

Proposals for Quarrington Churchyard to be closed ???



80 residents from Quarrington Hill attended a public meeting on Friday 23rd August convened by Cassop-cum-Quarrington Parochial Church Council who are responsible for the maintenance of the churchyard. To be clear, its maintenance is not the responsibility of Coxhoe or Cassop-cum-Quarrington Parish Councils or Durham County Council. The meeting heard that due to recent significant subsidence that the churchyard had been temporarily closed under advice from the Church Council's Insurers.

The Church Council outlined that they proposed to have a Geo-Technical survey done with the intention of making an application to the Ministry of Justice for closure of the churchyard which could prevent any further burials there.

Understandably residents were very unhappy at being unable to access relatives' graves and the possible closure, and the overwhelming feeling of the meeting is that they didn't want it to be closed and wanted it to be accessible as soon as possible.

The Church Council agreed that once they had the results of the surveys that they would hold another public meeting to share the findings before any final decisions were made. In the meantime residents were asked to not visit the churchyard for their own Health & Safety and to avoid any accidents or injuries.

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Fireworks event to be held again Tuesday 5th November



Following on from last year's successful family event, the much enjoyed fireworks display will be returning once again on November 5th 2019.

We have listened to your feedback and with this in mind, we will be closing Lansdowne Road at the Doctor's Surgery, the streets surrounding the Active Life Centre will only be accessible to residents or disabled badge holders. For those travelling from Quarrington Hill there will be parking at the Village Hall car park and we are looking at other options.

There will be stewards/security who will be directing traffic and pedestrians and monitoring the closed streets, so the event does not cause any more disruption to those living around the site than necessary.

Last year tickets were limited to only residents of Coxhoe and Quarrington Hill as this was our first experience of running this type of event in this location.

This was the advice we were given by the Safety Advisory Group but it proved to be a bit of a controversial decision with neighbouring villages.

This year following feedback from those who attended, there will be a small charge for admission. Tickets will be again available from Active Life Centre **for residents of Coxhoe and Quarrington Hill from Tuesday 1st October for £1 per person. From Wednesday 16th October they will be available at £2 for anyone, including those from neighbouring villages up to the limit of 3,000 tickets.** The limit is as recommended by the fireworks event coordinator and risk assessment. Tickets will be limited to 6 per household.





Residents are more than welcome to come along to Parish Council meetings at 6:30pm on the first Wednesday of each month to let us know their views or you can contact your local Parish Councillors to discuss issues as set out below:

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Would you like to volunteer? Learn new skills, meet new people and feel rewarded at the same time!

Volunteers carry out litter picks, help with youth clubs & playgroup, and get involved with events and other projects. Contact the Clerk for information.

Interested in becoming a Councillor or want to know more about the council? Contact the clerk...

Chronicle Disclaimer: The views in the Chronicle are not necessarily those of the full Council. Dates and times received from other organisations are outside the control of the Parish Council. If you require further details about any of the contents, please contact the relevant organisation or the Council as appropriate.



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Councillors Dunn and McKeon will be holding surgeries for residents before each of the Parish Councils in Coxhoe Division. In Coxhoe these will be at 5:30 on the first Wednesday of the month at Coxhoe Village Hall.

What's happening in your village?



Shaun Henderson

Shaun was killed in a tragic motorcycle accident on July 13th in the French Alps whilst touring with the Big Trail Bike Club. Shaun lived down the lane with his wife Joanne.

I first met Shaun in The Cricketers Pub one evening in 1996. Shaun had just moved into the village from Horden and he very quickly built up a circle of good friends sharing many common interests from darts, cricket, motorbikes and rock music. Shaun played bass guitar in a many a band over the years. He also participated in the regular theme nights in the pub putting in countless hours making various costumes – Shaun was robbed of first prize one Halloween when his Batman outfit was considered so good he was accused of hiring it!

I recall his first (and only) visit to a golf course where he experienced an exploding golf ball on the 1st tee and a near death experience on the 5th – just avoiding a head injury. He never swung a club again! To encourage his “love” of golf we converted the land to the side of his house into a golf hole; complete with tee area, green and bunkers, all ready and waiting for him and Joanne on their return from holiday one year. This went down a treat and to repay the kindness Shaun put all the protagonists’ houses up for sale.

Shaun was active in many aspects of village life; he was a Trustee and Chairman of Coxhoe Cricket Club, a key member of Coxhoe Workingmen’s Club Darts and Dominoes Team. He and Joanne played in Ferryhill and District Darts and Dominoes league on a Monday night. Shaun had just been accepted onto the Club Committee a few weeks prior to the accident.

