



Glendale Local History Society

December 2020 Quiz

We hope you enjoy this *Local History* quiz, which we have created from earlier quizzes we ran.

Your answers need to be completed in one go in the online answer box, so you may like to print out the pdf version of the questions before you start recording your answers!

If you prefer to submit the pdf version with your answers written on it, just put your name and contact details at the top, and send to:

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Answers will be put online for a limited period some time in January!

(This Quiz has been created by Jim Bird, Patsy Healey and Derek Riley)

Questions inspired by past GLHS talks

1. What is the name of the family which owned Biddlestone chapel for over 600 years?
2. What is the year the penny black first came into use?
3. What is the birthplace of Thomas Bewick engraver?
4. 2.25 miles long, 6-3 inches high and 7.0 feet wide: What is it?
5. How many times did Berwick change hands between the English and the Scots?

6. The cultivation of grape vines, worldwide, began in 4000BC, 5000BC or 6000BC
7. What was the name of the monk who wrote the Lindisfarne Gospels
8. What was the date of the Union of the English and Scottish crowns, 1600, 1601,1602,1603?
9. Barmoor was the medieval home of which family?
10. England's 'Rough Wooing' of Scotland was in the 15c, 16c or 17c?

Some questions about the weather in the past?

11. When was this written? (and where does it refer to!)

“ a hamlet, situated in an ill-cultivated country under the influence of vast mountains, from whence it is subject to impetuous rains”

- Around 1300, or 1700, or 1100, or 1500?

12. What was damaged in this storm in 1897?

“A thunderstorm of unusual severity passed over Wooler and neighbourhood (at night).. With peals of thunder both loud and frequent, while flashes of lightning were very vivid. ..A Lightning flash of exceptional brilliancy, (was) followed immediately after by a terrific brattle of thunder, which appeared to shake the very earth. The rain came down in torrents, causing several houses to be flooded, and many ..drains were choked up with sand and dirt” ..

(Berwick Advertiser: 22 June 1897)

13. This bridge was built in 1956, after an earlier wooden bridge was washed away in the 1948 floods. Where is it? Bonus point for the name of the Bridge.



14. In which period since the ice age has the summer temperature been highest?

- 4000s BC, 2000s BC, start of CE, 2000s AD ?

15. What was the problem? (extra point for the location of the School!)

March 26th 1947: the postman reached school today for the first time since February 1st.

Questions about local transport

16. Why was there a gap on the A697 turnpike between Percy's Cross and the Blue Bell Inn?
17. When was Wooler railway station opened: 1861, 1866, 1875; 1887, 1892?
18. Which branch line does the station lie on?
19. What was the name of the proposed railway, never built, to link Rothbury to Wooler via Alnham
20. When did the last part of the Alnwick to Cornhill line finally close: 1948, 1949, 1953, 1958, 1963?

21. What is the common name of the Roman Road which ran through East Lilburn to Berwick?

22. How long did the stage coach take from Wooler to Edinburgh in the 1840's?

23. Name the long distance footpath that runs through Wooler west to east?

24. In which decade was the Wooler and Branton turnpike trust created :1780s, 1790s, 1800s or 1810s?

25. Why did drovers avoid main roads?

Reminders of the First World War

26: Where can this WW1 memorial be found?

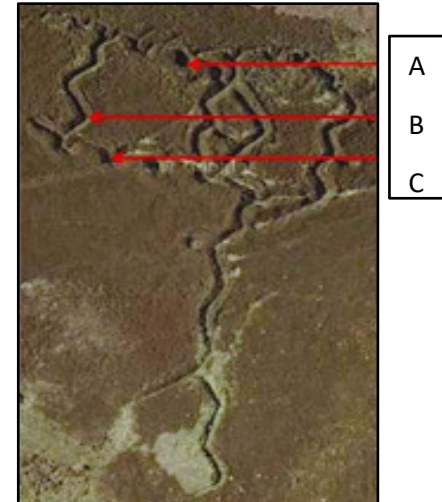


27: The 18th (Service) Battalion Northumberland Fusiliers were formed on 14th October 1914 by the Mayor of Newcastle and the City. Initially billeted in Jesmond they trained at the County Cricket Ground before moving to **XXXXXXXX** in December 1914.



28: Can you label the trenches marked A, B and C using the information below?

