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For the second time, we're in
COLOUR

Following the success of last year's inaugural colour edition, here we go again. Enjoy!

CHRISTMAS LIGHT UP & SANTA'S VISIT ON SUNDAY 1st DECEMBER!

This special guest will be led by Coldstream Pipe Band along the High Street leaving at 4:00pm from the Police Station on Sunday 1st December to mark the lighting up of Coldstream's Christmas lights and decorations.



He's a busy man as you know but he says he will make time when he gets to the Community Centre to see every boy and girl in Coldstream, and maybe even from Lennel as well! While you are waiting for your turn to see Santa there is plenty to do in Crafty Corner (sometimes also known as the Leet Room) and there will be mince pies, mulled wine and "special treats" on sale in the café.

If you are under 4 feet tall, there will be squash and biscuits as well, which are free! Santa will have a small pre-Christmas gift as well for you if you are under 4 feet. (Or maybe a tiny bit over).

Come and see Santa, his marvellous grotto, the tree and the specially decorated hall! You will enjoy it whatever size and age you are!

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ANNUAL LIST OF CLUBS, GROUPS & ORGANISATIONS

Coldstream is a vibrant community with lots to do and a wide choice of things in which to participate. To assist you with this, on page 15 we publish our annual list of contacts for community groups & organisations. Please inform us of any omissions/amendments and we will display them in the next edition.

Don't forget, you can read and download the latest editions of the CCN online any time at www.coldstreamcommunity.com
Deadline for items for the Spring Edition is Sunday 9th February



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COMMUNITY CENTRE NEWS

On the 8th of December we are having a Tea Dance, with great music and a great afternoon tea. Tickets are available from the Newsagents or contact the Community Centre on **01890 883332**. Numbers are limited and so tickets will not be available on the door. Please make the call as soon as possible.

Dementia Friendly Cinema Screenings have started for residents from some of our local care homes, but you are welcome to join us if you need the freedom of dementia friendly surroundings. Please call us if you would like more information.

Residents from Victoria Lodge and Lennel House, will be coming to soak up the fantastic Christmas display and atmosphere in the Tweed Room on the 9th of December and enjoy a cup of tea and some carols.

Almost the last thing to tell you about...we have got some **new heating in The Tweed Room (see below)**, no more noisy blowers, no more shivering, no more keeping your coat on!

The very last thing is to say that many of our user groups will finish up from or before the 20th of December with most looking to restart again during week commencing January the 6th. Over the holiday period The Community Centre and its facilities are still available for hire, but please let us know any requirements you may have as soon as you can.



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Coldstream Primary School News

In Coldstream Primary School we have three rules: keep your hands and feet to yourself, be polite and courteous and stick to task. In our school ethos we have these four unforgettable R's: Respect, Relationships, Responsibility and Resilience. We enjoy many learning experiences inside and outside of school such as ICT (computing), outdoor learning and the Daily Mile which helps keep us fit and healthy.

In the 1st term of school this year new staff have arrived: Miss Diamond (P3 class teacher), Mrs Fleming (P5/6 class teacher), Mr Reid (P6/7 class teacher) and Mrs Jackson (the dinner lady). Also, we have welcomed many new children. Unfortunately, there have been some teachers we have had to say goodbye to. This term new house captains have been chosen: for Hirsell, Archie's the house captain and Kian is the vice-captain. For Tweed, Phoebe is the house captain and Matthew is the vice-captain. For Lees, Rory is the house captain and Finlay is the vice-captain. Primary 5, 6 and 7 all took part in rugby and hockey festivals at Berwickshire High School. Primary 5/6 also enjoyed their trip to Paxton House.

This term there are lots of exciting lessons to look forward to. P1 continue to settle in and learn numbers and words through their play. P2 pupils are now starting to learn about healthy eating and going to 'Farm to Fork' at the Hirsell. P3 are going to start a topic about farming. P4/5 are going to write musical stories. P5/6 are going to learn about the human body. Finally P6/7 pupils are starting a local history project with Coldstream History Society.

Robert P6/7

Pilates

Thursdays 11:00 - 12:00 in the Leet Room at the Community Centre.

Suitable for beginners, those with orthopaedic problems such as back and shoulder concerns, hip or knee replacements and anyone who would like to improve their core strength, mobility and flexibility.

