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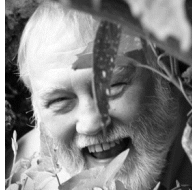
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VILLAGE NEWS

February 2021





FROM WHERE I SIT

Here we go again ... Covid Lockdown Three. By now, I feel well practiced at lockdown routines. Minimal weekly shopping – it is great that Seahouses has a butcher, Food and Drink, a baker, newsagents, a hardware shop, several takeaway food options, Post Office, the Co-op and Costcutter etc.

I have really appreciated a reliable broadband connection and a landline telephone (my mobile signal is rather temperamental).

My sons encouraged me to use Facetime. Rather than one voice on the telephone, it is much better to talk to and actually see older son, daughter in law, two grand-daughters and two dogs in their Tynemouth home and younger son, daughter in law and two grandsons in their Harrogate home.

Regular readers of this feature will know that I am much involved in u3a in Wooler and at regional and national levels. Last year, I had to learn how to convene and attend meetings using Microsoft Teams. As Zoom became better known, I needed another set of instructions to participate in meetings and group activities.

Despite all this positivity, still, I am looking forward to being called for my Covid vaccination, to returning to some 'new normality' and being able to travel again.

Kelvin Rushworth



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Seahouses Rocks

As part of our commitment to make maths exciting and high profile at Seahouses Primary School, this November our children took part in a Times Tables Rockstars Tournament for Maths Week England called Rock Out 2020. We all had a great time learning and increasing our pace of mental recall.

For any of you thinking, 'Maths is boring' think again! The annual celebration of 'Maths Week' provides a great opportunity to get creative with how to teach and have fun with maths. Part of the joy of this occasion, is that not only teaching staff are empowered to inspire pupils but pupils can also inspire each other.

Our team spirit and dedication as a school was truly commendable. We could not be prouder of our children and the results were phenomenal. Out of 300 schools across England, Seahouses Primary ranked in 11th place - wow! Within that, out of thousands of year groups, our Year 6 ranked 10th place.

As a school, we have been awarded with a £70 Amazon voucher and rewards will also be presented within school to thank the children for their hard work, commitment and positive attitude. Well done everyone.

Seahouses really does rock!



Seahouses Volunteer Group



Thank you so much everyone for all your generous donations for face coverings.

What started out early last year as just a little help to residents attending medical appointments and couldn't find any face covering, just snowballed.

We were asked to supply so many more and with a few local shops agreeing to be access points for the face coverings, we were able to meet the demand.



A big thank you to all!

An update on the Once Upon a Winter project

At the time of writing the government's big lockdown announcement advising of the "Stay at home" rules was made the very day before Trina Dalziel, professional Illustrator, was due to start work on the shop windows to produce the Winter Trail.

After much rearranging Trina will now work from home producing finished artwork for the shops to install themselves. There will also be more emphasis on the 'virtual' side of things because we can't encourage people to come and see the trail of winter memories just yet.

Please use the link www.seahouseswinter.com to view the website and maybe offer a contribution!

The finished project may be a little later than planned, but we hope you will all manage to see the efforts of Seahouses Primary School pupils and many older (and not so old) residents' winter memories.

Seahouses Volunteer Group www.seahouses-volunteers.co.uk

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Lockdown 3.0

So third time around in lockdown! After spending 2 weeks at home with the kids for Christmas eating turkey, playing with pressies and eating my body weight in Christmas sweets we were brought back down to earth with a bang! I soon realised that as a parent I would have to start the dreaded home schooling again. Unlike the first lockdown there is no extended break times in the garden or fun "outdoor learning" no instead of frolicking in the sun we are all now huddled around the fire with an extra jumper on trying to get the best spot to keep cosy. There we are clutching our laptops, tablets, work books trying to keep warm and not fall out with each other. Watch out if someone dares to speak when the other is concentrating or even worse presses play to watch an educational video with the sound turned up so loud the neighbours can hear. It is definitely a challenging time in our house which I think this time around made harder with our good old British weather, I am clinging on to the hope of a snow day any time now!!!



Everyone in one way or another will find lockdown difficult, as a community we seem to be doing a grand job of looking after one another. Whether it's the odd shop for a neighbour or a quick phone call to a friend we all need a bit of support every now and then. There is nothing wrong with picking up the phone or sending an email to ask for help. We all deal with each situation in various ways so have some compassion and some tolerance, everyone is different.

Jane Smith

CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCHES 2020

After 14 years of being able to offer a home cooked, traditional meal on Christmas Day to as many people as would like to receive one, the 2020 Christmas lunch project was not looking hopeful in terms of its being able to go ahead as usual.

By the first week of November, I was increasingly worried as to how we could manage without our much valued kitchen facility (at the Hostel Hall) in the light of the prevailing Covid19 restrictions.

I had already received many willing offers of help both from new and regular volunteers but the logistics were against us - until a call to the Britton family at The Ocean Club began an increasingly hopeful and hope filled period of time during which I began to believe that it was, after all, going to happen once again!

A different way of doing things has become a fact of life for so many people and businesses alike and so it was for this project also, as with The Ocean Club we discussed and planned. Meanwhile there followed a time of many moving conversations with those who requested meals either for themselves or on behalf of family members as well as carers, friends and neighbours, who phoned or emailed to book meals for others: in so many cases the requests were due to the inability to visit or be visited by family members.

