

# What's on in Belford March 2019

Facebook Group "Belford Village"



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- Fri 1st March** St Mary's Church, World Day of Prayer, 2.30pm, all welcome.
- Mon 4th March** Bell View, 1.30pm. Walking Group, new members welcome.
- Mon 4th March** Bell View, 5.00—6.15. Silver Singers.
- Tue 5th March** Sunnyhills Farm Shop 4.00—4.30pm. Pancake races . Toddlers, 1st School and all ages.
- Wed 6th March** St Mary's Church, 12.00 noon, Mothers Union Lent Lunch, Soup, Cheese and Bread, Donations. To book your place contact Barbara Twiname or Chris Harris.
- Mon 11th March** Bell View, 1.30pm. Walking Group, new members welcome.
- Mon 11th March** Bell View, W.I. 6.30pm prompt, Cookery demonstration by Fiona Burns, new members welcome.
- Tue 12th March** Bell View, 2.00pm —3.00 pm Hearing Aid Support drop in session.
- Tue 12th March** Bell View, 4.00pm Domino drive, tickets £3 to include tea and scone.
- Sat 16th March** Bell View, NORTH NORTHUMBERLAND GENEALOGY GROUP, 10.00am. Visitors welcome.
- Mon 18th March** Ferguson Hall, 10.00—11.00 , Guild meeting, fellowship and coffee.
- Mon 18th March** Bell View, 1.30pm. Walking Group, new members welcome.
- Mon 18th March** Bell View, 5.00—6.15pm . Silver Singers.
- Wed 20th March** Bell View, Belford community cinema presents, Yetholm: The finest place., doors open 6.30 for 7.00pm start ,donations on the door. Please note with the closure of the Ferguson Hall the Community Cinema will be in an upstairs room in Bell View.
- Fri 22nd March** Bell View, 7.00pm Quiche and salad Quiz night, £7.50 to include food, tickets from BellView
- Mon 25th March** Bell View, 1.30pm. Walking Group, new members welcome.
- Wed 27th March** Bell View, 7.30pm. Belford and district Local History Society. ' A Policeman's' Lot 1750 to 1950, speaker – Dr Ian Roberts
- Fri 29th March** Annual Belford Primary School Quiz. Belford Golf Club 7.30 start. Teams of up to 6, £3 per person. Raffle. Trophy for the winners. Come along and have a fun night and help raise funds for our Primary school

## Belford needs a new Village Hall – Update

First, a big thank you to all those who got in touch expressing their need to help. As you read this, a meeting has already been held for those people. The group includes representatives from the Parish Council, the Community Group and the Belford Community Village Hall Trustees. I appreciate that the school site has come up for sale, but money cannot be found overnight, unless someone in the village has won the lottery and doesn't mind parting with some! A site with space for parking is surely a must. Does anyone know of someone in the village prepared to gift that type of land to the village? In due course a public meeting will be held (where, I don't know) where people in the village can have their say on the way forward. I know a lot of other people want to help further down the line and that is great.

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From the Churchwarden St Mary's Church Belford.

On Sunday 16 December I was at last able to make the following announcement regarding the appointment of the new Priest in Charge of the proposed benefice of Bamburgh, Belford & Lucker:

"The Bishop of Newcastle is delighted to announce the appointment of the Rev'd Louise Taylor-Kenyon as the next Priest-in-Charge of the parishes of Bamburgh, Belford & Lucker, and also to be Area Dean of Bamburgh & Glendale.

Louise is currently vicar of the benefice of St Mary the Virgin, Emsay with Eastby, and Clergy Training Officer in the Diocese of Leeds.

Louise's Licensing and Installation as Priest in Charge will be Monday 1st April at 7pm at St Aidan's Church, Bamburgh.

Louise is delighted to be moving to North Northumberland and to live and work here and is looking forward to getting to know you all.

Please keep Louise in your prayers over the next few months as she prepares to move and take up her new position."