Please contact Jan on 07741 530777 or for more information email

jdconsultants@hotmail.co.uk

TillVAS



Till Valley Archaeological Society Northumberland & Eastern Borderlands

Website: www.tillvas.com

Twitter: @TillVAS

2019/20 Evening Meetings, Crookham Village Hall, 7.30pm, Members free; Visitors £4

4th December – Talk by **David Jones** – “Tracks through the Cheviots”

8th January – Talk by **Cameron Robertson** - “William Cowe & Son, the home of the Berwick Cockle”

5th February – Talk by **Margaret Collin** – “Old Melrose”

COLDSTREAM FOOTBALL CLUB

The Season started with great hopes placed in the new Manager Paul McGovern and his assistant, John Brock. Early results were mixed however although we did start with a 4-0 victory over Stirling University. Unfortunately this was followed by three heavy defeats including a 9-1 thrashing by Jeanfield Swifts in the Scottish Cup which meant that there would be no repetition of last year's heroics. The next five games saw wins over Easthouses, Peebles Rovers, Tweedmouth Rangers and Dalkeith Thistle which gave Coldstream a respectable mid-table position. However it had become fairly clear by this time that the new Management team was not working out and defeats by Whitehill Welfare, Inverkeithing, Preston Athletic and finally a thrashing by Lothian Thistle meant the writing was on the wall for the Manager and his Assistant who both resigned the following day. The good news is that a new Management team is now in place and is raring to go if it ever stops raining. If it does, the rosy glow of a new dawn will once again cast its benign influence over Home Park and bring a fresh awakening to the Burgh and the home support.

The new Management team could almost field a side of its own and will consist of Kieran Ainslie (Player Manager), Craig Heugh,(Coach), Michael Allan (Coach), Gary Smith (Coach), Phil Johnston (Coach), Jimmy Taylor (Goalkeeping Coach), Allan Wilson (Physio) and James McLean (Coach). We welcome back both Allan from his short retirement and Kieran who in his time has played for Eyemouth, Coldstream, Berwick Rangers, Duns and Gala Fairydean Rovers.

Behind the scenes work still goes on to secure funding in order to erect floodlighting which will enable us to retain our membership of the Scottish Football Association. Should anybody wish to donate to this project please contact the Chairman, David Lauder, on 01890 882796 or 07514 270100.



COLDSTREAM OPEN FLOWER SHOW 2019

Despite the vagaries of the weather over the summer there was, yet again, another fantastic display of garden produce to impress the judges. The judges in the industrial sections were very complimentary on the standard of entries and the committee was praised on the imaginative classes. If you haven't entered anything into the show before why not have a go in 2020? The show will take place on Saturday 19 September in the Community Centre and the full schedule will be available early in the new year. If you'd be interested in joining the committee phone Susan Burnett on 01890 882562.



Can You Help?

Coldstream Playgroup & Toddlers are looking for someone willing to give a few hours each month to act as treasurer for our groups. Is there anyone local who might be able to offer a few hours each month to do some basic bookkeeping and keep our financial records on track? Our parent committee members are juggling family and work commitments and taking on this role is just too big a responsibility. Any support would be gratefully received and would help us to keep our groups going for the benefit of all local families. For further details please contact Brenda at brenda.robbs@googlemail.com

Coldstream Men's Shed

The Men's Shed has been lucky enough to be chosen to receive funding for the next year from the Co-operative Local Community Fund. We appeal to anyone who is a member of the Co-op, along with prospective members, to support us by choosing us as their cause. This can be done online and new members can register at <https://membership.coop.co.uk/new-registration> and 1% of all spending on Co-op products will be allocated to us. The funds received will help with the running costs of the Shed for the next year. We hope you will support us. Thank you.



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Churches Together at Christmas 2019

CPC = Coldstream Parish Church **StM** = St Mary & All Souls Scottish Episcopal Church
EPC = Eccles Parish Church **SPC** = Swinton Parish Church **LPC** = Leitholm Parish Church

Sunday 01 Dec **CPC** - 11:15am - Boys' Brigade Enrolment Service

Thursday 19 Dec **SPC** - 7:00pm - Christmas Concert with Swinton Village Choir & local entertainers. Refreshments served.

Friday 20 Dec **EPC** - 7:00pm - *andante* Chamber Choir & Duns Windy Pops Junior Brass Band. An Eccles Christmas Concert. Soup served afterwards in Eccles Village Hall.

Sunday 22 Dec **LPC** - 9:45am - Christmas Family Service

StM - 10:45am - Communion Service

CPC - 11:15am - Christmas Family Service including the Christmas Choir

SPC - 11:15am - Christmas Family Service

StM - 3:00pm - Carols & Cake

EPC - 6:00pm - Christmas Family Service

Christmas Eve **LPC** - 6:00pm - Carol Service

CPC - 6:30pm - Christingle Service for Everyone, particularly children & families

StM - 7:00pm - Christmas Eve Communion

CPC - 11:15 for 11:30pm - Watchnight Service

Community Carols from 11:15pm; Service starts at 11:30pm

Christmas Day **EPC** - 10:00am - short Christmas Day Family Service

StM - 10:30am - Christmas Morning Communion

SPC - 10.30am - short Christmas Day Family Service

MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT

The Coffee Morning held on Friday 27th September raised £522.70 and the Charities Fair on 26th October raised £637.00 which was match funded by Barclays Bank to the tune of another £637.00!

The Macmillan Committee members are delighted and grateful for the tremendous support they get for all their fund raising events in Coldstream.

Next event:

Soup & Sweet Lunch
Saturday 8th February
in the Community Centre
Home made soup & desserts
11.30 - 2.00pm £5.00 entry

We look forward to seeing you all there.



