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**It's another bumper edition in glorious**

# COLOUR!

## SANTA'S COMING ON SUNDAY 27th NOVEMBER!

Santa will be visiting the Community Centre on Sunday 27 November and he is looking forward to meeting up again with the children of Coldstream. At 4pm Santa will make his way from the old police station, travelling along the High Street to the Community Centre and he should be settled in his chair by 4.30pm. Tickets to see Santa are £3 per child and are payable on the door. Adrian has new ideas for decorating the building and it is sure to be as wonderful as always.



**COMMUNITY CENTRE NEWS** - If you want to enjoy the Tweed Hall in all its glory the annual festive teas are back for another year. They are taking place on Saturday 10 and Sunday 11 December when the usual selection of sandwiches, savouries, cakes and unlimited tea and coffee will be available. All this for just £10.00. There will also be a small quality raffle. Places are selling quickly so if you want to book a place get in touch.

The St Andrews Day Raffle is back with the draw taking place on the afternoon of Wednesday 30 November. First prize is a wonderful Scottish themed hamper, second prize is £50 cash and there are many other Scottish prizes. Tickets are £1 each or £5 for a book.

After a few hiccups this year we have a date fixed for the beer festival, which we are running in conjunction with Presenting Coldstream, and will be confirming details in the next issue of the Community News. We have also managed to secure a date for Andante Choir to come and sing for us after lockdown interfered with their last visit to us. Again, more information will be available in the next Community News.

If you have any sensible ideas of events that we could put on do let us know (sorry, but we can't afford George Ezra...) and we will do our best to accommodate. If you want to help us organise an event we are happy to run it as a joint venture.



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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 edition of the CCN online any time at [www.coldstreamcommunity.com](http://www.coldstreamcommunity.com)**

**Deadline for items for the Spring Edition of CCN is Friday 10th February 2023**



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The Community Centre has had quite an unsettling few months but we are pleased to say that we are back on track with a group of enthusiastic and interested trustees. They bring with them a wide range of skills and interests so hopefully we can weather the next period which will be testing for everyone involved in the voluntary sector. Some of the projects we hope to work on over the next year - reviewing and updating the website, looking for funding for repairs to the building, reviewing our policies and procedures documents, updating the membership list and creating a database of available support.

The annual report and accounts are being finalised and the date for the AGM will be announced shortly.

We were fortunate to be part of the Co-op's Community Fund for 2021/22 so thank you to everyone who chose us as their nominated project. The raised beds in the garden are complete and we are hopeful that some vegetables can be grown for the larder for next year. If you would like to donate any tinned goods/packets/toiletries for the larder you can find a box in the hallway of the Centre. Thank you to everyone who has been supporting this very worthwhile and much needed project.

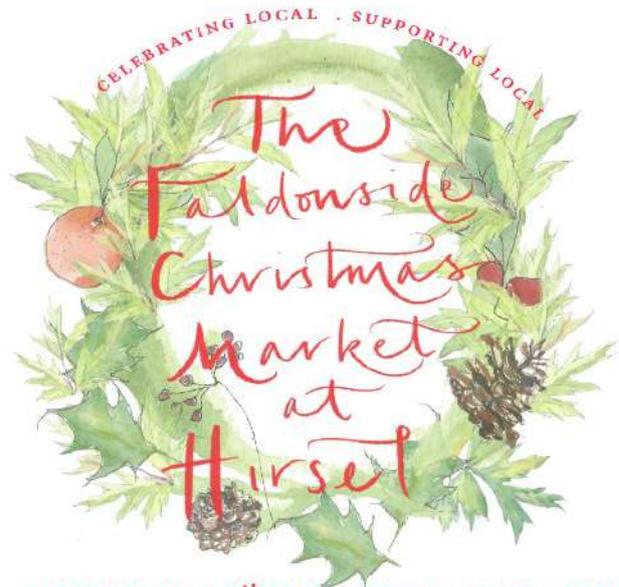
We run occasional litter picks throughout the town (weather permitting) so if you would like to be added to the email list get in touch - or keep your eyes on FB.

How to get in touch with us - phone 01890 883332, message on FB @coldstreamcommunitycentre, for bookings email bookings@coldstreamcommunity.com, to reserve tickets email info@coldstreamcommunity.com, for invoicing queries email admin@coldstreamcommunity.com

The Community Centre is run by a group of volunteers for the benefit of the town and we are fortunate to have a great team of part-time employees to help us do this. We have a policy in place which ensures that everyone treats each other with respect and dignity and hope that this extends to people communicating with us.

**Everyone involved with the Centre would like to wish you all a very happy Christmas and thank you for supporting us. Best wishes for 2023 from Adrian, Adrienne, Chris, Dennis, Ian, John x 2, Rosie, Sam, Susan x2 and Wendy**

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### Carols in Henderson Park

On Thursday, 22 December at 6.00pm, Community Carols will be sung outdoors in Henderson Park. Do come along and join in. Everyone will be made welcome.

