

Boulmer Howick & Longhoughton

LONGHOUGHTON CORONATION CELEBRATION

The Longhoughton Coronation Celebration was full of entertainment for the whole family. The weather was far from kind and for a period many people sought cover within the Community Centre to avoid getting wet. The children did not seem to notice the rain and the assault course, the climbing wall and the Asteroid were particularly sought-after activities. The children running races and the penalty shoot-out were also very popular and there were many entries for the art and poems competition. The WI again provided refreshments and sandwiches and there was also a selection of other food and refreshments on offer. Many thanks to all those involved in organising the event and on the day, especially Councillor Wendy Pattison for presenting the prizes. See the photos below:



Grace Davison

Stewards Colin and Rosie Lesser and
Stewart and Suzanne Barrett

The marquee was popular when it rained



Pat Forster and Winnie Morrow of the WI



Fearsome Asteroid and the climbing wall



Sheltering inside from the rain



Wonderful bunting produced by the children of Longhoughton Primary School

Longhoughton Parish Council

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VOLUNTEERING AWARDS

In recognition of the enormous value that volunteers bring to our community the Parish Council has introduced an awards scheme in which residents can nominate people in the community who have gone the extra mile in volunteering. These are the results of the nominations received. We have received 13 nominations in total, seven for individuals and six for teams. The names of the individuals and teams are given below all in alphabetical order. **We thank them all for the time and effort that they give to our community.**

INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

ANDREW WILLMOTT

Dr Andrew Wilmott as an exceptional volunteer for his work as Churchwarden to St Peter and St Paul Church in Longhoughton. He is the driving force behind the Parish Church, organising volunteer rotas, leading worship, organising and carrying out maintenance. He is the lay chair of the Parochial Church Council and the main contact with the Parish Council and the village community. He approaches all tasks with diligence, patience and good humour. The church and the community would be poorer without his guiding hand. Without doubt he goes the extra mile to serve the village community by keeping St Peter and St Paul's church at the centre of our spiritual community and proclaiming the good news of the resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

CHARLOTTE CONNOR AND DEBBIE BOULTER

Charlotte Connor and Debbie Boulter of Company B are exceptional volunteers in our community. They go above and beyond to support anyone who is in need within the community. Although Charlotte runs her own business, she does an enormous amount of work to support the community.

JANE HARDY

Jane is involved with quite a few voluntary organisations including the BDLMR (marine rescue). She is on call to deal with injured seals and will attend, collect, take to a vet, or return them to the sea when safe to do so, all voluntarily. She is also involved with the toy baskets left at Howdiemont and Boulmer and she arranges beach clean-ups.

KEV HULL

Kev is the **Longhoughton Rangers Football Club (LRFC)** Under-13 Team Manager, groundsman, mechanic and barman. His input has been phenomenal; voted club helper of the year 2022/23 he has continued to contribute to the ongoing success of LRFC. He picked up the reins of running the Under-13 team when an unexpected vacancy arose. He is a qualified groundsman and now maintains both grass pitches and the club mower. He is currently in the process of obtaining a groundsman's kit grant to further improve our already excellent facilities. He can be found opening the Community and Sports Centre on a Saturday to ensure the footballers and supporters don't go hungry or thirsty.

MARTIN MAWER

Martin is **Longhoughton Rangers Football Club (LRFC)** Under-8/9 manager, player/manager/coach of the Adult team. He is also a Committee member on the FA North Northumberland League (NNL). This year he has stepped up to add value to LRFC. His main achievement has been as chief negotiator in securing Westfield Park as a NNL mini-league venue (Under-7/8). With three local clubs already invested this looks certain to grow in the 23/24 season. He made such an impression he was invited to join the League committee as a full member, securing for the club a say in decision-making in Northumberland. He is an advocate of the newly formed adult team and has been appointed as Men's 1st team manager for 23/24. Not content with all this Martin is continually fundraising via sponsored events and through selling club sponsorship opportunities. This has raised crucial funds for the club and allows it to keep the costs to players and parents exceptionally low. Martin will also pick up Interim Chairperson of the club for the latter half of 2023.

VOLUNTEERING AWARDS

MATT SCOTT

Matt is the Treasurer of the **Longhoughton Rangers Football Club (LRFC)**. He is a new addition to the Executive committee at LRFC. Matt is responsible for managing and accounting for the Club's £10,000 turnover each season. He has transformed the payment process, improved relations with partners and digitised the bookkeeping. He is a superb asset to the club.

