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LEADGATE'S NEWS



LAST SERVICE HELD:

On Saturday, 9th June, 2018 the last ever coffee morning was held at Bradley Cottages Methodist Church and on Sunday, 10th June, 2018 the last ever service was conducted by Mr. Dave ARBON. After 124 years this rural church has closed its doors.

Records show in 1869 the first seeds of the Christian message were planted in a home in Bradley Cottages. After 25 years, first worshipping in that home, then in a room given rent free for 14 years by Consett Iron Company the church was built in 1894.

Oil was used for lighting until 1913, then gas and finally in 1930, electricity. A schoolroom was added in 1901 to accommodate 90 children: in 1939 the large hall was added, with seating space for 200 and was used for parties, dances, wedding celebrations, a youth club and badminton matches. In 2000 the monthly Saturday morning coffee mornings began and the members of the church would like to thank all their helpers and also those who attended.

No doubt this local church will be sadly missed by a great many people.

SURGERY NEWS - MISSED APPOINTMENTS:

During the month of May, 2018 a total of **144** patients did not attend their appointments, that's the equivalent of **36** appointments per week, however this was a decrease over the month of April, 2018 when **161** patients missed their appointments.

LEADGATE SURGERY

Don't forget, waiting times for appointments can be long but this can be overcome with patients' help if you are unable to keep your appointment please cancel it and allow someone else the chance to have it.



NEW LOOK ROUND-A-BOUT

For those who haven't yet seen it, this is what the round-a-bout at the bottom of Durham Road now looks like. It has been planted by Durham County Council and is low maintenance.

It certainly looks better than just being grassed over.



PARTNERSHIP NEWS: This month's partnership meeting was held on Wednesday, 20th June, 2018 at 6.30 p.m. in the Community Centre. The old chestnut - speeding was once again raised, this time at Bradley, the meeting was informed the police are monitoring the situations and that the Area

Action Partnership has purchased a radar gun for use by the police. The Area Action Partnership has £5,000 to offer local groups who are contemplating commemorating World War One, these groups can obtain between f_{250} and $f_{1,000}$.

The Task Force has been busy this month, out and about placing flower planters in various locations. One of the Partnership's planters is now available for sponsorship, anyone interested please contact the Chairperson, Miss Linda PEARS, telephone number 01207 505481, the cost of sponsorship if £45 per year.

It has been noted that an unknown person/s has placed solar lights on the war graves in St. Ives' churchyard and the Partnership would like to say 'Thank you' to them.

A discussion took place about children's play areas; it was felt that perhaps the existing one at the bottom of Watling Street could be extended, however some members felt it did not cater for the very young or older children In the future it is hoped to convene a meeting especially to discuss this problem, if you have any ideas please let the Partnership know.



The three 'Silent Soldiers' the Partnership ordered have now been received, two were paid for by the Task Force and the third by the Community Centre. The Task Force's will be placed at the roundabout at the bottom of Durham Road and at the Jolly Drovers. The Community Centre's will be placed on the War Memorial in Durham Road.

Don't forget, the Task Force has a local history exhibition on Sunday, 1st July, 2018 in the Community Centre between 11 am – 3 p.m. and on Saturday,

7th July, 2018 Leadgate Methodist Church is the venue for 'Afternoon Tea' as part of 'Leadgate Remembers' the ending of World War One.



COUNCILLORS' REPORTS:

OPEN CASTING (Bradley Site): The A.692 roadway has been widened to provide for a right hand turn (on the westbound carriageway) and a new roadway into the site to facilitate the movement of HGVs (64 per day which will be an average over a four week period) - the route of these HGV's will be the A.693 through Stanley to the A.1 motorway at Chester-le-Street and is expected to commence

August/September. The Liaison Committee is to create a sub-group to monitor and approve Community Fund applications (information will be issued regarding the guidelines for applications) and consider plans for the restoration of the site after the winning and mining of coal has been completed

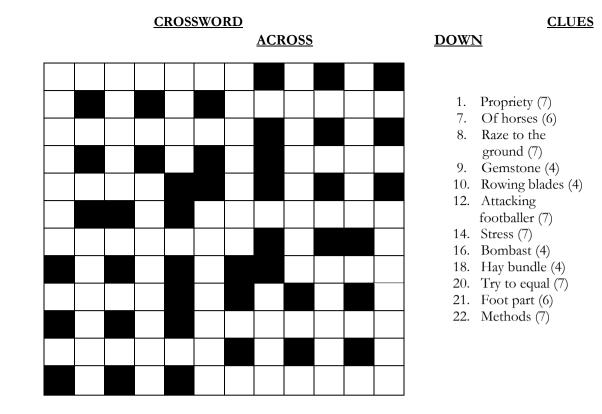
EDEN MINERS INSTITUTE (THE TUTE): The Trustee Board is considering an expression of interest from another interested Dance Group (Inspire la Dance) who would provide ballet, tap, modern and freestyle dance options. Trustees are also considering grant applications to improve the building structure and the internal facilities.

SHOTLEY BRIDGE COMMUNITY HOSPITAL: A further meeting with NHS Officers regarding the operational set up to introduce a new Community Hospital facility (probably within the Consett locality) has taken place and we await the proposal (including the financial costs) for the various options concerning the actual proposed location and the range of services the NHS plans to provide at this facility.

PARKING (FRONT STREET): Parking in Leadgate Front Street is to be reviewed with the probable introduction of time restricted lay-bys on the westbound carriageway being proposed. Councillors have met with Durham County Council (DCC) Highways Officers to consider the proposed dimensional size of the lay-by which will improve the access to the commercial buildings within the village.

