The Fourth The newsletter for Ford, Etal, Crookham, Branxton and surrounding area.

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SIX INCHES OF SOIL

A thought-provoking and inspirational documentary feature film by Springtail Productions that follows young farmers in the UK and explores their views and actions on soil regeneration and sustainable management. They address the industrial food system and solutions that will transform the way they and other farmers produce food - healing the soil, benefiting our health and providing for local communities.

Premiered at the Oxford Farming Conference in January this year, Six Inches of Soil is being released in early March.



It will be screened at Etal Village Hall on Tuesday 26th March 2024, at 7.00pm, promoted by Anne Mair-Chapman, Ambassador for LEAF Open Farm Sunday in North-East England.

Drinks and light refreshments (sponsored by Ford & Etal Estates) will be offered before the film commences. The film lasts 90 minutes and will be followed by a short panel discussion, including one of the farmers featured; Nic Renison of Renison Farms, Cumbria, who will be joined by Tom Fairfax of Mindrum Farming Co, Anna Pearce of Thornton Farm, Berwick and Johnny Renner from North Bellshill Farm, Belford. The evening will conclude at approx. 9.30pm.

Tickets are priced at £5 and are available through Eventbrite by following this link; https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/six-inches-of-soil-tickets-807307066167

"Despite all our accomplishments, we owe our existence to a six-inch layer of topsoil and the fact it rains." Paul Harvey (1978) U.S. radio broadcaster

Six Inches of Soil

Etal Onion Club

AGM

Black Bull, Etal

Wednesday 6th March

At 7.30 pm

Existing and new members welcome.

Ideas, input and help on show day needed even if you don't want to join the committee.

Wednesdays in Lent 12pm-1pm

at Bowsden Lodge TD15 2TN (by kind invitation of Mrs Joan Firth) 6 th March 13 th March 20 th March

Come for bread and cheese and Lent Reflection based on the book 'The Things He Carried' by Archbishop Stephen Cotterell

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Wooler Bowling & Sports Club

4 Weetwood Road, Wooler NE71 6AE

2024 OUTDOOR OPENING DAY

is on Saturday 13th April from 2.00 p.m.

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Some Wooler Bowling and Sports Club members had a very successful outdoor season in 2023. In their Club's Centenary Year, members Victoria Symons, Maggie Peart, Jacqui Donnelly and Brian Davidson all won

Bowls Northumberland County Competitions. Victoria Symons won the County Ladies Four Bowl Singles, Jacqui Donnelly and Maggie Peart won the County Senior Ladies Pairs and Brian Davidson and Jacqui Donnelly won the County Mixed Pairs. The three ladies also represented Northumberland County at the Bowls England National Finals at Royal Leamington Spa. All four members are pictured at Wooler's highly rated green on Weetwood Road. Left to right are Victoria (with her trophy), Maggie, Jacqui and Brian. The ladies are all proudly sporting their Northumberland County colours and Brian his Wooler Club colours.



Fancy trying something different to help your wellbeing. Why not sign up for one of our taster sessions. At Crookham Village Hall:

Wild Wayside Women's Circle Facilitated by Jane Fowler:

Women's circles offer a safe, sacred space for women of all ages to come together

with people who share similar interests, or are exploring their spirituality to talk, listen and explore mindful activities.

Sunday 24th March 2.30pm. Hope

Sound Bath Facilitated by Fiona Cox:

A relaxing soak in the tub isn't the only kind of bath that can have health benefits. Waves of soothing, echoing sound from traditional wind and percussion instruments also known as "sound bath" may help with stress, fatigue and depression symptoms.

Saturday March 9th 2pm.

Introduction to Essential Oils Facilitated by Colleen Marriott ITEC Therapist:

Come along and find out how essential oils can help to promote & maintain physical & mental wellbeing.

Friday 15th March 2pm

Qigong Facilitated by Kate:

Developed in China thousands of years ago as part of traditional Chinese medicine. It involves using very gentle, slow and controlled movement to optimize energy with the goal of improving health and well-being. It is suitable for people of all ages and abilities.

- Tuesday 16th April 10.30
- Tuesday 14th May 10.30am

Sleep workshop Facilitated by Robert Porteous:

Tuesday 9th April 2 – 4 pm

Entry to all sessions is by donation and includes tea, coffee and cake. Booking is essential contact crookhamvillagehall@gmail.com or Judith 07946501680.

