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The Oxygen Man and the trailing ban

New owner of Blackburn and Hartsgarth claims the hounds 'do untold damage'

By Gilly Fraser

The new owners of land on Langholm Moor have banned hound trailing because they say it's a threat to wildlife.

The move has angered local enthusiasts who say hounds have been running there since the sport first came into being in the early 1900s.

Devon-based conservation company Oxygen Conservation bought Blackburn and Hartsgarth farms earlier this year, adding the eleven and a half thousand acres to a growing portfolio which also includes sites in Perthshire, Dartmoor, Exmoor, Wales, the Yorkshire Dales, and a stretch of the Firth of Tay near Dundee.

Founder and Managing Director Rich Stockdale says the company buys land to deliver positive impact for people and wildlife and hound trailing is not consistent with their conservation-based objectives.

"So running a group of dogs across the landscape, though I appreciate is important to a small group of people who are passionate about the sport, does untold damage to flora, fauna and fungi and our view is that for too long people have taken from the



ENTHUSIASTS: George (Podge) McGimpsey and daughter Gillian disagree with the ban environment rather than giving it the space and time it needs to regenerate," he said.

Newcastleton hound trailing enthusiast George McGimpsey vehemently disagrees that the sport does any damage to the environment.

"Where we lay the trail, that's where the hounds go," he said. "They don't run all over the bit,

they only go where we pull the rag. That's the way it's worked for many years. As for disturbing the land, I can guarantee that if I lay a trail even just a foot away from a bird's nest, the hounds would never even look at it. They're intent on following the smell that's been laid for them."

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Connie meets the Cornet

Connie Laidlaw was all smiles when she met Cornet Christopher Tait after the Castle Craigs Pony Ride on Sunday. She is seen here receiving her Common Riding ribbons from Christopher. Over 50 ponies and riders took part in the ride which is organised by the Castle Craigs Club, Langholm Young Riders and Eskdale Pony Club.

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Generational shift

It is great to see the enthusiasm for and dedication to the Common Riding by Langholm's young folk.

With a large number of the younger generation now taking an active part in the organisation of the event, both on the Common Riding Committee and the Castle Craigs Committee, the future is in safe hands.

The number of even younger participants in Sunday's Pony Ride gladdens the heart even more.

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Crazy Dog Lady talks to Probus

Canonbie Probus Club based at the Cross Keys Hotel welcomed Debbie Sinclair, the Crazy Dog Lady from Under Millsteads. She brought two of her very well behaved working black Labradors, Hope and Mabel.

She was reared with many dogs as the daughter of a rough shooter, worked for the Fire Service in Lancashire, then found and bought Under Millsteads. She made a lovely home and built on site Netherstead boarding kennels for dogs and cats. In her spare time she takes part in shoots, but does not shoot herself, at Drumlanrig, Thornhill, 'picking up' with her pack of labs. She praised their ability to think for themselves and work as a team to retrieve birds over some difficult ground. Her stories of rehab with

loving care for a wide range of dogs were absorbing. Coupled with her work at the boarding kennels and training, she is well known for her charity work on behalf of German Shepherds and Greyhounds. She has helped many as they declutter unwanted possessions using her network of charity shops and buyer contacts with all proceeds going to dog charity. Answering many questions, she does not get involved with rescue dogs from abroad, saying we have plenty enough here. She said she would like to see dog licensing re-introduced linked with microchips to try to control the excessive rate of dog breeding.

Club members thanked Debbie for a most enjoyable, enthusiastic, informative, and entertaining talk."



CRAZY?: Debbie Sinclair with Probus president John Mitchell and black labs Hope and Mabel

The landscape is 'sterile and barren'

Rich Stockdale says he accepts that hound trailing isn't solely to blame for damage done to the land, but it needs time undisturbed to recover.

"That landscape should have more trees, it should have more biodiversity, it should have more wildlife. It should be singing with insects and butterflies and bees and birds and you should be able to see it and feel it, but you can't," he said. "It's sterile and it's barren and we need to give more space to wildlife there to give it a chance to come back."

The ban did not affect the hound trail competition at the start of Copshaw's Common Riding Day this year because it involves younger dogs who run far shorter distances and there was no need to go onto Oxygen Conservation territory. But it will spell the end for senior dogs' classes.

"The rule book states that senior hounds



BOSS: Rich Stockdale of Oxygen Conservation

have to run for between 25 and 40 minutes. If they're under or over that time the result is void. There isn't enough land on the Holm Hill to run that kind of distance," George explained. "So that puts an end to that."

"I really don't see why they're allowed to just come up here and stop things that have been going on for years. It doesn't leave you with a good taste about the company."

Rich Stockdale says he doesn't want to upset the local community but believes his company's first responsibility is to the land.

"I want to try to be as collegiate and collaborative with everybody as possible, but the reality is that we're in a really privileged position of looking after a huge amount of land and we've got to do it in a way that serves the greater good, not just a small section."

Raise a glass or two to Borderland deal

Langholm brewery teams up for new taproom venue in Carlisle

A Langholm-based brewery is spreading its wings across the border as part of an exciting new entertainment project in Cumbria.

Borderlands Brewery has teamed up with The Halston in Carlisle to bring the brewing tradition back to the city centre and open a new 2000 sq ft brewery and taproom.

The location is in the former Twisted Wheel building on the historic West Walls – site of an iconic nightclub which once attracted stars such as The Bay City Rollers.

The new venture will be called The West Walls Brewing Co. And its proximity to the upcoming Cumbria University Citadels Campus and its collaboration with the neighbouring Green Room Theatre sets the stage for an immersive community hub.

Fergus Campbell, from the brewery, said: "It's a significant moment for us. The shared vision between Borderlands Brewery and The Halston has culminated in an opportunity to introduce our new, high-



TAPROOM: Fergus Campbell (l) and Joe Harrison outside the former Twisted Wheel nightclub on West Walls, Carlisle

quality product line to a wider audience in Carlisle and beyond."

Langholm

But Fergus added: "Whilst we're over the moon to have a bigger stage for our products south of the border,

it's important for us that we also continue to brew in the town of Langholm and continue to grow Borderlands Brewery."

Simon Harrison, from The Halston, said: "This dynamic project encapsulates our mission of bringing about urban renewal while enhancing the hospitality experi-

ence for Carlisle's community. "We're proud to play a pivotal role in re-animating a historic part of our city."

The Borderlands Brewery was founded in 2019 by Stuart Campbell, and became Langholm's first brewery in over 100 years. Starting to brew

in the kitchen at home, he quickly expanded his recipe book before seeking premises.

The current location is on Langholm High Street, only yards away from Langholm's original historic brewery – and in 2021 the first batch of 'Esk Blonde' was brewed.

Gravel situation

A meeting between councillors, SEPA, council officials, representatives of Ditch the Drain and community councillors has been arranged for 25th July to further discuss the gravel build and maintenance of the River Esk.

Councillor Male said he is delighted that the Council's Area Management has managed to get a representative from SEPA to attend and he hopes that real progress can be made this time.



MASSIVE: The gravel build-up at the side of the River Esk

Further discussion is to take place regarding the state of Langholm's river banks and who is responsible for their upkeep.

The E&L will update readers when the information becomes available.

Belgian Scouts volunteering on moor get a glimpse of the Benty Rideout



The Tarras Valley Nature Reserve hosted a visit from a group of Belgian Scouts over the last week.

After spending the first half of their Scottish trip in the Highlands, they made their way south, on bikes and public transport, to stay in Langholm.

