10



Grovewood Set to Close!

We've heard in the last couple of weeks that the current owners of Grovewood House Care Home are to close the home at the end of February. From what we understand the owners sought a buyer, but terms couldn't be reached that allowed the home to remain open going forward.

This is devastating news to the hard working and caring staff of the home, but also the residents. Already there have been tearful farewells as some residents have left for other care homes in the area.

The closure of Grovewood (a care home for close to 40 years) will leave a hole in the South Charlton community, the Little Acorns Pre-School group were regular visitors, among with other organisations and businesses in the Parish.

Thoughts in the village have already turned, with some tripdation, as to what the future holds for the former vicarage built alongside St. James' Church in 1862.

Leek Club Dates

Quiz Night - February 19th
More dates to be confirmed soon!

All at South Charlton Village Hall, 7:30pm starts



Little Acorns Pre-school is judged to be 'Outstanding' for the third consecutive time by OFSTED Inspectors

The report confirmed that “Children’s experiences and achievements are exceptional.” And that staff “have extremely high expectations that contribute to children’s remarkable abilities.” Our “high regard for the benefits of outdoor learning” was identified “Children seize opportunities to explore and develop excellent knowledge of the natural world.” And the staff “teach children about people and communities within and beyond their own rural location.” Just a few of the positive observations noted.

The full report can be found on <https://reports.ofsted.gov.uk>

We are very privileged to be able to work with some wonderful children, in a fabulous environment and with the fantastic support of our community.

The South Charlton residents wholeheartedly embrace and support the work we do at Little Acorns in so many different ways. We really can’t thank you all enough. You all know how passionate we are about outdoor play and the proven benefits that nature has on physical and mental health, play is also where children make friends, share and cooperate, take risks, test boundaries, think creatively and problem-solve. We are confident that the time and energy we invest, as a community, in our young children now, will reap wider benefits for our communities in the future – “a generation of children that grow up, not just familiar with the outdoors but passionate about it, a generation that love and understand the world around them is a generation that will value, protect and care for it.”



Sunday Brunch



- Full English Breakfast: - bacon, sausage, eggs, mushrooms, roasted tomatoes, baked beans and toast.
- Poached egg, squash, mushrooms and kale on sourdough toast
- Fried mushrooms, crispy bacon and egg on sourdough toast
 - Eggs Benedict
 - Avocado, bacon and egg on toast



Teas, Coffees and Fruit Juices, toast, marmalade and preserves with your Sunday Newspapers

Join us in the Village Hall on Sunday 1st March serving 9am-12noon.



(at South Charlton Village Hall)

Innogy Renewables UK Middlemoor Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund

Will open for applications on Monday 20 January 2020

The deadline for submitting applications is Monday 24 February 2020 for consideration at the Panel meeting in April 2020

Applications are invited for the Innogy Renewables UK Limited Middlemoor Windfarm Community Benefit Fund at the Community Foundation.

Area of benefit:

- Priority consideration will be given to applications from individuals, groups, projects and activities based within the Parish of Eglingham.
- Consideration will also be given to applications from groups and organisations outside of Eglingham Parish that provide services and activities that are deemed by the Fund to be of benefit to residents of the Parish.

Groups can apply for a minimum of £250 up to £81,000. Individuals can apply for a minimum of £250 up to a maximum of £2,000, subject to periodic review.

Who can apply?

- Individuals resident within the Parish of Eglingham.
- Constituted voluntary, community groups and charities based within the Parish of Eglingham.
- Consideration will also be given to constituted voluntary, community groups and charities which operate outside the Parish, if they can demonstrate that the project benefits people living within the Parish of Eglingham.

What can be funded:

- The fund will consider requests for both capital and revenue funding.
- The Fund will support requests that are charitable, educational, philanthropic and benevolent in purpose.
- It will make grants to community groups, voluntary/charitable organisations and schools (for non-statutory purposes only).
- Capital items with tangible, lasting benefit, including improvements to community buildings.
- Biodiversity and habitat conservation.
- Energy conservation and increased use of renewables.
- Other projects which are community based and/or community led.

