



Chatton News



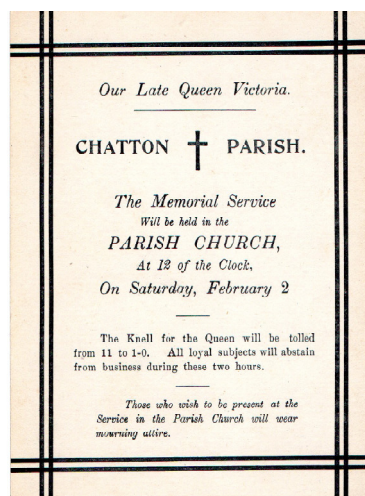
A Newsletter for Chatton and surrounding area

August/ September 2019

Summer, at last! Longer evenings, basking in the hottest temperatures our country has seen! Congratulations to the English Cricket Team who proved that watching cricket **can** be very entertaining!! If you would like something in the newsletter, please send it to us by our deadline as space can be tight. Thank you.

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Rupert and Murdoch (Photo above by Sally Barker)

Queen Victoria's Chatton



Peter and Wilma Clark have kindly allowed us to print the original document of this very interesting Memorial Service for Queen Victoria, held in 1901. This was handed down through the family from Wilma's great grandfather. Every person in the Parish received the

invitation. Chatton also commemorated the Jubilee of Queen Victoria in 1887. A celebration was organised in the village with a public tea provided. Those unable to attend were sent 1lb of tea and 1lb of sugar by Mrs Leather of Fowberry Tower.

Games were organised for the children with prizes and memorial medals given by Mrs Culley of Weetwood Hall. A variety of athletic events amused the adults. (Really very similar to how we celebrate nowadays.)

After a crowded service in the church, the volunteers of the local Regiment fired a *feu-de-joie*. As a more lasting commemoration the village was granted a memorial gas lamp which was originally mounted on a tall post on the corner of the village green where the war memorial now stands. Lamp gas was made behind the Vicarage by adding carbide crystals to water. The lamp was subsequently moved across the road to the corner facing the village green but was removed when the council houses were built in the 1950s. It was later located in a garden in Wooler, donated back to the village and was sited opposite the village green where it had been. However, it was moved again and is now in position outside the village hall, erected by Ian Fletcher (Fletch who has a longstanding joiner's

business in the village.). At a later date the village was given another gas lamp which was attached to the front of the house which faces down Church Hill, which was at this time the Boot Inn, now known as Jim Railton's house. If relatives of anyone else received one of the invitations to the Memorial Service in 1901, please let us know.

(Some content taken from Chatton Book)

What's Been Happening? Van Breaks into Flames!



Van breaks into flames and explodes at crossroads in Chatton this morning (Friday 2nd August). Fire Brigade in attendance.

Chatton Coffee Morning 20th July

Thank you everyone for your support at the July Coffee Morning. An excellent turnout, with people enjoying the delicious home baking and bacon butties. The tombola and cake stall proved popular too and helped raise £202.90 for HospiceCare, North Northumberland. Your kind donations of baking, produce and tombola prizes were much appreciated. *Chatton Coffee Morning Team*

Jim Nesbit Trophy Chatton Angling Association



The annual competition took place on 6th July and, alas, there had not been sufficient rain for the sea trout to be a realistic catch. So, everyone concentrated on trout and grayling. In the end Richard Tebay returned the best trout over 10 inches. Anglers returned to the Percy Arms for a well-earned drink and excellent buffet. There is still time for any local (Parish) members to join CAA, and to learn about the unique River Till fishing. *Dorothy Douglas*

Music Evening

A fabulous night was had by all at the Marty Craggs and the Little Band Jam on Saturday evening 22nd June at Chatton Village Hall. Well

over £700 was raised for North Northumberland HospiceCare. A big thank you to everyone who came along and especially to the fantastic helpers on the evening. *Joyce Fairbairn*

