

THE VILLAGE VOICE

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THE BROLLY CARNIVAL

The community spirit of Lanchester is alive and well as demonstrated by all the people who came to the green in such appalling weather to support the Lions Village Carnival.

The day was not without challenges but many true friends willingly offered additional support and other facilities which were extremely helpful.

It was disappointing that the Parade did not take place especially for the 'Pirates and Princesses', and all those who prepared for it, but due to an administrative error by Traffic Management the roads were not closed. As compensation to the Lions, they have offered to close the roads next year without payment which will save the club several hundred pounds which may be used for good causes.

However, the Carnival was not without a great deal of success and enjoyment for the brave,



Ooh! says Julia from Willow Burn - this is definitely the 'Brolly Carnival'

rain-soaked people who attended. The band played on, uniforms dripping wet, trying to shelter under the trees - a scene reminiscent of the Titanic. Teas and Hotdogs did well as did the Fish Stall and Frog

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BIKE TRACK FOR KITSWELL - YOUNGSTERS WIN BIG GRANT

For many years the youngsters of Lanchester have wanted a bike track that is challenging and some teenage play equipment.

One of the main recommendations of the Parish Plan has been to "Improve physical leisure facilities for the young people in the village". The Parish Council asked the Partnership to take this forward on their behalf and commissioned Simon Green to work with them. A team of young people (with help from the Partnership and Simon Green) then did a fact-

finding tour of bike tracks and play areas, following which they drew up plans for an exciting new bike track and play equipment in Lanchester. Their plans were approved by the

Parish Council which agreed that its land at the far end of Kitswell Park could be used for the purpose.

The young people applied for a grant of *continued on page 10*



Pie(rates) of Peters ready to sell their wares to help the Lions Carnival



On the fact-finding tour to test bike tracks



Dear Village....

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Dear Sir,
We would like to express our sincere thanks to the many friends, relatives and neighbours who have sent cards, flowers, donations to Cancer Research and have given support to us all. Your heartfelt words of sympathy have been a comfort to us all. Thank you to Canon Peter Waterhouse for a lovely service and his support. Ted was a wonderful loving husband, father and granddad. He will be sadly missed and he will always be in our thoughts and never forgotten.
Barbara Sproat and family.

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Dear Sir,
I would like to congratulate my husband Brian Haswell and his friend Gary Densham for so successfully completing THE BIG BIKE RIDE in aid of the NSPCC on Saturday the 28th June. This was a 60k ride and they completed it in only 2 hours and 24 minutes, which was a brilliant achievement and raised a lot of money for this worthy cause.
Very well done.
Angela Haswell.

Dear Editor,
We would like to say a big thank you for all the cards, gifts and good wishes on the birth of our daughter Kate Anna. We are genuinely touched by the kindness of the Lanchester people and it makes us realise what a great place Lanchester is to work!
Both Mother and baby are doing very well. Not too many sleepless nights. Kate is thriving and has fitted in nicely. Even Toby the Labrador has taken a shine to her!
Yours sincerely
Mark and Anita Burdon (and baby Kate).

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IT'S ALL ABOUT PEOPLE

BABY HANNAH - FIRST GRANDCHILD



Stephen and Katherine Naylor, now living in Reading, are proud to announce the birth of baby Hannah. This is the first grandchild for the ecstatic and very proud grandparents, Rosemary and Brian.



Anita with baby Kate

HOUSE TO HOUSE COLLECTION

I should like to thank all those who contributed to the collection in aid of the British Heart Foundation. This year we raised £84.42 which is much more than was collected last year.
Many thanks, Jill Ramsay

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THE WEDDING OF SALLY HARNES AND DAVID HART

Sally Alexandra Harness was married to David Andrew Hart on Friday 20th June at All Saints Church, Lanchester, by Canon Peter Waterhouse. The Bride wore a white monroesque dress with puddle train designed by Pronovia and cathedral veil, complimented by diamond earrings and bracelet, presented by the groom. The bridesmaids were in silk and organza cameo coloured dresses by Dessè. All hair was dressed by Natalie and Michelle at Talking Heads, Lanchester. The reception was held at Beamish Hall.



*Sally and David at their wedding
Photo: Northumbrian Wedding Photography*

Sally and David, both 23, met at university (Sally studying PR, David Pharmacology). Sally works with a PR company as Project

Manager while David is a Sorrento, Italy and return Manager for a major to their home in health and beauty retailer. Woodham Court, They honeymooned in Lanchester.

LANCHESTER GIRL MARRIES IN EDINBURGH

Rachel Hurst, daughter of Mr and Mrs J Hurst of Lanchester, married Ross Drummond, of Edinburgh, in a ceremony at Duddington Kirk, Edinburgh. The bride wore a ivory silk dress, trimmed with crystal beads while the groom, and the men of the wedding party, wore traditional Drummond tartan. A reception was later held at "Our Dynamic Earth", in Edinburgh.



Rachel, in her ivory silk dress, and Ross wearing his Drummond tartan kilt after their wedding in Edinburgh

Rachel attended St Bede's School, in Lanchester, 1991-98 and later read Pure Maths at Edinburgh University. The happy couple have made their home in Edinburgh, where both are following careers in Law Enforcement.

70TH BIRTHDAYS



Ralph and Bessie Kasher from Burnopside, celebrated their 70th birthdays with friends and family who called throughout the day on the 19th of June. Everyone enjoyed drinks and a lovely buffet.

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PARTNERSHIP REPORTS TO MEMBERS

On the 28th of June some of the one hundred and fifty members of the Lanchester Partnership met in All Saints' Parish Centre to celebrate the successes that had taken place during the previous year and to plan for the future.

The Partnership had succeeded in obtaining funding to keep the Lanchester Link Bus on the road until March 2009, run a Youth Club, arranged activities for young people in the holidays and painted the shelter on the Green.

A walks leaflet and a booklet had been published on the history of Longovicium, Lanchester's Roman Fort.

Another litter pick had been organised, and wildlife conservation

work had been very well supported.

Appropriate building development had also been well supported and inappropriate development opposed. A popular film club was being run, showing a variety of films.

Meetings had been held to identify car parking needs.

The Parish Council has been supported in implementing the Parish Plan, in particular concerning the provision for the elderly, protecting our countryside, and also improving facilities at Kitswell Road recreation area. It was still hoped to provide public conveniences.

Members have attended meetings of local organisations which

affect the well-being of Lanchester citizens.