The group of 20 individuals, aged 16-22, spent four nights camping on the reserve, volunteering their time to help with important

conservation tasks, including clearing hundreds of invasive Sitka Spruce trees on the moorland.

Despite the very wet weather, the group camped, braving the rain and spent the rest of their time exploring the reserve by foot and bike, stream dipping in the Tarras and collecting bilberries.

The timing was perfect to sample one of Langholm's pre-Common Riding festivities, the group got to

watch the Benty ride-out setting off from the Kilngreen on Saturday.

One of the scout group, Frederic Luiz said, 'Thanks so much for hosting our teens, they really enjoyed helping out and will long remember your warm welcome'.

The Tarras Valley team hope that this will be the start of more residential volunteering visits, and other forms of sustainable eco-tourism on the reserve.

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Mighty Hike total

Newcastleton Firefighters say they were absolutely “blown away” by the incredible support they received for their recent charity hike.

The eleven strong team tackled the 26-mile long Mighty Hike in the Lake District in memory of much-loved and much-missed colleague Jayne Cooney who died last year.

They originally set themselves a target of raising £1,000 for MacMillan Cancer Support, but the final total is closer to £5,000.

A team spokesman said it had been an amazing experience. “We can’t thank you all enough for the amazing support, donations and encouragement. It has been a very motivational, emotional and testing journey, but it has brought us even closer as a team. Just like Jayne always did.”

Bridge results

1 Bob Francombe & George Graham, 2 Derek Scott & Judy Pitchford, 3 Alison Mullock & Jim Muir, 4 George & Brenda Bullamore, 5 Ann Smart & Barbara Addison, 6 Doug Dixon & Tom Stohart.

Kilngreen toilets an inconvenience ...for some very unhappy visitors



Since the turn of the year there have been ongoing problems at the northern, Kilngreen end of the town.

The public toilets were closed for several months but happily the issues were resolved with the installation of new pipes. More recently the Tollbar Cottage water supply was cut off but that problem too was resolved fairly quickly. In last week’s edition we reported an unwanted, “water feature” in Clinthead Gardens. Scottish Water did respond fairly quickly to the concerns raised and a squad started work last Thursday

morning. However, it would appear that the job has yet to be completed and meantime water continues to stream along the Clinthead Garden path.

More worryingly, over recent days, the Information Hub has been receiving an increasing stream of complaints from mainly visitors but locals too, that the loos are just not functioning. This may be down to poor water pressure associated with the uncompleted work on the A7, or to as yet untraced leakages in the system. Staff at the Town Hall were alerted about the issues last Friday and advised that the toilets should be closed

until matters were resolved. To date this advice has not been acted upon.

The volunteer on duty at the Information Hub on Tuesday afternoon was greatly embarrassed when an irate visitor entered the office declaring, “Your toilets are a disgrace!”. She immediately responded, emailing the D&G Council official responsible to report the situation. A speedy response was promised and, hopefully, a resolution to this most unsatisfactory situation, especially at the lead up to our most important festival.

Walled Garden needs new tenant



New tenants are being sought for the popular Walled Garden at Arkleton near Langholm.

The current tenant Kate Knott is moving on to pastures and projects new after spending the last six years transforming what had been a wilderness into a beautiful and busy cut flower garden.

When she first took over the garden, Kate’s first job was to pick up a shovel and clear all the original paths and edging which had long since disappeared beneath a field of weeds. Fortunately she had an aerial photo of the original layout to use as a guide.

She also had to turn her attention to the restoration of the 72 square metre greenhouse which was then little more than a shell.

It was of historic interest as well as aesthetic having been built by Mackenzie and Moncur, a company which famously supplied

greenhouses to many of the great estates before the First World War.

Now the 3000 square metre garden has around 120 established shrub roses, a maturing peony bed, lots of herbaceous perennials, and many annual beds.

Over the years the garden has become a favourite go-to place for weddings, outdoor functions, workshops, yoga sessions, family fun days and musical get-togethers. It also became the area’s first ‘pick your own,’ garden where visitors were encouraged to fill jam jars and buckets with a variety of blooms.

The tenancy includes a three-bed cottage along with a number of outbuildings and a small polytunnel.

Kate says she’d really love to find someone who could take the garden on and forward and continue to build on the hard work already done there, and to make it their own.



HAPPY: Donna and Jack Pool with their son Harris

Branxholme Castle wedding for Donna & Jack

Donna Borthwick and Jack Pool of Langholm were married on 6th July in a beautiful ceremony held at Branxholme Castle near Hawick.

Donna was attended by bridesmaids Amy Reid and Catriona Bell.

Jack’s Best Man was Gary Paisley and his Groomsman was Duncan Elliot

The happy couple and the wedding party stayed in the castle for a couple of nights before throwing a celebration party in Langholm Social Club at the weekend.



Canine capers at Eskdalemuir

There will be dogs aplenty in Eskdalemuir on Saturday 29th July when there will be a dog show at the Hub from 11 o’clock onwards.

Classes will include best trick/talent a dog can perform; cutest puppy – up to one year old; best rescue dog, golden oldie, most handsome dog and most gorgeous girl.

There will also be a special online only class so if you can’t get along there with your pooch

send in a photo, a video and some information about your hound to rudikg@eskdalemuir.com.

Paws & Minds

Tara from Paws and Minds at Canonbie will be the guest judge and in between the classes dog owners will be able to ‘Ask the Trainer’ any questions.

Mel, from Browns Vet Physio is also coming along to offer a dog mobility clinic.

The usual human refreshments will be on offer at the Hub on the day and doggie ice cream will also be available so you can give your pup a treat. Spectators are welcome too. The Hub team are excited to welcome dogs and owners.

The Hub normally welcomes well behaved dogs when their owners come for refreshments but on the 29th July the place will have a lot more canine visitors than usual.

Holm Hill hits home run with new funding

UK Government's Shared Prosperity fund to provide lion's share

It's all systems go for the next phase of development on Newcastleton's community buyout land on the Holm Hill following the confirmation of new investment worth £500k.

That sum comprises £284k from the UK Government's Shared Prosperity Fund, £100k from the South of Scotland Enterprise Ambitions Fund, £40k from Scottish Government's Strengthening Communities Fund and the rest from Newcastleton Community Trust.

The money will be used to create new mountain bike trails and to upgrade and reopen old tracks to complement the existing 7Stanes network. They will be partly incorporated into the new forest planting at Coulter Syke which replaces the old Boosie Wood.

Greg Cuthbert, Chair of Newcastleton Community Trust says the plan is to get started on planting at the beginning of next year, but preparatory work has to be carried out first.

"The ground has to be surveyed

to find out where the bike tracks can go and to work out which aggregates to use for all the tracks and walkways," he said. "With a fair wind I would hope we could get started on planting in January or February and fingers crossed by this time next year the bike tracks and walkways will be up and running.

"We can't wave a magic wand and bring massive employment to the village but if we can do things that will keep the businesses we've got and bring in footfall to help them carry on then I think we're succeeding."

Mountain biking has been a major attraction for Newcastleton for some years but many tracks had to be closed following the destruction of Storm Arwen and some are only now being reopened. However the village sits right in the middle of the new coast to coast cycle route from Eyemouth to Portpatrick and South of Scotland Enterprise Chief Executive Jane Morrison-Ross says it's perfectly placed to play a major role in ambitious



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plans for the region.