Letter from Marion

By the time you read this letter, Bill and I will have moved into Ikea House! The past month has been an extremely busy time at the Vicarage. Church business



has continued for me even after my 'last' service on 9th June at Ingram. Since then I have officiated at 2 weddings and a funeral of a much-loved parishioner. The service on the 9th was wonderful. During the service Rev. Judith gave a brilliant and very personal address, which I'm still getting feedback about. At Michaelmas this year I will have

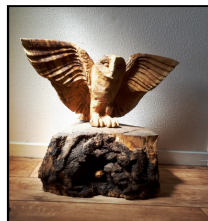
been ordained for 20 years and, somehow, it all seemed to come together in that service. I feel privileged that I have been able to serve our Lord and you, his people, wherever he has sent me during that time.

We Penfolds were overwhelmed at the generosity of the Benefice with so many wonderful gifts, including the magnificent Tom Fiddes' carving of the owl (Eric), the garden centre gift card from Chatton and Chillingham and a celebratory cake with a familiar figure on top (which you can see above) - a true likeness, I think! When I saw Eric, I was so excited as I have always wanted a piece of Tom Fiddes' work and the owl was perfect. The gift card will certainly be put to good use.

We are going to see what we have in the garden and then buy something with it, and we will let Dorothy know in due course what we have bought.

They do say that time flies when you're enjoying yourself. Even with its ups and downs and all the business, the past 8 years has been a joyous time for Bill and me, we thank you for welcoming us into your community. You have all been so kind and we can't thank you enough for the support that you have given us during our time amongst you. It's been a great pleasure for me to see how these parishes have flourished and grown in confidence. I leave in the knowledge that you will continue to build God's kingdom up in this benefice. The doors of the churches in Chatton and Chillingham are always open for you all, they are a friendly lot and always welcoming. Dorothy and Anne are the churchwardens and work very hard in your parish church. The church's PCC has a new Lay Chair, Jo Lucas who is a very skilled and focussed person and I know that her appointment was God given. Jo also heads the churches' social committee with many things in the pipeline that you can go to and support your respective churches. Ian Catchpole has been a great support to me and the churches and will continue to be your finance guru.

I hope our paths will cross again. I was asked if I would be back to see you all, but the church protocol is that once a priest retires it is only by invitation that they can come back to a parish they have served in. Thank you



all for your generous gifts, and Eric will be treasured by the Penfolds. Yours in Christ, Rev Marion xx

Success Story

Tracie is Co-Director of 'Turn about Pegasus', a not-for-profit social enterprise launched in May 2008 run at Hetton Stead Farm.



My peer reviewed book, Animal Assisted Play Therapy, won the coveted Maxwell Award in the category Human Animal bond. The award ceremony was in New York,

but we didn't go because we had no inclination we would win it as it was a huge achievement just to be shortlisted! *Tracie Faa-thompson*

Cricket Day

An excellent day on Sunday 28th July at "The Riverside Ground" Chatton.

Duncan's (Duncan Ord) Devils and Dinosaurs played Richard's (Richard

Roberts) Raiders and Runners. The sun was shining and the supporters enjoyed a lovely afternoon/evening. Dorothy Scott and Susan Harrod were fantastic in keeping us hydrated and



everyone enjoyed the BBQ wonderfully cooked by Ian Catchpole and Rob Scott. However, there could only be one winner and, although a closely fought match, Duncan's Devils and Dinosaurs lifted the trophy! Thank you to everyone who came along to support the event and to the many people

who helped organise, set up and clean up afterwards. All proceeds will help the club continue to play on. *Chatton Cricket Club*

(Photos by Christine Lawson and Alistair Cochrane)

Flower Tubs/Pots in Chatton – Help!

Please help us, we are several tubs and pots in the village with nobody to look after us. We are within the walls of the War Memorial on the Village Green and a lone one on West End. We just need some tender love, new plants now and again and watering. We promise to be good and not bother you too much. Please let Rupert and Murdoch know if you are willing to adopt us.