Shaun was one of the best; always there when you needed him, never fell out with anyone and a general all-round good person. Shaun was only 49 when he died and will be sadly missed by all that knew him, the void that is left by his passing will never be filled.

Young Village Hero



Following in her Dad’s footsteps, Peter Jackson, who will be once again raising funds alongside Matty Robson for Lupus UK at the GREAT NORTH RUN.



Niamh Maddison Jackson recently had 14inches of her beautiful hair cut off and chose to donate to **Little Princess Trust** who provide real hair wigs to children and young people with hair loss. What an amazing thing to do well done Niamh you are our Village Hero!!

Update on Coxhoe Medical Practice



Coxhoe Parish Council would like to say a huge thank you and wish Dr Bhati good luck as he says goodbye to us on 30th August to move south. We also welcome Cestria Group who will take over our village’s medical care from 2nd September.

Calendar Competition

Coxhoe Parish Council are proposing to produce a calendar and would like to invite you to send your pictures of the local surrounding areas of Coxhoe and Quarrington Hill. These can include local points of interest or wildlife. They should not include people and should be sent to us no later than 30th September. Please send as a Jpeg file to chronicle@coxhoeparishcouncil.gov.uk We will then judge which pictures will be entered and they will be on sale before Christmas.

Shop Local



Currently Coxhoe and Quarrington Hill has over 50 businesses listed on our website. You can get just about anything without leaving the village. Our village shops and businesses are outstanding and work hard to be an asset to the village. We would urge you all to shop local when you can and help preserve our lovely village front streets and businesses.

Christmas Shop Window

Christmas is getting closer and our competition starts at the beginning of December, don’t delay pick up your entry form from the Parish Clerk or Karen Parish Admin.

You can also email your request to clerk@coxhoeparishcouncil.gov.uk



COXHOE VILLAGE HALL



Contact Details:
0191 377 0344 or email
admin@coxhoevillagehall.com

Looking for somewhere to hire for a party, Wedding, Christening or meeting? Our rates are competitive and we are happy help wherever we can. Our phone is not always manned but please leave a message and we'll get back to you as soon as we can. Call 0191 377 3044

Strawberry & Wine Evening Success

Coxhoe Ladies Club held their Strawberry and Wine Evening on Tuesday 9th July in the Village Hall. Vocalist 'Claire Louise' sang songs throughout the decades.



After a fantastic raffle, Carol Sanderson presented a cheque for £1000 to Paul Dodsworth which will go towards the Village Hall Improvement Fund. A huge thank you was given to everyone who had supported the evening.

Funding for future Events ...Village Hall is currently exploring funding to offer activities to combat social isolation and encourage community cohesion. Our aim is to make the Village Hall the hub of our community for all to use. Watch out for updates.

Making our Village Hall Accessible to everyone

Finally on its way, thanks to Wates Construction who have donated and delivered a much needed lift and also arranged an engineer to help with installation all FREE of Charge!!

Village Hall will then be fully accessible to all!



Thanks to **Coxhoe Quilters** who meet at Coxhoe Village Hall who recently made some beautiful bunting which they have donated to brighten up the Hall.

Durham Constabulary Male Voice Choir Concert Tuesday November 19th 7.30pm – 9pm

The Choir recently performed at the Royal Albert Hall, which was very well received. Formed in 1948, it holds up to 20 concerts a year and helps maintain links between the force and the community; as well as helping charities and groups raise thousands of pounds.

Durham Constabulary Male Voice Choir are kindly holding a concert at the Village Hall on Tuesday Nov 19th from 7.30pm until 9pm. Tickets £4 each available from Village Hall, money going to Village Hall Improvement Fund. Refreshments available for a small cost.



Thanks to **Macmillan Coffee Morning – Friday 27th September, 9.30am – 1.00pm** Shirley Armstrong, one of the



Caretakers at the Village Hall, is very kindly organising another Macmillan Coffee Morning this year, again holding it in the Village Hall. Last year, she helped raise over £900!! - so let's see if we can do it again this year Coxhoe! Please come along and support such a good cause.



NEW!!
THURS CLUBBERCISE 26TH SEPT 7.30PM
SAT ZUMBA 28TH SEPT 10:30AM
£4 A SESSION @ Village Hall
Call Victor on 0784 984 2549

Helping Support The Village Hall Improvement Fund

Coxhoe Lunch Club (new members ring to book a meal 0191 374 6568)

26th Sept * 31st Oct * 28th Nov * 12th Dec **Thursday 11.30am 1:30 pm**

Catch up and a Cuppa—6th Sept * 11th Oct * 1st Nov * 6th Dec
(incorporated in Christmas Fare.) - **Friday 10.30am – 1.00pm**