### Christmas Eve

A **Christingle** Service will take place in the Parish Church at 6.30pm. This is a short service for children which is for all the family to enjoy.

A **Watchnight** Service will take place at 11.30pm and will end at Midnight as we wish each other a Happy Christmas.

### Christmas Day

Short Family Services will take place at Eccles Church at 9.45am and at Swinton Church at 11.00am.

Please keep up to date with news and developments on our website: [www.coldstreamdistrictchurches.org.uk](http://www.coldstreamdistrictchurches.org.uk) and on our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/ColdstreamKirk>.



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**Bavs Coldstream would like to take this opportunity to thank our wonderful community for all your support, kindness and**

**generous donations this past year. Our volunteers have put in over 2440 hours working in the shop. Your donations have amounted to a whopping 9742kg saving many kgs going into landfill. We could not have done this without you. We will be closed from Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> December to Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2023.**

**We wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New year.**

## COLDSTREAM BURNS CLUB NEWS

Coldstream Burns Club will be holding its annual supper on Saturday 28th January, 2023 in the British Legion Club. This should have been the 135th Supper but the Covid restrictions led to the cancellation of the 2021 and 2022 events. With the admittance of ladies to membership of the Club, the January Supper will have a special significance, in that the Members' night will be a mixed evening for the first time. In the light of this, the committee felt that the separate Ladies Night which has run since 1967, was no longer appropriate.

The principal guest this year is Jane Brown from Dumfries. She is an accomplished and entertaining speaker and a prominent Burnsian as well as a good friend of Coldstream Burns Club, having attended our annual Bridge Ceremony on a number of occasions.

The committee would like to encourage all ladies who are interested, to apply for membership to enable them to attend the 2023 Supper. There is a joining fee of £10 and an annual subscription of the same amount. Membership forms are available from, John Elliot, Secretary, Tel. No. 07761 791803 or email [jh.elliott444@gmail.com](mailto:jh.elliott444@gmail.com). All forms should be returned by 31st December.

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## COLDSTREAM FLOWER SHOW, September 16<sup>th</sup> 2023

Some advance information concerning next year's Flower Show

### Knitting Section

Class:

- 101 4 ply Premature Baby Cardigan (To be donated)
- 102 4 ply knitted lace garment
- 103 Topsy Turvy Doll
- 104 Knitted Bag - Lined
- 105 Arran Pattern Cushion Cover (Arran Wool)
- 106 Knitted Fruit
- 107 D K Adult's Jumper

### Handicraft Section

Class:

- 108 Crocheted Hot Water Bottle Cover
- 109 Framed Picture made using buttons (6"x4" max)
- 110 Home made purse/wallet
- 111 Upcycled fabric article
- 112 Christmas Card with insert and verse
- 113 Patchwork Cot Quilt

- 114 Cross stitch Spectacle Case
- 115 Beaded Bracelet
- 116 Picture in any medium (Max. size 30"x 30"  
(not Needlework)
- 117 Needle felted article
- 118 Handicraft article not already scheduled

### Photography Section

Class:

- 119 Civic Week 2023 Photograph
- 120 4 Photographs of Clock Faces – mounted on  
A3 card
- 121 Black and White River Scene
- 122 Photograph of someone laughing
- 123 Photograph with humorous caption
- 124 Photograph of a single flower
- 125 Photograph of an Insect
- 126 Photograph of Christmas Celebration

**The full 2023 Flower Show Schedule will be available early in the New Year.**

## COLDSTREAM SWI

Our new season began with yet more successes for many members winning prizes at the Coldstream Flower Show in September. It culminated in Isobel winning the Henderson Silver Challenge Cup for most points in the Handicraft Section. Well done to her and to you all.

Our first meeting in September was a social where we welcomed returning members and some new additions to our ranks who were made to feel at home. The competition was for the sunflowers we planted in decorated flower pots in the Spring. An outstanding 224cm monster saw Karen take first prize. Refreshments were followed by some amusing personal anecdotes. Who knew Chris W had danced with Andy Williams? As for 'lavatorial' experiences around the world, our members can top them all.

October brought Jon and Claire Dixon to our meeting. Arborists whose enthusiasm for trees – choosing them, planting, maintenance and the pleasure they give - meant we were all going home to take a new look at our gardens and the beautiful woodlands around us.

Some members had attended an applique workshop hosted by the Federation. Their work was on display to encourage us all. Ella had attended a Tamari Ball workshop in Edinburgh and no doubt we will see her work in due course.