In the future the Partnership will continue existing projects, and will press the County Council to take over the running of the Village Bus.

It will work with local councils to try to arrange for comprehensive care facilities for the elderly at Lynwood House, and to maintain and enhance our countryside.

It will complete and get agreement on a report on teenagers in Lanchester.

It will look at parking and road safety.

A spokesman for each group of the Partnership gave a report. The meeting ended with refreshments and an opportunity to talk informally.



Chairman Mike Gladstone addresses the annual meeting

PARTNERSHIP NEEDS HELP

Lanchester Partnership is still getting things done. For example some years ago it discovered that some land at the far end of Kitswell Road Recreation Area was available, and persuaded the Parish Council to acquire it. Recently (as reported elsewhere) it has helped village

youngsters to design a bike track to be constructed on that land, and to apply successfully for a grant of £40,000 to pay half of the cost, with the Parish Council paying the other half. That is only one of the 26 projects in this year's action plan. However the members of

the Partnership are not getting any younger and some of them can't do as much as they used to do. If anyone would like to help - perhaps by doing some admin, or applying for grants, or running a project - Mike Gladstone on 528 114 would be very pleased to hear from them.

NATIONAL CHILDMINDING WEEK

National Year of Reading was this year's theme for National Childminding Week. The children and Registered Childminders of the Lanchester Childminding Group, celebrated by holding their annual picnic and a story session at the library. Janice the librarian read several favourite books, while the children used finger puppets of the characters to act out the stories.



Librarian Janice acting out the stories with the children

MONEY RAISER FOR WILLOW BURN

Jo Cordey, of the Three Horse Shoes, Maiden Law, would like to thank all those customers who supported the Charity Events on the May Bank Holiday weekend. The Race Night, Car Treasure Hunt and Auction raised a massive total of £615 for the hospice.

WILD FLOWERS



The wildlife meadow, of ox-eye daisies and yellow birds-foot trefoil, which was planted by the County Council on land next to the Cut below The Close, finally came into full bloom in June.

LANCHESTER LIONS CHANGE PRESIDENT



President Mark Draper (left), hands over to Ian Murray beginning July 1st

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LANCHESTER PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ON 15th

POLICEREPORT

There had been more calls this month than last, in fact more from Lanchester than from Langley Park, but only 12 of these related to the Community. One alcohol seizure had been made in Front Street, but the alcohol had been bought in Burnhope. Four burglaries had taken place in different areas and so no pattern had been detected between them. There were two lead thefts from farms on either side of the village, but a white Transit van had been seen and the Police asked Members to look out for anything suspicious. Bogus callers had visited Croft Court, knocking on doors, peering in, going away but returning later. Advice was given on answering the door, such as putting the chain on the door before opening

it and the use of a peephole. There were three cases of criminal damage. These involved graffiti on the bus shelter, the house behind and one in Meadow Way. The same paint had been used and this is being checked out. The nuisance spot had been in Front Street and the Police are planning to visit the area daily and hopefully identify and catch those responsible. Cllr Glass asked if scrap metal merchants had been asked about lead. Cllr Burton mentioned fires after dark in Alderdene and Cllr Jackson referred to problems due to parking in Victoria Terrace. The Police promised that all these would be looked into. The **Minutes** of the previous Ordinary Meeting and those of the

two planning meetings as well as one of the Recreation committee were approved. **Matters Arising:** The Insurers of the Roman Statue on Valley Walk had been contacted and no extra premium is required for Third Party, so the Clerk is to ask for this in writing and for the insurance of the cost of replacement. Planning for the siting of the statue is also to be obtained. **Quality Parish Council Bursary.** The application was successful and the £500 will be used mainly for the production and delivery of the quarterly Newsletter. **Developing Mental Health Services** for Older People in County Durham and Darlington. Concerns were expressed over lack of provision in the immediate area and Cllr

Mrs Glass said that she would pursue this. **Provision of zebra crossings** at Front Street and Station Road and replacement of double yellow lines in Front Street at junction of Newbiggen Lane; County Council to investigate. **Kitswell Road Recreation Area.** Chairman Cllr Johnson congratulated the young people of the village who had successfully obtained a grant of £40,000 (helped by the Partnership). A Consultation Evening had taken place at the Cricket Club with neighbouring residents and the Council had taken on board such concerns as safety, privacy, management and access to the Cricket Club. It had therefore been decided to combine the bike track with the play equipment, have a survey done on the levels of the ground and move the cricket practice nets to the old play area. Residents were in agreement about this and Mr Simon Green then showed his revised plans. RoSPA is to be contacted about insurance and they have agreed to comment (for a fee) on the design to satisfy the insurers. The Cricket Club has suggested the provision of a hard path from the car park to the bike track and the moving of the scoreboard (one attached to the pavilion is available) and suggest a meeting with the Council. Mr Green stated that planning would be applied for in August, to be received in September so that work could start in October with completion in December. The grant money has to be spent by January and it was agreed that the Recreation Committee should go ahead with these arrangements without a

full Council Meeting. Cllr Jackson stated that as the site is a remote area and next to the cemetery, the state of the hedge there should be monitored. **Correspondence.** Cllrs Jackson and Wardle volunteered to attend a Meeting at County Hall on 29th July re County Division Boundaries. Other correspondence discussed: Service Mapping in preparation for a Unitary Authority (ie what the Parish Council is paid to do by the District Council such as grass cutting), EDF Wind farm funding steering group (grants are available to villages where there are nearby wind farms on annual basis for 20 years). Cllrs Bill Glass, Neil Fleming and Ossie Johnson or Mrs Cook agreed to be representatives. Representation from Town and Parish Councils to the Derwentside Partnership Executive Board. A letter had been received asking for suggestions as to who should be nominated and how they should be elected. Members were then give a **Statement of Particulars** with regard to the employment of the Handyman and a Staff Handbook, both of which had been produced by the Clerk. She had also produced draft policies relating to **Equal Opportunities**, Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults and Health & Safety; these too were given out, all for consideration by Members. A draft copy of the **August Newsletter** was discussed and accepted **Christmas Lights.** Mr John Dent is to be asked to look at these to see about replacement, repair, etc. County Council has

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stated that a certificate must be obtained for each of the 12 columns at a cost of £45 per column. Cllr Fleming suggested that the Leader of the Council be asked for comments.

Surgeries. These are to begin on Tuesday 9th September in Park House, from 6.30 to 7 pm when Councillors will be in attendance to speak to residents about any issues which concern or affect them. Surgeries will be bi-monthly.

