

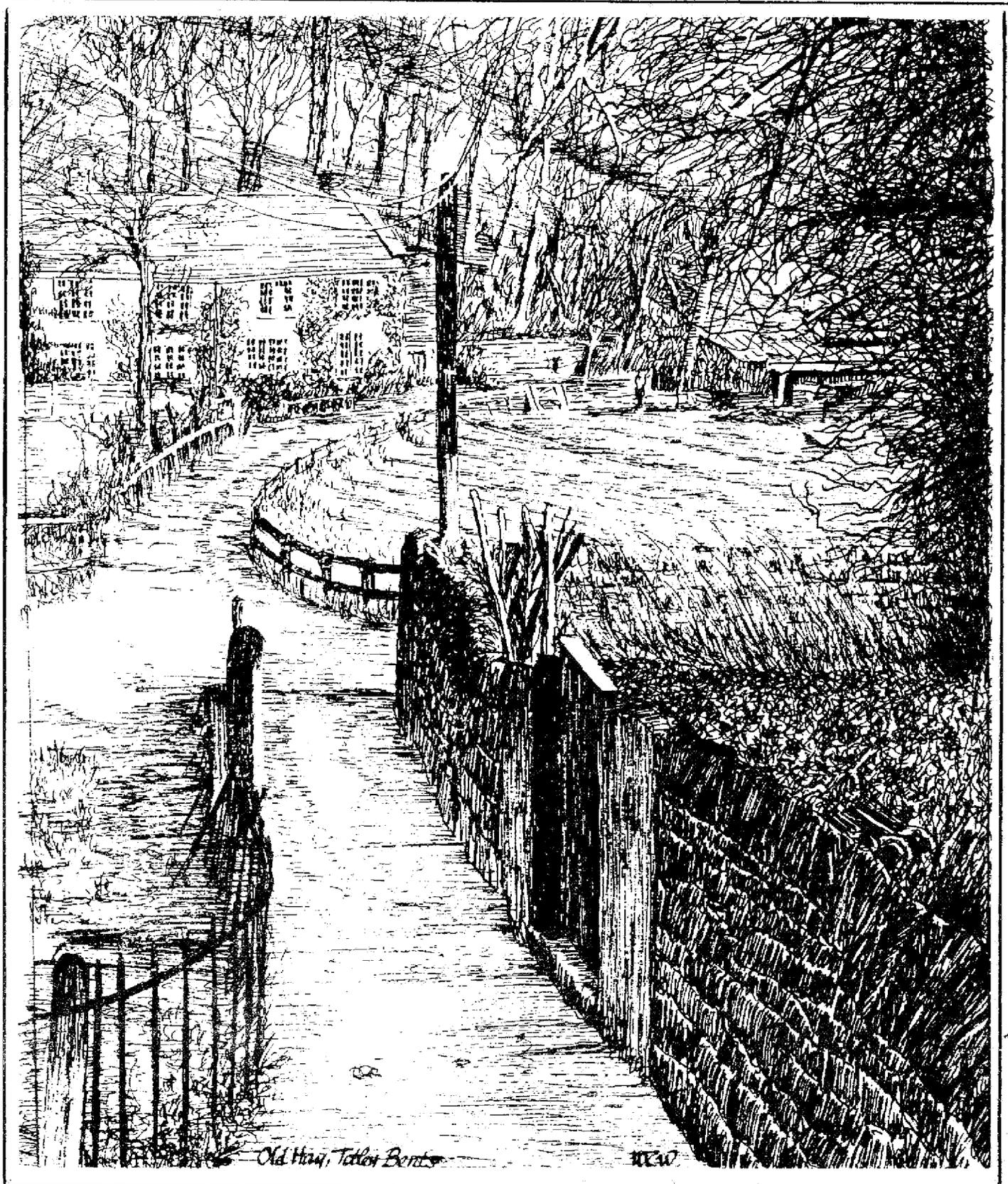
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SHOPPING PRECINCT - TOTLEY RISE

Mr. J.H. Webb has recently written, on behalf of the Totley Rise Retail Traders and the Totley Residents Association, to Ms. Jan Wilson of the Planning and Economic Development Programme Committee, Sheffield Town Hall to once again raise the issue of the dangerous practices of some motorists at the Precincts Baslow Road and Glover Road junction.