REGULAR ACTIVITIES		
MON	Pilates Durham Deafened Support Coxhoe Parish Council Playgroup Pilates Cubs Scouts Martial Arts	10.00am – 11.00am 10.00am – 12 noon 1.30pm – 2.30pm 6.00pm – 7.00pm 6.00pm – 7.30pm 7.30pm – 9.00pm 7.00pm – 9.00pm
TUE	Reading Room Yoga Tea Dance Baby Clinic Beavers Durham Constabulary Male Voice Choir History Group Ladies' Club	10.00am – 12.00noon 9.30am – 10.45am 1.00pm – 3.30pm 2.00pm – 3.00pm 2nd/4th Tue of mth 5.30pm – 7.00pm 6.30pm – 9.00pm 7.00pm – 9.00pm 1st Tue of mth 7.00pm – 9.00pm 2nd Tues of mth
WED	Slimming World Fitness Class	4.00pm – 9.00pm 6.30pm – 7.30pm
THUR	Quilting Class Luncheon Club Clubbercise Pimms and Needles	10.30am – 12.30pm 1 st & 3 rd of mth 11.30am – 1.30pm last Thurs of month 7.30pm – 8.30pm starts 26th Sept 7.00pm – 9.00pm 2 nd Thurs of month
FRI	Catch Up and a Cuppa Reading Room Casual Crafts	10.30am – 1.00pm 1 st Friday of month 10.00am – 12.00noon 10.00am – 12.00noon
SAT	Weight Watchers Zumba	9.00am – 10.00am 10.30am – 11.30am starts 26th Sept
SUN	CLOSED	ALL DAY

Christmas Fayre on Friday 6th December, 10am until 1pm. All are welcome. Our elves will be busy to ensure you have a fun festive time, offering festive refreshments, some festive stalls to pick up some unique Christmas presents, a toy area for the young ones and carols to listen to or join in with, so come along and join us!!

AGM - The current committee have deferred their resignations until the lift project is completed. Once this is resolved they will call the AGM and stand down.

AUDIT—Thank you to Dave Nichols who kindly donated his time to audit and sign off our annual accounts.

Residents support development of Old School Site

Thank you to everyone who came along to the consultation event 11 July or responded to the online consultation. Our potential development partner displayed 4 potential layouts for the land opposite the Village Hall and adjoining land owned by the Parish Council. Only 1/3rd of responses were in favour of **Houses or Bungalows for sale**; 78% were in favour of a **new Doctors' surgery** on the site; 40% supported and 18% opposed **Housing for 55+ for rent**; 64% of respondents supported **inclusion of CPC Land** in the development. 58% of respondents were under 55.

Site investigations are currently taking place and the Parish Council are trying to secure additional funding to enable the GP's practice to move and are talking to Registered Social Landlords about their interest in taking on properties to let on the site. We'll keep you informed of progress.



BRIGHT AND LIVELY Playgroup

AS PART OF OUR COMMITMENT TO PROVIDING YOUTH PROVISION FROM BIRTH TO 18, WE HAVE OPENED A NEW PLAY GROUP WHICH OFFERS LOTS OF MESSY PLAY AND INTERACTION BETWEEN CHILDREN AND ADULTS.

WHY NOT COME ALONG AND TRY IT OUT?

Mondays 1.30 to 2.30

at Coxhoe Village Hall, £1.50 per child

Parents are required to stay with their children

For more information contact Claire or Karen at Coxhoe Parish Council on 0191 3773658 / 07988 283287 or clerk@coxhoeparishcouncil.gov.uk

Thank you Coxhoe Casual Crafts!

Our ladies from Coxhoe Casual Crafts meet in the Village Hall on a Friday morning at 10.am do quite a lot of Charity knitting, crocheting and sewing be it Linus quilts, hats for premature babies, Poppies or making goods for our local Methodist Chapel Fayre.

One of our members, Ann Taylor, brought in our latest project "Trauma Teddies". She has been making them for a number of years for different organisations. We thought Darlington and Durham Fire Service was a worthy cause to give to. They are given to children involved in incidents to comfort them in times of trouble. Up to now they have received 80 and came out to see our ladies with a box of biscuits. We have also donated 50 to Treetops Ward at UHND we received a note to say parents and children were thrilled to be able to take them home.



GT Group Band Peterlee
presents
The Annual Concert of Remembrance
Friday 8th November at 7:30pm Coxhoe Village Hall
Tickets £5 with £1.50 going to The Royal British Legion
Contact Ian:-07948408318 or pay on the door.

5 JOIN FOR £5!
Wednesday's
5pm & 7pm
Coxhoe Village Hall
Contact Sophie: 07876 888 265

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With the Summer holidays coming to a close we can think back over the last year and make our plans for the next academic year. Last year, at Cassop Primary School, we placed an emphasis on the personal development, behaviour and welfare of our children to help prepare them become responsible citizens in tomorrow's world.