A monthly **financial statement** prepared by the Clerk was considered and accounts approved for payment.

As Mr Tom Forster has resigned as **LEA Governor** at the EP Primary School, Cllr Neil Fleming was elected to replace him.

NEXT MEETING. Conference Room, Park House, on Tuesday, 9th September, 2008 at 7.15 pm.

PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 9th JULY

Single storey extension to the front of 11 Hurbuck Cottages, Lanchester.

RESOLVED - that no objections be raised to the application subject to the development complying with the guidelines in the Village Design Statement.

Felling of four silver birch trees at 18 Woodlands, Lanchester.

RESOLVED - that (i) an objection be made as the Woodlands is in the conservation area.

(ii) the District Council be referred to the Village Design Statement page 153G/

(iii) the Clerk write to DDC asking that independent advice on the trees be sought and that the arboriculturist from the District Council assess the trees for ill health.

Proposed Development: Two Section 73 applications to vary conditions 5 and 6

Planning Permission No 1/97679CM and Planning Permission Decision No CA36222 (as reviewed) (issued on 20 June 2000) to extend the time period for mineral extraction and restoration through tipping at Quickburn Quarry, Satley, for Liberty Construction Ltd.

RESOLVED - that the Clerk write to the County Council to object to the application and to enquire what enforcement is being taken to ensure that restoration of the area is realised.

Conservatory to rear at 8 Elmfield, Lanchester.

RESOLVED - that no objections be raised subject to the development complying with the guidelines in the Village Design Statement.

Erection of first floor side extension over existing utility room at 7 Lee Hill Court.

RESOLVED - subject to As Above.

Application to remove condition 7 of planning permission 1/2008/0160 to allow retention of existing stable block at Forest Lodge, Knitsley Lane, Consett.

RESOLVED - that the Clerk write to the Council to object to the application.

Proposed erection of detached garage at 4 Durham Road, Lanchester.

RESOLVED - that no objections be raised subject to the development complying with the guidelines in the Village Design Statement. In addition concern be raised with regard to the materials being used in the construction.

DECISIONS OF DERWENTSIDE DISTRICT COUNCIL

Erection of agricultural building at West

Newbiggen Farm, Newbiggen Lane, Lanchester.

Permission Granted. **Letter - Lanchester Partnership**

Members discussed a letter forwarded by the Partnership expressing concern over the landscaping conditions in planning applications. Members agreed that suitable and appropriate landscaping was important in planning applications. They also agreed that the correct approach to the District Council and, more importantly, to the new Unitary Authority, was important in order to ensure the message had full impact.

RESOLVED - that the council members who are members of Lanchester Partnership are to report the council's response at their next meeting.

Kath Stronell BSc(Hons) Pod. MCh.Soc.

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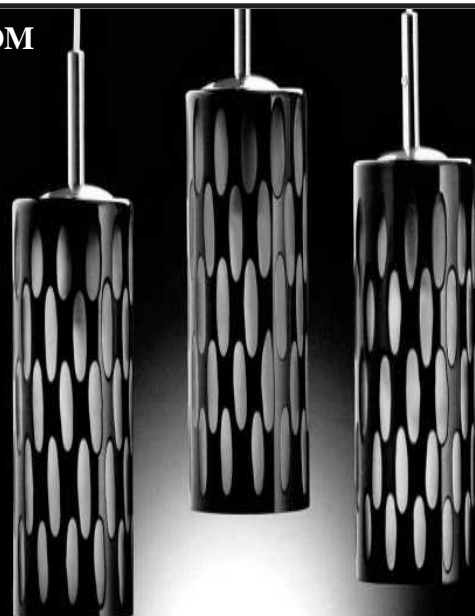
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Game - which was quite understandable in the very wet conditions which existed on the day. There were so many people and organisations to thank for their help this year. Elddis brought their Lorry (stage) but it had to be sent away for safety reasons. Stanley Lions turned out in numbers, as did Annfield Plain Scouts. Lanchester Services loaned a van, as well as Tindale and Stanton, who have done so for many years. The Gents Rock Band, dressed as pirates, could not play their music, but helped with the lifting. The Tai Chi Club came all the way from South Shields but were not able to perform. Evergreen, and ever reliable Ron Dixon, made an 8.30 am start with his lorry, for moving equipment. Cliff Hudspith, as usual, sorted out the electrics which

was extremely difficult in the circumstances, and once again Lilydale Pets provided the water for various sideshows. Former Lions and friends of Lions, the Lady Lions and their friends deserve many thanks for their very challenging work on the day in difficult circumstances. Lion Martin Durkin, was still smiling beneath his handkerchief hat on the hoopla stall despite the lack of customers, whilst Carnival Chairman, Brin Jones, on the Basketball was beginning to show mild signs of hypothermia. However, the Club still raised about £700, most of which will be given away in donations and good causes in and around the village. Lanchester Lions look forward to next year with optimism, for a bigger, better Carnival, with a wonderful sunny day.



Carnival Tots with umbrellas of an appropriate size



Mel Somersall with a couple of youngsters running 'Play your Cards Right'.

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Lanchester Brass Band huddle together under the trees, drenched, with music sheets sodden



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RETIREMENT PARTY FOR JIM POTTS

When Jim Potts retired from the police force, a celebration seemed in order. Fortunately he is a cricketer, and his niece Fiona Selby, aided and abetted by husband Robbie, a committee member of Lanchester Cricket Club, organised a superb party in the club house. All the family was invited, including some from Scotland, and of course Jim's friends and colleagues. Presents piled up, mostly in liquid form. Jim was serenaded with his favourite kind of music by the North Tyneside Steel Band, who had their own marquee. A display of photos illustrating Jim's cricketering career

filled a large swathe of wall, together with a skilfully mocked-up version of the Evening Chronicle's front page with the fictional headline 'Veteran Potts Disgraces Club'. In fact Jim played 800 games for the club and scored 10,000 runs. Jim's nearly 30 years in the police force starting 'on the beat' at Consett, then the CID and the 'major crime team', followed by work with prisoners, was related by three of his supervisors. Sergeant Bob Gardner, detective inspector Steve Murray and detective-sergeant Andy Coward all gave a graphic and sometimes scurrilous

account of Jim's career, with the emphasis on entertainment. The entertainment continued with a karaoke disco, during which Jim gave what he declared was the final rendering of 'Two Little Boys'. During the evening a collection was made for St Oswald's Hospice in appreciation for its care of the family's uncle George, who died of cancer in April. Fiona also organised a raffle and auction and raised over £1000. A lot of trouble had been taken to make this a really splendid party, which was fully enjoyed by Jim and his friends and family.