Examples of what grants will be supported:

- Capital items (buildings, machinery, equipment, vehicles and tools etc.)
- Time limited revenue requests.
- Sessional worker costs, e.g. workshops, tutors.
- Repairs and/or refurbishment to community buildings.
- Start-up costs for new community groups.
- Out-of-school activities.
- Voluntary and community group activities.
- Community and environmental projects.
- Educational bursaries, apprenticeships, training courses.

This list is not exhaustive and all applications will be given due consideration by the advisory panel.

What will not be funded:

- Retrospective grants.
- Activities that are the current responsibility of statutory authorities (e.g. School curriculum activities, road repairs etc).
- Political campaigns.
- Religious campaigns.
- Individuals full-time resident outside the parish of Eglington.
- Projects, activities within the parish of Eglington (for so long as a dedicated community wind farm benefit fund exists within Eglington Parish).
- Projects whose purpose is to generate income for personal gain.
- Repayment of loans or debts.
- Funding for third party distribution.
- Anti-renewable energy/windfarm activities.
- Activities likely to bring the reputation of the Community Foundation or Innogy Renewables UK Ltd or its subsidiaries into disrepute.

How to apply

Please apply online at www.communityfoundation.org.uk/apply

For further details please contact:

Pete Barrett, Senior Programme Advisor, Community Foundation Tyne and Wear & Northumberland Email: pb@communityfoundation.org.uk

Tel: 0191 222 0945

Carol singing in Eglington

Just before Christmas a group of enthusiastic villagers sang their way around most of Eglington. This year the weather was much more forgiving than it has been in the past. Many the year we have slipped our way round on the ice or trudged, literally, knee deep in snow. Neither do we forget the year it was so wet that the carol sheets started to dissolve!

A big thank you to all those who came along especially Frances and Charis Buckingham who bring a touch of the “heavenly host” to the group. Sadly we were missing some regulars, such as Marion and Bill Penfold who have retired to pastures new, and also Henry Knotts. Henry loved Christmas and was a regular at both the carol singing and also the annual church carol service.

As always the village was very generous and a big thank you to all as £77 was collected for Children North East.

See you again next Christmas.

County Councillor Report

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EGLINGHAM PARISH



Have your say on the future of library services in Northumberland

People in Northumberland are being asked for their views on the future shape of library services in Northumberland.

The county council has launched a public consultation, which went live on Wednesday 18 Dec, asking for people to submit their comments and ideas of how the service should be delivered in the future.

The consultation is open to all, whether they are a regular library user or not, and the council is also engaging with schools in order to get the opinion of youngsters in the county.

People have until March to respond to the questionnaire which is available at <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/NCCLibraryConsultation> and as a paper copy in all libraries in the county.

It is hoped the consultation will help identify the most valued aspects of the service and the barriers to library use across the county. The results of the consultation will help the council focus on how the service is delivered in the future.

As a statutory service the council is required to carry out a public consultation exercise if changes to the service are proposed.

A series of drop-in sessions will also be held for residents to ask questions or provide verbal feedback.

To find out when and where the drop-ins will be held go to www.mylibrary.co.uk

GRIT BINS

Grit bins are available on selected steep hills, verges, sharp bends and near steps, particularly where routine gritting does not happen.

NCC supply 1,600 bins for the public to use, which they restock as often as possible during the winter. You can use the grit provided to clear snow and ice from pavements around your home, making paths safer and easier to use.

- Follow the government's guidelines on clearing snow from roads, paths and cycleways to do this safely.

Grit provided should not be used for treating private property.

SNOW CLEARANCE ON ROADS

When snow falls in excess of 50mm, with possible drifting, snowploughs attached to gritters will be used. Snowblowers and other specialist machines are also sometimes used.