TIM CURTIS

Tim is the Secretary and Under-7s Team Manager of **Longhoughton Rangers Football Club (LRFC)**. Tim is a new addition to the executive club committee. He has streamlined all the player registration processes, co-ordinated pitch bookings and match reports. This has enhanced further the club's positive relationships with the North Northumberland League and Northumberland Football Association which in turn has led to a significant reduction in outgoings. Alongside this he also runs the Under-7's team, and stocks the tea bar weekly and oversees the running of it each weekend.

TEAM AWARDS

LONGHOUGHTON COMMUNITY LUNCH TEAM

This team prepares the monthly Community lunch at the Longhoughton Community and Sports Centre. They do an excellent job and achieve something beyond what could be expected. They are: **Pat Ellis, Hazel Johnson, Geraldine Lowe, Gail Lynch, Alison Anderson, Winnie Morrow, Suzanne Hodgson, Vanessa Chapman.**

LONGHOUGHTON COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER DELIVERY TEAM

The Community Newsletter Delivery Team willingly deliver the newsletter to all residents in the Parish six times each year and the occasional extra delivery. They are: **Alison Anderson, Iain Anderson, Annie Arscott, Ted Brixey, Richard Coulson, Angie Embleton, Rosemary Gray, Colin Gray, Carole Green, Wendy Hinchcliffe, Adrian Hinchcliffe, Jackie Hogg, Hazel Johnson, Vicki Kelly, Amy Knight, Katy Knight, Rosie Lesser, Colin Lesser, Chris Thomas, Liz Whittle, John Whittle, Andrew Willmott.**

LONGHOUGHTON COMMUNITY AND SPORTS CENTRE TRUSTEES

The Trustees/Directors of the Longhoughton Community and Sports Centre Trust run the Centre along with the help of many volunteers. They are: **David Arscott, Stewart Barrett, Adrian Hinchcliffe, Vicki Kelly, Guy Downes, Kris Cochrane, Andrew McDade, Jeremy Pickard, Vanessa Chapman, Michael Pritchard.**

LONGHOUGHTON FILM CLUB TEAM

The Longhoughton Film Club Team are doing a fantastic job in getting the Film Club up and running in Longhoughton. They are: **Guy Downes, Suzanna Warrick and Joanna Davies.**

LONGHOUGHTON ST PETER AND ST PAUL CHURCH WARDENS

Andrew Willmott and Simon Rippon are the Church Wardens at St Peter and St Paul Church. They do an enormous lot to keep the Church going.

LONGHOUGHTON WINTER WARMER VOLUNTEERS

This is the team of volunteers who have run the weekly Winter Warmer sessions from December 2022 to March 2023: **Leeann Pickard, Jeremy Pickard, Susan Carlson, Richard Carlson, Colin Lesser, Rosie Lesser, Jim Souter, Vicki Margetson, Bridget Peberly, Peter McEwen, Pat Forster, Neil Thompson, Geraldine Lowe, Andrew Willmott, Ian Knox, Ruth Knox, Alex Machin, David Cant, Gail Lynch, John Lynch, Wendy Hinchcliffe, Adrian Hinchcliffe, Madeline Welsh, Hazel Johnson, Jane Hardy, Lucy Brown, Ann Humble.**

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

CORONATION CELEBRATION RAFFLE

The raffle at the Coronation Celebration was for the benefit of the Warm Hub activities at the Community and Sports Centre. It produced a remarkable and welcome surplus of £461. This money will be used to support the Warm Hub activities at the Centre. We would like to thank the many businesses listed below who supported the raffle with prizes. We would particularly like to thank the MGL Group (that runs Longhoughton Quarry) for two amazing hampers. The main one consisted of champagne, Prosecco and chocolates, worth well over £100. The second one contained lots of treats for children. Thank you very much to the MGL Group and all the other businesses listed below:

Champagne Hamper MGL Group; Children's Hamper MGL Group; Foodie Hamper basket; Toiletries Hamper - His and Hers; Alnwick Castle one-day family pass; Alnwick Gardens family plus adventure golf; Carlos fish and chips £20 voucher; Baileys café £20; Running Fox afternoon tea for 1; Company B £20; Hobberlaw plants £30 voucher; Proudlock House and Home £25; Barter Books £20; Robinsons gift card £15; Turnbills £15; Fusion Fitness.

LONGHOUGHTON AND BOULMER WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

We have had a busy couple of months with Coronation celebrations providing refreshments at our amazing village Coronation fête. Thank you for your kind support. Some members also attended the Northumberland Federation celebration where a tree was planted in honour of the King by the Chairlady Marge. We have attended the Shilbottle Quiz, had a great talk on sea birds by Tom Cadwallender. Janet organised a superb annual trip to Beamish Museum and a bit of a sing-a-long on the bus back. We had a lovely walk from Amble including ice creams and a lovely coffee morning. We look forward to June's coffee morning in Dunstanburgh and walk around Bolam Lake and our guest speaker from the Baliffgate Museum on fashion. We welcome our new members, Sarah, Karen, Jenny and Barbara. Contact Alison on 07837271882 for further information.