Jim Potts listens to the North Tyneside Steel Band with his niece Fiona Selby and her son David at the club house of the Lanchester Cricket Club

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£40,000 from Durham County Council's Youth Capital Fund, supported by the Parish Council which agreed to chip in a further £40,000 in matched funding!

Well they got the grant - all £40,000 of it! This is a very heartening example of young and adult volunteers working together on such an exciting venture. The Parish Councillors have met with residents

and the cricket club to discuss the plans and have taken on board their issues and concerns (see report of the meeting on page 7). The plans have now been revised - it's all systems go!



A team of young people (with help from the Partnership and Simon Green) fill in the grant application for funding for the new bike track and play equipment in Lanchester



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LANCHESTER SHOW

Lanchester Show was held on July 6th in showery weather and on rain sodden ground. Despite the awful weather, there were few withdrawals from the competitors. The Kennel Club dog show

was successful. Most trade stands decided against coming while the craft people gave their full support. The committee received very many positive comments about the show and there was an

expressed feeling that much hard work must have gone into the organisation and the running of the show to surmount the problems posed by the wet conditions. Local businesses again were

to the forefront in supporting the show. Again, the show could only have gone ahead with dedicated people on board. This is one area where the committee could do with an injection of new blood.

A Cantonese evening is being held on September 15th to boost funds for the Society. Anyone interested please contact the Secretary on 0191 3734565 or e-mail las-sec@tiscali.co.uk.



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ALL DAY CAFE



Mel serving his mouth watering trifle

Mel and Sue's All Day Café on Friday 27th June, was a busy affair. All morning for coffees etc, lunchtime and afterwards for afternoon tea, villagers crowded into the Methodist Church to enjoy the home made food on offer. The cakes were quickly sold out and soon people were queuing for an excellent meal of cold meats, potatoes and salad lunch, followed by superb trifle and apple pie. The bric a brac stall seemed

busy and the Powerpoint presentation of the orphanage in Africa created much interest. The total raised for Lanchester House Orphanage and All Saints School, Liberia, was a massive £1300. Mel and Sue would like to thank all those who provided cakes, those who helped in so many ways in the hall, and, of course, the people who supported the event by attending in such large numbers.



Helpers in the kitchen working hard



A happy band of people enjoying their lunch

MARIE'S CONCERT

A delightful little concert was held in All Saints Church on 28th June, when parents and friends gathered to hear Marie Harrison's pupils sing and play.

The piano pieces varied from tiny tunes for tiny fingers to classical works and the songs from

nursery rhymes to show tunes, but all the children showed skill and dedication. A young lady called Billie sang with great aplomb as well as a fine voice, and a rather shy young lady called Catherine gave a beautiful rendering of 'Piu Jesu'.

It was clear that all the young people had benefited by the teaching they had received and the older performers have clearly grown in confidence as their ability developed.

A collection was taken for N.E.S.T., a children's charity for Zimbabwe.



Marie Harrison's pupils pose for the camera after their concert

ALL SAINTS' PARISH LUNCH

Members of All Saints church gathered at Valentino's restaurant on Sunday June 29th, with friends and

relations, to enjoy lunch together as they did just before Christmas. About a hundred people had a three-course lunch,

which was delivered with admirable efficiency.

The event was again organised by Bill Gray.



Some members and guests of All Saints church who filled the restaurant

YANAMAMO

An intriguing title for a wonderful mammoth production of a musical, at Lanchester EP School, which described the life in the Amazon Rainforest and the dangers which threaten it. All children in the junior school took part in this colourful, animated, performance with delightful singing, choreography, and very clear excellent contributions from the many narrators.

The story was told through the eyes of the Yanamamo tribe who inhabit this area. Their life revolved around the forests, which they worshipped and depended on, to keep their inherent lifestyle.

The evening was absolutely delightful from beginning to end with the 'living trees' singing so sweetly and later growing so gracefully, to the soldier

ants, heavy footed, marching across the stage. In addition we saw the Jungle Garden with more wonderful singing followed by crazy monkeys swinging and moving around with so much liveliness. Some wonderful scenes of the forest were continually shown on a large screen as a background to the stage. Duets were performed by the lazy tired old sloths, and by the unloved, lonely jaguars.

After an interval which included wine and refreshments, the scene moved on to the city and the devastation of the rainforests. The cowboys, who sang so well were ready to move in their cattle to the cleared areas, which included moving, brilliantly choreographed, scenes of the fires, which

caused the final sadness. The final song, entitled 'The Sad Land', pleaded for the trees to remain for the continuing life of the Yanamamo.

The costumes were superb, the choreography brilliant and the music professional. The scenery was simple but effective and the lighting and projection on the large screen brought out the colour and set the scene for the musical. The programmes had the creativeness of talented artistic children.

Space prohibits naming all the people who took part, but Head Teacher, Jane Davis, who contributed so much herself as Director, Producer and Pianist was warm in her thanks to the children, staff and all the help from volunteers and friends of the school.



The lazy, languid, tired Sloths who sang so beautifully



The powerful but unloved, sad, lonely Jaguars with their lovely duet



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Foreground - the soldiers (Ants) of the Rainforest*



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LANCHESTER MVC CELEBRATES 40 YEARS OF SONG

Lanchester Methodist Church again played host to a sell-out audience as Lanchester Male Voice Choir celebrated its 40th Anniversary in the Annual Concert on Friday 4th July. As part of the celebration former conductors David Begg, Norman Taylor and Walter Robinson were present and took a bow. In his opening remarks, choir Chairman John Wills informed the audience that the choir had welcomed more new members over the past 12 months and now had 27 "voices" registered. He also welcomed the choir's guests to the concert to help celebrate this landmark anniversary. These were soprano Rebecca Goulden accompanied by pianist Lauren Hibberd (both appearing by kind permission of the Royal Northern College of Music) and Fiddler Kevin Doonan. Kevin also celebrated a family 40th anniversary as both his father, John, and his uncle, Jim, performed in the inaugural concert in 1968 as soloist and choir member respectively. The choir opened the concert with two songs -