"Alongside our partners, we have ambitious plans to encourage active travel across the South of Scotland, including making our region the leading cycling destination in Scotland," she said. "The Holm Hill project in Newcastleton will support this collective ambition for the South,

encouraging local people to get active, and visitors to come to our wonderful region."

Part of the funding has also been earmarked for preparatory capital works to get the site ready for a major refurbishment to transform existing facilities to accommodate large events from cycling and mountain biking to

weddings. Greg Cuthbert says it will also include a more tranquil element.

"The second phase will be looking to develop a pavilion area on the Hill. It will include an area for people to come and sit, with a verandah overlooking the village and a memorial garden where people could perhaps plant a small tree or shrub or place a plaque in memory of loved ones."

Praise where it's due

As reported in last week's E&L, while working at Clinthead gardens, Margaret Pool realised that one corner of the rock garden was very wet. On further investigation she noticed that there was a steady stream of water issuing from the wall adjacent to the bottom corner of the garden. She was aware that over recent months there had been several problems with water supplies in the area.

Earlier in the year the public toilets were closed for several months. Then last week the Toll Bar cottage water supplies were cut off.

Margaret phoned Scottish Water at around 10.30am to report the problem, to their credit, less than two hours later, a workman turned up and logged the problem. Less than an hour later he phoned to say work to resolve the matter should commence the week beginning the 10th July. Work did indeed begin on Thursday the 13th, albeit a few days behind schedule but nonetheless, for a public utility company, a prompt response to the lodging of the complaint – well done Scottish Water!

A beech of a tree finally made safe

By Brian Hinchcliffe

Walkers along the A7 between Townfoot and Skippers Bridge have often commented on the massive tree in front of the cottage that nestles by the Esk near the old Distillery.

A monumental beech, it towers, looking precarious over the steep river bank where the cottage driveway would be.

The cottage owner decided to investigate and fix the menace of a falling monster, and called in a local tree surgeon.

Callum Hayton, a professional arborist came with his team to deal with the menace last Thursday and the tree now stands alone, but safe and stable. Callum told the E&L, "A big beech like this, even on flat ground can become unsafe. This one is somewhere near 200 years old and could have done untold damage without attention". Passing motorists showed interest but traffic was not disrupted or inconvenienced by Callum's work.

FETTLED: The leaning beech tree beside the A7 has been dealt with by a professional arborist



The Graduates...



Tamsin MacBride, eldest daughter of Nigel and Jenny Pike of Canonbie, graduated with a Doctor of Philosophy at a ceremony in Paisley Abbey on 6th July.

Tamsin is a senior lecturer and programme leader for the BSc (Honours) Adult Nursing Programme, at the University of the West of Scotland.

She was a pupil at Langholm Primary and Langholm Academy.



Langholm's Henry Jeffrey recently graduated from the University of Edinburgh with a Professional Graduate Diploma in Education.

This qualifies Henry to teach music at secondary school level and he will take up a post at Jedburgh Grammar School after the summer holidays.

In the meantime, he has plenty to do as Langholm's Left-Hand Man.

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Farming with Gilly Fraser

Inquiry draws line under farmer's death

An inquiry has concluded that well-known dairy farmer Derek Roan died after being attacked by a cow which had recently given birth.

The 71-year-old died of severe trauma to the chest following the incident at Barnbarroch Farm near Dalbeattie last June.

The inquiry at Dumfries Sheriff Court heard that a few days before the accident the calf had been having suckling issues and was separated from the rest of the herd along with its mother.

On the day of the accident Mr Roan had gone to move the two animals. He was found lying in the field severely injured but died later in Dumfries and Galloway Royal Infirmary.

Sheriff Joanna McDonald said in her conclusion that there were no reasonable precautions he could have taken to avoid the accident.

Derek had been involved in farming all his life and ran two farms and a milk delivery business with his family. He had also been a very active member of NFU Scotland.



INQUIRY: Derek Roan

In a statement at the time, the Roan family said they were totally devastated and that all of his hard work had been for his two passions in life – his family and his farms. He had been a beloved husband to Kathleen, devoted father to Stuart, Steven, Leeanne, father-in-law to Aylett, Tracey and Tony and proud Papa to Fergus, Fraser, Andrew.

Sheriff McDonald said Derek Roan was a respected member of the farming community both locally and nationally and extended her condolences to his family.

New Pacific Partnership welcome, if terms are right

Scotland's farming leaders say they will be looking to the newly signed CPTPP trade deal to deliver on the Prime Minister's commitments to the industry.

The Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership includes Australia, Brunei, Canada, Chile, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Peru, Singapore and Vietnam.

Its membership loosens restrictions on trade between members and reduces tariffs on goods.

NFUS President Martin Kennedy says new business opportunities are welcome but only if the terms are right.

"Scotland's farmers, crofters and producers welcome opportunities to improve trade overseas but only on fair terms, that reduce risk to our food security and above all protect the



WELFARE: Will the new trade agreement see battery-hen eggs back on UK supermarket shelves?

integrity of the high standards of production and animal welfare that the sector delivers on a daily basis and which our consumers expect from us," he said.

"When writing about trade negotiations in his open letter to farmers in May, Prime Minister Rishi Sunak committed to putting the impact of

trade deals on agriculture up front; protecting sensitive sectors; prioritising export opportunities for our food and drink industry; protecting and upholding our production standards and removing tariffs. That is what we will be looking to the CPTPP to deliver on."

However the prospect of see-

ing battery-hen eggs back on UK shop shelves as a result of the CPTPP has angered animal welfare campaigners and consumers.

Conventional battery systems were banned in the UK in 2012 and UK egg producers operate to higher standards of animal welfare than are operated in some of the other CPTPP countries.

There's also concern among meat producers who believe the deal could see low-welfare pork being imported.

A spokesperson for the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs says they are committed to protecting high animal welfare standards globally.

"We have not lowered our food, animal welfare or environmental standards in order to accede to CPTPP and there have been no imports of eggs from CPTPP members to the UK since 2015," the

Contractual changes will increase fairness

NFU Scotland has welcomed the UK Government's decision to bring forward new contractual regulations to increase fairness and transparency in the dairy supply chain.

It comes after many years of concerted lobbying by farming unions and sees the production of a statutory Code of Conduct for contracts between dairy farmers and their milk buyers, using powers in section 29 of the Agriculture Act 2020.

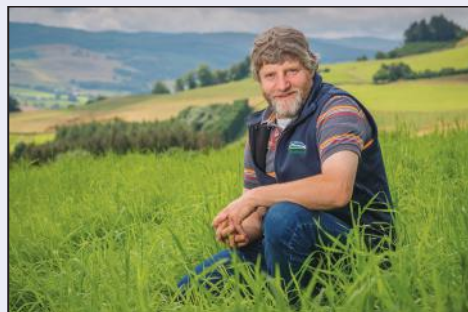
Regulations will provide a framework, establishing legally binding minimum standards of contractual practice, while giving businesses the flexibility to adapt contracts to their individual circumstances.

The UK Government is currently investigating how the markets for pigs, eggs and horticulture operate and NFU Scotland believes this announcement puts down a marker in terms of how the UK Agriculture Act 2020 could be used effectively to deliver fairness, certainty and equity in other supply chains.

NFU Scotland President Martin Kennedy says it's a significant step forward to drive fairness and transparency into the dairy supply chain and deliver a more robust future for the dairy sector.

"We will study the Statutory Instrument, once it's published in detail to ensure that this important legislation delivers for Scottish dairy farmers," he said.