In severe snow conditions it's not possible to clear all the roads at once, so NCC prioritise roads in the following order:

1. principal roads - cleared to a minimum two-lane width
2. roads into towns and villages - at least one road into each to allow for access to the cleared major roads
3. major town centres

Snow clearance on other roads will only take place when the higher priority roads have been cleared which may take several days.

Eglingham Parish Council

Wednesday 15th January at Eglingham Village Hall.

There had been a request for an extra bus stop at West Link Hall, North Charlton. County Cllr Pattison said she had received an email from Neil Easton, the bus stops officer, explaining a bus stop would not be put at West Link Hall because it was felt it would be dangerous to do so. This was accepted by the PC.

Land to East of St James Church, South Charlton. The clerk had received a few responses from residents of South Charlton. One was in favour of the plans, two expressed concerns about the access on a busy corner and a final comment was querying if the construction would be fully stone. A decision on the next step was made under the item on Eglingham Neighbourhood Plan.

Eglingham Traffic Management Plan The chair said 6 representations had been received following the consultation all in favour of the proposal but concerned that the signage is not too intrusive in a Conservation area. Cllr Biesterfield had had correspondence from residents concerned about the plan for a footpath on the bridge when they consider the existing arrangements satisfactory. Cllr Alston said the footpath was something the PC had been looking at getting for the last 12/13 years. Cllr McIver felt that the PC had a duty of care to proceed with the plan when there was increased traffic through the village. Cllr Alston also highlighted that the money to do the bridge had been offered in this year's budget which would finish at the end of March. It was agreed the clerk will contact Council officer Richard McKenzie to ask for clear details about signage to arrange a site meeting at Eglingham. Cllr Alston said if need be an extraordinary meeting could be called.

Eglingham Neighbourhood Plan update; Cllr Biesterfield said that the Groundwork grant of £7000 had been received and work could start with the landscape consultant although due to the darker nights he felt this would take time and would next expect it to be completed before the end of March. The Design Code was also set to be undertaken as the technical support had been formally agreed and approved consultants appointed. He expected work to commence on this at the end of January or most likely early February. Cllr Biesterfield stressed the importance of involving Northumberland Estates in light of their proposed application for housing at South Charlton. He urged that the Estates take account of the Design Code in their planning application even if this meant a delay in submitting to NCC. It was resolved that Cllr Biesterfield will contact Colin Barnes, head of planning and development at Northumberland Estates, to discuss the Design Code and EPC's response to the proposed plans to date. Cllr Biesterfield said it was likely to be May before the Neighbourhood Plan was at a stage to consult publicly on its draft policies.

Cllr Biesterfield highlighted that the Northumberland Local Plan was holding a hearing on February 6th regarding its windfarm policy. He urged that as many Parish Councillors and Parishioners as possible attend the meeting to show the community

feeling against the policies.

Middlemoor Community Windfarm; Cllr Alston said that he would be standing down as a panel member on the Windfarm grant board in April. The Community Foundation is keen that the Parish Council is represented on the panel which meets three times a year. Cllr Alston asked that councillors consider for the next meeting.

Highways Matters; Tarry Road- the gully cleaner had been out and cleaned a section of Tarry road and had resolved the problem of water flooding from the wall at the entrance to Tarry. However Nigel Brannen at NCC had informed the clerk that there was a bigger issue and Tarry Lane had been added to the drainage programme. It was agreed the clerk will query what this means. Potholes, Cllr Pattison had raised concerns about potholes on the South Charlton road heading towards Eglingham Road, Cllr Lawson had raised concerns about potholes on Shipley Road and other councillors complained about the number of potholes on the Eglingham to Alnwick Road. The clerk will write to Highways regarding all matters.

Neighbourhood Police officer; A new Neighbourhood Police Officer Paul Sykes had been appointed for the area and the clerk will send the PCs meeting dates in case he can attend while on shift.