"You'll Never Walk Alone" and "The White Rose" - which provided an excellent start. These were followed by Rebecca Goulden who delighted the audience with six songs all of which were very ably accompanied by Lauren Hibberd. The songs provided an excellent mix of opera and musical songs. This was followed by Kevin Doonan with his fiddle to a mixture of Irish music of lively jigs and airs and American Blue Grass music. The choir concluded the first half of the evening with nostalgic songs, the first of which was sung at the Inaugural concert, the second in the 10th concert in 1978, and the third in the 20th in 1988. Kevin Doonan's second spot after the interval, after a lively introductory two songs by the choir, included a tribute to his father as he played the Irish tune "An Coolin", a tune which his father had played as soloist at the first Lanchester MVC concert. His performance had feet tapping in the audience which gave him a rousing appreciation at the end

of his contribution. Rebecca Goulden's second spot again demonstrated her wide range of material and wonderful talent. She sang songs from Handel, Hahn, Puccini and Massenet before completing with a Cole Porter number. Rebecca invited accompanist Lauren to share the audience's delight as they left the stage to loud and prolonged applause. Before the choir's final set of songs, Conductor Harry Carr expressed his personal thanks to all the members of the choir for their hard work during the year, to Brian Sharp for his arrangements and to accompanist Noreen Bridgewater for her dedication. All in all this was a rousing concert with a tremendous mixture of nostalgia of both personnel and songs and of new materials. The choir looks to be in good health - for the next 40 years? The choir begins next season's rehearsals on Monday 1st September at 7.30 pm in the main hall of the Community Centre in Lanchester. New members are always welcome.



Conductor Harry Carr (left) and Chairman John Wills (right) welcome the Choir's guests (left to right) accompanist Lauren Hibberd, soprano Rebecca Goulden and fiddler Kevin Doonan

LMVC REUNION



Conductor Harry Carr (2nd left) with former choir Conductors (left to right) Walter Robinson, David Begg and Norman Taylor at the Annual Concert

On the anniversary of the Choir's 40th Annual Concert a reunion of members still living within the area was organized by the chairman. Several former members attended along with several apologies from men who were unable to be present. Many photographs both old and new decorated the notice boards and these caused both smiles and

melancholy among the singers. The evening began with a PowerPoint presentation of a potted history of the choir since its foundation in 1967. This was followed by entertainment by The Lantones barbershop quartet. Visitors were invited to join the choir in singing a couple of songs from the Annual Concert and most joined in. An

excellent buffet, provided by Fiona Wilson provided a break during which the wine and the reminiscences flowed freely. The evening closed with more from the Lantones and a final song from the assembled company.

The evening was voted a great success and it was suggested that there should be more of the same.



Current and former members of the choir enjoy singing together

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ALL SAINTS PTA SUMMER FAIR

For the second week running a major event was spoiled by heavy rain. There was light rainfall for about the first hour and outside activities such as

the Aussie BBQ did a good trade. Games and stalls, ie Coconut Shy, Football, Hook a Duck and Frog Game, were all enjoyed by the children.

Then the rain became so heavy that everyone was forced indoors either to the Parish Centre for Tea/Coffee, ice cream and refreshments, or to the

main hall where there were Tombolas, Treasure Hunt, a Home Made Cards Stall, Bric a Brac, Cakes, Toys and a Raffle to keep people interested. The

attendance was understandably low but despite this, a very good profit in the region of £700 was raised on the day.



Aussie BBQ, all smiling despite the rain



Little ones successfully hook a duck

WI NEWS

July was an interesting month for Lanchester WI! On 2nd July there was the trip shared with Annfield Plain WI and Lanchester Needlework Group.

The first destination was to attractive Yarm village where everyone dispersed to the coffee shops (recommend the 'Black Bull' garden for coffee and warm croissant with honey and strawberry jam). From medieval times Yarm was home to ropemakers, brewers, tanners, nailers, clockmakers and shipbuilders but is now known for its good selection of boutiques and small shops including the prize-winning florist, 'Diana Kaye', and the imposing 2,280ft railway viaduct with 43 arches. Yarm marked the end of the tidal section of the River Tees until the Tees Barrage was built in 1995. Then it was all aboard the 'Teesside Princess' for a leisurely cruise down the Tees whilst enjoying lunch. As ships grew in size Yarm's

importance declined and its role was taken over by Stockton-on-Tees where the replica of Captain Cook's 'Endeavour' and a mine-sweeper came into view as the 'Teesside Princess' approached. Members disembarked to explore the market and Castlegate Shopping Centre.

The next treat was at the monthly meeting when members were entertained by the WI Annfield Plain singers, 'Young at Heart', who gave a 2-part concert with 'dance' routines. Whilst dressed in elegant blue evening gowns they sang a selection of show songs, and then changed into black costumes with dazzling red-sequined waistcoats and silver and red bowlers to perform a variety of 'Minstrel' songs. At the interval everyone enjoyed generous servings of strawberries and fresh cream with shortbread. The raffle, donated by Maureen Heron, was won by one of the entertainers. The evening finished with a successful sales table.



WI members boarding the 'Teesside Princess' for their cruise on the Tees



Lunch aboard the 'Teesside Princess'

At the time of going to press some members are also looking forward to

going out for dinner on 24th July to Ushaw College, and listening to

after-dinner speaker Steve Smith, the 'Rumpole of Rotherham'.

BRITISH RED CROSS ROYAL GARDEN PARTY JULY 9th

All Red Cross members received a letter inviting them to apply by ballot, to attend this very special occasion commemorating 100 years since British Red Cross received its first Royal Charter.

Very quickly, eight lucky members from Lanchester Red Cross received letters of congratulation on being successful applicants to attend a Garden Party at Buckingham Palace on 9th July. These were: Brenda

and Ian Gibson; Judith and Ian Jobling; Freda Smith; Diana Snowdon; Elaine Williams and Jessie Goodall.

A week following the first letter, a second one was sent to Brenda, Judith, Freda and Jesse who had been nominated to be presented to HRH The Prince of Wales and the Duchess of Cornwall.

As there were differing travel arrangements within the party, the rendezvous was to be

outside Buckingham Palace at 2.30 pm. This arrangement was fine and everyone went en bloc to the garden at the rear, in torrential rain. However, nothing would ever spoil this very special day.

The members to be presented to the Royals were asked to stand with the others waiting for the Royal Party to arrive. Brenda was chosen to present the fortunate Lanchester members to the Prince, who spent 2-3

minutes with each person asking how long they had been with Red Cross and where they lived. Brenda and Judith had served 33 years, Freda and Jesse 17 years. There followed refreshments in the marquee while the rain continued to fall heavily. Introductions were then made to the Duchess of Cornwall, who again made small talk for about 2 minutes with each person. The warmth of the marquee, hot cup of tea,

delightful sandwiches and cakes provided, were very welcome by this time. Approximately 7000 people attended the function and all were soaked to the skin. It was impossible to take photographs. Despite this, the journey on the train home was non stop chatter about this wonderful, memorable day, never to be forgotten.