CHRISTMAS TREE (FRONT STREET): Councillors are in discussion with DCC Officers to introduce a permanent fixed narrow gauge steel enclosure (with a fixed electricity supply) to introduce a 'large cut' Christmas tree into the 'Gap Site' in preparation of the Christmas festivities. Councillor Alan SHIELD (075000 125 327)

Councillor Watts STELLING (07500 125 328)



1. To thaw frozen food (7)

- 2. Seat (5)
- 3 Rodents (4)
- 4. Say in passing (7)
- 5. People pulling on a rope (3-2-3)
- 6. Unjust (6)
- 11. Believes to be guilty (8)
- 12. Surgical pincers (7)
- 13. Is indecisive (7) 15. ____ _Paige,
- singer (6)
- 17. Not sleeping (5)
- 19. Snooker rods (4)

/Answers overleaf



ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS:

Leadgate Child Centre is celebrating its 10th anniversary and to mark the occasion, on Saturday 28th July, 2018 they are holding a Family Fun Day on the school grounds at West Street.

Some of the attractions are fairground rides, a petting farm, Mr. Windbags, a bouncy castle, mascots, face painting and many ore. There will also be a raffle to raise money

for the National Autistic Society. Some brave men will also be having their legs shaved for this cause. The event is open to everyone and there will be an opportunity to look around the nursery.

LEADGATE REMEMBERS:

Leadgate Area Partnership and Leadgate Methodist Church are hosting 'afternoon tea' in the Church Hall on Saturday, 7th July, 2018 from 2 p.m., this is part of 'Leadgate Remembers World War One' celebrations. Entrance is by ticket only, which $\cot \frac{1}{2}.50$ each (this charge is to cover the cost of catering). It is hoped to have a demonstration of old thyme dancing.





LEADGATE's BIG BASH:

Leadgate Cricket Club on 21st and 22nd July, 2018 will once again be hosting a 'Big Bash' This is the second time the Cricket Club has held such an event and it is hoped it will be every bit as successful as last year's. There will be live music, children's activities and community organisations. This year will see the addition of live music on Saturday night, 21st July, 2018. Two awesome days of live music and many other attractions, all for an entry fee of **NOTHING**, yes **NOTHING**.



ST. IVES '100 CLUB' MONTHLY DRAW:

The winning numbers for June are as follows: 1st prize – No. 98: 2nd prize – No. 55



QUESTION:

Why is that people say they 'slept like a baby' when babies wake up every two hours?



 2^{nd}

 6^{th}



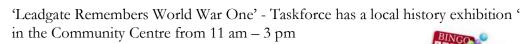












- St. Ives' Church bingo, 7.30 p.m. in the Community Centre
- Leadgate Methodist Church's 'Lunch Club', 12 noon for 12.15 p.m. in the Church Hall

DIARY FOR JULY, 2018

- 'Leadgate Remembers World War One Afternoon Tea', 2 p.m. in Leadgate Methodist Church Hall, entrance by ticket which are $f_{2.50}$ each
 - Salvation Army's Ladies Fellowship, 7 p.m. in the Army Hall, with a Strawberry tea and 'Bring and Buy'
- Salvation Army coffee morning, 10.30 a.m. in the Army Hall
- Leadgate Women's Institute meeting, 2 p.m. in the Community Centre presentation 'Song of the Desert' and memorabilia is Laurel and Hardy
- Leadgate Area Partnership meeting, 6.30 p.m. in the Community Centre
- St. Ives' Church coffee morning, 10.15 a.m. in the Community Centre
- Leadgate's 'Second Big Bash' to be held on Leadgate Cricket field, there will be live music on Saturday night
- Salvation Army coffee morning, 10.30 a.m. in the Army Hall
- Leadgate Child Centre 10th anniversary celebration Family Day from 11 am – 2 pm at Leadgate Primary School field, West Street
- Redwell Care Home Summer Fayre, 2 pm 4 pm
- 30^{th} St. Ives' Church bingo, 7.30 p.m. in the Community Centre

 28^{th}



Bingo sessions are held every Monday and Saturday in the Community Centre at 7.30 p.m. and at 1 p.m. on Thursday in Leadgate Workingmen's Club. The Centre's Legacy Gym is open every morning except Sunday between 9 am - 12 noon and Monday to Friday between 5 pm - 7 pm

Leadgate Salvation Army has a Parent/Carer and 'Toddler Group, every Tuesday 9.15 am – 11 am, it's just £1 per child



If you have any items you wish to have published or advertised, any comments you wish to make, please let me know before 18th July, 2018 the contact name and telephone number is: Brenda SURTEES, 01207 507506 If you wish to contact either of our County Councillors their details are as follows: Councillor Watts STELLING - 01207 501674, mobile 07500125328: Councillor Alan SHIELD - 01207 562080, mobile 07500125327

CROSSWORD ANSWERS:

ACROSS: 1 Decorum: 7 Equine: 8 Flatten: 9 Opal: 10 Oars: 12 Forward: 14 Tension: 16 Rant: 18 Bale: 20 Emulate: 21 Instep: 22 Systems. DOWN: 1 Defrost: 2 Chair: 3 Rats: 4 Mention: 5 Tug-of-war: 6 Unfair: 11 Suspects: 12 Forceps: 13 Dithers: 15 Elaine: 17 Awake: 19 Cues