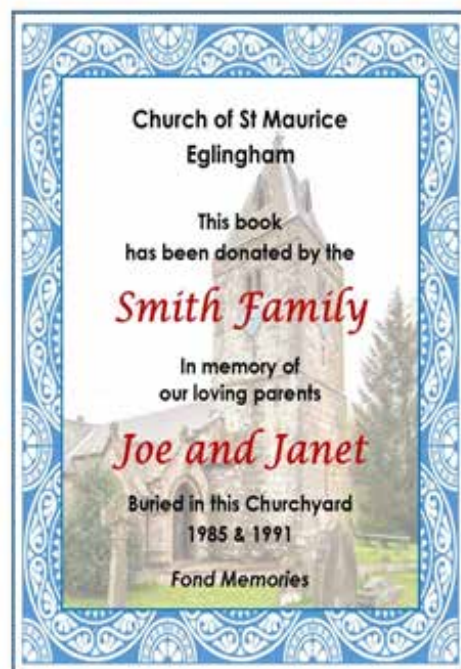
The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Wednesday February 26th at South Charlton Village Hall.

A Piece of Local History

Would you like to leave a gift to your local Church, which is also a record of events from your own Family History? This is how it can happen. We have already had a great response to the purchase of new hymn books for St. Maurice's Church, which have a personalised book plate inserted inside the cover, securely sealed with the ever adaptable sticky backed plastic. You can check this out if you look for the hymn books which have a discreet little sticker on the spine.

This is a sample of the book plate:

Your message could record a marriage, a baptism, a life, a death, even a Wedding Anniversary. Some dedications are just details of who has donated the book, and even separate books for each of their children. Significant dates can be recorded too.



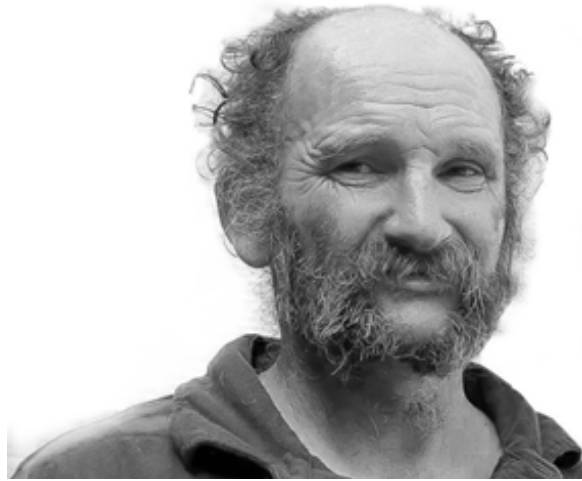
The cost for each book and customised plate is £10.00

You can use the forms at the back of the church, and fill in the details of your dedication, leaving your money in the secure box at the back.

You can also contact Margaret Bell to make arrangements.

Email: margaretbee48@gmail.com or telephone: 01665 578050

Henry Knotts



On the 18th of December 2019 the family and wider community of Eglington and area packed St Maurice's Church in Eglington to remember and celebrate the life of Henry Knotts who had recently died at age 55.

Henry was a well known character to the people of Eglington and to anyone who regularly travelled the Alnwick to Eglington road as he frequently hitched between the two. Often seen as a lone figure, out in all weathers, often wearing his well worn yellow fluorescent waistcoat, thumb held high hoping to get a lift to or from Alnwick, where he would avidly watch football in one of the local pubs.

Henry was born and bred in Eglington and spent all his life in the village. He was a life-long supporter of Newcastle United, celebrated at his funeral with the black and white wreaths from his family.

Anyone who had given a lift to Henry would know that he had a remarkable ability to remember dates of when people moved to the village, birthdays and football scores. How many of us were asked during a car journey "do you know whose birthday is only once every four years"?

Living opposite Henry, we first met him, when he came knocking at the door asking to use our phone. This became a regular occurrence and whilst using the phone he used to enjoy stroking our cats, but only the 'friendly' one as he called her.