All our hard work has been recognised as we were awarded our Rights Respecting School Bronze award from UNICEF – we are now working towards our Silver award.



We also achieved our GOLD Educate and celebrate award, after the work we have done promoting and embedding the equalities act of 2010.



Alongside this we introduced a Restorative Approach to behaviour and our Outdoor Play And Learning (OPAL) project both of which have helped to improve resilience, self-regulation and decision making.



At Cassop we know that all these things need to be in place if we are to maintain our high standards with teaching and learning and this year our end of Key Stage 2 results saw the percentage of children achieving the higher score / greater depth in Reading, Writing and Maths doubling. This year we are already planning to look closely at the curriculum we deliver and the ways we enrich and enhance the learning opportunities for our children. If you would like to see some more examples of what we do at Cassop School please follow us on twitter @Cassop_Primary or have a look at our website.

<http://www.cassop.durham.sch.uk/>





Coxhoe United Football Club EST: 2016

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2019/ 2020 Season

OUR TEAMS INCLUDE

Under 7's, 8's, 9's, 10's, 11's,
U12's, U13's, U14's & our Ladies
Team.

Taster Football Training Sessions

Mon Oct 7th 5pm

Ages 1 to 5



Coxhoeunited.co.uk

coxhoeunited@gmail.com

The club welcomes new players, managers, coaches, sponsors and helpers. If you are interested in volunteering feel free to contact the club via our Facebook page or through one of the committee members listed above.

The 2018/2019 season was another successful and busy one for Coxhoe United Football Club. The club continued to grow adding 4 additional teams and passing the landmark of 100 junior players.

Introducing Taster Football training sessions for boys and girls aged 1 to 5 and hope that this will lead to the formation of further teams at Under 6 development level. These sessions will be held at 5 pm on a Monday night, from October 7th in the sports hall at Active Life Centre. Children will need footwear such as trainers suitable for running around indoors and sports kits such as shorts and will need to be accompanied by an adult throughout the session. We are also looking for anyone who would like to help out as a coach or manager for this new team please contact the club committee.

Annual tournament was held this year in May at The Sir Bobby Robson Centre, Ushaw Moor. This was another enjoyable and successful event with over 45 teams from around the region taking part. Such was the size of the tournament that the difficult decision was made to hold it outside of the village for the first time although we do hope that future tournaments will be back in Coxhoe. We are looking at various options and working with local organisations to enable future events to happen within the community and for the club to develop its links within Coxhoe and the surrounding villages.

Annual Presentation Night on Saturday, July 13th held at Active Life Coxhoe with over 350 people attending. This was another enjoyable night where we celebrated the achievements of the club and players in the 2018/19 season and welcomed new coaches, players and parents to the club.

QUARRINGTON HILL BANNER GROUP

Our banner is probably one of the most travelled in the county, and this year is no exception. In May the banner was part of the centre piece for the commemoration service in St. Helen's church, Kelloe in memory of the 11 miners who died in the pit disaster of 1897. In June it was at Beamish again for the Old King Coal celebrations. This year the parade was from just outside the pit village to the centre of the village, whereas in previous years the parade had been from the town centre to the pit village. The banner was again one of many paraded at the Big Meeting in July. Still to come, the banner will be part of the fairs at Stanley and Easington, and in October it will be part of the church service at Heworth commemorating the birth of Thomas Hepburn, the founder of the miners' union. Thanks as ever to Clive Lawson for organising the participation in these events.





COXHOE LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

Meetings are held 1st Tuesday in the month 7pm at Coxhoe Village Hall **All Welcome**

Programme of Activities

<p>Tuesday 3rd September In and Around Durham City in Old Photos Michael Richardson</p>	<p>Tuesday 1st October 'The Land Army' by Sian Fox, Community Events Officer, Beamish Museum</p>
<p>Tuesday 29th October '180 years of Collecting from Cist Burials to a Coin Hoard from Coxhoe' Gemma Lewis, Durham University Museum of Archaeology</p>	<p>Tuesday December 6th : Faith Supper and Musical Entertainment by 'The Dicey Riley's'</p>

Durham County Advertiser - Friday 27 September 1901 BRIGHT PROSPECTS FOR COXHOE

Researching the Newspaper Archives

Messrs Walter Scott, Limited, owners of Kelloe Colliery, have purchased the whole of the empty and ruinous houses in the Long Row, Coxhoe; also eleven ruins near the Four Mile Bridge, ninety-four in all.

In the village of Coxhoe and the district generally rumours have been circulated over and over again for some time that the old cottages were sold to the above firm, and subsequent disappointment was experienced when the news was stated to be incorrect.

