**BCS Summer Outing for 70th birthday Celebrations**

**Sunday 5th July, 2019**

The day was very successful and seemed to have been enjoyed by all who attended. In total there were 49 people who participated, with 33 enjoying Afternoon Tea. The tea was very tasty and filling, with some of us taking 'doggie bags' back home.

Many thanks should go to Cathy Lennox in particular for all her work, and also to those of BCS who gave out stickers, tickets and so on, as well as the Tanfield volunteers, not the least for allowing a reduction of the cost to make the afternoon affordable. As known in advance, no profit was made for BCS; however, the enjoyment factor made up for this.

The weather on the day was very hot and sunny which largely added to the beauty of the day, and enabled those who had planned walks between stations, to do so. In addition, the veranda at the end of the back carriage enabled those who wished to - especially children - witness the changeover of the carriages on each return.

A slight hiccup at the end - in the form of a minor flood at Andrew's House - meant we had to walk around rather than through the building at the end of the journey. It was a testament to the good humour of all that this was managed easily and with good grace. It was a lovely afternoon out.

**Doreen Lish (Alto Rep) September, 2019**