1. Communication trench. 2. Front Line Trench. 3. Support Trench



29: The first Auxiliary Hospital opened in Northumberland was in this house. Can you name the house?



The patients at these hospitals were generally less seriously wounded than at other hospitals and they needed to convalesce. The servicemen preferred the auxiliary hospitals to military hospitals because they were not so strict, they were less crowded and the surroundings were more homely.

30: Zeppelin Raids

In the second Zeppelin raid of WW1 Zeppelin L9 flew [over Blyth](#) shortly after 7pm and dropped a bomb on West Sleekburn. It also very probably dropped the bomb on Bedlington. L9 carried 22 bombs

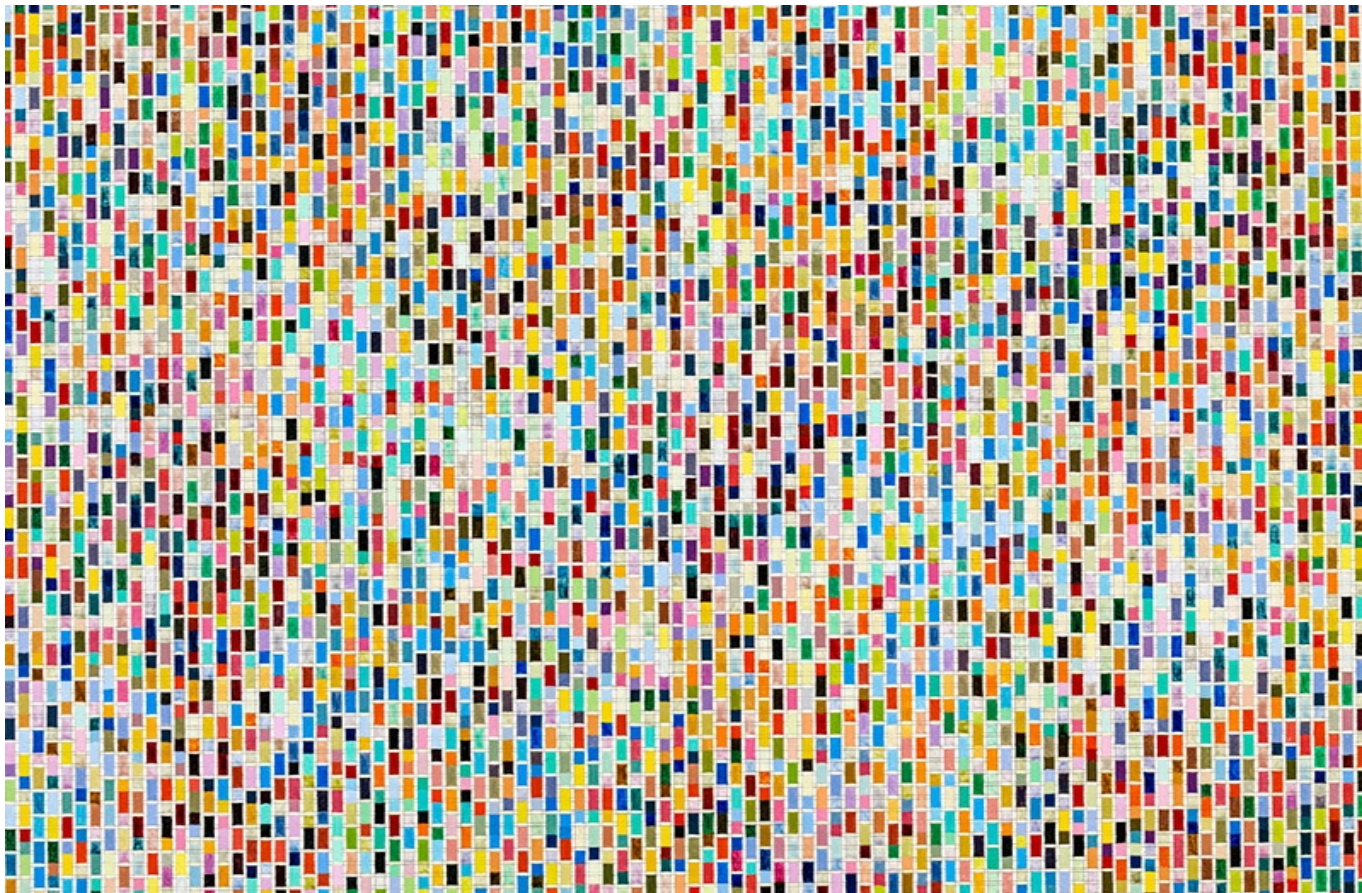
Can you name the year of this raid?