Etal Hall Heritage Project Anyone remember the 1980s?!



Etal Village Hall had temporarily acquired a new lease of life when it took the place of the village pub in 1979/1980 while the Black Bull was being rebuilt following a serious fire. Publican Frank Mount applied for a special licence and Vaux Breweries obtained permission from the planning authority for a temporary change of use. A bar was installed at the side of the main hall, across the alcove where the billiards table had once been stored when not in use. The hall became the responsibility of the pub landlord/lady from this time onwards, with Tom and Beryl Hails taking over the reins from Frank and Gwen Mount in 1982, taking bookings and keeping the place clean and tidy. The hall was acknowledged to be rather shabby and very cold in the

winter months, and was in fairly

desperate need of internal improvements, but sadly there were insufficient finances. So during the 80s the hall was not much used except for the occasional disco, party, concert or theatrical performance. It was during the 80s that the Northumberland Theatre Company began touring village halls with their excellent small-scale shows, and they have come to Etal on a regular basis

In summer 1985 as part of Berwick Festival, Ford and Etal played host to various events as part of an "Edwardian Week". At Etal Hall on the Wednesday evening a Music Hall was staged involving local performers and headlined by professional duo "Cosmotheka". On the Friday evening the "Etal Players", directed by local drama teacher Cheryl Stewart presented a performance of the famous Victorian Melodrama (slightly adapted!) "Maria Marten or murder at Heatherslaw Mill". Older members of the community may recognize themselves and other familiar faces in the cast photograph!

By 1990 the threat of closure was again looming over the hall, but this time a group of interested local residents, determined to keep the hall open, came to the rescue. They were led by David and Mary Lockie from Ford Westfield, and other enthusiastic locals such as Steve Taylor, Bernice Smith, and Heather Pentland who came forward with ideas and plans for fundraising to try and improve things. Monies were raised through antique fairs, table top sales, barbecues, and a silent auction held at Ford Westfield. With the support of a small loan from Ford and Etal Estates it became possible to improve the lighting and heating in the hall, and a gang of locals undertook some re-decorating of the interior. Mary Lockie made a set of colourful new curtains for the windows, having secured some quality fabric at a knock-down price. Things began to look a little brighter!

Helen Moffit

Qigong In Branxton

All classes will be the second weekend in the month and £5. 10.30 in Branxton Village Hall. Contact Kate - 07817306 346 Dates for 2024 are: Saturday 9th March Sunday 14th April Sunday 12th May June and July we will meet on the second Sunday in the playpark, weather permitting.





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Crookham Village Hall

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Comedy drama staring Laura Linney, Kathy Bates, Maggie Smith, and Stephen Rea. There's just one dream for the women of Ballygar to taste freedom: to win a pilgrimage to the sacred French town of Lourdes. With a little benevolent interference from their local priest, a group of close friends get their ticket of a lifetime.

Entry by donation

PRESENTS



Friday 29rd March 7pm **Rated PG** length 1hr 31 mins



Saturday 16 March at 7pm Crookham Village Hall Tickets £10 pp includes supper Contact

crookhamvillagehall@gmail.com or Judith 07946501680

Pies supplied by Cornhill Village Shop vegetarian and gluten free choice available



At Crookham Village Hall Saturday 9th March 10-12 noon

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Crookham Village Hall AGM

Thursday 25th April at 7.00pm

Come along and hear what we've been up to and our plans for the future. We'd love to hear your ideas too!

Followed by cheese and wine.

Saturday Coffee Mornings At Crookham Village Hall 10am-12 noon

Why not pop in for a hot cuppa and a friendly chat? Entry £2



Mary Jamieson's Granddaughter runs London Marathon in her memory

Katie Bennett from Hume will run the TCS London Marathon on Sunday 21 April in memory of her Granny, Mary Jamieson from Crookham Eastfield, and in support of the Royal Osteoporosis Society. Growing up, Katie watched the debilitating affects this terrible disease had on Mary who was diagnosed in her 50s.

Katie says, "I am running the London Marathon in memory of Granny, we lost her at the young age of 72 - the summer I started university. My Granny wasn't your typical Granny, she wouldn't let anything stop her. Even when her spinal curvature was causing compression on her stomach making it difficult for her to eat, she would still be up at 5am every morning walking the dogs and putting everyone else first. I know she would be proud of me running the London Marathon but find it hilarious that I am attempting it!