Our next meeting is on November 17<sup>th</sup> with a talk by the charity, Riding for the Disabled. The first meeting of 2023 is on January 19<sup>th</sup> when our speaker will share her experience of innovative stem cell treatment.



We wish you all a very Happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year.



Jan Brown



**REMEMBER!**  
**CHRISTMAS LIGHT UP &  
 SANTA'S ANNUAL VISIT ON  
 SUNDAY 27th NOVEMBER!**  
 For further details please see the  
 Community Centre article on page 1

### Dickens Returns to Ford

Lady Waterford Hall in Ford is hosting four very special performances of seasonal works by Charles Dickens on the 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> December. Dickensian actor James Swanton makes a welcome return after enthralling audiences last year. He will perform Dickens' heart-warming masterpiece *A Christmas Carol* and his darker Christmas story, *The Haunted Man*. Seasonal refreshments will be served before the performances, which run for approximately one hour and are not suitable for children under the age of ten. Please book early to avoid disappointment. Tickets cost £10 per person and can be booked online via [www.ford-and-etel.co.uk](http://www.ford-and-etel.co.uk)

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## Coldstream & District Community Council (CDCC)

**"CELEBRATE GOOD TIMES – COME ON!!"**



With the greatest of pleasure, we announce two forthcoming party/celebratory events to be led by the Community Council!

Firstly, the very popular formerly named Town Old Folks' Christmas Party is to be reintroduced, reinvigorated, and renamed as the **"Senior Citizens' Festive Bash"**.

Anyone living in the town and over the age of 65 is invited.

It will be held in the **Community Centre on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2023**, start time 4.00pm.

There will be a 2-course dinner, drinks and lots of fun and entertainment with a small charge of only £3.00 per head required to book your place.

Reservations can be made at either of the following events taking place in the town on **Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December:**

Coffee Morning (Gateway Association Christmas Lights) – 10.30am in the British Legion

Festive Tea Dance (Presenting Coldstream) – 3.00pm in the British Legion

### The Coronation of King Charles III

As most of you will be aware, King Charles's coronation is scheduled for 6<sup>th</sup> May 2023.

We feel certain that Coldstream residents will want to mark this occasion in some special way, and the Community Council is keen to hear from you with your suggestions as to what style of event or events you would like to see happening.

An early start to planning something is crucial as funding applications will as ever be necessary. Please contact the Community Council by e-mailing Alison Campbell at [secretary.coldstreamcc@gmail.com](mailto:secretary.coldstreamcc@gmail.com) or if it's easier for you, just speak to any of the Community Councillors.

Get your thinking caps on folks!

**"Let's all celebrate and have a good time, yeah, yeah"**



Joy Thomson on behalf of CDCC

## COLDSTREAM PARISH CHURCH GUILD

The Guild is open to everyone – male and female – and takes place on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays in the month in the Parish Church Hall at 7.00pm.

It was wonderful to be able to meet again after 2 ½ long years; to see the "weel kent" faces and to catch up on everyone's news. The session opened on 12<sup>th</sup> October when Will Murray and Trevor Swan started the session with their presentation "Looking Back" - photos of Coldstream and the surrounding district which brought back lots of happy memories and "Do you remember" On 26<sup>th</sup> October Aileen Orr came along to share the amazing story of "Wojtek the Bear". Aileen talked about his journey from Poland with the Polish forces in WW2 and his connection to her family and the Borders. Signed copies of her book on the subject were also available and proved very popular. On 9<sup>th</sup> November Andrew Douglas-Home gave a talk on his fascinating book "A River Runs Through Me" which not only deals with the plight of the Atlantic Salmon but is a memoir of his life. Andrew read several very interesting extracts from his book and members were able to buy signed copies, which again were very popular. On 23<sup>rd</sup> November there will be a demonstration of Christmas Flower Arrangements by Louisa Coates which should be most interesting and we end the first half of the session in December with our Christmas Party when – if we have all been good – Santa might make an appearance! All in all, the Guild has come back with a bang and we have even more excellent speakers and demonstrators booked for the second half of the session which starts on 11<sup>th</sup> January. There will be notices of meetings posted around town and also in the Berwickshire News. We do hope you will come along and join us – we are a very friendly bunch and you will be made very welcome – and we make excellent tea and coffee!!

Helen Park

## ELLA'S QUIZZES

The last quiz for Coldstream Community Larder raised **£280 with winners from Kelso and Rushden. The current quiz is for the Twinning Association and ends on 30 November. The next is for the Coldstream Girl Guides and will be on sale from usual outlets or myself from 1st December. Thank you for supporting my quizzes.**

Ella Purves

# TILLIVAS

**Till Valley Archaeological Society,**  
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**Twitter: @TILLIVAS**  
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Meetings are held in Crookham Village Hall and all are welcome. Members free; Visitors £4

At Wednesday evening meetings, the talk begins at 7.30pm, with tea, coffee and biscuits served from 7.00pm. The Sunday lunchtime meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> February is an experiment. The talk will begin at 12 noon, with tea coffee and biscuits available afterwards. We regret that we cannot provide lunch, but those attending are encouraged to bring a "picnic" with them so that conversation can continue after the talk.