Clearly Louise will have a lot to take on and learn in the months following her arrival. We shall all do our best to assist Louise upon her arrival. Alyn

NORTH NORTHUMBERLAND GENEALOGY GROUP

Our next meeting will be on Sat 16 March at 10 am Bell View, Belford, when Duncan Hutt will talk on

North-East Mills. Duncan has a huge knowledge of mills in this area and may surprise you with the

number and range which once existed. Perhaps your ancestor was a miller!

Do come along to hear him. We usually gather for a coffee at 9.45 - useful if your brain needs waking up in order to listen to the talk! Members are free and Visitors are asked for a £3

contribution. We can give you information about membership if you would like to join.

We are very grateful to BELFORD COMMUNITY GROUP for an award of £500 towards our costs

including room hire and speakers' fees.



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. Hurry they go quickly!

The Elders of Erskine URC & Ferguson Hall, would like to thank everyone who has supported the church and the hall in the past. We appreciate the many kind prayers and thoughts, which has helped us enormously to cope with the closure. We have decided that the services held during December were very special and a good note to end on, especially during the candle festival, when many attended and enjoyed a warm and welcoming church, it was good to see so many. Therefore we are not holding a final service to celebrate the life of our church. The Belford Museum have very kindly offered a new home to some of our historic items, where they can still be seen. St Mary's have also kindly agreed to the War Memorial Plaques being placed in their church. We are very pleased and grateful these items will stay in Belford. To everyone who has helped, guided and expressed their concerns for us, thank you all very much.

Tuesday 5th March Pancake Race at Sunnhills Farm Shop 4.00 - 4.30.

Three events, Toddlers, 1st School and all ages. Trophy for winners.



**Coffee Morning**

All Proceeds to be split between  
"Seahouses and District Cancer Care"  
And  
"The Friends of Belford First School"  
At Bell View on West Street Belford  
**Friday 12th April**  
**10.00am until 12.00 noon**  
Cake Stall, Tombola, Books and Raffle  
**Coffee and scones**



**Can you help!**  
Grow an extra tray of  
Plants/Seedlings for  
Bell Views  
**Plant Sale**  
**For Saturday 18th May**  
Let us know  
Drop off at Bell View  
up to a week before  
or drop off on the day  
Many Thanks for  
your continued support  


**Belford Community Cinema presents:**

**YETHOLM: THE FINEST PLACE**

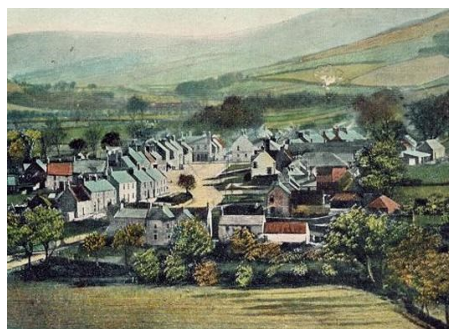
**Life in a Scottish Borders Village**

**Plus, Q and A with filmmaker Dorothy Sharpe**  
View, 33 West Street, Belford NE70 7QB

at Bell

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March, 2019**

Doors Open 6.30pm for 7pm start. Donations on the door.



Life in the Borders villages of Town and Kirk Yetholm - famous for being at the northernmost end of the Pennine Way - is vividly recalled in this charming documentary, *Yetholm: The Finest place*, made by local filmmaker and historian **Dorothy Sharpe**. The film shows the old customs and traditions, the impact of war, and the time when Yetholm was a thriving shopping centre. It follows the lives of the shepherds and their families in the remote valleys of the Halterburn and the Bowmont, as they reveal the skills of self-sufficiency required to survive. The film combines interviews, beautiful locations, and wonderful period photographs to powerfully evoke a past way of life, which is gone, but not forgotten.

Dorothy will also present *Bob Fraser: A Legend in his Own Lifetime*, a short film that pays tribute to a man who was well liked and respected in the North Northumberland shepherding community, and was the inspiration for 'One Man and His Dog'.

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**Mobile Library dates for March  
2019. 2nd, 16th & 30th**

Submissions and events for April issue to [belfordwhatson@gmail.com](mailto:belfordwhatson@gmail.com) by noon on 21st March please.