

NORHAM NEWSROUND

JUNE 2017

USE OF FULL POSTAL ADDRESSES There was discussion at the parish council meeting on 22nd May about difficulties delivery drivers seem to have when identifying addresses in the village. Sat nav systems follow post codes blindly. Changing post codes is complicated and costly (and may have unforeseen consequences). The parish council would therefore urge as many as possible to use their full postal address, including street name where possible, to try to alleviate the situation. Please also check that your house name can be easily seen.

TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF NORHAM BRIDGE Please note that Northumberland County Council plan to undertake works on the bridge (repairs to the parapets, masonry repairs and resurfacing) shortly. The bridge will, as a result, be closed at night commencing 30th May, for 6 weeks. To minimise disruption it will be closed from 9pm to 6am.

NORTHUMBERLAND TRADING STANDARDS AND NORTHUMBRIA POLICE are urging residents to be careful when they are approached by door to door salesmen to purchase goods or services.

Residents are urged to take their time before making any decision about buying goods or having any work or services carried out to their home. Many callers to your home are genuine but there are those who are not, Bogus doorstep traders often use a range of persuasive and emotional tactics to secure a fast sale and con people out of their money for example, you may be made to feel that there is a great urgency in the offer and that if you don't sign up immediately you will lose out.

The following advice is provided by Trading Standards and Northumbria Police on how to deal with cold callers and doorstep sellers:

- Door to door sellers (Pedlars) must hold a certificate under the Pedlars Act 1871 - this license is granted by the police and paid for by the seller. It shows the sellers name and photograph and valid date for how long and where the seller can use it.
- Do not be pressurised into buying anything from the seller, ask to see their Pedlars licence. You are within your rights to ask them to leave.
- Use a spy hole, chain or window to see who is calling before answering the door, if you do not recognise them speak through the door or do not answer.
- Know your rights — for goods and services over £42 sellers must give you the right to change your mind over a 14 day cooling off period.
- Always seek recommendations from friends and family for tradesmen they trust.
- Keep an eye out for your neighbours and report any suspicious activity to the police by noting down any information you have including descriptions of the trader and the details of any vehicles being used by the trader.

Please note:

- Some doorstep sellers claim to be working on a Probation Service scheme following their release from prison, however no such scheme exists.
- A Pedlar's licence is in no way an indication that goods for sale are of merchantable quality.

If anyone suspicious comes to your door and you are unsure in any way then do not let them inside.

For further crime prevention advice visit www.northumbria.police.uk or

Forthcoming Events.

Wednesday 31st May : **First Aid Training**; 7pm in the Village Hall; £2
Thursday 1st June : **W.I. meeting**; 2pm in the Village Hall.
Sunday 11th : **Open Farm Sunday**; Tiptoe Farm; 2pm
Monday 12th : **M.U. meeting**; Branxton Village Hall; 2pm
Saturday 17th : **Berwick Concert Band**; St Cuthbert's Church; 7pm
Sunday 18th : **Beyond the End of the Road**; Village Hall; 7pm. See below
Wednesday 21st : **Community Lunch**; Norham First School; 12 noon.
Saturday 24th : **St Cuthbert's Church Summer Fair**; 2pm; Village Hall.
Thursday 29th : **Drop-in-4-Coffee** in church 10.30-12 noon.

W.I. At the June meeting Chris Harrison will talk about Waulkmill Cider. All welcome.

M.U. At the June meeting Barbara Packer will talk on Our World-wide M U Links. All welcome.

COMMUNITY LUNCH at Norham First School. 12-1pm on 21st June. Everyone is welcome. If you would like to join us please call on 382370.

FIRST AID TRAINING From a scratch to life-saving by Billy Hall, NHS paramedic. Wed. 31st May 7pm in the Village Hall; £2. Details from Jim Blythe 392442.

BEYOND THE END OF THE ROAD When the city meets the Northumberland countryside, all is not what it seems... what's the news '**BEYOND THE END OF THE ROAD**'?

Performed by a professional cast, together with special appearances from local talent, this is a musical set in a small community in rural Northumberland.

November Club has travelled across the county, visiting seven Northumberland villages and a livestock auction mart to collect stories and anecdotes from residents, to create a magnificent musical exploring rural life.

'We solemnly vow to entertain you with our musical tomfoolery. We sincerely commit to tickling your toes with our neat beats and swelling your hearts with our heart-strung songs. But above all we promise to engage your attentions with a darn good story!'

There is a strange sound coming from the soil. Incomer Sula just cannot let it lie. Her sister Evie can't seem to get anything right. Alec and Grace are arguing over the sudden arrival of Uncle Bobby, and what is Thomas hiding down at the old station?

Join the storytellers as they weave their midsummer tale about the residents of a village called PLACE; their loves, their losses, and their deepest secrets.

Written by Laura Lindow, with music & lyrics composed by Katie Doherty, who has taken her inspiration from local folk and traditional Northumberland music.