SUFFERING WITH BACK PAIN? POOR POSTURE? STRESS?

BALLance can help you! It is a German concept which aims to make 'your spine smile'. The BALLance balls work with trigger points along the spine and the nervous system to help reduce back pain, improve posture and decrease stress. It is a mat-based class where the BALLance balls align along the spine to relieve muscle tension around the spine and encourage relaxation. It's great for reducing back pain and spinal imbalances such as kyphosis, scoliosis and lordosis. Can also help improve sleep, digestion, stress and breathing.

Limited spaces so booking is essential. Taster sessions available. The class takes place at Longhoughton Community Centre 17:30-18:30 on Thursdays. To book please contact Sophie via fusionfitnessbysophie@gmail.com or via Facebook page Fusion Fitness by Sophie.



The wonderful array of prizes for the raffle

VACANCY FOR A PARISH COUNCILLOR

Caroline Bradshaw has had to step down from the Parish Council for business reasons. We thank Caroline for the two years that she has represented Boulmer on the Parish Council. Her wide knowledge and enthusiasm will be missed. This means that there is a vacancy for a Parish Councillor for Boulmer. If you are interested or would like to find out more about what it involves, please contact Liz Taylor, the Clerk to the Council: parishclerk@hotmail.com or 01665 830040.

THANK YOU

Thanks to the sisters of the late Helen Crevald of Seahorses Cottage, Seaton Point, who gave spring bulbs and large round terracotta pots and several bags of compost to be used around the area of Boulmer and Longhoughton by the Community Gardeners.

LONGHOUGHTON PARISH QUARRIES LIAISON GROUP

The first meeting of the Longhoughton Parish Quarries Liaison Group will take place on Friday 16 June 2023.

We thank the MGL Group for setting up arrangements for notifying residents of blasting. If you wish to have your name added to the list please use the following link.

<https://www.mglgroup.co.uk/blastingupdates/>

WINTER WARMER : THURSDAY TOGETHER

The Winter Warmer weekly get together finished on the 30 March but is to be replaced over the summer months by a monthly coffee morning from 10.00am to noon on the second Thursday each month commencing on 15 June. This will be known as '**Thursday Together**' and will continue throughout the summer (except August) until November when it will revert back to weekly.

Thursday Together is to enable people to come together as a social gathering and everyone is welcome. The date in July will be Thursday 13 July 2023. Some talks and presentations will be arranged for these sessions.

BOULMER NEWS

BOULMER SEA RESCUE CENTRE

The Sea Rescue Centre in Boulmer provides a vital service to the community. Outside the Centre is located the only defibrillator in the village. Recently the Defibrillator had to have its battery and electrode pads replaced at a cost of £340.

Note from Editors - We certainly appreciate the Centre for taking on the maintenance of the defibrillator which is available to anyone who should need the facility.

BOULMER CAR PARKS

A meeting has taken place with representatives of the County Council to ask for a progress report on the proposed new car park next to the Memorial Hall and the offer for the County to take over responsibility for the existing Beach Car Park. In 2019 and in 2021 the County Council had promised that the new car park would be built following discussion involving the Leader of the County Council and support from a survey of local people. The County Council presented an update on the progress but this included new information. The Parish Council has asked for more details and evidence to support what was put forward so that it can be better understood and assessed.

BOULMER MEMORIAL HALL

Boulmer Memorial Hall held a successful Coronation quiz on 6 May 2023 raising £185.50 for the Great North Air Ambulance Service. A big thank you to everyone who took part.

The Hall has recently received a five star food hygiene rating so why not drop in at our pop-up cafes. **The next are on Sunday 4 June and Sunday 4 July 2023.** You can follow the Hall on Facebook for future events.

HOWICK NEWS

THE COPLEY HALL

(Howick Village Hall)

Film Club: Please email John Roper (johnroper1@btinternet.com) to join the club mailing list and find out which films are showing and when. Donations only are suggested at £5.00.

Craft Club: For details call Audrey Jamieson on 01665 577797.

Howick WI: Meets on the first Wednesday of the month at 7pm. Contact Jeanette Archbold on 01665 577384

Howick Art Group welcomes new members. We meet on Monday mornings in Howick Village Hall, 09.45 to 12.25pm with a longer session on the first Monday of the month.