"For too long, dairy farmers have borne far too much of the risk in the dairy supply chain and



NFU: Martin Kennedy says it's a significant step forward to drive fairness and transparency into the supply chain

inappropriate contract terms are often at the root of the problems. These statutory contractual changes have the potential to give greater confidence to all those producing milk as well ensuring that burden of risk associated with producing milk is shared more evenly across the whole supply chain."

Mr Kennedy says NFUS will continue to work with the other farming unions in the UK as well as industry stakeholders to ensure a smooth roll-out of the new statutory code.

"We will continue to work with the government and wider industry to not only benefit farm businesses and the supply chain, but the millions of people who value access to quality, sustainable, nutritious British milk and dairy produce."

Increase your biosecurity

Poultry keepers are being told to increase biosecurity measures following fears of a new wave of bird flu.

Scottish Borders Council has issued a warning after hundreds of dead seabirds were found on beaches around Scotland.

The authority says anyone keeping poultry should wash their hands and clean and disinfect footwear before tending to their birds.

The risk to human health is said to be very low but the World Health Organisation says an increasing number of H5N1 avian influenza has been detected among mammals, which raises concerns that the virus might adapt to infect humans more easily.

The UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) has confirmed that two new cases of bird flu have been detected in poultry workers but there's no evidence of any human-to-human transmission.

Members of the public are



WARNING: Scottish Borders Council has issued a warning after hundreds of dead seabirds were found on beaches. Photo by Josh Vandermeulen

being advised to take precautions. These include not touching dead or sick birds; keeping pets and dogs away from birds; not feeding wild waterfowl and not touching surfaces contaminated with wild bird droppings.

Experts are working alongside the Scottish Government to determine why so many seabirds have been found dead.

It's hoped post-mortems will give a clearer picture on whether starvation or avian flu is the

main cause.

Paul Walton, RSPB Head of Species Scotland says the country's breeding seabirds had already seen a decline of 49% between 1986 and 2019.

"The RSPB is leading a programme of seabird surveys and research to understand the impacts and generate updated population figures for affected species, as well as contributing to NatureScot's mortality reporting system," he said.



Bauldy Beattie never did this!

Front Three at the Baby & Toddlers' Common Riding



NO HAPPY: Cornet Chris has his work cut out with these two at the Langholm Baby & Toddler Group's Common Riding party last week



FAN CLUB: The Front Three, and Chris' family were all guests at the occasion. Harris Pool is a big fan of the Cornet

Clouds low but spirits high for Benty Rideout

93 riders, the most for a while, join Cornet Tait on his first Craigs Club foray



LEAD MAN: Cornet Christopher Tait leads his followers over Langholm Brig at the start of the Benty Rideout
Photo by Stan Wilson



A FINE SIGHT: The cavalcade makes its way along Thomas Telford Road
Photo by Alan Weatherstone



MUSTER: A pause for breath on the way
Photo by Tom Hutton



LOOKING FROM A WINDOW ABOVE: A slightly different aspect of the horses leaving The Benty
Photo by Peter Eyre



THE ONLY WALKERS?: One family went on foot - Anita and John Tait, Jill and Millie Barker, aged 8 and Matthew Grieve made their way over the hills to The Benty.



FOLLOWING ON: The riders set off on the lengthy ride over the hills
Photo by K. Latimer Photography



TRIO: Harry Hope, Tommy Hope and Bailey Donaldson head up Jimmy's Brae
Photo by Billy Scott



1963, 1973 & 1998: Semi-Jubilee Cornet Malcolm Devlin, Jubilee Cornet Michael Bell and Diamond Jubilee Cornet George Ellwood are joyfully entertained in the Benty Hall by the Castle Craigs Club and the Wester Kirk SWI
Photo by Kenneth Pool



DAMPISH!: Crossing the Benty Brig as they leave for home
Photo by K. Latimer Photography



Above: LANGHOLM LASS: Ellie Grieve contemplates the ride ahead
Bottom: HAWICK MAN: Visitor from 'Throw the Tunnel' Lindsay Nichol
Photos by Alan Weatherstone

50-odd young'ns take to the streets for the Pony Rideout



FAIR CHUFFED: The Castle Craigs Committee was delighted with the number of riders and followers that turned out for the annual Pony Rideout. It gives the children of the town a chance to follow the Cornet in their own special ride before returning to the Castleholm for an afternoon of fun at the Fun Day organised by the Xcel Project and Castle Craigs Club



PATCHWORK MEMORIES: When Langholm's Robert Barnfather passed away 2 years ago, his daughter-in-law Dora took his old jeans, Castle Craigs tie and the Craigs badge from his sweater home with her to California. Dora then made these items into this nap-sack and teddy bear and sent them back home to Langholm to his widow Ann. A lovely and fitting memory of a popular Langholmite.



RIGHT NEIGHBOURLY: Diamond Jubilee Cornet George Ellwood and his wife Jean were guests at a Street Party, held in George's honour. George's neighbours around Moodla Point got their heads together and planned the do for the night before the Benty Rideout. However, the heavens had other ideas. The inclement weather sent the revellers indoors to the Masonic Social Club where, nonetheless, a grand night was had by everyone. There was a Common Riding selection from four Town Band Members, and singers in great voice. John Basnett, neighbour and long-time friend of George made a short speech wishing him well and John's grand-daughter Alice presented gifts to both George and Jean.

Xcel-lent programme of summer activities

Duncan and the team do the kids proud and only half-way through

It has been a very busy summer so far for the Xcel Project. The summer holiday programme started on Monday 3rd July and is now in its third week.

So far the young people have enjoyed mini olympics, cricket, retro gaming, girls group, 3G football and Xcel outdoors which has included walks, den building and campfires.

They have also enjoyed trips to Fusion Trampoline Park and Lightwater Valley with further trips to Sandcastle Waterpark, Foxlake Adventures, Mabie Farm Park and Topgolf still to come. The trips have been hugely popular this year with a total of 184 bookings so far.

We are not even halfway through the holidays and there is plenty more still to come.



SQUAD: Enjoying a great day out at Lightwater Valley Adventur Park in North Yorkshire

Probus club AGM

The Langholm Probus held its AGM in their Eskdale Hotel base on 5th July. The meeting was well attended, only 5 members sending apologies for absence. Outgoing President, Brian Porteous thanked George Whellans as secretary, Jack Rae as honorary acting treasurer, David Messiah auditor and to the Christmas and Burns Night groups for their work. Jack's report declared a healthy balance, welcomed by members.

The retiring President thanked members for their attendance, support and good company over his 3 years term in office.

President elect, Alan Williams was unable to attend but was voted in unanimously, the regalia to be handed over in September.

Derek Bell was also proposed, seconded and elected as Vice President, together with the Committee: Harry Aitken, Ron Addison, Brian Porteous, Ian Aitchison.

In AOB, a discussion confirmed that no changes are to be made in charges for subscriptions or coffee at meetings. A vote of thanks for the outgoing president closed the meeting until the next Probus Club in September, with a reminder to members of the departure of the annual excursion on 11 July.



Above: HOWZAT: Cricket training at Langholm Cricket Club

Below: BOUNCING: Heading off for Fusion Trampoline Park



Summer Activities!