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm** – Talk by **Dr. John Reid** – "A Beginner's Guide to Orkney".

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January at 7.30pm** – Talk by **Linda Bankier** – "Ford in the time of the Waterfords"

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> February at 12 noon** – Talk by **Elizabeth Devon** – "Cheviot Volcanoes; What were they like? Would you have survived?"

**Calling all local businesses & shops - why not advertise in the Community News? A quarter page ad currently costs only £20 and the CCN is delivered to every household and business in the town. Anyone interested, please use the CCN contact details on the front cover. Thank you.**

## PRESENTING COLDSTREAM ASSOCIATION

**F**ollowing a two year break, we were delighted that we were able to once again hold our Civic Week. After a busy summer visiting the Border Towns for ride out and balls, our Principals were all ready.

Finally it was time for Coldstream Civic Week and what a fabulous week we had! From the coffee morning to the Fancy Dress, all events were very well supported. It was wonderful to see the joy on the faces of the young and not so young getting together and having fun.

Flodden Day started with a little rain, but by the time the cavalcade was ready to head to Flodden, the sun was shining. What an amazing sight to see all the horses once again heading to Flodden Field. Ian Jones gave us a wonderful oration and Joyce Tinlin's lament was so poignant. The cheers to welcome the horses back to the town and the wonderful singing of Bobby Hanlon at the Abbey Ceremony in Henderson Park, was a fitting end to a tremendous day.

We cannot thank our Pipe Band enough, they once again turned out in the rain and sun to lead the horses out and back home again. The beating of the retreat was a wonderful performance and Amazing Grace brought a tear to many an eye. Thank you all.

Presenting Coldstream Association along with Coldstream Riders' Association made a few changes to the week and some minor tweaks may still be required. If you would like to get involved and help in any way, with either of the committees, please get in touch. We need people to come forward to help in any way they can. Civic Week needs you!

We must give the biggest thank you to Coldstreamer Chris Lyons, Right Hand Man Harry Shepherd and our supporting principals Colin Leifer, Gareth Watson and Stefan Home. You have all done an amazing job and you can all be very proud of yourselves. Thank you to everyone who supported, helped out at events and who put money in our collecting tins.

The cost of Civic Week goes up year on year and, with this in mind, we are launching the Presenting Coldstream Association 200 Club. This is to secure the future of Coldstream Civic Week, to help us generate additional funds to support our Civic Week and to make sure we can continue to provide a full range of events during Civic Weeks to come. For £5 per month you could be a lucky winner! The numbers will be drawn at our monthly meetings which are held on the first Wednesday of each month. Once we have 150 members of the club, each month we will award three prizes of £250, £150 and £100. Until then, half the monthly income will be given out as prizes.

If you would like to support Civic Week and be a member of the 200 club, please contact Fiona Shepherd on 07842 885870 or any committee member. We will issue you with a 200 club bank mandate form.

We have already started planning Civic Week 2023, and the fundraising begins with our Festive Tea Dance on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December in The British Legion at 3pm with music by Rob Bell. Please come along and join in the festive fun.

My final 'thank you' goes to you, the guid folk of Coldstream. Without your help and support our Civic Week would not be the fantastic week it is. It's great when the whole community comes together to do what we do best ..... to celebrate our wonderful Wee Toun - Coldstream, Second to None.

**Dates for your diary - Coldstreamer's Installation : Friday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2023,**  
**Civic Week : 6<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> August 2023.**

Fiona Shepherd

## COLDSTREAM PREMIER CRU CYCLING

Winter may be here but that does not stop cycling activities. Bikes ( like their riders ) are designed to go out in all weathers so there is no excuse for not getting out there!

We have had a very successful year to date and welcomed many new riders into our midst. Fitness, fresh air, good company and craic, less travelled routes and a coffee stop are built into all of our rides...what's not to like?

Cycling can save you a lot of money in these cash strapped times. No tax to pay, no fuel to buy, no parking charges and minimal running costs. Second hand bikes have never been cheaper and there are some spectacular bargains to be had whatever your budget.

We meet EVERY Sunday at the Court House Car Park at 9am for a ride of approx 50/60 miles. There are no charges ( bring some cash for a coffee when we stop ) and no annual fees to pay.

In the winter months with unpredictable weather just dress accordingly. Lots of thin layers rather than one heavy one works well and, after a few minutes of pedalling, you will not feel cold. The only thing we insist on is that you wear a cycling helmet. No helmet means no ride!