On other occasions his visits could be more dramatic, knocking on the window late at night to borrow a ladder. He had locked himself out. Standing watching a slightly enebriated Henry unsteadily climb the ladder to a first floor window then disappearing head first, legs squirming, as he slid through the window was a sight to behold.

Henry was a character and will be remembered by a large number of people evidenced by the packed church for his funeral. Even now driving into Alnwick I still half have the expectation of seeing that yellow clad figure thumb held high waiting for a lift.

R.I.P. Henry Knotts 1964-2019

David Alston

Honey I'm still free...

...take a Chance on me...

Happy New Year to you and a belated Happy 80th Birthday to our patron saint Alexa; what an amazing human she is. She still comes here to walk us and clean our kennels every week as well as raising money and being a Trustee; at her age she should be curled up on her bed with a nice fleecy blanket, a bowl of meaty treats and a couple of squeaky toys. My New Year's resolution is to get out and help whenever I can by lending my general gorgeousness to the fundraising operation.

On our first outing my gleaming white coat helped attract people to our pop up café at Bamburgh Pavilion on New Year's Day. I'm not much of a baker but thanks to the hard work and generosity of Margaret Foulis, Miss Daisy's Cup Cakes and The Strawberry Lounge in Alnwick we had lots of goodies to sell and made £1035. Thank you also to Northumberland Dog Training Club for their donation and to anyone who rattled a tin or put some cash into one. Our former kennel mate, Chase, brought his new human and husky pack along to Bamburgh; it was good to see him and we had a damned fine bark about old times! I didn't realise that volunteering could be such good fun. If you find yourself at a loose end, struggling to fit in enough steps on your Fit Bit or just want to talk nonsense to a furry critter on a regular basis please ring us here at Patterson's Cottage on (01665) 579426 or email us at alexasanimalscharity@gmail.com If you would like to find out more about volunteering you could always come along to the current crew's Chat and Cuppa at Carnaby's on 9th March between 10 and 11.30am.

Four of the Jingle Ladies Millie told you about before Christmas have left for pastures new; little Lucy is campaigning for doggie independence North of the border, miniature Jack Russells are very popular so Bailey went before she had even learnt the ropes, Ruby#1 has a new home (but has been replaced by Ruby#2 who's a Labrador cross), Willow likes her new pack and Bella the poodle moved out in January. If you need me, let me know, gonna be around...

Chance xx



Parent, Baby
and Toddler group
which runs each
Thursday morning,
9.30 to 11.00 am

and
Tuesday afternoons
1.30 to 3.00pm
term time at
Branton Community
Primary School

Owlets



Ride on toys

Outdoor Play

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| 28th/30th January | Chinese New Year |
| 4th/6th February | Free Play |
| 11th/13th February | Ice/Snow/Winter |
| 18th/20th February | Half Term school closed |
| 25th/27th February | Dinosaurs! |
| 3rd/5th March | Free Play |
| 10th/12th March | Spring |
| 17th/19th March | Free Play |
| 24th/26th March | Easter |
| 31st March/2nd April | Free Play |

Wide range of activities

Creative Play

Meet other parents

Teas and coffees provided

Come and chat

Milk and snack provided



£1.00 first child

50p for siblings



If parents would like us to invite any visiting speakers,
just ask!

THE RANT by Peter Marriott-Lodge

As some readers will know, my house is next to harehope Bridge. both myself and my neighbour opposite, James, are very concerned about the proposed, so called improvements, to the traffic flow over the bridge to increase safety. The bridge has been there for over a hundred years and I have search high and low to find a reported incident involving either a wagon, bus, car cart, bicycle, pedestrian, either sober or drunk, a dog a cat or even a duck that has been involved in an incident on the bridge. I have not been successful and that is because there has not been one.