Week 5 - Monday 31st July to Friday 4th August

- Mon 31st July** - Xcel Outdoors Adventure Walk (P5 - S3) from 2pm to 4pm from Xcel Youth Centre
- Tue 1st August** - Retro Gaming Club (S1 Upwards) from 3.30pm to 6pm at the Xcel Youth Centre
- 3G Football (S1 Upwards) from 6.30pm to 8.30pm at the 3G Pitch
- Wed 2nd August** - Girls Group (S3 Upwards) from 7pm to 9pm at the Xcel Youth Centre
- Thu 3rd August** - Fox Lake Adventures Trip (P6 Upwards) from 9am to 5pm - £20
book here... <https://forms.office.com/r/4iu1m688wR>
- Fri 4th August** - Junior Bowling Tournament (P4 Upwards) from 4pm at the Old Town Bowling
(entry fee is £5 but will include food and a drink, prizes for the winners!)

Week 6 - Monday 7th August to Friday 11th August

- Mon 7th August** - Xcel Outdoors Den Building (P5 - S3) from 2pm to 4pm from Xcel Youth Centre
- Tue 8th August** - Retro Gaming Club (S1 Upwards) from 3.30pm to 6pm at the Xcel Youth Centre
- 3G Football (S1 Upwards) from 6.30pm to 8.30pm at the 3G Pitch
- Wed 9th August** - Mabie Farm Park Trip (P3 Upwards) from 10am to 4pm - £15
book here... <https://forms.office.com/r/4iu1m688wR>
- Girls Group (S3 Upwards) from 7pm to 9pm at the Xcel Youth Centre
- Thu 10th August** - Fifa Competition (S1 Upwards) from 1pm to 5pm at the Xcel Youth Centre
- Fri 11th August** - Bluelight Music Night (S1 Upwards) from 7pm to 10pm at the Buccleuch Centre
entry is FREE, get your ticket here... <https://forms.office.com/r/qz5tYCV8H8>

Week 7 - Monday 14th August to Thursday 17th August

- Mon 14th August** - Xcel Outdoors Campfires (P5 - S3) from 2pm to 4pm from Xcel Youth Centre
- Tue 15th August** - Retro Gaming Club (S1 Upwards) from 3.30pm to 6pm at the Xcel Youth Centre
- 3G Football (S1 Upwards) from 6.30pm to 8.30pm at the 3G Pitch
- Thu 17th August** - Top Golf Trip (S1 Upwards) from 9am to 5pm - £20
book here... <https://forms.office.com/r/4iu1m688wR>

* All activities are FREE and don't need to be booked. Year group is whichever one the young person is in after the Summer.





Looking back...

Langholm As It Was in 1832

The following article was taken from the E&L on July 16, 1948

The following unique description of the Muckle Toon as it was over a hundred years ago comes to us from a gentleman in Connecticut, USA, who says he is sure it will be appreciated by many Langholmites.

The article was taken from "The Gazetteer of Scotland" 1832.

LANGHOLM – A thriving small town of modern growth in the above parish (Langholm), and the seat of a Presbytery, situated on the left or east bank of the Esk, at a distance of twenty-one miles from Carlisle, twelve from Longtown, eighteen from Annan, thirty from Dumfries, and twenty-three from Hawick.

The town owes its origin to a border-house or tower, which was formerly the property of the all-powerful Armstrongs, but is now only seen in a state of ruin.

The curious stranger may also see here a place where several witches suffered in the century before last. The witches of Eskdale are said to have played pranks beyond all example in the history of female necromancy. Some of them were midwives, and had the power of transferring part of the primeval curse bestowed upon our first mother from the guidwife to her husband; so that the former underwent the actual process of labour without the least uneasiness, all the while that the guidman was roaring in agony in his uncouth and unnatural pains.



Langholm was long-famed for a curious iron instrument called the "Branks", which, fitted upon the head of a shrewish female, and projecting a sharp spike into her mouth, fairly subdued the most dreadful weapon within. It was formerly customary for husbands who were afflicted with scolding wives, to subject their heads to this instrument and lead them through the town exposed to the eyes and ridicule of all the people; and tradition records that the discipline was rarely unproductive of complete reformation.

"Eskdale" says the author of the Picture of Scotland, "derives a

more than common charm from the memory of Johnie Armstrong, whose name is associated with many of its localities." His tower of Gilnockie still stands – though converted into a cow-house, a few miles from Langholm on the left bank of the Esk. It was on "Langholm Holm" that, when going to meet the king he and his gallant "companie" of thirty-six men "ran their horses and brak their spears", when, to pursue the picturesque language of the ballad.

"The ladies lookit frae their loft windows,

Saying "God send our men well back again".'

Johnie terminated his mortal career at Carlenrig, a place not far distant from Moss-Paul, on the road between Langholm and Hawick. The story of the judicial execution of this Border thief and his companions by James V is well known. The graves of the whole marauders are to be seen in a deserted churchyard at Carlenrigg. In the present day, Langholm does not seem to partake of any of the peculiarities which distinguished the country in "the riding times", or in the age of superstition, being now one of the most thriving and industrious towns of its size in Scotland.

The town is but in the bosom of a lovely woodland scene, along the Edinburgh and Carlisle road, which pursues a line down the left bank of the Esk, and consists generally of good stone houses covered with blue slate.

A bridge is here built across the Esk, connecting the main part of the town with a more modern suburb on the opposite side, called New Langholm. At the market-place of the old town, stands the town hall and jail, ornamented with a neat spire and clock. The church is built on a rising ground in the rear of the town.

The chief trade in Langholm is the manufacture of cotton and woollen goods, as checks, stockings, etc.

It also possesses a number of good shops, a brewery, a distillery, dyehouses, and other establishments. It contains likewise branches of the British Linen Company and National Banks. There are two libraries and a well-conducted parochial school. The Crown Inn is a well-known house of entertainment on the road.

The weekly market day in Langholm is Wednesday, and there are fairs on the 16th of April; last Tuesday in May, old style; 26th of July; 18th of September, and in November.

At the July fair vast quantities of lambs are usually disposed of. There are two annual fairs for hiring servants. Population of the town in 1821 was 1800.

C & D Marts (Longtown) Primestock Report Thursday 13th July, 2023



C&D Auction Marts Limited had forward 5,413 sheep comprising of 1,763 spring lambs and 3,650 cast ewes & rams at their weekly sale at Longtown on Thursday 13th July 2023.

A mixed offering of cast cows forward, with quality scarce. The sale peaked at £1,023 for a Belted Galloway shown by JR & CJ Ward, Whitstonehill, Lockerbie. More numbers required on a weekly basis to fulfil demand.

A smaller show of 1,763 spring lambs forward. A two tier trade, good meated, well finished lambs sold to recent rates of return, whilst leaner unfinished lambs proved difficult to cash. Meat processors sell meat and that is what is required to receive premium prices. Please do not hesitate to contact our auctioneers on a weekly basis who will be pleased to advise.

The sale topped at £172 for Texels from AM & L Sutherland, Carran, Thurso.

Top price per kilo of 319p for Bel-

tex lambs shown by CJ Roots, Kilnford Croft, Dumfries with Texels selling to 318p from J & A Moralee, Hardriding Farm, Bardon Mill.

All classes of lambs are wanted here at Longtown on a weekly basis to satisfy an ever-growing demand as numbers increase so do purchasers. Please do not hesitate to contact your auctioneers who will be pleased to take your calls.