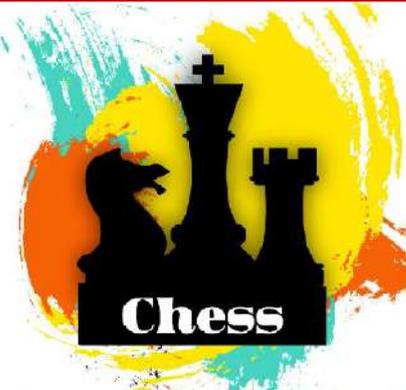
COLDSTREAM COMMUNITY CINEMA

The "Community Cinema" would like to thank all our supporters for attending the films over the past year. We have 2 dates before Christmas - Friday 29th November and Friday 20th December, when we will show a Seasonal themed film, accompanied by mince pies and a seasonal drink. Look out for details of the films on the notice board at the Community Centre. All money raised helps with the running costs of the Centre. If we don't see you before Christmas have a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

COLDSTREAM SWI

The SWI took the very sensible decision to move their meetings to the Leet Room in the Community Centre. The September meeting was glorious with professional opera singers Susan Mackenzie Park and Kit Hobkirk entertaining us followed by a talk on bondagers (with many visitors coming along) and how to successfully decorate Christmas cakes. In the new year we will be getting creative making brooches and also learning how to display flowers in unusual containers. Our supported charity this year is Blood Bikes and they will be coming along to talk to us in February. The SWI members are busy fundraising for the charity. We were disappointed that our can can girl outfits didn't see a wider audience due to the Fancy Dress Parade being cancelled but we paraded around Leet Haugh instead! We are planning our float for next year's parade already. Our summer outings were mixed - our walk in July to see the heavy horses at Hay Farm was wonderful but afternoon tea in August was less so. Do check out our Facebook page for lots of photographs and news on what we are up to. If you would like any more information on the SWI call Susan on 01890 882562.

Susan Burnett



Coldstream Community Centre

Wednesday 4th December

1830 to 2030

For All Ages

No Admission Fee

Please Bring a Chess Set if Possible

One time try. If successful we can
organise more nights after the new year.

Also Mah-Jong (Robertson Rules) - if anyone is
interested in this or chess, contact 07742 207732

You are cordially invited to join the festivities at the
annual Christmas Concert in Eccles Parish Church:

AN ECCLES CHRISTMAS

andante CHAMBER CHOIR in Christmas mode!

directed by John Stone

The Duns Windy Pops - children's concert band conducted
by Cameron Mabon

audience participation carols

readings by Mike Young

And hot SOUP in the Village Hall afterwards!

Free entry - collection in support of the church and the
Village Hall

FRIDAY 20th DECEMBER, 7:00pm - 8:30pm

We need the shirt, blouse and coat off your back!

Are you looking to make some space and have a pre-Christmas clear out of your wardrobe? Here at Macmillan Cancer Support we are planning a pre-loved and vintage fashion show next year and we need your help. We need good quality, clean, women's/men's/children's clothing, accessories, shoes and jewellery. We are especially looking for pre-loved prom dresses, evening wear and maybe even a wedding dress? Clothing donations can be dropped off on Fridays at the Community Centre between 10:00am & 4:00pm. For alternative arrangements call Margaret on 07891 775450 or Lou on 07976 656669.

Save the date for your diary – 18th April 2020 7:00pm. More information will follow in the next Community News and on our Facebook page.

MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT

COLDSTREAM PREMIER CRU CYCLING (Rob Smith)

Amazingly we have lost only two Sundays this year due to bad weather. Our Sunday runs have been well supported and we have covered many miles throughout the Borders and North Northumberland. Our routes have taken us to diverse destinations including Hawick, Selkirk, Duns, Eyemouth and Wooler to name but a few. We have become quite an authority on the quality of coffee and we know the best cafes at which to stop for our refreshments. The banter on our rides is always good and we can usually put the world to rights. Our rides are usually around the fifty mile mark and taken at a reasonable pace. No one gets left behind. We ALWAYS stop around the half way point for coffee, cake and craik.



We meet every Sunday morning at the Court House Car Park at 9:00am then cycle to Kelso to pick up more riders who join us there. A route is always decided on the day depending on weather conditions and wind direction. The Club has no joining fee and no subs to pay. Our only requirements are a roadworthy bike and a reasonable level of fitness. A cycling helmet MUST be worn by everyone and anyone under 16 MUST be accompanied by a responsible adult.

With its ever increasing popularity this is an ideal introduction to social road cycling in a group. We can help build your confidence on the road so that you can cycle elsewhere at any time, in different company or solo. We have connections to other clubs and, if you want to do something different then we can point you in the right direction. That would include, road racing, mountain biking, touring, sports, time trialling and triathlons. One of our young riders has recently been signed by AG2R Le Mondial, a professional French team. Oscar Onley from Kelso is a name to watch in the future as he makes cycle racing his career.