The letter is as follows:-

May I bring to your attention my extreme concern regarding the increasing number of motorists who regularly drive through the "NO ENTRY" gate at the top of the Totley Rise Shopping Precinct.

On behalf of the Totley Rise Retail Traders and the Totley Residents Association we are very concerned that unless some action is taken quickly a serious accident will occur. There have been a number of minor incidents already, not only involving motorists, but elderly people also. Listed below are some of the possible reasons why the "NO ENTRY" order is being ignored:-

- vehicles being parked on double yellow lines within an area allocated as a "turning circle" (this sometimes obscures the "NO ENTRY" sign painted on the road).
- One of the "NO ENTRY" signs is missing.
- motorists not wanting to wait at main road traffic lights when showing "red".
- three large waste paper collecting containers within or on the edge of the turning circle

I have recently been informed that over the years, numerous discussions and correspondence have taken place without anyone resolving this ever increasing problem. Several years ago, plans were also considered whereby all vehicles should enter at the top of the precinct and leave at the bottom.

This minor and inexpensive alteration/change (compared to those

recently carried out in other areas of the City) should ensure that motorists have no option than to conform to a "ONE WAY" system and greatly reduce:-

- the possibility of accidents (motorists and pedestrians)
- the number of motorists deliberately or inadvertently driving straight through on to Glover Road and Baslow Road.
- the tail-back of traffic into Baslow Road when motorists are trying to turn into the top of the precinct, but are blocked by motorists ignoring the "NO ENTRY" sign.
- and there would be no need for the existing turning circle and double yellow lines within the wider area of the precinct, thereby increasing the number of parking spaces available on the shopping precinct.

Incidentally it would also seem sensible to consider a "Sleeping Policeman" at the entrance to ensure that traffic enters this congested area at a reasonable speed.

I trust you will give serious consideration to my comments and suggestions, and look forward to your reply as a matter of urgency.

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A NEW BEGINNING AT ALL SAINTS SCHOOL

As you will be aware 1st. September was a very momentous day in the life of the school, as we became Grant - Maintained. This change means that the money which would normally be given to Sheffield City Council for the running of the school is given direct to us.

The Governors now have complete responsibility for the running of the school - paying salaries, buying in any services which are needed etc.

If you have passed down Hillfoot during the last 2 months you may have noticed new building taking place at the front of the school. This is providing us with an enlarged entrance and two new offices. One office will be for Mrs. Kathy Green our Administrator, who has increased duties with the new status. The other office is for me as I need a larger room. My old office will be used partly for storage and partly as a work-room for staff or anyone else involved in classroom preparation. The new building has been paid for partly out of the School Budget money, but also from fund-raising money which has been raised then invested over the last few years and we also received a grant from the Diocesan Board of Education, this is not an enormous amount but it has to be spent on the administration side of school and will enable us to equip the new rooms.

Another exciting development has been school meals. These are no longer provided by Catering for Sheffield but by S.A.Swift Catering from Totley Rise. The meals are cooked on the premises and are of a very high standard. After only one week the number of children taking school meals has increased by 50%. The school Cook appointed by the Caterers is Mrs. Julie Maw.