The negotiations in progress were plainly seen when visits of inspection were paid to the houses by Mr Simon Tate, managing director of Walter Scott Limited; Mr Chipchase, manager of Kelloe Colliery; and other officials. All doubts were set to rest on Thursday when after another inspection of the houses, Mr Chipchase announced that they had purchased them.

The ruinous and empty houses, which are situated on the left side of the village, from Durham to Sedgfield, have long been an unpleasant sight to the inhabitants of the village, and imparted deserted appearance to it, often commented upon by strangers passing through.

The firm do not intend to lose any time having the houses made ready for habitation, workmen being engaged on Friday clearing the rubbish away. On Monday morning the masons and joiners commenced to repair four of the top twenty two, which were closed by order of the Durham County bench some yeon ago as unfit for habitation.

The firm intend to submit them for inspection, and if accepted as satisfactory they will quickly make the other eighteen fit for occupation, afterwards intending to pull the remaining houses down and erect cottages with three rooms each on the ground floor. A garden will be provided for each cottage in the Long Row.

The reopening of the houses will prove a great blessing to the district, houses are very scarce, some miners having to walk three or four miles to their work. It will also prove a decided improvement to the appearance of the village. Other houses are also being provided, the Co-operative Society having twelve in the course of erection in Cornforth Lane.

The prospects of the village regaining its position of many years when the adjacent collieries were working, are bright, company having reopened the lime quarries at Joint Stocks, near Coxhoe Pit, and expect before long to have employment for large number of men obtaining limestone.

A line of railway has been laid down to convey the lime from the quarries to Coxhoe W.H. Station and connected with the North East Railway. Rumour states that the company intend to use the old coke oven for the production of coke and bi-products, also that they intend building a number of houses for their workmen, but on these points nothing definite is known.



Original Long Row houses before demolition and rebuild
(left side of the photograph)

Visit our website : www.coxhoehistory.org.uk - Find us on : Facebook
Contact Jack Turton 0191 3770771/ Barbara Leo barbaraleo88@googlemail.com

Living History over Coxhoe Skies

On the morning of Thursday 11th July the 'Star of Stone' Spitfire made a flying visit to Coxhoe—did you hear it before you saw it?

The flight was a salute by Geoff Berriman, a native of Coxhoe, as a tribute to the places that forged his future life. His family has strong roots in Coxhoe and County Durham, spanning at least five generations.

Geoff now lives in Stone, Staffordshire. A few years ago while recovering from prostate cancer, he started taking flying lessons. Now aged 85 he has fulfilled his long held ambition to fly in a Spitfire.

The flight began at Sywell Airport and the flightpath included his old schools -Cornforth Lane Primary and Alderman Wraith, Spennymoor, places of work—Bede College Durham and Middleton St. George College of Education.

Flight Captain was Flt Lt Antony Parkinson, a Red Arrow and Spitfire pilot in the Battle of Britain Memorial Flight.

Geoff had contacted us via email to tell us about his flight and visited Coxhoe Primary School where he enjoyed a talk with the children who he says asked a lot of interesting and thoughtful questions and 'could have gone on all afternoon'.

Text messages confirmed they were on their way - expected arrival time at Coxhoe 10am. We were ready with our camera!

They were a little late because *"the weather was not too good on the way up. We were dodging showers and bursts of heavy rain for most of the way and squeezing under low cloud over the North Yorks Moors."*

They flew in from the Trimdon Grange direction and on to Coxhoe Primary School, then circled around



back over Station Road, Coxhoe

and away in the direction of Durham.

Why is a Spitfire so special?

A Symbol of Victory

The Spitfire is the most famous plane of World War Two. It's winning combination of speed, manoeuvrability and firepower turned it into a formidable and much loved British icon.

They played their part in many of the crucial battles of World War Two, giving the RAF a critical edge over the German Luftwaffe.

In June 1944 Spitfires played an important part in the biggest seaborne invasion in history as the Allies landed in Normandy and gained a crucial foothold in France.



Geoff was born/lived in Coxhoe with brother Richard and 4 sisters-Vera, Doris, Pam and Elizabeth

Father, Dick Berriman, was foreman at Steetley Basic Works and a Coxhoe Co-operative Society Board Committee member. Grandfather Isaac Berriman was Coxhoe Cooperative Store Butcher. (see photograph). Other Berriman family members lived in Coxhoe.

Mother Mary (nee Barber)'s 2 sisters and 3 brothers lived in Coxhoe. Cousin Barbara Hepplewhite—history group member lives at Station Road.

Geoff's Grandfather Charles Barber and his brothers were all miners and his flightpath included Red Hills Miners Hall, Durham.