If you were to ask anyone who knows me, I am one of the clumsiest people out there. Regularly tripping up on fresh air. Me running a marathon will be at the very least entertaining for the spectators watching me battle to stay on two feet!"

In memory of Mary Jamieson and supporting the Royal Osteoporosis Society, please help Katie reach her £2,000 target by donating on her London Marathon page: https://2024tcslondonmarathon.enthuse.com/pf/katie-bennett

Scottish dancing night

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Sunday 3rd March from 10.00 till 1.00pm

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Herbal workshops

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Creative Woodcraft

Small Axe Creative Woodcraft are presenting a range of creative projects to try using traditional green woodworking techniques and decorative carving. In March we will make use of the indoor studio space, you can make a spoon or try carving.

Wednesday Makers

Creative crafts exploring a range of techniques and materials including willow plant structures, journal making, felting, silk painting, applique cushion covers.

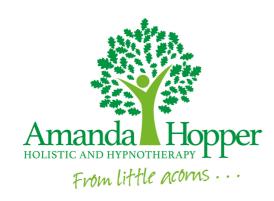
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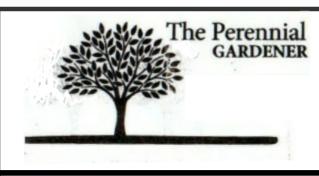
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BERWICK STOMA SUPPORT GROUP

come along and listen. Everyone welcome.

Berwick stoma support groups meets every third Thursday of each month, 10-12 at The William Elder Building, Castlegate, Berwick, TD15 1 JT. The next meetings are on March 21st and April 18th.

Anyone who has a stoma of any type or who is due to receive one is very welcome and please feel free to bring along a partner. There is no charge and tea/coffee and biscuits are provided.

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Etal Village Hall.

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Oliver Parker's The Great Escaper, starring Michael Caine and Glenda Jackson, is a heartwarming tribute to Bernard Jordan, the octogenarian who travelled from Sussex to France to attend the 70th anniversary D-Day commemorations. Glenda Jackson's performance in her last film is impactful and emotional. The Great Escaper also marks the retirement of Michael Caine, and his last film is surely memorable. Bernard Jordan's

escape from the retirement facility marked his determination as a war veteran to pay tribute to the lives lost at the Battle of Normandy.

1 hour 36 minutes, Certificate 12A, Friday 8th March, 7.30pm. Refreshments will be served.

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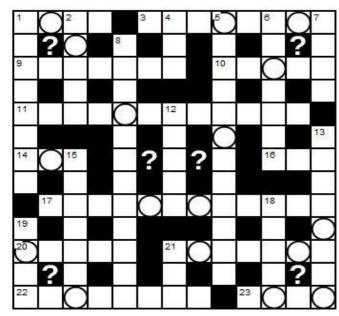
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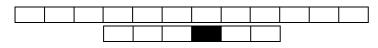
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The Fourum Grossword by Gromwell



When you have completed the puzzle count how many times the letter R appears in the puzzle and then solve the anagram made by the letters within the circles in the puzzle! Hint: 13 down may help!

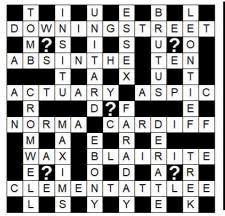


Bonus Wordsearch!



Santana
Amen Corner
Turtles
Beatles
CCR
Yardbirds
Doors
Kinks
Pink Floyd
Small Faces
Badfinger

February Solutions





Missing brewery is Arkells

ACROSS

- I In the Abrahamic religions the third son of Adam and Eve. (4)
- 3 I5th President of the United States (Surname) (8)
- 9 Stablemen who were employed to take care of horses, usually at an inn. (7)
- 10 British lexicographer who created the thesaurus that bears his name (Surname) (5)
- Politician who was Chancellor of the Exchequer from 1993 to 1997. (7,5)
- **14** Sphere (3)
- 16 On a plant, a hair or bristle-like appendage. (3)
- 17 What you might have to do after a defeat? (3,6,3)
- 20 10th President of the United States (Surname) (5)
- 21 Craftsmen who make wooden barrels (7)
- 22 1987 LP by rock band Def Leppard
- 23 Prime Minister of the United Kingdom from 1955 until 1957 (Surname) (4)