Copley Hall booking with Jane Doleman 01665 577801

LONGHOUGHTON NEWS

LONGHOUGHTON PARISH HERITAGE GROUP

A huge thank-you to everyone who came along to the Heritage stall at the Longhoughton Coronation Celebration! We had so many interesting conversations about everything from plague pits to herring sheds, Sandilands to Boot hill, and unexploded bombs to prehistoric axe heads. We were showing the work we have done so far on making a plan of the historic gravestones in St Peter and Paul Churchyard.

As part of this we are recording what remains of these old inscriptions, researching family trees and uncovering stories. From 1951 to 1956 the vicar campaigned for the churchyard wall to be repaired as it was falling into the road, and it was decided to remove soil and relocate 5 graves. You can see the former outline of the graveyard where the grass and pavement are currently. In 1959 Reverend Crawley relocated 31 old headstones along the south wall from the churchyard to create space for flowerbeds. Do you remember these changes? We are hoping to hold an event looking at what we've uncovered so far for Heritage Open Days in September. If you would like to contact us please email longhoughtonheritage@gmail.com





Ringed Plover Chick

With the shorebird breeding season now in full swing, it is an exciting and busy time for us at Space for Shorebirds. We are lucky that both Ringed Plovers and Oystercatchers choose to breed on the beaches of the Northumberland coast. Both species make their nests directly on the sand and shingle of our beaches and their eggs are fantastically camouflaged to avoid predators. Unfortunately, this can make them particularly vulnerable to being accidentally trodden on. If you see any of our nest protection sites when out on the coast:

Stay well clear of the fences to avoid disturbing the nesting birds;

Follow the advice of any of our rangers or signs at the site;

Keep dogs under control around nesting areas, as there may be chicks feeding outside of the fences.

Thanks for caring about our fabulous beach nesting birds, and fingers crossed for another great breeding season!

LONGHOUGHTON COMMUNITY AND SPORTS CENTRE (WESTFIELD PARK)

Activities at the Centre:

Matting Group: Monday AM. Contact Liz on 07715 313989.

Loose Needles: Monday PM. Contact Ann Brixey.

Film Night on the Big Screen: Monday evenings at 7.30pm. Contact Guy via WhatsApp on 07927 126074 to find out more.

Yoga Stretch: Wednesday AM. Contact Deb Swift on 07958 593636.

Seated Exercise to music: Wednesday AM. Contact Sophie Hastings. Email fusionfitnessbysophie@gmail.com

Community Lunch: 12 Noon (last Wednesday in the month only). Contact Pat Ellis 01665 577973.

BALLance Class: Thursday PM. Contact Sophie Hastings. Email fusionfitnessbysophie@gmail.com

Yoga: Tuesday PM. Contact Sophie Hastings. Email fusionfitnessbysophie@gmail.com

Special Offers for New Starters:

Yoga Stretch: Wednesday AM. Contact Deb Swift on 07958 593636.

Seated Exercise to music: Wednesday AM. Contact Sophie Hastings. Email fusionfitnessbysophie@gmail.com

BALLANCE: A new exercise for backs and posture. Contact Sophie Hastings. Email fusionfitnessbysophie@gmail.com

Say 'I Do' to Longhoughton Community Centre: The Perfect Wedding Party Venue

Longhoughton Community Centre in Northumberland offers a stunning location with the flexibility to create a truly memorable wedding celebration. With a large hall accommodating up to 130 guests, a more intimate room for smaller

Longhoughton Film Club Shows the Best Movies on the Big Screen

Every Monday from 7.00pm at the Longhoughton Community and Sports Centre. Wine, beer and soft drinks are available for purchase. Films start promptly at 7.30pm for a suggested donation of £3.

05 June - The Ladykillers

12 June - Field of Dreams

19 June - Whatever Happened to Baby Jane

26 June - One Flew Over The Cuckoo's Nest

03 July - Babylon

10 July - The Young Girls of Rochefort

17 July - Mrs Harris Goes to Paris

24 July - Bohemian Rhapsody

31 July - Sunset Boulevard

gatherings, and a fully equipped kitchen for caterers, Longhoughton Community Centre offers the ideal venue for your special day. The venue also allows you to bring in your own decorations, entertainment, and catering, making your wedding unique. Friendly volunteers are on hand to help every step of the way, ensuring your celebration is a success. With plenty of activities and attractions, your guests will be entertained during their stay. Contact Longhoughton Community Centre to schedule a tour and start planning your dream wedding today!

Tiny Afro Live in Longhoughton at 24 June 7pm

Playing the very best hits for decades. Tickets only £12.50 including food from Company B. bar. Drinks provided by Longhoughton Rangers Football Club. SAVE THE DATE! Tickets? Visit our Facebook page

www.facebook.com/longhoughtoncs or purchase them at Company B.



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