"The education I received was founded on Durham Miner's Association's deep understanding of the enormous benefit it gave to their children and their success in ensuring that it did so for ALL the County's children. "





KEEP CALM AND GO TO YOUTH GROUP

We offer several Youth Club provisions across Coxhoe and Quarrington Hill catering for ages and gender.

Junior sessions—Primary school from Year 3. **Senior sessions** are Secondary school from Year 7.

Parents are asked to check with Youth Staff about ages and must complete a registration form at their first session.

Our activities range from Music to Dance, Sport to Team Games and Art to Crafts. With Quiz nights and pizza making nights and baking proving to be always very popular.



We will be publishing a full list of Youth Club activities for the Autumn quarter on our Facebook page during September.

COXHOE AND QUARRINGTON HILL YOUTH GROUPS ARE CONSTANTLY REVIEWED SO WE BEST MEET OUR CHILDREN'S REQUIREMENTS.

We are specifically reviewing the Tuesday night session, with three possible ways that we could move forward with.

We have seen the number of members at the Friday Junior club grow, in particular the Year 3 and 4 groups. We are considering running a Youth Club for this age group on Tuesday nights.

We have developed a Youth Ambassadors scheme where youth club members assist in running some activities and act as mentors to new members, and young people have started to raise funds to run their activities. Tuesday night would enable this group to develop and receive training and support in their roles as either activity arrangers or Ambassadors.

The Girls' group remains but with a review to alternating weeks between Junior members and Senior members.

Comments are welcome. Please email the Senior Youth Worker at ian@coxhoeparishcouncil.gov.uk or speak to a member of the Youth Club Staff.

Coxhoe Youth Clubs Timetable

Monday.	Quarrington Hill Community Centre
Junior Session (Year 3 to 6)	5.30 pm to 7.00 pm
Tuesday.	Active Life Centre
Girls Group.	6.00 pm to 7.00 pm
Year 3 plus	
Friday.	Active Life Centre
Junior Session, Year 3 to 6	5.30 pm to 7.00 pm.
Friday.	Active Life Centre
Senior Session, Year 7 plus	7.15 pm to 8.45 pm.

For further Information Please Check the Website:
www.coxhoeparishcouncil.gov.uk/young-people/

Or Via our Facebook page.
www.facebook.com/CQHYoungPeople/

Coxhoe Scouts & Beavers

Volunteering Opportunities

Making a volunteering commitment can be a scary thing. We value all support that volunteers give to the group. Volunteering can take many forms, either through helping with a couple of sessions per term or offering to deliver a particular session based on your skills/expertise or helping with a camp or hike.

As you can imagine there's a lot that goes on behind the scenes to ensure that the Group provides the opportunities for our young people. Activities and events take some time to organise to ensure that they are safe for our young people; organising places to visit, activities to participate in, risk assessments, etc. If you would like to help with this side of the Group we'd love to hear from you.

We also have three specific roles open within the group: Chairman and Security of our Executive Committee which meets once per term and the Group Scout Leader role. This involves managing and supporting the Group and its Leaders to ensure it runs effectively and that Scouting within the Group develops.

If you are interested in any of the above please contact Paula Prest at coxhoebeavers@gmail.com, or paula.prest@durhamcityscouts.org.uk or 07944242513 for more information.

17th Durham (Coxhoe) Scout Group provides adventure for young people aged 6 to 14.5 in Coxhoe. Our Beavers, Cubs and Scouts enjoy a wide range of activities both indoor and outdoor. Our base is the Village Hall in Coxhoe. We also participate in events and activities at other times and venues.

Beavers (6-8 years of age) - Tuesday 5.45 till 7.00pm.

Cubs (8-10.5 years of age) – Monday 6 till 7.15pm.

Scouts (10.5 to 14.5 yrs of age) – Monday 7.30 till 8.45pm.

FAREWELL AND WELCOME... We wish our outgoing Cub Leaders Stephen and Joanna all the very best as they move on to pastures new and welcome Marie and Clare into the Cub Leader role, wishing them all the best as they take on the challenge of leading the Cub Section



Beavers - this term Beavers have been extremely active! We've visited Durham University's Botanic Gardens. We had an amazing time finding a range of animals and habitats around the Gardens and building our own animal habitats. We have visited our old friends at West Cornforth Library a couple of times this term to learn about planting bulbs and to help them with their display for this Summer's Space Reading Challenge. Beavers created a Sun and some amazing planets – pop along to the library they have a range of crafts and activity sessions on offer throughout the Summer. This teamed up nicely with our visit to Durham University's Physics Department to crawl inside the Inflatible Planetarium and see the night sky and constellations. We also visited Spennymoor Fire Station which was interesting and exciting when the crew were called out to an emergency. The Beaver Big Day Out was well attended and Beavers from around the County had a fantastic time on bouncy castles, climbing, the cave bus as well as the many creative crafts that were on offer.