As December came against a background of changing circumstances for us all, the menu and shopping requirements were in place and local suppliers had happily agreed to deliver goods directly to The Ocean Club. Here I would like to say that it would be unfair to name and thank individuals (in case sadly I missed somebody) but the contributions by the club staff were outstanding and I would like to name Marjorie for her amazing Christmas cakes and delicious cheese cake desserts which augmented the Christmas pudding this year – I **have** been asked for the recipe! Also, the wonderful mince pies supplied by Trotter's bakery must be mentioned.



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The lists of recipients had inevitably to alter with the changing restrictions but by now we had a team of volunteer drivers (as well as a full complement of reserves) who now could receive details of contact addresses and maps/notes where needed to ensure safe and easy delivery to all (with my thanks to Russ for looking after this essential task as always).

Christmas Eve arrived and following a special outdoor church service, other volunteers joined us to collect meals ready for delivery on Christmas Day: the sight that met us on arrival at the club was a joy to behold with all bags of main meals and separate bags of desserts perfectly packed and organised for us: their chef and staff assured us that they had enjoyed the whole experience and loved being able to do this. Back home to unload and make final preparations for the following day.

Christmas Day was thankfully, dry and clear and all of our enthusiastic drivers duly arrived on time, masked, gloved and 'ready for the off' armed with main meals, desserts and gift bags.

The circumstances this year made the meeting and greeting with people at their doors particularly special. I now reflect on the time when we felt that we couldn't do this as usual, to the day when we found that we **could** and **did**!

Now reading through the lovely cards and messages both from recipients and helpers I remember with huge gratitude those who have donated with their time, their goods and their contributions: those many donations have once again ensured that whatever 2021 brings to us all, this generosity will enable us going forward to continue this event as long as ever it is needed.

With heartfelt thanks to all involved I ask that God's blessing may be with everyone for the kindness shown to others in our local communities.

Carole Ann Field



Tercentenary Grants 2021-2
Local Grants Programme, Blanchland and Seahouses

Lord Crewe's Charity will be celebrating its 300th Anniversary in 2021. Amongst other initiatives will be a programme of Tercentenary Grants, including small grant schemes for groups in the Blanchland and Seahouses areas (local grants). This sheet provides initial information on these local grants.

Criteria

Standard terms and conditions will apply to all grants

Blanchland and Seahouses grants will be open to applications from groups and organisations.

All projects must be charitable – applicants must clearly demonstrate that their projects meet this requirement.

All applications will be made by completing a short pro forma and accompanying proposal.

All projects must be additional – they cannot be for continuation funding, or replace other funding for existing activity.

Applicants will be expected to demonstrate leverage of other funding including their own investment in their projects

Expenditure must take place (be defrayed) in the period 1st January 2021 to 31 December 2022. However at least 50% of the expenditure must take place in 2021. These are one off grants and will not be repeated.

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Answers to February 2021 quiz

1. The Greatest Love of All (Whitney Houston)
2. Wind beneath my wings (Bette Midler)
3. Sounds of Silence (Simon & Garfunkel)
4. Paint it Black (The Rolling Stones)
5. Like a Rolling Stone (Bob Dylan)
6. King John
7. The Crimean War
8. The Statue of Liberty
9. The War of the Roses
10. The Gettysburg Address
11. Battle of Waterloo (Belgium)
12. Offa's Dyke



Local grants will not be larger than £20,000. Very few grants of this size will be made: projects requesting a grant of this size must make a clear and strong case stating in what way the project will contribute celebration of 300 years of the Charity.

It is anticipated most grants will be much smaller, in the range £200 to £2,000.

Capital projects will need to demonstrate they have obtained any necessary planning permission, or show why this is not required.

Applicants will need to demonstrate how:

- Their projects contribute to the Charitable Objectives of Lord Crewe's Charity
- Their projects contribute to the celebration of 300 years of Lord Crewe's philanthropy through his Charity
- Who the audience(s) are for this message through this project.

Projects may only benefit the residents of specified ecclesiastical (NOT civil) parishes to which the Charity has a connection. You will need to demonstrate how you will ensure that all beneficiaries are eligible. These ecclesiastical parishes are:

Seahouses and Northumberland Coast

- 1) Bamburgh, Belford and Lucker
- 2) Beadnell, Ellingham and North Sunderland
- 3) Norham and Duddo

Blanchland and surrounding area

- 4) Blanchland with Hunstanworth and Edmundbyers and Muggleswick
- 5) Slaley, Healey and Whittonstall
- 6) Shotley

A map will be available of these areas along with a list of post codes contained in each ecclesiastical parish.

If you would like to register an interest in making a grant, please do so by emailing clive.smithers@lordcrewescharity.co.uk or write to

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February 2021 quiz

Song lyrics– which song?

1. No matter what they take from me, they can't take away my dignity.
2. You were content to let me shine, that's your way. You always walked a step behind.
3. And the sign said, the words of the prophets are written on the subway walls.
4. No more will my green sea go turn a deeper blue, I could not foresee this thing happening to you.
5. Threw the bums a dime in your prime, didn't you?

History

6. Which king signed the *Magna Carta* at Runnymede in 1215?
7. Florence Nightingale came to prominence while serving as a manager and trainer of nurses during which war?
8. What was given as a gift from the people of France to the people of the United States in 1886?
9. Which war, fought between the two powerful houses of York and Lancaster, had its last significant battle with the Battle of Bosworth in 1485?
10. What name is given to the famous speech that President Abraham Lincoln delivered during the American Civil War in Pennsylvania on the afternoon of Thursday, November 19, 1863?
11. Name the final clash between European nations and French emperor Napoleon Bonaparte in 1815? (And in which modern day country did this battle happen?)
12. Name the Anglo-Saxon earthwork that follows the England and Wales border?

Answers over the page