Give it a try this Sunday.....you know you really want to! Follow all our journeys and escapades weekly on our Facebook page.

We all look forward to having your company soon.

Meantime we wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and we hope you find your dream bike in your stocking this year.

Rob Smith



## Coldstream British Legion

**T**he British Legion is custodian of remembrance and has a duty to ensure that as a nation we will never forget the sacrifices made on our behalf. With this in mind we have been working with pupils and staff at Coldstream Primary School in an effort to ensure this awareness continues.

Following our very successful Platinum Jubilee Flag competition with the school, where every pupil was invited to design an appropriate flag and received a Platinum Jubilee Medal for their efforts, we decided to go for a similar format regarding remembrance in November. Pupils in Primaries 5 -7 were asked to submit an essay or poem on "what remembrance means to me". The response was outstanding and the quality extremely professional. Deciding on winners was difficult but extremely fulfilling. In addition, pupils from Primary 7 joined us at the War Memorial on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of November at the eleventh hour to participate in our annual act of remembrance. They laid a wreath and joined us in observing two minutes of silence. We hope that this can become an annual act.

It is only by engaging with people of this age that we can hope to continue appreciating all that has gone before.

The Legion Club continues to go from strength to strength with monthly events becoming more regular. The comeback of Bingo and our Saturday music nights proving very popular indeed. We are also extending the range that we offer by providing snacks and even Sunday Lunches. By the time you read this we will also have celebrated 50 years of the club in our present location with a special supper and entertainment night. We will again be celebrating New Year with our family party on New Year's Day from 3pm. Regular Saturday morning coffee mornings now seem to be shaking off the covid effect and are getting nearer to the numbers that used to attend.

All in all there is a greater confidence around the club that we will continue to play a major part in meeting the needs of our community for some time to come.

Watch notice boards and Face Book for upcoming events.

Russell Kirk

## Peep Babies

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## COLDSTREAM LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Coldstream Local History Society has a varied programme lined up over the next 4 months which is as follows:

- Thursday 1st December - David McLean - "The History of the Cowboy"
- Thursday 15th December - Christmas Social in the Besom Inn
- Thursday 5th January - John Shields - "The Rev. John Wilson of Lauder"
- Thursday 2nd February - Isobel Gordon - "Robert the Bruce's Legacy"
- Thursday 2nd March - AGM followed by - Graeme Watson - "Criminal Spirits -Smuggling in the Borders"

Members please note the date of the Christmas Social and, should you wish to attend, contact Lynne Burgess, Secretary on 07766 707330.

John H Elliot




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½ lb Streaky Bacon

**Pack 2    £55.00**

Beef roasting Joint (approx 3lb)  
Gammon Joint  
12 Pigs in Blankets  
1lb Chipolatas  
1lb Stuffing / Sausage Mt \*  
½ lb Streaky Bacon

**Pack 3    £45.00**

Fresh Chicken (approx 5lb)  
Gammon Joint  
12 Pigs in Blankets  
1lb Chipolatas  
Stuffing / Sausage Mt \*  
½ lb Streaky Bacon

Stuffings: Sage & Onion / Cranberry & Apple / Chestnut

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**Thursdays 5:00pm - 7:00pm**

**in Coldstream Parish Church Hall**

The larder is still looking for its forever home so for now we only stock non-perishables and excess fruit and vegetables from the garden. Any donations welcome but we would particularly appreciate any meals in a tin or cereals as these seem to be in high demand. For more details please find our page on website [coldstreamcomm.co.uk](http://coldstreamcomm.co.uk), follow us on Instagram and Facebook on @coldstreamlarder or email us on [larder@coldstreamcomm.co.uk](mailto:larder@coldstreamcomm.co.uk)

# COLDSTREAM PIPE BAND

The Pipe Band has had a busy 2022 with gigs in Northumberland, Midlothian, the Borders and our own Castrum for Civic Week of course and more to come before the New Year.

We are looking for a new Bass Drummer as, after 18 years, I am retiring at the end of December 2022. It was supposed to be 2020 but something called Covid got in the way!!

It's been wonderful fun going to France many times, travelling all across the Scottish Borders and even to sunny Blackpool once! I thoroughly recommend it.

As well as a Bass Drummer, the Band is looking for new members, young and not so young. If you have previous experience of playing either the pipes or drums and want to pick it up again – come and join us. If you haven't played before and would like to try – come and join us.



We practice every Monday night in Coldstream Primary School at 7.00pm until 9pm. All you need is enthusiasm and commitment to learn but most of all, you can rest assured, it will be fun. Uniforms are supplied free of charge.