Overall average 272.8p (SQQ 272.9p)

PRINCIPAL PRICES (PER KILO)

Beltex 319p, 307p Kilnford Croft, 307p Dykehead, 300p High Stenries, 300p, 295p Kilnford Croft. Texel 318p Hardriding Farm, 310p Horsley Hill, 309p Hardriding Farm, 304p Wallend, 303p Carran, Cottage & Horsley Hill, 300p Knock, Hardriding Farm & Horsley Hill. Charollais 300p Briery Square, 272p Dempsterton. Dutch Spotted 282p Briery Square.

Dutch Texel 281p Rowanburnfoot. Suffolk 281p Whins, 280p Shandford, 279p Archerbeck, 278p Whiteside, 276p Tone Hall, Shandford & Wiza.

Cheviot Mule 276p West Lodge South.

Blue du Maine 266p Huntly Lodge. Mule 262p Penpeugh, 260p, 255p Whiteside.

Blackface 261p Penpeugh. Dorset 261p Sheepfields.

PRINCIPAL PRICE (PER HEAD)

Texel £172, £158 Carran, £143 Guardsmill, £140 Hardriding Farm & Kilnford Croft. Beltex £150 Kilnford Croft, £136 High Stenries, £132, £130 Kilnford Croft, £130 Staffler. Bluefaced Leicester £140 Upper Huntley Wood. Suffolk £135 Tone Hall, £134 Grindon Hill, £132 Shandford & Hullerbank, £131.50 Staffler, £130 Knock. Dutch Spotted £130 Briery Square. Charollais £125 Dempsterton,

£120 Briery Square

A much larger show of 3,650 cast ewes and rams were forward. All classes of ewes were a flyer and more can be sold to the vendors benefit. Entries are actively sought after for the coming weeks sales.

Texel ewes topped at £255 from Upper Huntley Wood, Earliston.

Hill ewes to £118 for Cheviots from Messrs Hepburn & Co., North House, Hawick.

Mule ewes sold to £132 from R & H Braid, Leithenhall, Wamphray.

Rams sold to £280 for Texels from CD Scott, Falla, Jedburgh. John Walton 07880 527 066 Daniel Lynn 07584 200 489 Sam Hogg 07584 207 323 Norman Douglas 07786 366 833

HEAVY EWES

Texel £255 Upper Huntley Wood, £252 Tofts of Tain, £248 Newbigging, £245 Beckfoot & High House, £240 Leithenhall.

Beltex £190 Seaview, £185 Somerfield House, £170 Huntly Lodge.

Suffolk £170 Upper Huntley Wood & Allanshaws, £158 Upper Huntley Wood, £155 Mindork, £148 Pooild-hoodie, Fountain Hall, Muircleugh, Chaseside & North House.

Blue Texel £170 Somerfield House, £150 Grange of Conon.

Charollais £148 Chaseside, £142 Beckfoot, £136 Greyrigg House, £135 Chaseside.

Millenium Blue £148 Heather Side. North Country Cheviot £140 Seaview, £138, £134 Allanshaws, £132 Tofts of Tain, £130 High Moat.

Cheviot Mule £140 Muircleugh, £138 Nether Dargavel, £130 Dykehead.

Mule £132 Leithenhall, £130 Third, £126 Hassendean, £125 Tone Hall & High House, £123 Newbigging, £120 Low Hallburn.

LIGHT EWES

Cheviot £118 North House & West Lodge South, £110 Milnholm, £108 North House, £102 Kilnford Croft & Gall.

Blackface £106 Silverwells, £104 Tone Hall, £102 Chapel, £94 Dreva & Marygate, £92 Newbigging & Whiteside.

Swaledale £90 Ruffside.

RAMS

Texel £280, £270 Falla, £245 Newbigging, £230 Ruffside, £225 Falla.

Suffolk £250 Falla, £190 Castlemilk.

Charollais £230 Far Mains.

Hampshire £168 Pearsby Hall.

Cheviot £148 Badanloch.

Averages:

Lambs

Light to	303.0p (278.0p)
Standard to	307.0p (265.8p)
Medium to	318.0p (275.8p)
Heavy to	319.0p (272.9p)
Overweight to	282.0p (265.7p)

Ewes

Light to	£118.00 (£72.09)
Heavy to	£255.00 (£118.57)
Rams to	£280.00 (£137.31)



The E&L Gallery

HEADING FOR THE HILLS: The Benty riders, taken from the gate on Meikleholm, as the horses gallop up Timpen. Thanks to Tom Hutton for the photo.

Camera: Nikon D7000

LANGHOLM COMMON RIDING



MEMORIAL SERVICE



in the Buccleuch Park
 on Sunday 23rd July at 10.50am
 followed by Church Service in
 Langholm Parish Church
 Members to meet at 10.45am
 Registered SCIO No. SC044989

LANGHOLM COMMON RIDING

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The CONCERT and INVESTITURE



will be held in the Buccleuch Centre
 on Wednesday 26th July at 7.45pm

Local artistes will take part

The Town and Pipe Bands will attend

Investiture of Cornet
 and Presentations to
 Diamond Jubilee, Jubilee and
 Semi-Jubilee Cornets
 by Miss Michaela L. Maxwell

Admission – Free
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LANGHOLM COMMON RIDING Friday 28th July

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 Dancing on the Castleholm at 7.15pm

K. M. Hill
 Secretary

38 High Street
 Langholm

Registered SCIO No. SC044989

LANGHOLM COMMON RIDING SIMMER FAIR NIGHT DANCE



in the Buccleuch Centre
 Thursday 27th July from 10.30pm to 1am
 Bon Accords' Band

Entry – age 16 and upwards,
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PLANNING

The applications, associated plans and documents can be viewed on-line by following the ePlanning link on the Council's website at www.dumgal.gov.uk/planning. Written comments may be made to Head of Economy and Development by email to Planning@dumgal.gov.uk or via the Council's website, as noted above, by 03.08.23 (Type A).

Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 as amended
Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 2013, Reg 20(1) (A)

Ref No/Type Address/Proposal
23/1372/FUL (A) Whitlawside, Caulside, Canonbie - Construction of earth banked slurry lagoon and erection of two metre high security fence

23/1413/FUL (A) Glenzierfoot Farm, Evertown, Canonbie - Construction of earth banked slurry lagoon with 2.1 metre high boundary fence

23/1395/ARC (A) Land North West of 2 Gilnockie Cottages, Canonbie - Erection of dwellinghouse and detached domestic garage and installation of sewage treatment plant (approval of matters specified in conditions 2 (layout), 3 (design), 4 (external appearance), 5 (landscaping) of Planning Permission in Principle (21/0792/PIP)

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WHAT'S ON IN JULY

Thu 20th	Castle Craigs Club Peden's View Rideout	Leaves Kilngreen at 6.45pm
	Langholm Flute Band AGM & Social Evening	The Buck Hotel 8pm
Sat 21st	Castle Craigs Club Castle Craigs Rideout	Kirkwynd at 1pm
	Langholm Town Band Annual Sale of Work	The Buccleuch Centre 1.45pm
Tue 25th	A Nicht wi' the Banna	Masonic Social Club 7 for 7.30pm
Wed 26th	Langholm Common Riding Concert & Investiture	The Buccleuch Centre 7.30pm
Thu 27th	Langholm Town, Pipe & Flute Bands	In Market Place an around the town - from 7.30pm
Fri 28th	LANGHOLM COMMON RIDING DAY	from 5am

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THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) SCOTLAND REGULATIONS 2017 NOTICE UNDER REGULATION 20

The proposed development on Land Comprising Birny Hill And Standingstone Edge Above Winterhope Reservoir North Of B7068 Road Approximately 7.5Km To The West Of Langholm DG11 (Proposed Callisterhall Wind Farm) is subject to an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) under the above regulations.