If you are just starting you may only want to do a shorter ride but you can still come with us for just part of the way and drop out at any time. After a while you might want to join us for the full ride. Everyone is welcome. We cycle every Sunday throughout the whole year (weather permitting). Just bring yourself and a few bob in your pocket for a coffee. It is a great way to keep fit and enjoy our beautiful surroundings. Give it a try...you know you REALLY want to!



Interested in Walking? Join the **COLDSTREAM WALK IT GROUP!**

Walk It aims to help people become more physically active by attending low level and friendly social walks.



AND IT'S FREE!! Why not join us in 2019/20? Every fortnight on Thursdays at 10:00am. Walks last around an hour. Meet at the Community Centre. Join us for free refreshments at the end if you like. Forthcoming dates:

December 12th

February 6th & 20th

January 9th & 23rd

March 5th & 19th

Just turn up or phone Guy on: 07717 547861. In the event of a walk being cancelled due to bad weather, call this mobile number where a message will be left on its voicemail advising you of a cancellation. Or email: walkit@scotborders.gov.uk



COLDSTREAM 1513 CLUB AGM

This will be held on Tuesday 26th November at 7.30pm in Coldstream British Legion Club

WHY NOT CONTRIBUTE TO THE COMMUNITY NEWS?

If you are a member of a local group or organisation, the CCN is here to help you pass on news & information and to help advertise your meetings & events. Just email in anything you want to publicise. In fact anyone in the community can use the CCN, so don't hesitate, send anything in you wish to publicise. Similarly, if you are a business, feel free to enquire about advertising in the CCN - rates are very reasonable and every household in and around the town gets a copy delivered, over 1300 in total as well as a number of email subscribers.

Coldstream and District Local History Society

Meetings are held monthly until May on the first Thursday of the month at 7:30pm in the Leet Room at the Community Centre.

The speaker at the meeting on **December 5th** is Kenneth McLean speaking on that cheerful topic, "Calamities, catastrophes; the tragedy and disasters of Berwickshire". The Christmas Social is on **December 12th** at the Red Lion in Milfield.

In a change to our normal date for meeting, our January meeting will not be on the first Thursday Jan 2nd, but on the second Thursday, **9th January**, when John Home-Robertson will be speaking on the subject of "The Paxton Waterwheel and Pump".

Ian Landles from Hawick will speak on "Lady Florance, Sir Frederick and me" on **February 6th**.

All are very welcome to attend these talks and the cost for visitors is only £1.

Our website contains details of projects, research etc. as well as our new programme. The website address is

www.coldstreamhistorysociety.co.uk Secretary: Lynne Burgess 01890 883947, 07766707330, lynneburgess27@gmail.com

Berwickshire Churches Food Bank

For the past seven years Berwickshire Churches Food Bank has been delivering food boxes to people in need in the Coldstream area and right across Berwickshire.

Food bank volunteers respond to requests from referral agencies such as the council's social services, Berwickshire Housing Association, Citizens Advice Bureau and others, by putting together sufficient packet, tinned and fresh food and toiletries to last recipients for five days (including fresh milk, bread, eggs, cheese, potatoes and margarine). The volunteers pick up the goods from the food bank store beside Duns Parish Church, plus fresh goods from a local store where the food bank has an account, and they deliver it to the home of the recipient.

The geography, number of small settlements in the area and restricted public transport made it impractical to have a central point for recipients to pick up the goods, so when the local food bank was set up it was agreed that referral agencies and food bank volunteers would deliver the parcels directly to clients.

Demand in recent years has increased and at the beginning of the year Berwickshire Churches Food Bank was delivering up to 16 parcels a week right across Berwickshire. In the summer of 2019 a second Berwickshire food bank was set up in Eyemouth, based at the Connect Berwickshire Youth Project premises (formerly the Tedda centre) behind the swimming pool, and this new food bank handles referrals in eastern Berwickshire. The Duns based food bank continues to serve the Mid Berwickshire area, which includes Coldstream.

Churches in Berwickshire collect non perishable goods (pasta, jars of pasta sauce, tins of stews/pies, pilchards, corned beef, ham, soup and beans, jam, tea bags, breakfast cereal, long life milk, tinned fruit and vegetables) and deliver them to the store in Duns on a Friday morning. Dry store goods can be dropped off at Duns Parish Church Monday to Friday (9am-5pm) where they are sorted by volunteers and then put into the store. Monetary donations are also useful in order to include fresh produce in the food parcels, plus when necessary a voucher to be used in local pharmacies for toiletries, feminine products, baby food and nappies etc.

The need in our area is varied: delays in the benefits process, rehousing, struggling to budget low income, escaping domestic abuse, members of the armed forces returning to civilian life, bereavement, addiction recovery, unexpected emergencies. Single people, families and couples have been helped by the food bank and all are very appreciative of the assistance given.

If anyone would like to make a monetary donation to Berwickshire Churches Food Bank they can do so by sending a cheque to: Foodbank, J D Clark & Allan Solicitors, Market Square, Duns TD11 3DR.