21 Across



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DOWN

- I Earl of. Title taken by Harold Macmillan in February 1984 (8)
- In Greek mythology one of the pre-Olympian gods (5)
- 4 A river in the Gomel Region of Belarus.
 (3)
- Labour Prime Minister from 1964 -1970 (6,6)
- **6** West African republic, capital Abuja (7)
- 7 A commentary or reference appended to a text (4)
- 8 Leader of the UK Liberal Party from 1967 to 1976. (6,6)
- 12 Domestic spaces that are reserved for the women of the house in a Muslim family (5)
- 13 Gerry. Creator of Thunderbirds, Joe 90 etc (8)
- 15 The... a popular 1960's beat combo from Liverpool (7)
- 18 An intellectually pretentious or affected person (5)
- 19 The Beehive State of the USA (4)
- The 22nd letter of the Greek Alphabet
 (3)

13 Across



February Sudoku answers

6	7	2	5	3	1	9	8	4
8	3	1	6	4	9	2	5	7
5	4	9	8	2	7	6	1	3
1	5	7	4	9	6	8	3	2
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Branxton Village Hall.

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Branxton Breakfast

on Saturday 2nd March

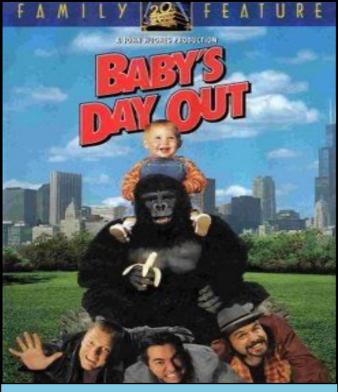


Enjoy a hearty cooked breakfast including toast, tea and coffee.

Served from 8.45am until 11am at Branxton Village Hall.

Suggested donation: £8 adults/£4 under 12s

All profits will be donated to Branxton Recreation Club (registered charity) for improvements to the village park.



Join us (due to demand) a second showing of **Baby's Day Out**2pm March 19 followed by the usual delicious afternoon tea



Third Saturday of every month starting 16th Sept. 10am - 12 noon



Do you enjoy sewing, crochet, knitting, cross stitch, quilting or other handicrafts?

Have unfinished projects?

Want to learn more or try something new?

Bring your needles and hooks for a couple of hours of productive creativity, at our drop in Sewcial club - tea, coffee, cake and a warm welcome awaits you.

Further information from Joanne on 07917 553933 Refreshments by donation





CHURCH NEWS

Church Services for Ford, Etal, Lowick and Ancroft in March

Sunday 3rd March

Lowick 9.15am Holy Communion Etal 11am Holy Communion

6pm Taize Service (candlelit unaccompanied singing)

Sunday 10th March

Mothering Sunday

Lowick 9.15am Family Worship Etal 11am Family Worship

Ancroft 11am Family Service with Holy Communion

Sunday 17th March

Lowick 9.15am Holy Communion Etal 11am Holy Communion

Sunday 24th March

Palm Sunday

Meet in Ford Village at 10.30am at Lady Waterford Hall

Procession with donkey to Ford Church for

11am Service of Holy Communion

Canon Susanna Gunner introduces Holy Week

Priest in Charge: Revd Charlotte Osborn

Lowick Vicarage 01289 388591

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Curate: Revd Alex Firman

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Holy Week Services:

Monday 25th March

7pm Ford

Address and Compline

Tuesday 26th March

7pm Etal

Address and Compline

Wednesday 27th March

7pm Lowick

Address and Compline

Thursday 28th March

Maundy Thursday

7pm Ancroft Holy Communion with Foot Washing

Friday 29th March Good Friday

2pm Lowick

Saturday 30th March

Holy Saturday

8pm Ford Church Vigil with Easter fire

Sunday 31st March

Easter Day

10am Lowick Holy Communion FLAKE service, all parishes together

Permission to Officiate: Revd Margaret Sentamu

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Donaldson's Lodge Methodist Church March 2024

Sunday Worship 11.00am

3rd Circuit Service

11.00 am Alnwick

10th MrAndrew Black

17th Rev Kim Hurst

Communion

24th Mr Sean Wragg 31st Mrs Sylvia White

Minister: Rev Kim Hurst Superintendent 01289306291

Rev Barrie Cash (Pastoral) 01835822222

Church Services in March 2024 at Branxton, Cornhill and Carham

Sunday 3rd Lent 3	9.30am 11.00am	Branxton Cornhill	Morning Worship Morning Worship	
Sunday 10th Lent 4 Mothering Sunday	11.00am	Carham	Morning Worship	
Sunday 17th Lent 5	9.30am 11.00am	Branxton Cornhill	Holy Communion Holy Communion	
Sunday 24th Palm Sunday	11.00am	Carham	Morning Worship	
Friday 29th Good Friday	4.00pm	Branxton	Devotion before the Cross	
Sunday 31st Easter Day	9.30am 10.30am 11.00am	Branxton Cornhill Carham	Holy Communion Holy Communion Morning Worship + 11.40am Holy Communion	

Contact: The Revd Rob Kelsey, (01289) 382325,

robert.josephkelsey@live.com

March at a glance.