Notice is hereby given that additional information in relation to an EIA report has been submitted to Scottish Ministers by Callisterhall Ltd. relating to the planning application in respect of Erection Of Wind Farm Comprising Seven Wind Turbines (Maximum Height To Blade Tip Of 200 Metres And Indicative Installed Capacity Of Up To 39.2Mw) And Associated Infrastructure Including Crane Hardstandings And Lay Down Areas, 1 Anemometer Mast (Maximum Height Up To 125 Metres), Substation, Battery Storage Up To 7Mw With Associated Control Building, Formation Of Access Tracks, Watercourse Crossings, Up To 3 Borrow Pits, Underground Cables, Temporary Construction Compound And Associated Works on Land Comprising Birny Hill And Standingstone Edge Above Winterhope Reservoir North Of B7068 Road Approximately 7.5Km To The West Of Langholm DG11 as notified under the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (Scotland) Regulations 2013 on 29 July 2022.

The application is the subject of an appeal to Scottish Ministers, case reference PPA-170-2168. A Reporter Mr David Liddell has been appointed to determine the appeal. Possible decisions relating to the proposed development are:-

- approval of the application without conditions;
- approval of the application with conditions;
- refusal of the application

A copy of the additional information together with the EIA report, the associated application and other documents submitted with the application may be inspected at all reasonable hours at the places where the register of planning applications is kept by the planning authority for the area at: Dumfries and Galloway Customer Services, Langholm, Market Place, Langholm, DG13 0JQ.

All the case documentation, including this additional information, is published on our website, <http://www.dpea.scotland.gov.uk>. On accessing the website, enter the case reference PPA-170-2168 in the 'Search by case reference:' box to find all documents relating to this case. The additional information can be viewed under the Further Environmental Information tab, and is listed below to aid identification.

APP 006.013 - Xi Engineering Callisterhall Wind Farm, Eskdalemuir Seismic Array Considerations, Report on Seismic Budget Requirements and Implications of Planned EWG Approaches. <http://www.dpea.scotland.gov.uk/Document.aspx?id=953777>

APP 006.014 - Wind Power Aviation Consultants Ltd Callisterhall Wind Farm - Radar Mitigation Scheme Proposal re RAF Spadeadam Deadwater Fell PSR

<http://www.dpea.scotland.gov.uk/Document.aspx?id=953778>

Copies of the additional information may be purchased by requesting in writing from E Power Ltd, 15 Pitreavie Court, Pitreavie Business Park, Dunfermline, KY11 8UU at a cost of £20.

If you cannot obtain or access a copy please contact our office at audrey.devoy@gov.scot

Any person who wishes to make representations to Scottish Ministers about the additional information should make them in writing **within 30 days beginning with the date of this notice** (quoting reference PPA-170-2168) to:

Audrey Devoy, Planning and Environmental Appeals Division (DPEA), Hadrian House, Callendar Business Park, Falkirk, FK1 1XR

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DAVID HENDERSON
Planning and Environmental Appeals Division

LOCAL NOTICEBOARD

CREATION MILL WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK W/C 24th July			
Day	What	Time	Where
Mon	Scrap Store	12-2:30	CM Space DG13 0ES
Tues	Langholm Evening In Stitches	6-9	CM Space DG13 0ES
Wed	Eskdalemuir In Stitches	10-12	Eskdalemuir Hub DG13 0QJ
	Welcome Wednesday & Scrap Store	11:30-2:30	CM Space DG13 0ES
Fri	Closed for Common Riding		

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The E&L General Knowledge Quiz

No. 2321 answers next week

- 1) Founded as Albrecht Discount, what is the company known as now?
- 2) When you get treated the same way that you have treated others, then you get a what of your own what?
- 3) Olympus Mons is the highest mountain in our Solar System, where can it be found?
- 4) Which British monarch was known as Farmer George?
- 5) A statistician employed to assess risks for an insurance company is called a what?
- 6) How was the Mexican revolutionary General, born as Jose Doroteo Arango Arambula in 1878, known as?
- 7) What 'C' is a white or unbleached cotton fabric with no printed design?
- 8) What does the French cooking term 'au beurre' mean?
- 9) Santiago is the capital city of which country?
- 10) In what year did the Cuban Missile Crisis take place, when the USA put a blockade on Cuba after they saw missile sites being built? a) 1959 b) 1961 c) 1963
- 11) The London underground station of Bank, is on which line?
- 12) Which author wrote the novels 'Starship Troopers' in 1959 and 'Stranger in a Strange Land' in 1961?
- 13) The Shaftesbury Memorial Fountain in Piccadilly Circus is better known as what?
- 14) Simon Bolivar defeated the Spanish at Carabobo thus ensuring which country's independence?
- 15) The avocado dip, Guacamole, is associated with which country?
- 16) Which has the largest area, South America or Antarctica?
- 17) In 1830, who founded The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints?
- 18) What is the English equivalent for the item that Americans would call a Thumb Tack?
- 19) Which novel from Richard Adams starts with the words 'The primroses were over'?
- 20) The Victoria Cross was instituted in which decade? a) 1820's b) 1850's c) 1880's

Last week's Quiz and Crossword Solutions

Quiz 2320

- 1 Vasco da Gama
- 2 North Korea
- 3 Pluto
- 4 K-141-Kursk
- 5 The Rosewell UFO Incident
- 6 Argentina (Francis) Gary Powers
- 7 Thailand
- 8 The Liberty Bell
- 9 Ghislaine Maxwell
- 10 Manchester United
- 12 Ross Kemp
- 13 Rome
- 14 Ludwig van Beethoven
- 15 Five (Five Guys)
- 16 Robyn
- 17 Football
- 18 Labour
- 19 Ted Lasso
- 20 Ken

Crossword 2320

Across: 7 Incommunicado, 9 Smarten, 10 Discs, 11 Lobe, 12 Slander, 15 Sherbet, 16 Acne, 19 Raise, 21 Colleen, 22 Pennsylvanian.

Down: 1 Diesel, 2 Scramble, 3 Burn, 4 Giddyap, 5 Eats, 6 Mouser, 8 Mate, 12 Set, 13 Decrepit, 14 Abreast, 15 Stripy, 17 El Nino, 18 Flea, 20 Ions, 21 Calf.

Never a Crossword!

No. 2321 answers next week

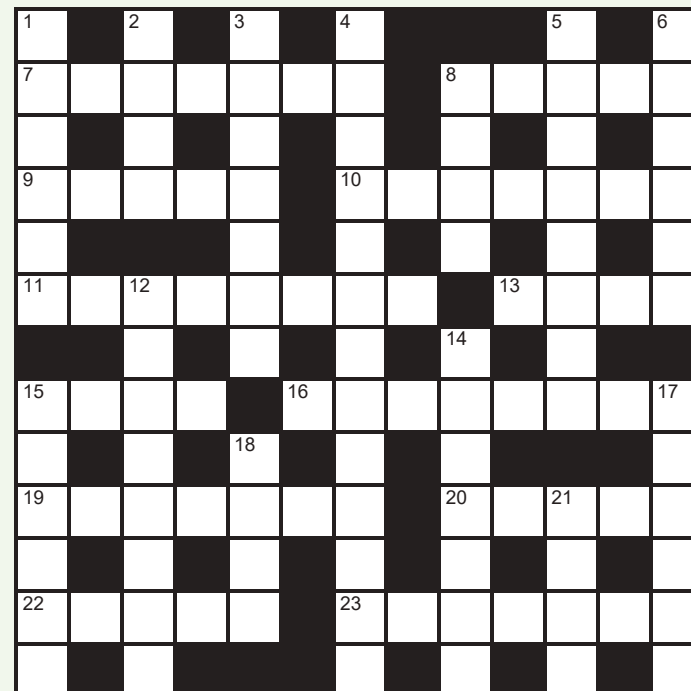
A wee mix of general knowledge and cryptic clues to get the grey cells moving!

