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Dates: Frost's Fish and Chips :
 FRIDAY 5th Stamfordham 4.30 - 7pm Gr Whittington 7.15pm
 TUESDAY 9th Matfen 4.30 - 6pm
 FRIDAY 12th Medburn 4.30 - 7pm More to follow! Check their Facebook page!

**PLEASE NOTE THE INFORMATION AT THE END OF THIS EDITION REGARDING SCAMS
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Stamfordham Brownies needs a new leader!

Stamfordham Brownies, started by Pat Nichols, has been providing fun and engaging experiences for girls aged 7-11 since 1974. It offers opportunities to make friends, have new experiences and explore the world around them. Every meeting teaches new skills and encourages the Brownies to challenge themselves as they work out what, and who, they want to be in the future - all while having a heap of fun!

Pip Forsyth, the current leader, is retiring in the New Year after 17 years as Brown Owl which means that Stamfordham Brownies are looking for a new leader to run meetings alongside our team of assistant leaders.

Can you help?

There is a comprehensive training programme (mainly on the job) and Pip would be very happy to stay on and support a new leader through their training.

If you are even slightly curious about what this might involve and think it's something you might like to do – please contact Pip on: pip@theforsyths.plus.com or telephone 01661886431 and she would be delighted to tell you more about what is involved.

Please help keep Stamfordham Brownies running! - If COVID has taught us anything, it is about the importance of our community and the opportunities that it provides!

Stamfordham Oil Buying Group

******* IMPORTANT CHANGE *******

Please note that orders will be taken up to the end of the previous month i.e. for March 2021 deliveries, orders should be placed by 28th February 2021 and similarly thereafter.

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From : Dog Warden, Northumberland County Council

You must always keep your dog on a lead when visiting memorial grounds, cemeteries or gardens of remembrance anywhere in Northumberland and on any land classified as an 'A' or 'B' road ,together with adjoining verges etc.

It is an offence not to put and keep your dog on a lead at any time, in any public place if a council official asks you to do so in the interest of public safety.

Leads should be no more than 1.5m in length. You must immediately pick up after your dog if it fouls.

It is an offence to allow your dog to foul land without immediately picking up. This applies to any land in Northumberland which is open to the air and to which the public are entitled or permitted to access (with or without payment).

The fixed notice penalty for any offence committed against the Northumberland County Council (Dog Control) Public Spaces Protection Order is £100 (£80 if paid within my 7 days), to be paid in 14 days. If it isn't paid the Council would normally prosecute the offender in a magistrates' court which could result in



“It’s okay... he’s friendly!”

No. It’s not okay. If you see a dog on a leash - call your dog away.

If your off-lead dog doesn't have good enough recall to be called away from an on-leash dog - don't let them off and take the time to train them.

Please think about the other dogs, not just your own.

Dogs can be on-leash for all sorts of reasons, not just because they are fearful of other dogs. Some reasons to recall your dog away:

- recovering from surgery
- elderly / sick
- restricted exercise
- poor recall
- new rescue dog
- young puppy

Protect your dog: dogs who have poor recall can get into all sorts of trouble. If your dog is bitten (even just once) this could lead to your own dog becoming fearful,

If you need help, send us a message @



From:

Cllr. Simon Chris Miller
BA (Hons) FHCIMA

Ponteland U3A

Due to the current situation, we cannot meet at St Mary's Church Hall until it is safe to do so. However, using Zoom, we are able to give our monthly talks on the first Wednesday of each month at 2.00pm.

The next two events are as follows:

Wednesday 3rd February – AGM including the Chairman's summary and the projects for 2021.

Wednesday 3rd March – "Greggs - From its beginnings to the present day" by Michelle Dobson

Links to these talks will be placed in the relevant Ponteland Facebook groups and on the Ponteland U3A website.

These talks are available for members and non-members alike.

Apologies to those members who do not have internet access but we can only hope that the situation changes before too long.

We welcome enquiries from anyone wishing to join. The contact number is 01661 824953.

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Last updated on 29th March 2020 this is the statement on Gov.Uk website (I will be checking daily for any updates)

"Work carried out in people's homes, for example by tradespeople carrying out repairs and maintenance, can continue, provided that the tradesperson is well and has no symptoms. Again, it will be important to ensure that Public Health England guidelines, including maintaining a 2 metre distance from any household occupants, are followed to ensure everyone's safety"

Therefore if you would like to discuss possible work please contact me and we can talk about your needs.

Also if you are planning jobs for the future please let me know and I will provisionally take the details ready for when things get back to normal....let's hope that is not too far away!

I would like to wish everyone well in our community and further afield.

Thank you and stay safe.

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- ◆ Thursday 11 February 2021 - An Introduction to Local Studies: Northumberland's Heritage at your Fingertips – Kate St. Clair Gibson, Local Studies Librarian
- ◆ Thursday 11 March 2021 –Hidden Histories: Tapping the archives for stories of Black Presence in Northumberland – Jo March, Senior Archivist

To book a place on the talks go to www.eventbrite.co.uk and search for Northumberland Archives.

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