There has also been staff changes - Mrs. Jane Hore, who had taught at All

Saints for 3 years left at the end of the Summer Term. She moved to Roughwood Infant School, which is much nearer to her home in Thorpe Hesley. We are very grateful to Jane for her contribution to our school, she will be greatly missed and not least for her great Christian commitment. Our new teacher is Mrs. Lesley Charles. Lesley comes from a teaching family, but after leaving school she worked for two consultants at the Hallamshire Hospital for several years, before deciding to follow in her parents footsteps. She trained at Scarborough and obtained her degree in July. Lesley has had a very busy summer as she was married at the end of July. She is a practising Christian being a member of Cemetery Road Baptist Church, we are very pleased to welcome her to our school and hope she will be happy here.

If you would like an opportunity to look at our new developments come to the Autumn Fair at 2-00pm. on Saturday 15th. October.

Joan Stratford

GRASSLAND MANAGEMENT THE ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND ECOLOGICAL IMPLICATIONS

The seminar, organised by the Landscape Conservation Forum will be held on Wednesday 26th. October at Whirlow Grange, Ecclesall Road South, Sheffield.

The fee is £27.50 includes morning coffee, lunch and afternoon tea.

The seminar is intended for all professionals engaged in aspects of grassland management and landscape conservation. To book please contact Mr. Ken Smith, Landscape Conservation Forum, Peak Park Joint Planning Board, Aldem House Baslow Road, Bakewell, Derbyshire, DE45 1AE.

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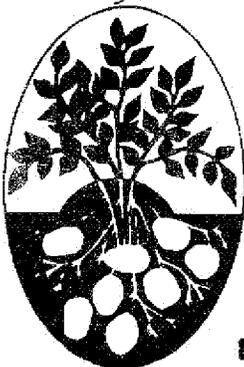
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The objectives of the club were, and still remain, to provide facilities for, promote and encourage the game of Badminton.

To celebrate the 25th. year of the Club, we have designated the 1994/95 season, starting in September, our "Silver Jubilee" season.

A Silver Jubilee Celebration Dinner on 29th. April 1995 will be our major opportunity to mark our 25th. season and we intend to invite all current and past members and committee members. If you know anybody that is an ex-member of the club please ask them to contact me, Gavin Johns, the chairman on Sheffield 368057.

Our beginners club night on Friday evenings, which we started last summer, is now firmly established with the emphasis being of having a good time. We can accommodate more players and this is probably the only club night in the city of its kind. The perfect chance to introduce yourself to this most social of games and the best courts around.

Mondays and Wednesdays see social play of a higher standard, and Tuesdays team standard, all around 7-30 pm.

The junior section is strengthening, with a club session Friday tea time during school term time 5-00 to 7-00pm. and Saturday mornings from 9-00am.. We are also running sets of coaching sessions from time to time in order to improve skills and hopefully produce the team players of the future.

As well as entering some 16 teams in local and Yorkshire leagues we also have our own handicap tournament and host Sheffield and District Association contests, some County matches and have a

programme of "off Court " events such as dinners, discos and quiz nights.

Anyone who would like to visit and sample some of the delights listed above is welcome to contact me on 363046 for further details. Go on! Give it a whirl. It keeps you fit and it's loads of fun.

John Smith

R.S.P.C.A.

The Sheffield Branch of the R.S.P.C.A. will be holding its Christmas Fair on Saturday 5th. November 1994 at St. John's Church Hall, Abbeydale Road South, Sheffield between 11-00 am. and 2-30 pm.

Items on sale will include R.S.P.C.A. goods including Christmas cards, bric-a-brac, second-hand books, cakes and preserves etc. There will be a raffle and refreshments will be available and Father Christmas will be putting in an appearance.

All proceeds will be used to feed and care for the animals which are looked after at the Branch's shelter at 83, Spring Street Sheffield 1.

We look forward to seeing you at the Christmas Fair and if anyone would like to help or donate cakes, preserves etc. please telephone the Shelter on 727542.

The Sheffield Branch of the R.S.P.C.A. would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who donated items for their Summer food appeal and to also thank "Valerie of Dore", the Totley Library and the Halifax Building Society on Baslow Road for being collecting Points for the food.