If you are interested or just want more information, please call me on 01890 883911 or 07747 145849. *Alex Thomson*

## Cornhill Village Quiz in aid of village flowers is on the last Friday of every month and the next few dates are as follows:-

**Cornhill Village Hall - 7.30pm start**

**Friday 25th November Friday 30th December Friday 27th January**

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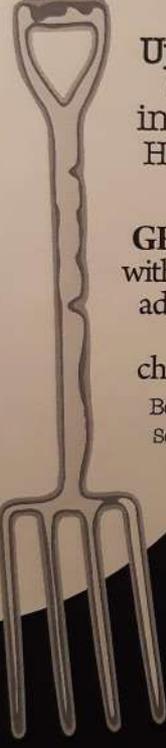
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## Coldstream Social & Literary Society

At the time of writing, we have had the first three meetings of our programme for 2022/23 and members have enjoyed excellent talks on each occasion. The subjects have ranged from bees and honey to what is involved in being a High Sheriff and the life and works of Sir Walter Scott and his home at Abbotsford. Our thanks to speakers Willie Robson, Eric Grounds and Hamish Reid for informing and entertaining us so well.

We are now looking forward to welcoming John Fordyce from the Borders Distillery on 21<sup>st</sup> November and the Society's Christmas lunch at The Cross Keys in Kelso on 5<sup>th</sup> December. This will bring the first half of the year's programme to an end.

Meetings will resume in January 2023 and we have a great variety of talks lined up, as follows:

<b>Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January:</b>	<b>Rick Taylor – South of Scotland Golden Eagle Project</b>
<b>Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> January:</b>	<b>Fire &amp; Rescue Service – Home Fire Safety Presentation</b>
<b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> February:</b>	<b>John McConnell – Myanmar</b>
<b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February:</b>	<b>Jack Arrowsmith – The Life of Grace Darling</b>
<b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March:</b>	<b>Patricia Keppie – Gardening the World – Commonwealth War Graves Commission</b>

Meetings will take place at the Coldstream Community Centre at 2.00pm on the dates above.

Non-members are very welcome to attend at a charge of £2.00 per session and you can enjoy a chat after the talk over tea/coffee and biscuits. We hope to see you in January!

Elsbeth Shepherd (Secretary)

## Masonic Hall Update

The work in the Masonic Hall continues with the remaining task being the repair to the stonework at the front of the building and repointing at the side. Work on the internals of the building is now complete and we are happy to have bright and warm rooms to work in and also to enjoy ourselves.

Our Lounge is available for hire so if you want a room to accommodate around 40 people for a party, meeting facility or other use, then please get in touch with us.



The masonic meetings in the Lodge are now getting up to speed following the Covid pandemic and we are getting quite a few visitors who are enjoying our newly refurbished building.

On Thursday 10th November we had an informal meeting in the Lounge for those who may be interested in joining us and if you were unable to attend, and are interested, then please contact us: Stewart on 07977 655436, or Peter on 07891 449732. We have also set up a website at [www.lodgestjohn280.co.uk](http://www.lodgestjohn280.co.uk) so why not take a look.

Peter Greenwood

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EDITOR  
TO ALL IN  
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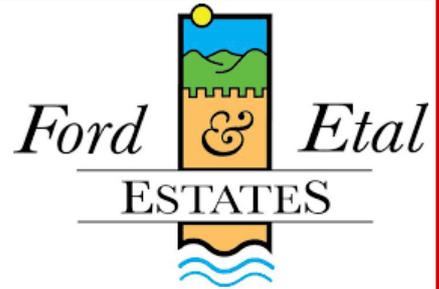
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# Christmas Market

*Ford & Etal Christmas Market is returning in 2022 bigger and better than ever and spread over two days; Saturday 26th November and Sunday 27th November, from 10:00-15:00. The new-style market has stalls selling local produce and crafts in Ford, Etal and Heatherslaw. You can buy tickets to ride on Heatherslaw Light Railway, or enjoy a journey on a vintage double-decker bus running between Etal, Heatherslaw and Ford (children travel free on the bus).*



*A free shuttle minibus will run between the main hubs. All the local shops, cafes and the pub will be open and up in Cheviot Tap you can meet the alpacas and unwind with a glass of local ale. Santa will be visiting The Old Forge in Ford and there will be all kinds of festive entertainment and a free Christmas Tree Trail to follow. Parking is free, the main parking area will be in Etal. For more information visit: [www.ford-and-etale.co.uk/events/](http://www.ford-and-etale.co.uk/events/)*

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## Coldstream Men's Shed

**Santa's Sleigh:** Our members have been very busy over the last few weeks renovating a large Santa's sleigh which came to us from Greenlaw Festival Committee in the hope that we could repair it. It had been in outdoor storage and unused for several years and was in a very poor state of repair. However, we hope to see it, all bright and shiny, coming along Coldstream High Street on Sunday the 27<sup>th</sup> November at the switch-on of our Christmas Lights, bringing Santa to the Community Centre with presents for the children.

