# What's on in Belford April 2019

Facebook Group "Belford Village"



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Mon 1st April Bell View, 1.30pm. Walking Group, new members welcome.

Mon 1st April Bell View, 5.00—6.15. Silver Singers.

Wed 3rd April Mothers Union Quiet day at Alnmouth Friary led by Gail Uttley

Fri 5th April St Mary's Church, 11.00am, Belford Primary School Easter Service, all welcome.

Sun 7th April St Mary's Church, 4.00pm, 'A thing most wonderful', a service with readings and music to mark the beginning of

Passiontide, all welcome

Mon 8th April Bell View, 5.00—6.15. Silver Singers.

Mon 8th April Bell View, 1.30pm. Walking Group, new members welcome.

Mon 8th April Bell View, 6.30 prompt, W.I. Joan Ward—Author of 'Living with Arabs'

Tue 9th April Bell View, 2.00pm -3.00 pm Hearing Aid Support drop in session. This may be the last session.

Tue 9th April Bell View, 4.00pm, Domino drive. Tickets £3.00 includes Tea and Scone

Fri 12th April Bell View, 10.00am—12.00 noon Coffee Morning for the Seahouses and District Cancer Care, and The

Friends of Belford First School. Coffee and scones

Fri 12th April Black Swan from 8.30pm Dave's Piano Lounge !!!, all welcome. Donations towards Belford Art Festival

Mon 15th April Bell View, 10—11 am Women's Guild, upstairs room. All welcome.

Mon 15th April Bell View, 1.30pm. Walking Group, new members welcome.

Wed 17th April Bell View, 5.00pm ,Book Group reading 'La Belle Savauge' by Phillip Pullman

Tue 23rd April Blue Bell Lounge, 6.30—8.00pm, Volunteer recruitment for Belford Art Festival,

Wed 24th April Bell View, 7.30pm. Belford & District Local History Soc, Ken Delve introduces 'The RAF airfields of

Northumberland.

Fri 26th April Bell View, 7.00pm, Quiz Night. Teams of up to Five, £3.00 entry includes tea/coffee and biscuits.

Sat 27th April Bell View, 10.00am, North Northumberland Genealogy Group, 'From Cradle to Grave'

Mon 29th April Bell View, 1.30pm. Walking Group, new members welcome.

Mon 29th April Bell View, 5.00—6–15pm, Silver Singers.

# WARNING!!!!!! someone it stealing car aerial's in the village, the police are aware.

Regular Events: The Blue Bell Folk Sessions – 1st & 3rd Monday of the month 8.00pm. George's Bingo every Wednesday and Sunday at 7.45pm. Black Swan Quiz every Thursday 8pm in aid of the Air Ambulance.

### **BELFORD MUSEUM NOTES FEBRUARY 2019**

The Museum reopened on 1 February and since then we have had a number of very positive visitors. A real accolade, not only for the work the volunteers have done in the museum, but also for all the support we have had from the village through reminiscences, donations and loans was the comment in our visitors' book on 10 February: 'I have travelled all over this world, and everywhere has a tale to tell, but I have not seen anywhere tell their tale as good as Belford.

#### Superb'.

Our small FEPOW exhibition has brought in a number of relatives of the men who were captured in Singapore in 1942. As a result, the Museum has been given a book with details of Bert Rutherford's experiences, by his son John; and the offer of a loan of one of the spikes used in the building of the Burma Thailand railway. Other donations to the Museum in the last month include Bills from the Drs. McDonald, from days before the N.H.S., and a lease of the 'Jolly Tar' Inn in North Sunderland, from George Wright the then Brewer at the Maltings.

Attendance at the Village Open Weekend in the middle of February was a little disappointing, but there was great interest in Brian's film about West Hall Farm. Those who came added considerably to our store of knowledge - particularly about gamekeeping on the Belford Estate (did you know that there was a Head Keeper and eight underkeeper's?). We also heard about the dog Judy who was officially classified as a Japanese prisoner of war, and at the end of the war, received the Dicken medal for her life saving work. We plan an autumn exhibition to look at the development of Bell View as it is today, and would particularly like to hear from those who were involved in the early days of the Vigil and getting the project off the ground. If you can help, please contact Karon on belfordmuseum@gmail.com

Keep Fit – Every Wednesday 10.30am The Gallery in St Mary's Church.

Belford Show Grow a Potato competition. Yes it's that time of year! Get your bucket and spud from the community shop, available from March 5th.













**Belford Community Cinema presents:** 

THE BREADWINNER (12A)

OSCAR NOMINATED ANIMATED FEATURE FILM

at Bell View, 33 West Street, Belford NE70 7OB

Wednesday 17th April, 2019

Doors Open 6.30pm/7pm start. £4 on the door/children FREE.

Directed by Nora Twomey, executive produced by Angelina Jolie and based on a children's novel by Deborah Ellis, *The Breadwinner* is a magical feature film that tells the courageous story of Parvana an 11 year-old-girl living under the Taliban regime in Kabul, Afghanistan in 2001.

When her well-read and liberal-minded father is wrongfully arrested and dragged off to prison, Parvana, her mother Fattema, older sister and baby brother are left stranded inside their house, with no source of income or adult male chaperone to accompany them outdoors. Resourceful Parvana realises that if she cuts off her hair and dresses like a boy she can try to support her family and soon discovers a new world of freedom and danger. Drawing strength from the fantastical stories she invents, Parvana embarks on an epic quest to find her father and reunite her family.

PLEASE NOTE: with the close of Ferguson Hall, henceforth the Community Cinema will be using an upstairs room at Bell View for their film nights.

For more information on the Community Cinema please see our Facebook page or check out: www.belfordvillage.co.uk

"Belford Arts Festival would like to invite any budding volunteers to a recruitment evening on Tuesday 23rd April in the Blue Bell Lounge 6:30 - 8pm.

We are looking for all kinds help - in the lead up to - and across the festival weekend 13-14th July 2019...including people to welcome visitors, run the car park, put up signage, co-ordinate venues and sell brochures. You could be a man with a van for an afternoon or meet and greet festival visitors for a few hours - come and see us! Our organising committee will be there to talk about the festival, the activities we have planned this year and to help find a role that could suit

you. www.belfordartsfestival.co.uk"

# Mobile Library dates for April 2019 Saturday 13th & 27th

## NORTH NORTHUMBERLAND GENEALOGY GROUP

Our next meeting will be on Sat 27 April at Bell View, Belford when we continue with "From Cradle to Grave", when each of us will choose one particular ancestor who was alive in 1881 and tell us briefly about their life. Their places of birth and death will be plotted on the map. You are welcome to come along and just listen if you prefer. We begin at 10 am and coffee is available at 9.45. Why not come along and join us?