The reason why there has not been one is very simply because the approach roads to the bridge are straight in both direction and therefore all that is required is a degree of common sense when approaching the bridge. Something the council appears to be lacking. Not even a pheasant, which as we all know, are not known for their high IQ have not managed to get themselves killed on the bridge which is more that can be said for the road from alnwick, commonly known as 'suicide alley'.

I made the mistake of voicing my opinion on this matter in public and two days later I received the following letter. *(We hope you have good eyesight to read this humerous letter! We'll put it on the website version in full size so you can read it easier - Ed.)*



Mr. P. Marriott-Lodge
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Our Ref: PM-L/M0_AN/A_L0T
29 November 2019

be used to accommodate the fleet of road gritters we will be relocating there, and will include living quarters for up to 12 drivers.

I regret this means we will need to compulsory purchase a significant (95%) area of your land, as well as dam the stream and re-route it under your house. Plans for this work can be viewed (by appointment only) at Blueprint House, Nackers Lane, London W1 on every fifth Friday afternoon between the hours of 17:00 and 17:10. If you wish to inspect these, please contact the Department for Pedestrian Rights on 020 8572 606 Ext. 101.

As you will see from the plans, the approved designs for the bridge are sympathetic to its location and are intended to reflect the heritage of the region. Constructed entirely out of steel, concrete and glass, it will, when completed, be a contemporary version of the world-famous Tyne Bridge in Newcastle upon Tyne, with a discrete, 75-metre-tall telecommunications mast on top of it.

The initial phase of work is to be actioned immediately and I appreciate that for a period of time this may impact on your quality of life, as well as your ability to access your property. However, please be assured that we calculate all works should, hopefully, be completed within a modest 72-month timeframe.

Finally, our records show that the Minor Waterways (Traversing) Act of 1771 enshrines in Law that owners of the land on which your house stands have a legal obligation to provide assistance to anyone wishing to cross the Burn. I am therefore required to inform you that once the existing bridge has been demolished and its replacement constructed, you, your family and anyone you are subsequently able to sell your house to will have a legal responsibility to provide free food, refreshments and accommodation to pedestrians who demand it. In accordance with the stipulations of the Minor Waterways (Traversing) Act, a high-visibility sign will be displayed at either end of the new bridge to inform them of this right.

Once in place, we are confident that the new bridge and its state-of-the-art facilities will guarantee pedestrian safety across Harehope Burn, which I'm sure you will agree should take precedence above all other considerations. As such, I trust that this matter is all now acceptable to you. However, should you have any further questions or objections I would advise you direct them to Mrs Traveyan who has agreed to ignore them entirely.

Regards,

Norma Snockers (Mrs)
Head of Bridge Footpath User Safety
Northumberland County Council

Dear Mr. Marriott-Lodge,

Re: Harehope Burn Bridge pedestrian safety upgrade, Eglingham village

I am writing to inform you that my Department has recently been contacted by Anne-Marie Traveyan, MP who raised your objections to the planned improvements to traffic flow arrangements across the Harehope Burn Bridge in Eglingham.

As I explained to Mrs Traveyan, these proposed arrangements had been drawn up to help ensure public safety while crossing the bridge, which currently does not incorporate pavements and therefore poses a very serious safety hazard to pedestrians.

Having spoken at length with Mrs Traveyan and listened carefully to your concerns, I can now inform you that we have decided to withdraw these original proposals and that we have approved and are in the process of actioning an alternative scheme. This requires the existing bridge to be demolished entirely and a more suitable replacement to be constructed on the same site.

As ensuring pedestrian safety is of paramount concern to us all, I hope you will be as pleased as I am to learn that the new bridge will be 21.75 metres wider than the existing structure. It will feature covered, airport-style mechanical walkways on both sides, central crash barriers, floodlighting along the entire length of the bridge and for 50 metres of the B6346 in either direction of approach, as well as sensor-activated klaxons and flashing warning lights to alert pedestrians to approaching traffic.

In addition, it will include a rolling convoy facility which can be deployed at busier times of the year, for example during the summer months when more tourists are around and at night when agricultural vehicles such as combine harvesters and associated heavy machinery require unimpeded transit through the village.