Across

- 7 Possibly (7)
- 8 Cousin of your daughter (5)
- 9 Pertaining to the nose (5)
- 10 Satisfied (7)
- 11 Form of precipitation (8)
- 13 Cease (4)
- 15 Excess of expenditure over income (4)
- 16 Magician (8)
- 19 African river powering the Kariba Dam (7)
- 20 Highly favoured (5)
- 22 Prevail (5)
- 23 Performer of gymnastic feats (7)

Down

- 1 Food tin essential (6)
- 2 Minerals (4)
- 3 Sentimental songs (7)
- 4 Mental (13)
- 5 Runaway (8)
- 6 Broken-down (4-2)
- 8 Number of feline lives (4)
- 12 Inability to sleep (8)
- 14 Nemesis of "Titanic" (7)
- 15 Reptile (6)
- 17 Revolve (6)
- 18 Noggin (4)
- 21 Recedes (4)





Mixed fortunes for local Future Champion stars

Bell breaks her personal best while Brockley less lucky

Athletics

Langholm teenager Matilda Brockley has been representing Scottish Schools International Athletics Board (SIAB) Track and Field Championships in Grangemouth.

Selected for the triple jump and hurdles, Matilda found both events clashing on the programme so chose to represent her country in the former.

With each athlete having six jumps, Matilda – who receives support through the “Welcome to Langholm” Future Champions Awards – was sitting in third place after setting a new personal best with a jump of 11.58m, but eventually had to settle for fourth.

This however has strengthened Matilda’s position as the No1 U17 Triple Jumper in Scotland and moved her up to the No.3 rank in the UK. This also breaks the UK10 Target set by British Athletics that is used to identify talent and recognise athletes competing at a high level.

Meanwhile another



GIRL POWER: Ava Bell and Matilda Brockley are two of ‘Welcome to Langholm’ outstanding Future Champions

Langholm star, Ava Bell, jumped to the top of the Scottish U15 triple jump Rankings at the Cumbria League Athletics meeting in Carlisle, where there were several standout performances from a number of young people from our school cluster.

Competing for Annan and District Athletics Club, Ava –

another “Welcome to Langholm” Future Champions – broke her personal best on all three of her jumps.

Also competing for ADAC were Murray Cubbon, Ruaridh Phillips, Calum Grant, Grace Bell, Ava Cubbon, Erin Grant, Luke Rome, Mollie Phillips and Evelyn Bell.

Langholm Results:

Boys U9 60m –
3rd Ruaridh Phillips – 11.5sec
Boys U9 600m –
3rd Ruaridh Phillips – 2.24.9m
Boys U9 Howler Throw –
1st Calum Grant – 16.65m
Girls U11 70m –
2nd Ava Cubbon – 11.0sec
Girls U11 600m –
3rd Erin Grant – 2.18min
Girls U11 High Jump –
1st Ava Cubbon – 1.17m
Girls U11 High Jump –
2nd Erin Grant – 1.12m
Girls U11 Long Jump –
1st Ava Cubbon 3.46m
Girls U13 75m –
2nd Evelyn Bell – 11.11sec
Girls U13 150m –
1st Evelyn Bell – 22.3sec
Girls U13 150m –
2nd Mollie Phillips – 22.4sec
Girls U13 800m –
2nd Mollie Phillips – 2.54.2min
Girls U13 Long Jump –
2nd Mollie Phillips – 3.84m
Boys U13 Discus –
3rd Luke Rome – 13.53m
Girls U15 100m –
1st Antonia Brockley – 12.9sec
Girls U15 High Jump –
1st Antonia Brockley – 1.35m
Girls U15 Long Jump –
1st Antonia Brockley – 4.84m
Girls U15 Triple Jump –
1st Ava Bell – 9.6m

WELCOME to LANGHOLM
FUTURE CHAMPIONS AWARDS

Yet another well-followed tradition



Bowling

Langholm Old Town held their open Singles Tournament on Sunday, 16th with 64 players taking part.

The eventual winner was Ged Smith from Hawick beating Ian Scott from the New Town Club. Beaten semi-finalists were Colin Spalding, Hawick and Paul Warwick, New Town.

Following the tradition of many a year, Cornet Christopher Tait made the presentation to the winners

A social night followed with the Cornet and Right and Left Hand Men attending along with Semi-Jubilee Cornet Malcolm Devlin.

A great night of entertainment finished with Auld Lang Syne.

Langholm Old Town played Langholm New Town on Monday, 17th in the Borders Top 5 Tournament. Old Town won by 3-2 and play Gala at home again on 24th July.

Deluge stops play – again

Langholm frustrated by rain for second week running

Cricket

There was to be frustration once again for high-flying Langholm, as for the second week running the weather got the better of the cricket.

The Castleholm men’s match against St Michaels was abandoned after just 32 overs with Langholm on 100 for six.

St Michael won the toss and had no hesitation in putting Langholm in to bat in the damp blustery conditions. Openers Stuart Duggan and Duncan Elliott made a cautious start, adding 17 before Elliott, on two, was bowled by a jaffa by Shah.

Tony Steele now joined

Duggan, and they added 10 before Steele scooped a full toss off Moore straight to Shah.

Boundaries were proving elusive on the huge ground; but this has never been a problem to Big Nicky P, the next man in. Yet it was Duggan who found the fence with a pull shot – only to be out soon after, bowled by Moore for 18 with the score 37 for 3.

Skipper Dave Steele was the next man in, and he added 9 before he was yorked by Ali, leaving Langholm struggling at 60 for 4 in the 20th over.

The run rate gradually increased as Nicky P found his form, ably supported by the staunch defence of Graham

Park. The score had reached 91 when Nicky was caught behind for a sixless 34.

John Bell joined Park and they added nine, taking the score to 100 before Bell was clean bowled by Khan for 1. Corey Park joined his dad but unfortunately after one more ball the rain started and didn’t stop – and after a superb tea the game was abandoned with Graham Park stranded on 13.

Next week Langholm entertain league leaders Stainton on the Castleholm. A win would close the gap on them and put Langholm right in the promotion hunt for when we resume after our yearly Common Riding hiatus.

Return leg close

Bowling

The return leg friendly between local rivals - the ‘New Toon’ versus the ‘Auld Toon’ - was played last Tuesday night. Scores were close again, but they were more favourable for the home side.

Team scores -
P. Warwick 18-10 R. Redmond
L. Tolson 8-13 C. Ogilvie
D. Johnstone 15-7 A. Aitken
R. Innes 17-13 K. Irving
I. Earsman 10-11 L. Scott
Second leg score was
Langholm New 68-54
Langholm Old.

Overall score after both legs were Langholm New 132-110
Langholm Old.

Thanks again to members of the Old Town for their company



Lawson, Sue and Eileen, above, were presented with the Fred Liggins Shield by vice-president Paul Warwick and games which were played in the correct spirit!

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