The Christmas Food Appeal will start in the middle of November. The Sheffield Branch need tinned dog and cat food and mixer biscuits. Please give generously.

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HEALTHY LIVING

Apologies are offered for missing the last couple of issues. As you are probably aware I have spent almost a month in hospital trying to get my "ticker" working properly. It appears that it wasn't getting enough oxygen, however that has been put right and I now look forward to a few more years of healthy living.

I smoke and that hasn't helped my cause one little bit, my consultant at the Hallamshire Hospital spent forty minutes giving me a lecture about the dangers of smoking and the smokers among my readers should be warned that cigarettes are like placing a time bomb under the heart, to say nothing about causing poor circulation, high blood pressure and raised cholesterol levels.

Smokers, particularly those under 50 have a 10 times greater chance of suffering a heart attack than non smokers. Lung cancer is certainly a by product of smoking, the list is endless so if you do smoke think of all the above troubles and try very hard to stop.

That's the bad news, now for the good news, think of all the money you are going to save - "2.50 a day for the rest of your life is worth considering and if you are 50 years of age or less this could be like saving £17.50 per week, think of it £910 per year for 30 years = £27300!! sufficient to buy baby a box of new bonnets.

Anyway should you decide to stop smoking the very best of luck, if not hard lines!

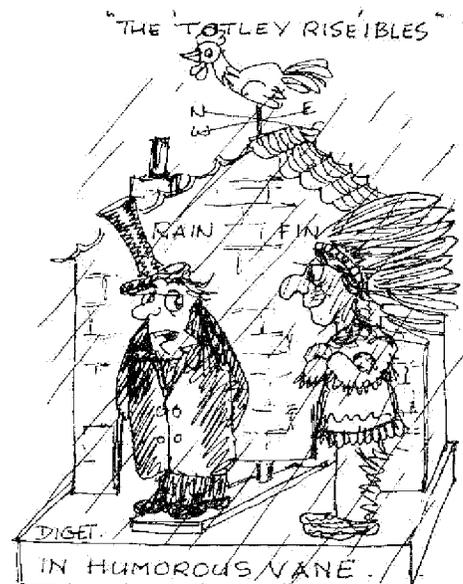
John Scriven

TOTLEY TOM TALES OF A YORKSHIRE MINER

Has anybody got a spare copy of the above book, which they would be willing to part with or who could help me find one ?

My son, who lives in Wales is very keen to obtain a copy.

I have tried the library, various bookshops etc. but have not had any luck so far. If you can help please ring 365476.



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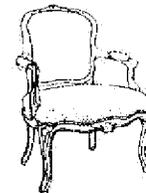
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SCOUT NEWS

1st. TOTLEY SCOUT DRAW AUGUST

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Second prize No. 14 Mr. Monks

This is the last draw in the present scout year but we hope to start the next lottery in November. We would like to thank all who joined for the last year. There were 24 prizes in all and we had 22 different winners.

Peter Casson

Some future events to be held at the 1st. Totley scouts Headquarters on Aldam Road are as follows:-

Tuesday 6th. December Christmas Fair and Coffee and Carol evening from 7-00pm. Everyone welcome.

Saturday 21st. January 1995 - Jumble Sale from 11-00am. Refreshments available.

J.L.

85th. Scouts, St.Johns, Abbeydale

On a weekend in September almost 40 Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and their families stayed at the Rotary Centre in Castleton. Here the lads together with their sisters, Mums and Dads took part in an assault course, cooking, handicrafts, face painting and many more events even our own version of Crystal Maze. Some of the Dads even walked onto Mam Tor via Lose Hill on a lovely early sunday afternoon. Everyone looking forward to the same event next year.

In October we again have our popular Antique Show in St. Johns Church Hall, starting at 10-00am.. There will be many Antique Dealers willing to sell and buy.

Refreshments will be on sale so make a note of the date - Saturday 15th. October.