The large, tank-style escort wagons that facilitate such convoy systems will need to be accessible to operatives at all times, and as a result we are intending to construct appropriate garaging and maintenance amenities at the site. As part of our commitment to offer the most cost-effective services to residents of the county, these sheds will also

It wasn't until I read the dimensions of the proposed new bridge that my furry abated and I realised that this was the work of my very good friend and world famous wordsmith and his way of getting his own back for having lost our Brexit wager. I am not going to name him as I would not want to embarrass Marcus in that way.

Peter Marriot-Lodge

EGLINGHAM WI INSPIRING WOMEN

PROGRAMME 2020

Eglingham WI's Programme for 2020 is an exciting mix of talks and demonstrations. We meet in Eglingham Village Hall at 7.00pm. Join us if you can, visitors are always made very welcome.

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| February 13 | COOKING WITH LOCAL PRODUCE | Sue Malloy |
| | A demonstration and tasting evening by expert WI cook | |
| March 12 | SCAMS | David Sayer |
| | How to spot them and how to protect yourself and your community | |
| April 2 | BEING AN AUTHOR | Carolyn Roberts |
| | Chatton writer comes to be interviewed about her work | |
| May 14 | MEMBERS NIGHT | |
| June 11 | AD GEFYN DISTILLERY | Chris Ferguson |
| | Northumberland's first (legal) distillery and the story of their site in Wooler | |
| July 9 | ANNUAL MEETING | |
| | A chance for an informal get together | |
| September 10 | BACH FLOWER REMEDIES | Sue Turnbull |
| | Find out about the history of these remedies and how they are used | |
| October 8 | MAGIC NIGHT | Paul Lyton |
| | Magician to royalty, politicians and celebrities comes to entertain our WI | |
| November 12 | CHRISTMAS HANDS ON | Emma Tandy |
| | A chance to make a seasonal floral table decoration | |
| December 10 | CHRISTMAS MEAL | |
| | Our annual treat at the end of the year | |

Thursday 9th January saw our first meeting of 2020. Brenda opened the proceedings by welcoming three visitors and then continued, along with Gill, with the normal formalities. She informed us that £150 had been raised from our collection in lieu of Christmas cards and this was being donated to the Daft as a Brush charity.

Brenda then welcomed Jessica Turner, our speaker for the evening. Jessica, who is a very entertaining speaker, then talked about the archaeological digs which had been taking place on Holy Island over the last few years. Remains of very early churches had been discovered, some by amateur archaeologists. The vote of thanks was given by Jane Hamilton.

In December we all met at the Percy Arms in Chatton for our Christmas meal where we all enjoyed a pleasant meal and lively evening, being entertained by Morrison and our own Jill Archer on tambourine. Prior to that, in November we all painted Christmas cards on silk under the expert tuition of Ruth Bull.

Our next meeting is on 13th February when we shall be having a cookery demonstration.
Pat Ives

Useful Contacts

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Amy Smith: 01665 603755

Vicar - during Vacancy

Contact either

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Eglingham and Old Bewick

South Charlton Village Hall (bookings)

Andy Gray:

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Eglingham Village Hall (bookings)

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david@eglingham.org.uk

Have you found the Parish Website yet?

It has pages for all the local organisations, back issues of Hear Abouts, Parish Council meeting notes and much more. It now has a new feature "Upcoming Events" which lists, well, upcoming events.

The web address is: www.eglingham.info

Once there you use the menu 'hamburger' in the top right corner (depending on the size of screen) to select which page you want.



The website is now being updated with new content more frequently so why not bookmark it in your browser and keep in touch with all that is going on in the Parish.

Residents @ Email List

A resident of the Parish? Then if you haven't already... Sign up for our community email list!

Our very successful email list is open to any resident within our boundaries, just send an email to david@eglingham.org.uk and you will get added.

Next Issue:

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