Greenlaw Festival Committee hopes that in future years other local communities will be able to borrow it for their own celebrations.

**Defibrillator:** Earlier this year we bought an external defibrillator which is fixed on the wall of our shop at 40 High Street, next to Calico, opposite the War Memorial. In an emergency it is available for use by the public as well as ourselves. Although the machine gives verbal instructions we felt it would be beneficial to have a public hands-on demonstration on how to use it. The local Fire Service has therefore agreed to give a demonstration of the machine and also to give instructions on how to administer CPR. It is hoped to arrange a date in January at the Community Centre and this will be advertised nearer the day.

Jock Law

### A Little Norham Christmas!

**TICKETS ON SALE NOW! LIMITED AVAILABILITY.....**

**Friday 25th November, 6pm - 8.30pm**

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### Looking forward to Christmas at St. Mary & All Souls:

*I wonder if you've ever been told: "You won't get anything for Christmas if you've been naughty?"*

*A little boy was writing a letter to God about the long list of Christmas presents he wanted. He wrote, "Dear God, I've been good for about six months now." Then he paused, thought about it, and crossed out "six months" and wrote in "three months."*

*He paused again, thought some more, and crossed out "three months" changing it to "two weeks." Finally, he paused again and crossed that out too. Realising he'd not really been very good, and was, so he thought, unlikely to get anything, he considered how he might make sure he'd at least get something.*

*So he got up from where he was sitting and walked over to the nativity scene that was on the table near by. He then picked up the figure of Mary, wrapped it carefully in a soft cloth, and put it in a drawer in his bedroom. Then he went back to his letter and started writing again: "Dear God, if You ever want to see Your mother again..."*

*I hope this makes you smile. But the truth is that Jesus came at Christmas not just for those who are good – but for everyone, including you and me. So why not come and celebrate that over this Christmas time.*



#### **Mary & Joseph's Journey round Coldstream:**

This year, again, Mary and Joseph (with their trusty donkey) will be making their way through Coldstream – the photo trail will give some clues to spell out a message. Follow us on Facebook to find out more.

#### **Our Christmas services at St Mary's are:**

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December – 9:30am** – Sunday Morning Gathering in the Community Centre: **Why are we Waiting?**

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December – 9:30am** – Half way through Advent

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December – 9:30am** – Carols & Communion.

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> December – 6:00pm** - **Carols in the Park** with the Parish Church.

**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> December(Christmas Eve) - 6:30pm** – Christmas Eve Communion

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> (Christmas Day) 9:30am** – A short Family-fun Christmas service.

**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> January 2023 – 4:00pm** – **Come and welcome the New Year – 4:00pm in the Community Centre**



For up-to-date information on all of this and more see our web-site: [www.stmaryscoldstream.org.uk](http://www.stmaryscoldstream.org.uk)

Or, follow us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/stmaryandallsouls> Or, phone Chris: 01361 884326

# MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT

As another year draws to a close I can confirm that Macmillan Coldstream Branch has had a good year raising money for this worthwhile charity.

We had a good turnout for the Charity's Fair at the end of October and I want to thank everyone who attended and those who donated cakes, raffle prizes etc. Macmillan made over £760 which considering the economic climate at the moment was fantastic. Thank you to the committee who as usual stepped up and made the event run like clockwork after my unexpected fall and trip to hospital, and thanks for everyone's kind messages.

Unfortunately due to lack of interest we have had to cancel the Berwick Male Voice Choir event which was due to be held on Saturday 19th November. The four people who did buy tickets, if you return them to the Old Post Office Flower Shop, Louise will refund your money. Louise has also said that any Xmas Wreaths bought over the festive season she will donate £1 to Macmillan so not only are you helping a local retailer you'll be helping Macmillan.

A date for the diary :- February 18th 2023 Macmillan will be holding their annual Soup and Sweet lunch at the community centre. It's always a good day where you'll get a hearty bowl of soup and a delicious pudding which could be lemon meringue pie, cheesecake, trifle, crumble who knows what might be in store. Look out for posters around town advertising the event.

On a personal note I have decided to step down as chairperson of the group. I feel after 6 years it's now time to hand over the reins to someone else who will have new ideas. If anyone would like to take over this fantastic hard working committee and help raise money for this worthwhile cause please contact me, Susan, on 07790384181 or [susanvassallo@hotmail.com](mailto:susanvassallo@hotmail.com). Unfortunately if no one comes forward the group will have to disband after over 60 years of raising funds.

Once again thank you for your support.