COLDSTREAM & DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL - VACANCIES

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Early 2020 could see yet another election – this time for Coldstream & District Community Council. Every four years the people of Coldstream have a chance to stand as a community councillor to represent the town and surrounding area, and if more than 12 people put themselves forward then an election is required.

The Community Council's role is to represent the town and surrounding area by listening to the views of local residents and passing those views on to public sector organisations such as Scottish Borders Council and NHS Borders.

Scottish Borders Council also has a responsibility to consult with the Community Council about delivery of local services, inform them of, and changes to, services and issues that may affect their area eg SBC has a statutory duty to consult the community council on planning applications within the area.

The three Mid Berwickshire councillors (Councillor John Greenwell, Councillor Donald Moffat and Councillor Mark Rowley) attend the Community Council's monthly meetings, providing a regular link between Coldstream and Scottish Borders Council.

Coldstream & District Community Council currently has eight members (maximum number is 12) and it is possible that if not all run for re-election and no one else comes forward then the council will go into abeyance (a minimum of six members is required). That would weaken Coldstream's voice with statutory organisations and needs to be avoided if at all possible.

Scottish Borders Council is responsible for running the election process and anyone interested in standing will need to contact them for a form to complete. They are required to live in the Community Council area and be nominated by two members of the local community.

Notification about how to apply will be sent out by Scottish Borders Council, probably in late January, and a notice will be put in the community council notice board outside Coldstream Community Centre.

*A planning application has recently been submitted by Scottish Borders Council for a new cemetery for the Coldstream area on land at Ladies Field, east of 1 Kelso Road, Coldstream.

Details of the application can be found on Scottish Borders Council website: <https://eplanning.scotborders.gov.uk/online/applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=documents&keyVal=Q0FMAINTMNM00>

The Sleep Over Charity Quiz



CCN readers are invited to enter the quiz opposite. All entries to go to Jake Scott at 6 Gowanlea, Coldstream or can be emailed to jscottbass@hotmail.co.uk £100 will be donated to a local charity chosen by the winner.

The Sleep Over Story

A teenager is visiting a friend for a pets sleepover at their grandparent's house. The grandfather buys and sells stuff at auctions.

There are loud voices coming from within the house and the friend explains that the grandparents are having a heated dispute "grandad lost out on a painting that's now worth twice as much. They will calm down shortly, pour a glass of wine and make supper".

The teenager, holding their rabbit, spots a lovely new kitten and asks what's its name?

The friend replies "Grandma suggested **Banksy!**"

The Sleep Over Quiz

- Why do you think the grandfather did not buy the painting?
 - Was he simply outbid.
 - Did he feel it was not worth it.
 - Did Grandma put a limit on his spend.
- Why do you think the teenager's friend was so calm?
 - Was the friend possibly uncaring
 - Was the friend simply not interested
 - Heated disputes (arguments) were a common occurrence.
- Why do you think Grandma suggested the name Banksy?
 - Did she think the painting was a Banksy.
 - Did she wish the painting had been a Banksy.
 - Was she simply showing her authority as everytime he called the kitten, he'd be reminded who's in charge!

THE FINAL BIRDS DINNER

Well Ladies, that's our last ever 'Birds' dinner!

On behalf of everyone on the committee I would like to thank you all for coming to support us over the last 10 years. We have raised over **£50,000** which is a fabulous sum that has supported so many local cancer charities. Who would have thought that when we started it would be such a successful venture. We have had so much support from local businesses and without their help I am sure that it would have been impossible. So many individuals have given us donations and/or their time. Many people have helped with the setting up and clearing up and helped at the dinners. A special mention must go to the ex Coldstreamers and our wine waiters

who came along to help every time. Many of them didn't miss one. The crowning event for us was when we were presented with the Jim Patterson Memorial Rose Bowl. We had no idea that this was going to happen so it was a great surprise and we were really honoured to be recognised in this way. So, thank you all very much once again.

Linda Holmes



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As many of you know, Skin Deep has been on the move again! We are now enjoying our new premises at 80 High Street. I'm pleased to tell you we have a new hairdresser in town, Stacie Thompson. You can find her on Facebook as 'ST Styles', also Laura Campbell on the Nail Bar who you can find as 'Designer Digits by Laura'. We have our Sun Shower (sunbed) making a comeback soon & those of you who still have minutes to use up will receive an extra 12 minutes each. We have all your record cards so please call in and we can update you on your sessions still remaining. And, of course, myself Kay and the lovely Lucy will be doing a full range of beauty treatments Monday to Saturday.

The team of workers who helped get the Salon looking so great have done an amazing job and it's down to these guys that we got ready on time. So, a massive well done and thanks to: Allan Bell Joinery Lowick, my wonderfully talented Dad (again, sorry dad!), my husband Pav who I haven't seen for almost 3 weeks, WP Purves Electricians, Keen-Wood Carpets Wooler, Jake Greer Metal Work and last but certainly not least David Shepherd for yet another sign - we think this one is the best yet! We missed having an Open Day to celebrate but we invite everybody to join us in a little Christmas celebration on Saturday 30th November 2.30-4.30pm at the Salon. We have fizz, coffee & mince pies, Xmas crafts and 10% off any purchase from Skin Deep. Looking forward to seeing you all soon!