See back page for our photo of the Red Cross members in their finery.

FLOWER CLUB GOES CORAL

Lanchester Flower Club celebrated its 35th, or coral anniversary at its July meeting. This was one of the club's two open meetings of the year, attended by members of other local groups. Malcolm White, of Washington, a florist with a wicked line of banter, gave a demonstration entitled 'Something Old, Something New' which

reflected bridal bouquets and church decorations. He ended his talk with a bouquet for Lanchester Chairman Helen Tomlinson as a tribute to the work she does for the club.

A cake was duly cut and added to the buffet which followed.

The next meeting is on 24th September at 2pm in the Community Centre.



Malcolm White at work on his last bouquet



The celebratory cake, with suitable coral coloured ribbons, was cut by Mary Stoker (left), one of the longest serving members of the club, and Jean Gibbon, President of the Northumberland and Durham area of NAFAS

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD



The two o'clock relay of knitters hard at work

On July 2nd there was a whole lot of knitting going on in the Methodist church, and it was all to do with a charitable project to send shoe boxes full of toys and gifts for children in Eastern Europe. From 11 till 3, relays

of ladies knitted hats, scarves, mitts and glove puppets to contribute to the shoe-box appeal. A surprise contribution of a bag full of wool came from a lady in Consett who had happened to read about the knitting event

in the Village Voice. In the shoe-boxes which will be sent to needy children will be things like a cuddly toy, toothpaste, soap, colouring books, pencils, crayons and pens, small jig-saws, toys, jewellery and sweets.



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Thursday 10th July, the club hosted a friendly tennis tournament for teaching staff from St

Bede's School. Tony McNamee, a club member and PE teacher organised the event, to give his colleagues a chance to try out their racket skills and enjoy a fun and competitive evening.

Sunday 13th July proved to be a beautiful afternoon for the club's annual Strawberry Tea (a la Wimbledon). The tennis was perhaps not as high powered, but the tea, with locally grown strawberries on the menu, was a winner.



Club members and friends enjoying the Strawberry Tea

FENCING PARALYMPIAN

Ron and Heather Parkin of Richmond, N. Yorks. are almost Lancastrians as they spend so much time in the village among their friends. Heather has been involved in Country Markets, (formerly WI Markets) for many years, and has taught Lace Making at the Community Centre for 30 years.

Her husband Ron who nearly always accompanies her has been wheelchair-bound since an accident when he was 24.

What many people do not know about Ron is that he is a Gold, Silver, and Bronze medallist at Paralympic Fencing.

Apart from many international events Ron won Gold and Silver Medals at Tel Aviv in 1968, 3 Golds in Edinburgh in 1970, Gold in Munich in 1972, 3 Golds in New Zealand in 1974 and a Silver in Toronto in 1976.



Ron and Heather Parkin, once more in the village at the Country Market, accompanied by Margaret Burt

THE TROPHY WINNERS



Captains of the winning teams and representatives of the choir: Sarah Haswell; Michael Ledger; Alex Trotter; Georgina Cain; Kirsty Green; Kate Gerry and John Dawson.

Lanchester EP School has had an exceptional year in winning trophies for sport and music. The year 5/6 footballers won the Derwentside Indoor Winter League and the Eddie Embleton Trophy. The girls 5/6 team also won the Derwentside League. Swimmers won the

Derwentside Gala, whilst the Cross Country teams, both boys and girls, won their respective district school league trophies. Musically, the school did extremely well. The junior choir won three of four singing 'classes' at the Consett Music Festival. Bell-Plates are now featured at the school

and took their first award at the festival's instrumental class with distinction.

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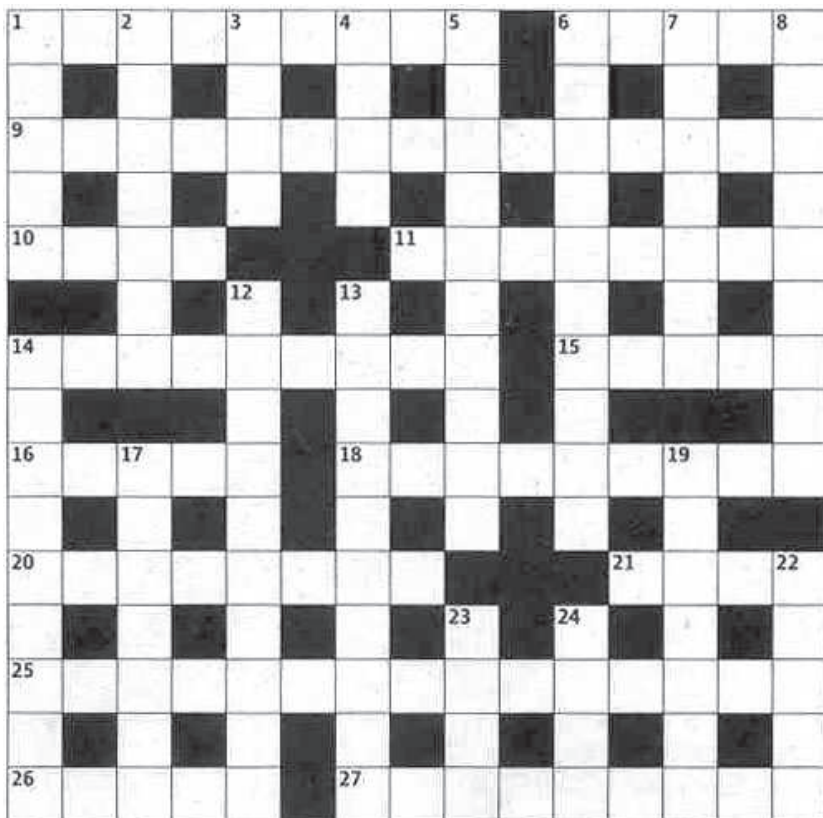
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CROSSWORD 27



ACROSS

1. SS chase an Englishman (9)
6. Metallic sound (5)
9. Portable receiver (10,5)
10. Engrossed prat! (4)
11. Pillar crumpled satin in May (8)
14. Stifled (9)
15. Trunk from roots (5)
16. Brown as pie (5)
18. River crossing at Dundee (3,6)
20. Creative (8)
21. Injunction from tuba's boom (4)
25. Modern rightwing organisation (3-4, 8)
26. Dimwit (5)
27. Mysterious ice mating (9)

