

# Linkage News

## Services Sunday 10 August 2025



**Carlops Church Worship** - 10am - David Henderson-Howat in church & on [Zoom](#) (see email for link)

**St Andrew's Church Worship** - 11:30 - David Henderson-Howat in church & on [Zoom](#) (see email for link)

**Kirkurd & Newland Church Worship** - 10am – Isobel Hunter in church

**Skirling Church Worship** - 11:30am - Isobel Hunter in church

**Tweedsmuir Church Worship** - 9.30am - Rev. Dr. Tony Foley in church

**Broughton Church Worship** - 11am - Rev. Dr. Tony Foley in village hall

## Communion

17 August 2025

Carlops 10am

St Andrew's 11:30am



Sharing of News & Information

Anything you would like shared should be emailed to

[intimations@standrews-westlinton.org](mailto:intimations@standrews-westlinton.org)

by Thursday lunchtime would be really helpful to allow time to collate and distribute it.

**Minister for West Tweeddale - Rev. Dr. Tony Foley**

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## Favourite Things, Familiar Places

### A Snapshot of a Village

As you may know, The Knot have been awarded a grant by the Co-Op to run a photography project within **West Linton**.

The project will be run by a team of local photographers: Boyd Wild, Niamh Shaw, Lianne Gordon and Annie Brown.

They are looking to photograph as many folk as possible in their own, familiar surroundings, be it indoors or out. Sitters may also like to be photographed with a favourite person, pet or object nearby, the choice is entirely up to them.

The aim is to build up a portrait archive of local people. All are welcome to be included; from old longstanding residents to those new to the Village and everyone else in between.

The project will culminate in an exhibition of prints either in the Village Centre or the Graham Institute, sometime early in 2026. There may also be scope for touring the exhibition further afield and for publishing an e-book.

So, we are looking for volunteers who are willing to be photographed. It is not as scary as you might suppose. Experience so far indicates that there is usually a good chat beforehand and often tea and biscuits are involved as well!

If you'd like to be part of this then please contact any of the above, or in the first instance Boyd via email ([boyd.wild@icloud.com](mailto:boyd.wild@icloud.com)). All participants will receive a digital copy of their portrait.

Here are some examples that have been taken so far to give a flavour of what the images will look like:



David Campbell and the guitar he made



Pete and Jean Macnab and Willow looking out at their favourite view





Come and Pray with us. Join us at 9.45 a.m. in Broughton Village Hall

CHANGE OF DATE FOR AUGUST owing to lots of cyclists passing through Broughton we will meet on Mon 11<sup>th</sup> Aug NOT 4th



We are continuing to pray for the future of Broughton Kirk using contemplative prayer inspired by Julian of Norwich.

“Prayer unites the soul with God. Prayer becomes the witness that the soul wills as God wills.”



THE WHIPMAN PLAY SOCIETY  
PRESENT OUR

# GOLF TOURNAMENT

SATURDAY 6 SEPTEMBER  
WEST LINTON GOLF COURSE

**£80 FOR A TEAM OF 4**

**STABLEFORD FORMAT**

**ON COURSE CHALLENGES WITH PRIZES**

**VARIOUS FOOD OPTIONS DURING THE DAY**

**DISCO AND KARAOKE AT NIGHT**

**BOUNCY CASTLE AND KIDS GAMES**

**BOOK  
NOW**



**OR CALL THE PRO SHOP  
01968 660256**



# GUID BLETHERS

Tea, home baking and chatting with  
friends

Restarting Wednesday 10 Sept. 2025

2- 4pm

Old Church Hall West Linton



Guid Blethers Is about enjoying the company of old and new friends by sharing interests and skills together. Our programme has varying topics of local interest with speakers and other activities.

If you have any questions get in touch with our co-ordinator

**Co-Ordinator** Helen Dry 01968 660 506



## Our Village Talks

Monthly talks and a chance to chat hosted by Carlops Church.

**Friday 12 September, 7.30pm**

*Conservation, Protection & Enhancement*

Andrew Marsden, Chairman, Friends of the Pentlands, will present on the work carried out by the Friends on various topics including woodlands creation, path maintenance and enhancement of the richness and diversity of the Pentland Hills

Raising funds for Malawi (suggested £5 donation per event)



# Have your say on the future of:

- Sport and leisure services and facilities
- Libraries, community assets and halls
- Museums, galleries and visitor attractions



## DROP-IN CONSULTATION AND ENGAGEMENT EVENTS

We are hosting events in 19 settlements across the Scottish Borders.

To find out the dates and times of events near you, please scan the QR code.



Comment cards and suggestion boxes are also available in Live Borders venues for you to provide your views.

For more information visit [www.scotborders.gov.uk/jointreview](http://www.scotborders.gov.uk/jointreview)

No decisions have been made yet and your feedback will play a significant role in shaping the recommendations to be put to Scottish Borders Council in the late autumn.

**LIVE  
BORDERS**



Scottish Borders Council drop in events to discuss the future of the Graham Institute (and other sports, leisure and cultural buildings in the Borders region).

**Monday 18th August 10 am to 2pm at the Graham Institute.**

Please take this opportunity to express your views. And please also complete the survey as well

# JOIN THE ADVENTURE



**BBs meet on  
Tuesday  
evenings:  
email us for info**



**ANCHORS**  
5 – 8 Years

**junior**  
8 – 11 Years

Drop us an email for more information:

**westlintonbb@gmail.com**





CARLOPS

CAFE

Every  
Thursday  
2:30-4:30pm  
Carlops Church

# Table Tennis

Fridays 7 - 8.30pm New Church Hall, West Linton

All ages & abilities welcome

## BABY BRUNCH

Term time  
Fridays 10-11.30am

Old Church Hall, West Linton



Baby Brunch is now on its  
Summer break,  
back Friday 22 August



## Got a problem?

Stressed? Anxious? Depressed?  
Parenting difficulties? Relationship issues?  
Whatever the problem – large or small, recent or  
long-standing, Solution Focused Brief Therapy  
can help.

Ask for an appointment at

# THE OPEN GATE

**In Newlands Centre, Romanno Bridge**

**Fridays 2pm to 5pm.**

Anyone who wants help for their problem is  
welcome, and will be seen by arrangement. There  
is no 'Drop-in'.

**PHONE OR TEXT 07535 898 244**

**SFBT is enjoyable and helps quickly, usually within 1-3  
sessions. All sessions are free and confidential.**





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The minister's benevolent fund offers emergency assistance throughout our linkage areas. If you require assistance please contact us by email. All emails will be dealt with in the strictest of confidence. People may need other kinds of support and we are also ready to help with that or direct you to others who can.

## PASTORAL GROUP

WE ARE A SMALL GROUP OF PEOPLE WHO ARE  
THERE TO OFFER A LISTENING EAR IN CONFIDENCE.

IF YOU KNOW OF ANYONE WHO MIGHT  
APPRECIATE A VISIT PLEASE DO CONTACT OUR  
MINISTER **REV. DR. TONY FOLEY**  
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OR OUR PASTORAL GROUP LEAD **JEAN HOWAT**  
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WE ARE NOT PROFESSIONAL COUNSELLORS BUT  
RATHER SYMPATHETIC LISTENERS.