SCOUTS

Scouts have been out and about; completing their Orienteering Badge with courses at Hardwick Park, Houghall College and Lowburn Hall, as well as an activity to make their way back from a specified location within the constraints given by leaders. Scouts have learned a little about maintaining their bikes and also how to mend punctures. We're planning a bike ride and overnight camp during the coming term to complete their Cycling Badge. A very big Thank You! to everyone who contributed to the Scout Cake Stall on 11 June at the Coxhoe Car Show. Scouts have also been practicing their knots and lashings during the term with den building and the amazing Raft Race at the Graham Sports Centre with groups from around the District – the bath was a massive hit (even it was a little difficult to steer). Thanks to Robert Walton and Sonnet 43 for supplying barrels and wood (and bath) and to Philip McKenzie for transportation. This term sees a milestone in that the Group has awarded its first Gold Scout Award to one of our Scouts – well done!

cubs  **Cubs** have taken full advantage of the warm, light nights and participated in orienteering events and nature walks in the village and also at Hardwick Park. Many thanks to Ian Lawson for his science expertise which kept Cubs entertained and educated. Cubs participated in the Durham City District Water Day at The Graham Sports Centre – a fabulous day including time on the water (kayaks and canoes) and water games (off-water). Cubs enjoyed their visits to Infinite Air and made full use of all the activities and also their visit to Battlezone Laser.



St. Andrew's Methodist Church

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WIVES GROUP

Meets fortnightly on a Wednesday evening at 7pm until 9pm.

New members are always welcome to share fellowship and friendship.

During September the Group will celebrate their 58th Anniversary. The last meeting for 2019 will be on 20th November.

SHOPPERS SERVICES

Held first Saturday of each month between 10.00am and 10.30am.

7th September conducted by Janet Barrett

5th October conducted by Superintendent Minister Revd. Susan Richardson.

2nd November conducted by Revd Francis Neil

7th December conducted by John Kidd

SUNDAY SERVICES Gospel Singalong 10:30 followed by Sunday worship at 10:45am.

COFFEE MORNING Saturday Mornings 9:30am to 11.00am. Coffee or tea including biscuits £1.00 per cup.

SPECIAL EVENTS **5th October** to Celebrate Harvest a Shoppers Service conducted by Superintendent Minister Revd Susan Richardson during which items for the food bank will be received All monies from Coffee Morning will be donated to Christian Aid.

7th November at 2pm, The Cardiac Dodgers will once again be giving a Concert of Live Music. Tickets £5.00. Including light refreshments.

Thursday 12th Dec at 7pm a Concert will be given by Voices Together singing Christmas Songs. Tickets £5.00. Including Seasonal refreshments.

Saturday 14th December, between 10am and 10.30am. Carols will be sung outside Church. All proceeds will be given to a Charity. Refreshments will be served as usual in the Coffee Morning. All are welcome to join us, singers and non-singers.

22nd December at 10.45—Christmas Carol Service Taken by The Stewards.

Christmas Day at 10am. Superintendent Minister, Revd Susan Richardson will conduct this Christmas morning service during which Communion will be shared.



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MASS TIMES: Saturday - 9.00am
Saturday - 6.00pm (Vigil)
Thursday - 9.00am
Thursday - 12.00 Noon Latin Mass
Adoration 1st Saturday of each month at 5.15pm



Coffee Afternoon Thursday 1.30 – 3.00pm unless otherwise informed

St. Mary's Church Coxhoe



Changes at St Mary's Church.

Goodbye.....We bid goodbye to Revd. Alison Richardson; who has taken-up the position of Chaplain at a girls' school in Oxfordshire. St Mary's is now awaiting the appointment of a new priest.

Subject to approval The United Benefice of Kelloe & Coxhoe will join with St Oswald's (Durham) and St Mary the Virgin (Shincliffe) with the Revd. Peter Kashouris as priest in charge.

In the meantime it is "business as usual"!



On the first Sunday of each month we hold a Children's Service at 11 am. The average attendance of this service is now over 40; which includes around 15 children! It is an all age service that includes music, crafts, and refreshments. Everybody is welcome! For the latest information on services and events at St Mary's follow us on Facebook at 'St Helen Kelloe. St Mary Coxhoe' and visit our website at stmaryscoxhoe.co.uk

Quarrington Hill Community Centre



The summer fair in August was well supported by residents and was success. Children really enjoyed the animals from Animals about Town and the pony ride. Also a hit was the children being locked in the police van. Let's hope they don't experience the real thing in later life.