Kay



Coldstream 2021 Calendar Photographic Competition

One of our new fund-raising initiatives is a competition to find superb digital images of Coldstream and surrounds which will be used to create a stunning wall calendar for 2021. The theme for the photographs is "Coldstream through the seasons".

The competition is open now and you'll see our posters around the town and local villages telling you how you can enter. For an entry form and Terms & Conditions either email coldstream2021calendar@gmail.com or pick up a paper copy in the Community Centre foyer or from G J Sanderson Butchers in the High Street.

The competition closes on 15 May 2020 and a panel of judges will then pick the thirteen best photographs to create the cover and twelve picture pages of the calendar. All profits from entry fees (£2 per photograph submitted) and the sale of calendars will be donated to Macmillan Cancer Support. So, sort through your digital albums, unearth your cameras and get snapping!

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22nd November 6-9pm
Norham Village Hall

Tickets £5 in advance (incl a free glass of fizz and canapés) Over 18 only!
Tickets available from Tory Craig, Sue Churchill, Janet Young or Jane Bannister. Also from the Village Shop and The Masons Arms in Norham, and Straight Lace, Castlegate, Berwick. Tickets are already flying out the door so don't delay!

All in aid of Northern Soul Kitchen and Berwick & District Friends of Dementia. Further information from Tory Craig 07745 130987 torylintoncraig@aol.com

The Scrooge Diaries

Sat 30th November 7pm
Norham Church

So you think you know the Christmas Carol story? Bah Humbug!
It's 1843 and as Christmas looms. Mr Dickens is about to publish his latest instalment of that tale. Mr Scrooge is in his office working desperately to tell his side of the story.

In this revelatory exclusive, Ebenezer Scrooge opens his diary to expose the awful truth about Tiny Tim, The Fezziwigs, Jacob Marley and that disgustingly jolly gluttonous, consumer-driven Ghost of Christmas Present, as he reveals the truth behind A Christmas Carol. Ruin someone's Christmas and buy them a ticket!

Tickets available on the door or online from <http://www.highlightsnorth.co.uk/whats-on-listings.aspx>

Adult £8; U16 £4
Group Ticket £18

For more information contact Tory Craig 07745130987 torylintoncraig@aol.com
An event from the Highlights Rural Touring Scheme

COLDSTREAM SOCIAL AND LITERARY SOCIETY

Our 2019/20 season started with an Open Evening on 7th October. We were delighted to welcome so many new members and visitors to hear Andrew Douglas Home speak about "The River Tweed, its fish and fisheries over 50 years." The audience included several fishermen and others with local knowledge; all of us learned something new about the "star of the show" – the salmon. A fortnight later we were well entertained by Tony Dixon who gave a most amusing talk about his experiences as a Head Gardener over many years in different parts of the country. Then we welcomed Hugo Burge who gave an enthusiastic talk on "Marchmont - a home for makers and creators". Starting with its history and how his family came to be involved, Hugo then gave an overview of the house's restoration, blending Georgian with Arts and Crafts to make a sympathetic whole. Our next speaker will be Lynn Young who will tell us about her experiences as a volunteer helper at two Commonwealth Games. December's "meeting" is the Society's annual Christmas Lunch.

In 2020, our talk titles include: "Schools and Education in 19th century Berwickshire", "Border Search and Rescue", "Duns Castle", "Shot and Dawn" and "Re-Tweed". Starting on 6th January we meet fortnightly at 7pm in the Parish Church Hall. Visitors are always welcome.

COLDSTREAM ROYAL BRITISH LEGION CLUB

Coldstream Branch RBL has the last remaining Social Club in Berwickshire and we hope to continue for many years. This can only be the case if we have the support of our community. We are the only venue where you can come along and enjoy a game of darts, pool, snooker or carpet bowls as well as a drink in our well stocked bars. Our Club Rooms are the ideal venue for hiring for private parties or dinners or meetings of any kind and we can even fit in bouncy castles for the young ones. Please contact us to discuss your requirements.



Anyone can become a member of Legion Scotland. By joining you show your support for ex-service people across Scotland whether they completed their service yesterday or as part of the Second World War. And, you will be helping a caring organization dedicated to aiding veterans to get on with their lives.

When you join your local branch of Legion Scotland your membership also entitles you to make use of any other branch across Scotland (a separate fee may apply for making use of a branch with a club). Indeed in many cases it also enables you to visit branches of equivalent organizations in countries such as the USA, Canada and Australia. There are a range of other benefits to membership. Also there is no set time or date for becoming a member all you have to do is get in touch or pop in and see us.

There are two options available to women – they are welcome to join either a Legion Scotland local branch, or they can also join the Women's Section which is a separate organization and we have one here in Coldstream which meets every third Wednesday of the month and new members are welcome anytime.

