



# Longhirst Leader Extra December 2024

## From the Editorial Group

In producing our October/November issue we bade farewell to Claire Coates, who has done sterling work as Editor over the past few years; she is a hard act to follow. At the same time, we're looking at new technology and new ideas, so this Supplement (which can also be issued in paper format) is to tide us over until mid-December, when the full December/January issue will appear. We don't want you to miss any early Festive Season events, so everything you need to know is here! We take this opportunity to thank Claire for leading the Leader so effectively, and we wish her and her husband Peter well in their new life in Morpeth.

## Seasonal Events

### Longhirst Colliery Christmas Coffee Morning

Friday 29 November 10.30am to 12.30pm

Hot drinks and choice of sweet and savoury £4 and Christmas chocolate novelties, an array of beautiful purchases, a raffle and bottle bag tombola. All welcome. Mary Climson

### Annual Christmas Toy service at St John's Church

Sunday 1 December 2pm

Begin the Christmas season with Advent carols! Donations of toys will be welcomed. The Cedarwood Trust, a Church of England community outreach organisation, distributes these among less well-off families in Meadowell. If you can, please bring a wrapped gift, labelled boy/girl and indicating suitable age group.

### Christmas Coffee Morning & Fayre Longhirst Village Hall

Saturday 14 December 10.30am

Entrance £3 including drinks and a mince pie. Bacon butties £3.50. Deluxe Christmas Hamper raffle, bric-a-brac stall and Bottle Tombola. Everyone welcome.

### Door-to-door carol singing around Longhirst Tuesday 17 & Thursday 19 December

Meet at the Village Hall at 6.30pm. Tuesday 17 December will be touring the village. Thursday 19 December will visit Micklewood, Longhirst Hall and other areas. Please come to help us sing, or join in when we come knocking on your door. Donations go to the Air Ambulance.



## Christmas Pub Night

Friday 20 December from 7.30pm

We are looking forward to seeing new and familiar faces at the Christmas Pub Night for our last pub night of 2024  
Richard & Allison Tordoff

## Christmas Eve Church Services Tuesday 24 December

6pm Christmas Eve Carol Service with choir at St John's Church

11.30pm Midnight Communion Service at St John's Church

Everyone welcome

## NOVEMBER

29	Friday	10.20am – 12.30pm	Christmas Coffee Morning Longhirst Colliery Recreation Rooms
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## DECEMBER

1	Sunday	9.30am	Holy Communion at St John's, Longhirst
1	Sunday	2.00pm	Advent Toy Service at St John's, Longhirst
4	Wednesday		Last garden waste bin collection this year
4	Wednesday	11.45am	Lunch Club in the Village Hall
6	Friday	9.30 – 10.15am	Mobile Library in the Village
8	Sunday	9.30am	Holy Communion at St Andrew's, Bothal
14	Saturday	10.00am	Litter pickers meet at Village Hall
14	Saturday	10.30am-12noon	Christmas Coffee Morning & Fayre In the Village Hall
15	Sunday	9.30am	Holy Communion at St John's, Longhirst
17	Tuesday	6.30pm	Meet at Village Hall for Carol Singing around the Village
18	Wednesday	11.45am	Lunch Club in the Village Hall
19	Thursday	6.30pm	Meet at Village Hall for Carol Singing in other areas
20	Friday	7.30pm	Pub Night in the Village Hall
22	Sunday	9.30am	Holy Communion at St Andrew's, Bothal
24	Tuesday	6.00pm	Christmas Eve Carol Service at St John's Longhirst
24	Tuesday	11.30pm	Midnight Communion service at St John's, Longhirst
28	Saturday		Late BLUE recycling bin collection
29	Sunday	10.15am	Holy Communion at St Margaret's Chapel, Pegswood

## LONGHIRST VILLAGE HALL REGULAR EVENTS

Pilates	Fridays	9.30-10.30am	charlotte@charlottewoodpilates.com
Sewing Group	First & Third Tuesdays	10am-2pm	helenpotts65@gmail.com
U3A	Check Village website for information		www.longhirstvillage.co.uk

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