2nd	Branxton Breakfast 8.45 - 11	BVH	
	Soup and Roll 12 - 2	CVH	
3rd	Book Sale 10 - 1pm	Till. VH	
5th	Cornhill choir 7.30	Corn VH	
6th	Etal Onion Club AGM 7.30pm TillVas talk 7pm Art Club 2 - 4 Scottish Dancing	Black Bull CVH CVH Nor. VH	
7th	Keep Fit 2.30	CVH	
8th	Spring Lunch 12noon Flicks in the sticks 7.30pm	BVH EVH	
9th	RITS 10 - 12 Coffee morning 10 - 12 Sound Bath 2pm Qigong 10.30 St. Cuthberts concert 7.30	CVH CVH CVH BVH Norham	
11th	Knit and natter	CVH	
12th	Cornhill choir 7.30 Ford PC 7pm	Corn VH CVH	
13th	Art Club 2 - 4 Scottish Dancing	CVH Nor.VH	
14th	Keep Fit 2.30	CVH	
15th	Introduction to Essential Oils 2pm	CVH	
16th	Sewcial 10 - 12 noon Coffee morning 10 - 12 NNGG 9.45 Quiz night 7pm	BVH CVH Bell View CVH	
19th	Cornhill choir 7.30 Branxton Film 2pm	Corn VH BVH	
20th	Soup and Sandwich 12pm Art Club 2 - 4 Scottish Dancing	Bowsden VH CVH Nor.VH	
21st	Keep Fit 2.30	CVH	
23rd	Spring Fair 10 - 12 noon Crookham gardening club 10.30 Coffee morning 10 - 12	BVH CVH CVH	
24th	Wild Wayside Women's Circle 2.30	CVH	
25th	Knit and natter	CVH	
26th	Talk - Six inches of soil. 7pm Soup and Sandwich 12pm Cornhill choir 7.30 Book club 2.30	EVH Corn. VH Corn VH CVH	
27th	Art Club 2 - 4 Scottish Dancing	CVH Nor.VH	
28th	Keep Fit 2.30	CVH	
29th	Crookham film club 7pm	CVH	
30th	Coffee morning 10 - 12 Scottish Dancing	CVH Nor. VH	

Concerts @ St Cuthberts Berwick Male Voice Choir Saturday 9th March 7.30pm Norham Church

We are delighted to announce the return to Norham of the Berwick Male Voice Choir - once heard never forgotten!

A concert to lift the spirits and hopefully welcome Spring!

An eclectic mix of musical styles all under one roof. With refreshments and a raffle!

All proceeds to the Concert and Charities Fund Admission by donation.

Heads Up!!

Crookham Village Hall Spring Show **2025** photo competition.

"Spring"

Plan ahead and take you pictures now!!

Regular events in Etal Village Hall.

Yoga class - Mondays 6 - 7.30pm
Pilates - Tuesdays 9.30 - 10.30am and
Wednesdays 6 - 7pm

Flicks in the Sticks - every 2nd Friday 7.30pm

Table Tennis at Milfield Church Hall, Monday and Friday evenings from 6.30 -8.30pm. £1.50

Contact John 07970939882



THE NORTH NORTHUMBERLAND BRANCH NEEDS YOU!



1st July 1921 saw the creation of the British Legion when the Comrades of the Great War, The Officers' Union, The Federation of Soldiers and Sailors and the Demobbed Soldiers & Sailors amalgamated. Ten days later Crookham was one of the first branches to form. Now the North Northumberland Branch (formerly Crookham) needs your support so please consider joining us today.

'To the memory of the fallen and the future of the living.'

Everyone is welcome and if you are currently serving in the Armed Forces you can register as a Military Member for FREE. To join please call **0808 802 8080** or visit **www.britishlegion.org.uk** ~ thank you.