Thanking you in anticipation. *Tubs and Pots*

Tillside Parish Council

Recycling Bryony Stimpson managed to get a place on a tour of the waste recovery plant at West Sleekburn on 7th June. Lots of interesting

information about how our waste and recycling is handled, and many questions answered. Key message: it's really important we do our bit by only putting the items requested in our blue bins. Check the leaflet that came with your council tax bill or NCC website if unsure. Look out for Bryony's Northumberland recycling facts on Facebook and in Chatton News. The PC are looking at options for local recycling points.

Vacancy - Mark Hunter has resigned from the PC due to work commitments, so there is now a vacancy for the Chatton Ward. Please contact the Clerk or any Councillor if you would be interested in becoming a Parish Councillor.

Planning - please see the PC website for our approach to a number of important recent and ongoing planning applications.

Northumberland CC Transport Plan - every year we are asked for our top 3 priorities for local roads. If you have strong views please contact your local councillor or inform the Clerk. This is not a waste of time - we have in the recent past have had improvements in Chillingham and Chatton. We are pressing for more improvements in the surfacing of the main roads in Chatton and Chillingham - but please let us know your views.

Tillside PC

Forthcoming Events

Summer Party Saturday 10th August Chatton Village Hall

Come along and join us for an afternoon/evening of fun and games **starting at 3pm** on Saturday 10th August. Tickets are on sale at Chatton Village Store, £5 per adult (children free) and includes BBQ, games and evening party. Please bring your own drinks. Hope you can make it!

Strawberry Tea

Sunday 8th September 2pm

Joan Johnson is raising funds for HospiceCare North Northumberland. A Strawberry Tea will be served at Red Rose Cottage, Hazelrigg, NE66 5RZ. All welcome, come along and enjoy.

Quiz Night Chatton Village Hall

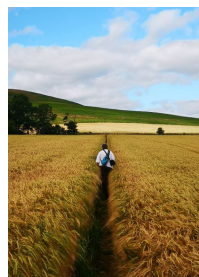
The next quiz night will be on Thursday 19th September at 7.30pm. Your quiz masters this time will be Ian Catchpole and Richard Tebay. Maximum 6 to a team but teams can be formed on the night.

Chatton with Chillingham Churches Harvest Supper

This year's Harvest Supper will be on Saturday 28th September from 7pm in Chatton Village Hall. There will be a glass of fizz on arrival to welcome you, a lovely 3 course meal, as well as a pay bar and an auction, run by Jim Railton. Tickets are

£17. We are looking for volunteers to help and donations for the auction. If you would like to help with the event or are able to donate an auction lot please contact Jo Lucas 01668 215109.

Tramps Walks take place on the first Saturday



of each month. We meet at the car park at The Percy Arms Chatton at 9.45am and either walk from there or car share to a nearby starting point. Everyone welcome. *If you would like further information about the walks please contact Bryony Stimpson on 01668 215180. (Photo by Sheila Bull)*

Watch this Space!

Maggie Pinsent will be hosting an open day for her new Arting Studio at Hazelrigg School. Coming soon!

Saturday 2nd November Village Hall

The Chatton Village Hall is hosting a sing-along film afternoon/evening. More details to follow but here is a clue "Doe, a deer...".

Chillingham and Chatton Churches Harvest Thanksgiving Service

The Chatton with Chillingham Churches Harvest Festival Service will be held in Chatton Church on Sunday 13th October. Any food donations would be gratefully accepted.

Creative Writing

Have you ever felt an urge to write? You don't need to write a novel, just have fun using imagination to explore your creativity. Bring a notebook and pen and join me at Chatton Village Hall on 5th September from 2-3.30pm, £8 per session. *For further information contact Christine Lawson 01668215306*

Coffee Morning Saturday 19th October Chatton Village Hall

Come along if you can from 10.30am to 12.00pm. £2 entrance fee, which includes refreshments. Bacon butties will be on offer at an extra cost. Proceeds raised will go to the Help for Heroes charity. All donations of cakes produce and plants would be very welcome. *Chatton Coffee Morning Team*