Thanks to the volunteers who helped to make the day such a success.

Attendances have improved at the coffee mornings and bingo evenings over recent weeks. The more people who attend, then the more the pay outs will increase. New faces at the sessions will be most welcome.



It was good to see some new volunteers helping with the summer fair, but more will still be welcome for future events. We would like to see some new members on the management committee, which does not require a lot of time commitment, but which would help to spread the work load.

Dates for your Diary

25th October — Halloween Party (ticket only)
10th December — Carol Service
18th December — Bingo Christmas Party
21st December — Christmas party
Watch out for updates on our Facebook page.

Community Centre Activities

Monday 5:30pm — Youth Club
Tuesday 10:30am — Coffee Morning with Bingo
Wednesday 7:30pm — Bingo
Friday 4:30pm — 2cool4school Kids Club

The Centre can be booked by emailing or phoning Linda Parker
park661@aol.com Tel: 077 66 38 55 44.

Check out our noticeboard for more details of activities

Pact Meetings

Coxhoe Walkabouts from Village Hall, DH6 4DB
Thursday 10th October 1pm
Monday 9th December 1pm

Quarrington Hill Community Centre, DH6 4QD

Thursday 12th Sept 6pm
Thursday 7th Nov 6pm
Thursday 19th Dec 6pm



Christmas Tree Lighting Event



A Date for your Christmas diary. Join us on Sunday 1st December at 5:00pm to switch on the Christmas tree lights on the Coxhoe green. We plan to sing some carols to kick off our Christmas festivities.

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Nature Diary - Summer 2019

As summer progresses, we can see a riot of colour in wild flowers now blooming in our area. We have had the lilac to purple colours of orchids. Common Spotted-orchid, Early Marsh-orchid and Northern Marsh-orchid may now be coming to an end, but their flowers have decorated many areas for a few weeks now.

The Northern marsh-orchid has deep purple flowers with unspotted leaves. They flower from June to July particularly in damp areas. The Common Spotted-orchid flowers are more variable, some white but ranging through to almost the same colour as the Northern marsh. The leaves are spotted with dark oval-shaped marks, usually quite densely. The flower again comes into flower in June but lasts until August. The Early Marsh-orchid is perhaps a combination of the two, flowers similar to the Common Spotted but leaves like the Northern Marsh.

Tall yellow flowers also are now abundant in our area. Tall Melilot, in the same general family as the pea, make a colourful spread in many areas.

Their flowers form a fairly loose yellow raceme, turning later into small brown seedpods.

Another yellow flower here is St John's Wort. We have two tall species locally, Perforate (which has two ridges on the stems and can be found close to the entrance to Quarrington Quarry) and Imperforate (which has four ridges and can be found in the Coxhoe Ponds Wildlife Site). Each plant contains numerous bright yellow flowers. Two other species of St John's Wort can also be found locally, Slender and Marsh. Both are much smaller flowers. Slender can be found along the path from the playing fields in Quarrington Hill



down towards the Ponds and I have recently found two specimens of Marsh at the Ponds themselves.

One other tall yellow flower is Common Ragwort, a daisy like flower that is the foodplant for the Cinnebar moth caterpillar. The Cinnebar moth is a striking insect with black forewings and red underwings. Its caterpillar is also a striking combination of colours, black and yellow stripes. However, Ragwort is toxic to humans and many animals. While there may be a lot of it around, it is not welcome on grazing land and should be handled with care, if at all.

Yellow-wort is another reasonably tall flower coming into bloom towards the end of the summer. Its leaves almost form cups around the stems and the bright yellow flowers give welcome colour when some of the others are finishing. The books tend to say this flower extends north to the Humber but a lot of it can be found on the Magnesian limestone grasslands in our area.

Other flowers that stand out now are the Knapweeds. The Greater Knapweed has lobed leaves and spreading maroon, thistle-like flowers. The Common Knapweed has more solid leaves and smaller, but similar coloured flowers. Both exist side by side in our area. Also in bloom towards the end of summer are the Scabiouses. Field Scabious blooms first with pale blue flowers. Towards the end of summer, in damper areas, the Devil's-bit Scabious comes into bloom. This has a much deeper blue than the Field Scabious. We also have Small Scabious in our area, the flower similar to the Field Scabious but, as the name implies, much smaller.



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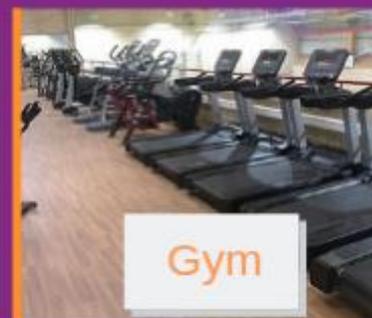
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