DOWN

1. Stringed instrument (5)
2. Toiletry (7)
3. Simple (4)
4. As well as (4)
5. Fastening (4,3,3)
6. Brusque disposition (4,6)
7. Books inspector (7)
8. Junk room changed hero, golly! (5,4)
12. Miser sounds like inexpensive fish (10)
13. Cain's crime (10)
14. Suffered and sues it (9)
17. Humiliation (3-4)
19. Opposition (7)
22. Spirit bottle top (5)
23. Ascetic in yo-yo gig (4)
24. Ray of light (4)

ANSWERS TO CROSSWORD 26

ACROSS

9. see 1 down
10. ouija
11. equal
12. overreact
13. askance
14. see 6 down
17. smart
19. pod
20. overt
21. partner
22. clarion
24. libertine
26. Yemen
28. niche
29. love songs

DOWN

- 1,9,24 life in the fast lane
2. struck
3. Wellington
4. Lahore
5. stressed
6. Four Seasons
7. pinafore
8. rant
13. Aesop
15. apocalypse
16. satin
18. aerobics
19. particle
22. cleave
23. immune
24. see 9
25. reek
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WINNING WAYS



The President's Team (the ones wearing ties) comprising players from all over the county with Lanchester Bowling Club before a well-fought game

As confidently predicted in a previous issue of the Village Voice, the bowls club has started to get some excellent results now we get into the middle of the "summer". In fact the teams have not lost since the last edition of the Village Voice. The only blot on the copy book was a game we had to cancel because we could not make a team (perhaps fortunately because it poured with rain that day).

The Wednesday team finished off the season in fine form. They won each of their last three games six nil to make up for disappointing early season form. Currently our best hope of honours lie in the Monday triples league. If we do well in vital matches against Annfield Plain and Dipton we may be in with a chance of winning the league. The Saturday team were

delighted to get a draw with South Moor, always a hard team to play. The game all came down to our last shot. Alan Wharton playing skip, with 31 pairs of eyes on him and a lot of short woods in his way, pulled off a superb draw shot to turn around a six shot deficit to take the match aggregate. A contender for shot of the season I think.

On Sunday 22nd June, for the first time for a number of years, Lanchester Bowling Club entertained the Durham Bowls President's team. Despite winning three of the five rinks we just lost overall by the narrow margin of ten shots. Equally as enjoyable as the game was a fine tea held in the Social Club afterwards. In another friendly on the following Friday we welcomed Barnard Castle. On this occasion

we were able to win the match quite comfortably and look forward to visiting their green next year which is in the delightful grounds of Bowes Museum. Thanks to Ron Cole who organised these games for us.

The latest results are:
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 Away v Burnopfield 6-4
 Home v Leadgate 8-2
 Away v View Lane 8-2
Derwentside Veterans League Tuesday Rinks
 Home v Annfield Plain 6-4
 Home v Sherburn Park 6-4
 Away v Leadgate 8-2
 Home v South Moor 6-4
North West Durham League Wednesday
 Home v White le Head 6-0
 Away v Craghead 6-0
 Home v Leadgate 6-0
North West Durham League Saturday
 Home v Leadgate 5-5 (rain)
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 Home v South Moor 5-5

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Children at the EP School learning their cycling proficiency under guidance of teacher, Mark Stephenson

ANSWER TO LAST MONTH'S SUDOKU

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8	5	6	9	1	3	4	2	7

Cricket For Marie Curie

Lanchester Cricket Club is holding its annual charity cricket match in aid of Marie Curie Cancer care on Sunday 10th of August starting at 11 am. Last year's winners were Ryton football club. This year we have 6 teams competing.

We have a barbecue on all day and also a large cricket tea. Last year we raised over £1500 AND IT WAS A FANTASTIC FAMILY DAY. This year we have a signed Newcastle picture to auction and also a top of the range Berghaus coat. If anybody is interested in helping with any donations either for the raffle, bottle tombola or even dropping in a cake or something for the cricket teas please contact Fiona Selby either at the cricket club on 01207 520198 or at home on 01207 521681. Let's hope the rain stays away as it did last year.

Lanchester Rugby RFC

Training has started again on Saturday mornings at 9.15 am in St Bede's School. Any new players would be welcome. The club also needs a referee. Are there any qualified referees in Lanchester who would be able to help?

The first game for the Under 17 team will be on 7th September against Bishop Auckland, while the Under 15s play their first game on 21st September against Blyth.

JUNE COMMUNITY DRAW

The winning number in the Community Draw for June 2008 is 47. The draw was made by Stephen Evans of the Gym.

Lanchester Early Music Festival

Following the first concert in the fifth series held in the Parish Church of All Saints Lanchester on July 19th, there are to be three concerts in August. The series is organised by Dr Ian Brunt.

On Saturday 2nd Dr Brunt (harpsichord and organ) is joined by David Malkin (classical guitar) to present solo lute music by Jan Antonin Losy Von Losymthal and keyboard music by J K F Fischer.

On the 16th Dr Brunt is joined by Philip Cull (oboe) for a concert of music by Vivaldi, Dormel, J S Bach, Telemann, Hotteterre, Handel and Babel.

Dr Brunt's colleagues on 30th August are Julian Slade (flute) and Dr Michael Mullen (viola da gamba) who play music from the Court of Berlin and the City of Hamburg by C P E Bach.

All the programmes will be interspersed with contemporary readings from journals, eyewitness accounts and letters of the period, giving an instinctive feel for the vanished world and the people who created this rich musical legacy.

Refreshments during the interval will be served in the Chapter House.

Tickets £8 with concessions £5 and those unwaged, under 18 years or full-time students free.

Admission at the door or reservations in advance by enclosing an SAE to Dr Ian Brunt, The Lodge, Lanchester, County Durham, DH7 0LF, with cheques made payable to "All Saints Lanchester PCC."

Country Market

The next opportunity to buy pies, pastries, cakes, eggs, vegetables, jams and crafts will be on Saturday 2nd August at 10 am in the Community Centre. You could have a cup of tea and a scone as well.

Activities in the Library

It's all go at Lanchester library with a series of events for young people during the summer holidays.