Performed by a professional cast of 10 actors and musicians with special appearances from local talent, this performance is unique to Norham and its surrounding area, its people, and its stories.

<http://www.novemberclub.org.uk/productions/item/beyond-the-end-of-the-road>

ST CUTHBERT'S SUMMER FAIR 2017

Sat 24th June 2-4pm

'A DAY BY THE SEASIDE!'

Only one month (How did that happen??) to go 'til the summer extravaganza and we still need your help!

Before the Big Day

Books DVDs and CDs (Joan Lawson)

Tombola Prizes - unopened, within 'use by' date and not poisonous! (You'd be surprised!) (Christine Jackson)

Bric a Brac - clean, complete and in working order! (Jennie Corbridge)

Raffle Prizes (David Corbridge)

On the Big Day

Home baking (Jane Easton/Lynne Chapman)

Produce - jams, chutneys, home grown fruit and veg! (Jane Bannister)

Plants (Jane Bannister/Raymond & Eileen Chalk)

There is a large blue box at the back of the church for your donations — or contact me!

Car Boot

If you are interested please contact Joe Dunn 07521412949

We also still need some help serving the teas, and we need a few stewards — just half an hour of your time would be much appreciated!

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Many thanks to all for the wonderful contributions to our St Cuthbert's Preloved/Vintage stall. They have been gratefully received. The community response has been amazing!

We now have more than enough lovely clothes and accessories to sell, so no more contributions needed thank you, but do come and see the beautiful collection and maybe treat yourself to one or two items on Saturday 24th June.

Bertha and Bertie (photo-boards) will be at the Preloved/Vintage stall, so bring your cameras/phones along and take some summer seaside snaps.

Looking forward to seeing you there.

Sue Churchill

PANTOMIME NEWS For all those wondering what is happening about the village panto now that Fliss has left, the answer is I do not know! Fliss asked me to babysit the bank account, and she has given me a half written script. But I do not have the skills (or energy) that Fliss had which are required to direct a panto! So if anyone else would like to get involved or take it over please get in touch. Perhaps a joint effort next year?.....

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ITEMS FOR JULY/AUGUST NEWSROUND

Any contributions should be given to Josephine Harris (382363) before Monday 26th June. Newsround is put onto our website each month; if you do not wish your name, telephone number, or any other detail to be published, please advise.

WE STEAL FLYERS Sunday 16th July 7pm Norham Church £5 at the door

Well this will be a bit different! An award winning International touring duo of songwriters from the heart of Northumberland playing 250 dates a year in Uk, Europe and America- and they're coming to Norham!

Derek and Shaggy met in 2008 while they were supporting US Rocker, Adam Bomb. They both have a real love of music and songwriting, and decided to combine their uniqueness, talents and skills to bring the best of what they had together to create the magic that is We Steal Flyers.

Between them they have written a multitude of songs, which have been recorded and released on over 10 albums, EPs and singles. So far they have played with many well known names and artists on their adventure so far, including Roy Wood, The Quireboys, Hayseed Dixie, Miles Hunt of The Wonderstuff, Adam Bomb, Jawbone, Mark Morris of The Bluetones, Christ Helme of The Seahorses, Tom Hingley of Inspiral Carpets, Half Man Half Biscuit, Sons & Daughters, Rod Clements of Lindisfarne, Nigel Clark of Dodgy, Proud Mary and many more on their travels. Definitely an event not to be missed!

Have a preview at <http://www.westealflyers.co.uk/video.html>

Save the Date!

A LITTLE NORHAM CHRISTMAS!

Friday 24th November 6-9pm

Norham Village Hall

A new event in the calendar! A Christmas Fair with a difference in the Village Hall! It's going to be a very special evening — a social occasion, an opportunity to buy Christmas presents, and a chance for us to raise some money for charity.

Watch this space for more information.....

Let it snow let it snow let it snow!

BERWICK CONCERT BAND

also featuring Norham Choir and Norham Junior Singers

Saturday 17th June 7pm Tickets £7 U16 Free - on the door incl. refreshments

A lively and entertaining evening with popular music for all tastes, filling the church with joyous sounds! A little bit of big band Benny Goodman, a touch of Pirates of the Caribbean - and Northumbrian folk, the Norham Choir with Amen from Handel's Messiah, and our very own Norham Junior Singers. It will be fabulous!

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.

Looking to the future for Norham.

A meeting is planned for Monday 10th July to discuss the possibilities for setting up a Development Trust or similar organisation to serve the local area . Details to follow in the near future.

MESSY CHURCH will meet in Church on the third Sunday of each month, 2.30-4pm, so 18th June, 16th July, 20th August, 17th Sept, 15th October. We need more people to help with the planning. The next two planning meetings are in the Church Tower Room, 11am on 4th June and 6pm on 30th June. For more info contact Jacqui Budge (382554) or the Vicar (382325)