Chatton Village

Flavoured alcohol competition 2020

Following the huge success of last year's competition we are planning to hold one next year. So now is the time get foraging and picking to give yourself time to make some great fruit flavoured delights. The competition will feature categories of different type of drinks, with a winner of each category and then an overall

winner. Look out for further information in the next Chatton news. We do ask all competition participants to drink responsibly throughout the making and testing period!!!! *Stefan*

Chatton Village Hall Theatre Night Thursday 26th September 'The Stars Look Down'

Curtain up 7:30pm, refreshments from 6:30pm.
Tickets now available at Chatton Village Store at £10 per ticket (suitable for everyone over age 13). *Andy Pigg*

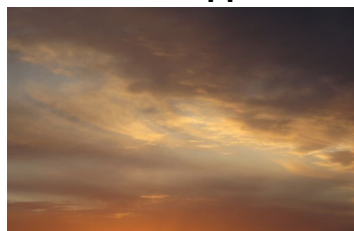
Yoga: Tuesdays 1-2.30 pm. £8 per session

Contact Gill Rollings on 01668 215 613

Carpet Bowls: Wednesdays 7-8.30pm

Contact Tony Harrison on 01668 215 613

Further Features Seasonal Snippets



We have just celebrated 50 years since, "One small step for man, one giant leap for mankind!" Space exploration has continued since those immortal words were

spoken. The International Space Station, for example, is often visible with the naked eye as it orbits earth 16 times a day. The best times to spot it are in the hours immediately before dawn, and after sunset, when the sky is still dark, but the Sun is high enough to reflect light off the station's solar panels. It moves faster than an aeroplane and has no flashing lights.

Sunset by Sally Barker



Back to earth! .Recently built new bridge at Chillingham Ford during flood, by Christine Lawson

Weather *David and Meg Thompson of Chillingham Barns years have been recording for 66years. Their daughter Anne now provides us with the rainfall figures.*

June 5.89ins/149.6mm (2.88ins fell on 12th June, the wettest June day on record by 2ins and the wettest day in the country. That was the day that Tyne Tees filmed the floods from Chillingham Barns.) July 2.93ins/72.42mm

Recipe

Pimm's Summer Pudding Serves 6

£1.68 per person (depending on alcohol content.)

750g mixed fruit, strawberries, raspberries, black berries, blueberries (can be frozen)

160g caster sugar or more to taste.

8 slices of white bread, crusts removed preferably 1 day old.

4 tbsps. Pimm's or Framboise liqueur (both optional, or you **could** add more!!)

A large basin 1litre/2pints with steep sides.

Method

Hull and quarter the strawberries, place all berries in saucepan with the sugar and alcohol if using. Heat gently until the sugar has dissolved.

Line a bowl with two sheets of clingfilm, overhanging by a few inches each side. Try to avoid the clingfilm sticking to itself and to you.

Slice the crusts from the bread, please watch your fingers, you need them. Place the bread in the basin, overlapping slightly, try to fit the pieces in like a jigsaw. Pour in berry mixture and most of the juice. Cover the top with bread, fold over the cling film. Put a saucer on top, weighted down by a jar of jam, or drinks can. It is not necessary to sit or stand on it. Leave in fridge overnight.

To serve, unwrap clingfilm, place on top and turn over- the pudding will slip out. (Ours wouldn't!) Pour over any remaining juice. Garnish with mint leaves if you wish ... or not! Serve with whipped cream or crème fraiche. *We have realised we don't actually like this recipe, but, you just might. Rupert and Murdoch.*

Handy Hints

The first one is true, the second is just for fun!

- Pop a few unused tea bags into smelly shoes, leave overnight in a warm place. Tea bags are super absorbent and will suck moisture and smell right out. *Noah Roma*
- You could reuse the bags at breakfast, but we would not recommend it! *Albert U Will Knott*

Last Word

"You know, somebody actually complimented me on my driving recently. They left a little note on the windscreen. It said, 'Parking Fine', so that was nice." *Blame Tim Vine!*

If you would like to include something in the next newsletter, please get in touch with us by phone, letterbox or e-mail:-

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(By Friday 27th September please)

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