Susan Vassallo  
Chairperson

## Coldstream Plan (Community Council)

### WHAT IS IT ABOUT?

It is about getting an understanding of what changes people would like to see in Coldstream. We will look at the needs and challenges facing our town, our existing assets and opportunities, and then as a town, agree a list of priorities and how we plan to deliver them.

### WHY DO WE NEED A PLAN?

It allows us to create a shared view through discussion and agreement. Scottish Borders Council, like everyone else, has less money spend on communities like ours. As a town, we have to convince SBC and other funders that we have a clear view of what is required by everyone who lives and works here.

### WHAT CAN YOU DO?

The Scottish Government has created a Place Standard Questionnaire which we are using as our starting point. This consists of 16 easy questions about key aspects of where we live. This questionnaire is available online via the Place Planning page of **our new website [coldstreamcomm.co.uk](http://coldstreamcomm.co.uk)** and paper copies will be available in coffee shops and the Community Centre. Volunteers plan to attend meetings of all local groups to explain and promote the questionnaire. We need your views!

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# Coldstream Mobile Banking Services

**BANK OF SCOTLAND (HBOS) - The mobile bank makes fortnightly visits to Courthouse Place Car Park on Wednesdays from 10:00 to 11:30am**

Wednesday 30th November	Wednesday 25th January
Wednesday 14th December	Wednesday 8th February
Wednesday 28th December	Wednesday 22nd February
Wednesday 11th January	Wednesday 8th March



**ROYAL BANK OF SCOTLAND (RBS) - The mobile bank makes weekly visits to Henderson Park Car Park (or opposite) on Thursdays from 11:40 to 11:55am**

Thurs 24th November	Thurs 29th December	Thurs 2nd February
Thurs 1st December	Thurs 5th January	Thurs 9th February
Thurs 8th December	Thurs 12th January	Thurs 16th February
Thurs 15th December	Thurs 19th January	Thurs 23rd February
Thurs 22nd December	Thurs 26th January	Thurs 30th February

## COLDSTREAM OVER 60's CLUB

The Club meets twice monthly on a Thursday in Coldstream Bowling Club at 2.00pm.

The session has been most enjoyable with a quiz set by Georgina and Lia to start with and then a visit from the Police to discuss safety in the home which was very informative. We had a visit from a health professional who gave us a talk about Dementia which, sadly, affects more and more people. In November Lynn Young came along to show us some gentle exercises and then "Shopafrolics" with Judy who gave us some ideas for Christmas presents. We are looking forward to our Christmas Party on December 1st and then to the start of the second half of the session which is on January 12th when Rob Bell will be favouring us with a Burns' Afternoon. Why not come along and join us – you will be made most welcome!

Helen Park

## COLDSTREAM GATEWAY ASSOCIATION CHRISTMAS LIGHTS FUNDING

Our volunteers have been hard at work recently erecting our annual Christmas Lights display, due to be activated on Sunday 27 November. We are only too aware that these are very difficult times financially, but if anyone would like to donate money to help us fund our festive display, we have reactivated our Just Giving page which you can access at:

[www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/ColdstreamChristmasLighting](http://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/ColdstreamChristmasLighting)

We would be extremely grateful for any donations of any amount. The lights we use are expensive to purchase and we also have to pay Scottish Borders Council for the electricity we use. Please note that The three elements of the Gateway Association (Christmas Lights, Coldstream In Bloom and, of course, the Community News) rely entirely on volunteers to keep them going but we sincerely hope that they play an important role in enhancing our local community.



## COLDSTREAM COFFEE MORNINGS



19 Nov	Parish Church Christmas Fayre	PCH
26 Nov	Coldstream British Legion Club	BL
03 Dec	Coldstream Gateway Association	BL
10 Dec	Presenting Coldstream Assoc.	BL
17 Dec	Ex-Coldstreamers Association	BL
24 & 31 Dec	- NO COFFEE MORNINGS	
07 Jan	No booking in Town Diary	
14 Jan	No booking in Town Diary	
21 Jan	Defibrillator Group	BL
28 Jan	Presenting Coldstream Assoc.	BL
04 Feb	No booking in Town Diary	

11 Feb	No booking in Town Diary	
18 Feb	Macmillan Soup & Sweet	CC
25 Feb	Presenting Coldstream Assoc.	BL
04 Mar	Coldstream Amateurs FC	BL

**BL - British Legion Club, PCH - Parish Church Hall  
CC - Community Centre, EC - Eildon Centre**

**The Town Diary folder is held in Streamers Sandwich Bar. Please fill in full details of your coffee morning or other event (including venue & please don't use acronyms). Any Diary queries should go to Elspeth Bell on 882211.**

**\*\* Please note that although four of the Saturdays above are "free dates", this does not mean that there will be no Coffee Morning on that date. A local organisation may decide to take this date so please check with the Legion or look out for posters, social media announcements or simply ask around.**