As a member of The Royal British Legion Scotland you will have the opportunity to benefit from a range of membership services and access to exclusive deals, including:

- ◆ 4 copies of the award winning Legion Scotland Today magazine
 - ◆ The opportunity to visit our clubs and branches across Scotland
 - ◆ Participation in a range of sporting and comradeship events across Scotland all year round
 - ◆ Participation in Remembrance events for all ages across Scotland throughout the year
 - ◆ Access to a range of discounts with Glenton Holidays
 - ◆ Access to discounts with Co-op Funeral care
- Membership benefits are always being reviewed and updated so there is something new for everyone.

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Christmas Lights Quiz Sheet

Ella Purves has kindly made up a quiz sheet which runs until the end of November. The sheets are in Coldstream shops and cost £1 each. They are also available direct from Ella. There are prizes for winner & runner-up and all proceeds are to go to our town's Christmas Lights. Be quick and get your entry in before November 30th!

GATEWAY ASSOCIATION

Our Christmas Lights fund has received a huge boost recently from the Co-op Community Fund. Thanks to the generous shoppers at Coldstream Co-op we will receive £2485.88 which when added to the £451.66 already received makes the fantastic total of £2937.54. This has enabled us to purchase new light motifs for some of our lamp posts so look out for these after the light-up on Sunday 1st December. Thank you to the Co-op & everyone concerned.

The winter flowers have now been planted out and grateful thanks goes to all the volunteers who assisted. This time we have had to plant out containers which previously have been planted by Scottish Borders Council. The Council is no longer providing bedding out plants in any Border towns so this has obvious implications for Henderson Park in particular. Despite taking over all the containers which were previously SBC's, the Gateway Association is unable to take on the planting out of Henderson Park in terms of both cost and voluntary labour. If any other individual(s) or organisations are interested in producing and maintaining a display in Henderson Park, please contact the Community Council (see their article seeking new members).



As we are having to purchase more plants than ever before, we are delighted to have been accepted for the next round of Co-op Community Fund Awards. You can make Coldstream In Bloom your chosen cause by signing into your online account at www.coop.co.uk/membership

If you're not already a Co-op member, go to the same web page and click "Become a Member" - it's only £1 to join! Please support us and help to keep the town looking colourful and florally attractive.

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The BeFriend Project

The BeFriend project recently celebrated its 7th anniversary with a small get-together. Among the people who came along was Diane, our very first volunteer. Diane was retiring at the same time as BeFriend was starting and thought that becoming a befriender would be a great way to use some of her newly spare time. She no longer volunteers with the project but we were delighted to welcome her back for the day; she even cut our anniversary cake.

Diane's return emphasised the loyalty that many of our volunteers feel towards us and the people they befriend. BeFriend is a National Lottery funded project run by Berwickshire Housing Association (BHA).

Over the years, we've helped around 160 people through a combination of one-to-one befriending and group befriending. Referrals to the project come from BHA staff, social work, NHS services, third sector organisations, friends, family, and neighbours.

The impact BeFriend has can be illustrated by introducing Hilda. Hilda is in her 80s and lives with her husband, Ted. Ted has had dementia for several years and Hilda has poor mobility because of arthritis. While she is very supportive, their daughter



Some of our people enjoying a day trip

lives 300 miles away and can't be with them on a regular basis. Hilda had become quite depressed because of her situation and was getting out of the house only once a week, to have her hair done and have a coffee. After chatting to the owner of the café she frequented, Hilda contacted BeFriend to ask if we could help.

Hilda now has a one-to-one befriender and she attends our group events. She says that having a volunteer befriender makes her feel that someone likes her for herself and not because it's their job but because they want to be with her. Hilda also attends some of our group events but only if we promise that she can help out!

Unfortunately, Hilda had a stroke last year which meant spending several weeks in hospital and several months of rehabilitation at home. BeFriend was able to support her by helping her to remain positive and feel connected during this difficult time. She is now much improved and says that her connection to BeFriend was her lifeline during her illness. With BeFriend's help, she remained active and was encouraged in her rehabilitation because she had things to look forward to.

Hilda has said that, without the input from BeFriend, her world would have just continued to get smaller but now it feels like her world is blossoming.

Hilda's story is not typical because our people don't have typical stories, they're all individual, but it does illustrate the impact that befriending can have. Befriending isn't for everyone but for many people it can have a very positive and long lasting impact.

If, like Diane, you would like to help people like Hilda to feel less isolated, you can find us here:

Facebook: @BHABeFriend

Twitter: @BHA_BeFriend

Or contact us here: Phone - 01361 884000 (ask for BeFriend) Email: befriend@berwickshirehousing.org.uk

- Berwickshire Housing Association (BHA) is a Registered Social Landlord providing homes for over a fifth of households in Berwickshire. BHA is also a registered charity.
- It also provides independent living accommodation in Eyemouth, Coldstream and Duns.
- We are committed to building new affordable homes when we can, trying to reduce fuel poverty and supporting the people who live in our homes to succeed in their lives.