M.H

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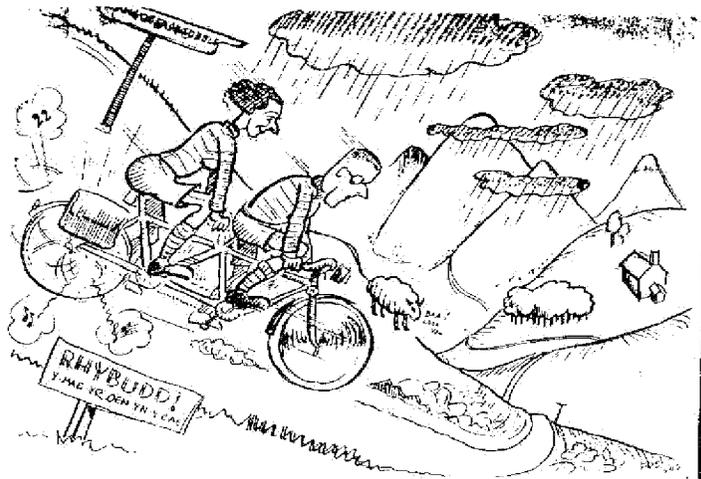
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TALES OF THE UNBELIEVABLE

It was quite delightful to see a troupe of cyclists the other Sunday morning. Two abreast they were speeding into their beloved countryside. I could have envied them - but how times have changed.

Now they have superlightweight machines, and all the clobber of this modern age. The up-to-date cycling shorts, and the jerseys festooned with the names of the leading sports outfitters. sensible too, the protection of the cycling helmet. In those days we wore the traditional flat cap, with the peak turned to the back if extreme speed was anticipated. No cycling shorts, we usually wore a most disreputable pair of flannel trousers, only at one stage in advance of being thrown into the dustbin. Their advanced age being marked by oil freely taken from the cycle chain, especially down the right leg.

However, I very much doubt if tea can be provided nowadays by willing hostesses at 4d. per person per pot. These "pullups" were exceedingly well known to all the cycling fraternity. I came across a series of illustrations the other day. Advertisements of machines of a bygone era - Rudge Whitworth, New Hudson, Royal Enfield, Humber and so on. Where huge upright machines were draped by ladies suitably dressed for the new excitement of cycling. They didn't go in much for topless models in their glossy illustrations in those days. Still it started the wonderful story of the machine, now happily with some resurgence of the healthy pastime. I do not go back to era of knickerbockers and tasselled caps, merely to the time when some machines made locally were familiarly known as "gaspipes", at least



"You can put the brake on NOW".

by their rival manufacturers. Then we could have done with the new multi-geared machines, particularly up such well known climbs as Sutton Bank, Wrynose and Porlock, but at least we had a good look at the countryside as we pushed our machines to the top. Happy days to look back on. Not only by single machine, but we also had a tandem for our rides. This used to call delight to small boys, who would call after us, "Hey-up mister, she's not pushing". A claim which had to be stoutly denied. Nevertheless we did press on almost majestically. Then it was a quieter countryside. This is an area not entirely unknown for its ups and downs. Hills are there which call for increased pressure to be supplied to reach the top.

One hill I remember, was very, very steep, and required so much effort, that, on reaching the top, I had to remark to my partner how steep it had been. "I know", she replied, "and if I hadn't have had the brake on, we would have gone backwards."