Was it 1914, 1915 or 1916?



Questions about local artists

31. Where does this artist live? Bonus point for the name of the artist



32. Where is this? Bonus question: who is the artist?



33. What is the name of this artist? Bonus point for who he or she work with on illustrations like this?



34. What is the connection between this picture and GLHS?



35: Who is this painter of our local landscapes?



Questions about Great Estates and families in and around Glendale

36: What was the family name of the 1st Earl of Tankerville?

37: Who was Harry Hotspur's father?

38: Where did the Berwick MP who preceeded Alan Beith live? Bonus point for his name!

39: Which family owned Chillingham Castle in the 19th Century?

40: Where is Horace St Paul, who died at Ewart House in 1812, buried?

41: Who created the first family home powered by electricity?

42: In which industry did the 1st Lord Joicey make his money?

43: Which family lived at Lilburn Towers in the 19th century and built the present house?

44: Which family lived at Barmoor Castle in the 19th century?

45: Which Northumbrian family owns the Hedgeley Estate?

Some questions about the Vikings

46: When was the first Viking raid on Lindisfarne?
769, 793, 789, or 797?

47: Which monastery was raided in 794?

48: In 948 a Dane had himself crowned king of Northumbria at York. Who was he?

49: In 2007 a father and son discovered a collection of silver goods valued at £1,082,000. Where was it found?



**50: Which of these shields is Viking:
A? B? C?**



Some questions about our area in mid to late medieval times (Norman to Tudor!)

51: What is the origin of the word 'bastle' (as in bastle houses)

52: Which of these medieval Glendale families had pre-Norman origins?

Muschamp, Grey, Gospatric, Vesci, Merlay

53. An excavation in the mid 2010s uncovered what may be a medieval nunnery, abolished by Henry VIII. Where is it?



54: Why did William the Conqueror, in a vengeful mood, get his half-brother Odo of Bayeux to send troops to Northumbria in 1080?

55: Where is this 'deserted' medieval village?



56: Which product is missing from this quote?

“By 1300, carts were travelling weekly during all seasons from the monastic grange of Redden (near Kelso), carrying corn, XXXX, salt and coal” (Richard Carlton 2009)

57: When was this written? Around 1340, 1740, 1640 1540?

“This part of Glendale lyinge upon the west syde of the said river Tyll ys a very good plenteous and fertyll cuntrye and wyll bere and sustene a great number of men with lyvinge able to maynteyne hourse and harness for defence of the borders there”

58: Where was the Annual Fair mentioned below held?

In 1595, Kerr (of Cessford) planned an ambush of the Storeys (with whom the Kerrs were feuding).

“They went quietly by Weetwood town end, where most of the Fair looked upon them ..”

59: When did the Percy family acquire
Alnwick Castle?

1109? 1309? 1509? 1709?



60. What is this Herd? Bonus point for the century when the first written record of its existence occurs?



Some questions about old routes and roads

61: This bridge has since collapsed. What is its name?



62: The main road through Northumberland ran from Corbridge northwards. Another road, The Devil's Causeway, branches off northeastwards travelling to Hartburn, then **B.....**, then **B....** of th**A.....**, then **L.....** and on to the Tweed.

What are the missing Place Names?

63: What is the name of the Roman Road which runs parallel to the A69?

64: On which Roman road does this fort of Bremenium lie?



65: Where can this milestone be found?



And now some questions about Education in our area

66: In what year did Wooler Secondary Modern School open, replacing the village elementary schools?

Was it: 1947,1953, 1959 or 1961.

67: A Teacher Training College which closed in 1977 occupied which building? Was it:

a)Alnwick Castle, b)Longridge Towers, or c)Berwick Barracks.

68: What was the name of the tiny school in College Valley, which remained an Elementary School until it closed in 1968?

69: Wooler Library used to be located off the High Street.

What was it originally and what is it now?

70: Which school is this? It remains open, one of our smallest schools.



And finally, some questions about World War 11

71: Why are there so many pillboxes around Wooler?

72: What was at Brewery Road, Wooler during the
Second World War

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74: Why was Wooler Youth Hostel built?

75: Where is this War Memorial?