Email: BHAComms@berwickshirehousing.org.uk

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GATEWAY ASSOCIATION OPEN GARDENS 2020

Hello gardeners, I'm sure you are all very busy putting your gardens to bed for their winter rest after the summer. Following on from our success last July we are again going to open a range of gardens under the Scotland's Gardens Scheme banner on Sunday July 12th 2020. To add to our already wonderful range we would love to have a few new gardens to open next year. Don't be shy, if you love your garden then so will others and you will have a lovely afternoon showing it off and making a few pounds for our town's floral displays. Please get in touch at mclennan.christine@gmail.com or 01890840700.

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A BIG THANK YOU!

Coldstream Rainbows, Brownies, Guides & Rangers would like to thank the Hirsell Hudson Fund for their recent grant. Girlguiding is undergoing a big change in their programme, the first in 100 years across all the sections. The grant has meant we can buy the girls a handbook & badge book for the new programme plus the resources needed and badges.

From a 5 year old Rainbow to an 18 year old Ranger we will follow the same programme. The programme follows 6 themes – Be Well, Know Myself, Have Adventures, Express Myself, Take Action & Skills For My Future. We have skill builder badges for the girls to work together in small groups, all new interest badges to earn individually and unit meeting activities which take all different times and these all add up to theme awards and ultimately a gold award in each section. Very exciting!

The girls will be challenged, inspired and empowered through our programme and have loads of fun. Getting the grant was amazing and will help us achieve this. Very many thanks to the Hirsell Hudson Fund for supporting us.

We also continue with trips out etc and recently the Guides have enjoyed a pop concert at the SSE Hydro in the company of Lewis Capaldi, James Arthur and others. They also went to an activity day at Bowhill, taking part in den building, making plaster casts of the paws of local wildlife, a scavenger hunt and enjoying the adventure playground with over 100 Guides from Berwickshire and Roxburghshire. We all took part in the recent County Challenge, where the Rainbows drew posters of endangered animals, the Brownies made models in their sixes with recyclable junk and the Guides made a short film on “Save our Planet”.

We have a lot of fun & if anyone would like to help out please do not hesitate to get in touch. Try Elizabeth on 01890 882785 or thereids91m@gmail.com

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CCN EDITOR
TO ALL IN
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New pattern of Sunday & mid-week services at St. Mary and All Souls' Church

From the beginning of November 2019 we have adopted a new pattern for our regular Sunday morning and mid-week services as we now become part of the Berwickshire Episcopal Group of Churches, joining with Christ Church, Duns and St. Ebba's, Eyemouth.

For Sundays, this new pattern of Morning Services is, as it settles down, that our first Sunday of the month will be 9:00am with all other Sunday services being at 10:45am.

Dates and service times for Sundays in December, January and February are as follows:

Dec 1st – **9:00am** – Communion Service
 Dec 8th – **10:45am** – Morning Worship
 Dec 15th – **10:45am** – Communion Service
 Dec 22nd – **10:45am** – Communion Service
 Dec 29th – **No service at St. Mary's**
 (as the group gathers together
 for a shared service at Christ Church
 Duns at **10:45am.**)

Jan 5th – **9.00am** – Communion Service
 Jan 12th – **10.45am** – Morning Worship
 Jan 19th – **10.45am** – Communion Service
 Jan 26th – **10.45am** – Communion Service
 Feb 2nd – **9.00am** – Communion Service
 Feb 9th – **10.45am** – Morning Worship
 Feb 16th – **10.45am** – Communion Service
 Feb 23rd – **10.45am** – Communion Service

On Thursdays there will be a short service of Morning Prayer at 9:30am followed by coffee/tea and biscuits and a time to catch up with one another. On the **Third Thursday, also at 9:30am**, there will be a quiet communion service, again followed by refreshments etc.



COLDSTREAM COFFEE MORNINGS



23 Nov Parish Church Christmas Fayre *PCH*
 30 Nov Town Trip *BL*
 07 Dec Coldstream Gateway Association *BL*
 14 Dec Presenting Coldstream *BL*
 21 Dec Ex Coldstreamers' Association *BL*
 29 Dec NO COFFEE MORNING
 04 Jan RBLS Coldstream Club *BL*
 11 Jan Over 60s Club *BL*
 18 Jan Coldstream Gateway Association *BL*
 25 Jan Presenting Coldstream *BL*
 01 Feb St Mary's Church *BL*

08 Feb Macmillan Soup & Sweet *CC*
 15 Feb Coldstream Junior Football Club *BL*
 22 Feb Coldstream Riders Association *BL*
 29 Feb Coldstream Community Trust *CC*
BL - British Legion Club, PCH - Parish Church Hall
CC - Community Centre

The Town Diary folder is held in Moffat's Newsagents. Please fill in full details of your coffee morning or other event. Any Diary queries should go to Elspeth Bell on 882211. In the diary, please don't use acronyms for your club/organisation and please state your venue.