On Thursday 7th the Kiteman will be there at 10 am, when young persons will learn how to make their own kites. Parents/carers will be needed from 11 am, when the action moves out of doors to get the kites flying. It will all be over by noon. Tickets £2.

On Tuesday 12th August it's Book Magic from 3 till 4 with Magic Marvin, designed for reception and key stage 1 kiddies, but all welcome. Tickets £2.

There's a craft session on Thursday 14th August from 3 to 4pm, tickets £1, and also on 28th August.

The Wiggly Roadshow arrives on Thursday 21st August from 2.30 till 3.30 pm for small people aged 3-5, but all are welcome. The Zoolab people are in charge, and tickets are £2.

Please ring or call at the library, 521021, to confirm the event is taking place.

Wildlife Group

On 12th August, the group will be visiting Hedleyhope Fell, which is now managed by Durham Wildlife Trust. They will meet the ranger Craig Best in the car park on the B6301 at 6.30 pm. Interested parties welcome.

WHAT'S ON?



Busy time on the Plant Stall at the Country Market

Songs Of Praise

Churches Together will hold Summer services on the first Sunday of August and September on the Village Green at 6 pm. In case of bad weather the services will be transferred to the Methodist Church.

Table Top Sale Satley

There will be a Table Top Sale at Satley Village Hall on Saturday 16th August from 10.00 am - 2.00 pm.

A raffle, tombola and cream teas will be among the attractions. The entrance fee will be 50p and all proceeds will go to Great North East Air Ambulance.

Lanchester Social Club Entertainment

Saturday 2nd August
Tan G, Great Girl Singer
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Karaoke
Saturday 23rd August
Connor,
Knockout Male Vocal
Saturday 30th August
Sonia Michelle,
Teenage Vocal Sensation

Weardale Railway

On 30th/31st August, there will be a Gala Weekend on the Railway. See www.weardale-railway.org.uk for details.



On Saturday 12th July Lanchester Wildlife Group had a lovely trip to Seal Sands, Saltholme Reserve and Seaton Carew Reserve. Our photo shows members on the pier at Seaton Carew Reserve.

Dr Who for Lanchester

No, it's not a new Medical Practice but a real Dr Who. Colin Baker, who played the part in the series some years ago is coming to the Community Centre on Saturday 23rd August from 10 am - 5.30 pm with a superb Dr Who extravaganza. With him will be Daleks, other well known props, K9, the dog, Cybermen, Davros, (Terry Molloy), and Nicholas Courtney, who played

Brigadier Leftbridge Stewart. Colin Baker, who will lead the event, and the other actors, will take to the stage and 'talk Dr Who', with audience involvement. Sci-fi merchandise will be available, as well as specialised face painting, and refreshments all day. There will be two competitions, 'bake a monster cake', and a

theme fancy dress. Everyone is encouraged to dress up for the occasion. There will be the opportunity to have photographs taken with the characters. Autographs will be freely given and your own memorabilia signed if requested. Children will also be able to go inside the electronic Daleks, operate, and ride in them. There will be several surprises as well, throughout the day. This will be a family orientated show which should be a lot of fun for Dr Who fans and those who want to enjoy a great family day out with atmosphere. Entrance fee for this unique event in the village will be as follows. All day Family ticket, £25.00, Adults £12.00, Children and Concessions, £7.00.



One of the Daleks who will be at the show, being told off by George Hastings

WI in August

The next meeting is at 7pm on 4th August in the Small Hall of the Community Centre. Mrs Barbara Beveridge will talk about Leazes Dairy Preserves. Crackers will be provided to try the chutney samples but members are requested to bring a small piece of their favourite cheese if they wish. Slices of cake and scones, baked by Maureen B and Jennifer M will also be available to buy to eat on the night or to take home, the money being raised going to DCFWI. Visitors welcome £1.

At 7.30 pm on 20th August at Helme Park Hotel there will be a floral arranging demonstration with Denise Marmont from Barnard Castle. Tickets priced £8 are available from DCFWI. There is also a 'Have a Go Night' at 6 pm on 19th August at WI House when members can try origami, hairpin crochet and lap loom weaving. Tickets are £2, also from DCFWI. If there are any queries please contact Jennifer Tel: 520012.

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Coming Shortly

Nobby Dimon's North Country Theatre presents 'The Prisoner of Zenda' in the Community Centre on 1st November. Planning ahead? Let me know when and where. Ring 520559.

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LADIES WHO LUNCH

I must admit to not wanting to go - we have been before, a long time ago and it was AWFUL - but there have been lots of positive comments and obviously there has been a change of management. The Equestrian Centre at Kip Hill is now quite impressive.

We were there on a very cold May Day and it was lovely and warm and so was the reception. We were seated at what we like best, a lovely round table where the

conversation can flow - it was off to a really good start and then folks - the food!

They have a very comprehensive menu with various options including a pensioner special, which on this particular occasion we decided to pass on and went instead for 2 courses for £9.95.

We sampled lasagne, chicken curry with luscious chunky chips and scampi, following by the puds - an amazing brandy snap basket filled with mousse, mixed

berries and cream topped off with chocolate and fudge, a chocolate brownie with crème de menthe, cream and various other delights served in a sundae glass - the comment was 'WOW' - and meringue with fruit, cream and chocolate. All this following by a good cup of coffee and shortbread. A really good meal experience which we all thoroughly enjoyed. Not a horse in sight, but definitely the place for a good human nosebag!

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LANCHESTER SHOW

Lanchester Show on July 6th was another event affected by the weather this summer.

For full story and more pictures, see page 11.



A young lady on a Shetland Pony

BRITISH RED CROSS ROYAL GARDEN PARTY



The Red Cross Ladies, in their finery, and two men who visited the Palace to commemorate 100 years Anniversary of Red Cross. Left to right: Freda Smith, Ian Jobling, Jesse Goodall, Diana Snowdon, Judith Jobling, Ian Gibson, Brenda Gibson and Elaine Williams. See page 17 for story.

PLAYGROUP TODDLE

In glorious sunshine the Playgroup set off on a two lap Sponsored Toddle around the park. Children were dressed as Pirates and Princesses, as they

were not able to show off their costumes at the wet Carnival. Afterwards, they played on the equipment and enjoyed a picnic.

A total of £246.50 was raised for the Playgroup funds at the time of going to press, with the likelihood of more to come.



The Toddlers set off at a good pace around the park

ALL DAY CAFE FOR LANCHESTER HOUSE ORPHANAGE



Jean Carr and David Hughes waiting to be served

Story and more pictures on page 12.

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