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| 12 Fruit cake | R. Carter | J. Pocock | V. J. Loft |
| 13 Shortbread | J. Pocock | R. Carter | D. Styles |
| 14 5 scones on a plate | C. Clarke | R. Garnett | J. Pocock |
| 15 Apple pie | C. Clarke | R. Garnett | I. Zannettou |
| 16 Jam | P. Spalton | D. Styles | C. Clarke |
| 17 Lemon curd | C. Steel | M. Daykin | P. Spalton |
| 18 Marmalade | J. Pocock | C. Clarke | |
| FLORAL SECTION | | | |
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| 19 Table decor's up to 6" | P. A. Finegan | E. Ogley | P. A. Finegan |
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| CUT FLOWERS | | | |
| 23 5 any variety | A. Atherton | A. Sceats | B. Marshall |
| HOUSE PLANTS | | | |
| 24 Any cont. plant upto 12" | T. Steele | A. Atherton | J. Glossop |
| 25 Any cont. plant over 12" | | | |
| FRESH PRODUCE | | | |
| BEST OF DIVISION WINNER | | | |
| 26 1 plate 4 eat apples | A. Atherton | D. O'Conner | T. Steele |
| 27 1 plate 4 cook. apples | M. Hanson | R. Carter | T. Steele |
| 28 1 plate 12 blackberries | D. O'Conner | R. Carter | T. Steele |
| 29 4 matching potatoes | E. Ogley | A. Atherton | J. Pocock |
| 30 1 cabbage | A. Atherton | | |
| 31 3 matching leeks | T. Steele | | |
| 32 3 matching onions | A. Atherton | B. Marshall | T. Steele |
| 33 3 matching carrots | R. Spalton | | |
| 34 5 matching run. beans | A. Atherton | R. Spalton | E. Ogley |
| 35 2 matching turnips | | | |
| 36 1 plate 6 match. toms. | B. Wilson | D. Andrews | T. Steele |
| 37 1 cucumber | T. Steele | R. Spalton | |
| 38 1 marrow | J. Baker | P. Maltby | |
| 39 1 lettuce | G. M. Styles | A. Atherton | |
| 40 Largest onion | A. Atherton | A. Atherton | R. Johnson |
| 41 Heaviest marrow | T. Steele | | |
| 42 Longest runner bean | T. Steele | A. Rose | A. Atherton |
| 28a Plums | R. Garnett | | |
| 31a Largest Potatoe | J. Pocock | | |

ART

BEST OF DIVISION WINNER

43 Oil/Acrylic painting
44 Water colour
45 Pen & ink sketch
46 Pencil sketch

Voice

V. J. Loft
Voice
R. Johnson
V. Ruthven

E. Webster
E. Webster
D. Ruthven

D. Benson
S. Kurcin
D. Ruthven

PHOTOGRAPHY

BEST OF DIVISION WINNER

47 Colour print
48 Black & white print

E. Webster

E. Webster
D. Benson

T. Steele
A.M. Firth

J. Collie

WOODWORK

BEST OF DIVISION WINNER

49 Toy
50 Small Furniture
51 Sculpture

N. Hunter

Voice

D. Maltby
N. Hunter

N. Hunter
F. Davidson

J. Morgan

The Totley Residents association would like to express their thanks to all the judges, Simon Swift of Totley Coffee Shop, Jeff Carroll of Totley Studio for their donations of Division Cups and Jenny Pocock of Totley Fruit Farm for the Shield.

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TOTLEY PINFOLD

Totley Pinfold Garden became as it is now through the work of the Totley and District Environment Society with help from students of Totley Polytechnic back in the late 1970's.

The water troughs were raised from their original position 8 feet below the present ground level where originally they were fed by a spring. They had been covered for over 40 years when the original pinfold had become a dumping ground.

With help from the Totley Residents Association, Mr. S. Bingham, the Totley and District Environment Societies Chairman and only remaining member, intend to have a plaque placed in the pinfold with a little history of the area.

The Pinfold is owned by the people of Totley and help is urgently required to maintain the area in good condition with regular gardening etc. Anyone who would like further details and could offer some help please contact the Editor.



"NOT ABAT THIS SURVEY THAT'S BEING DONE IN TOTLEY ON ROYALTY. - IN MY OPINION IF T PRINCE OF WALES WANTS TO MARRY MRS SIMPSON -
- THEY SHOULD LET HIM!"

TRANSPORT 17

Following a general meeting on 12th. of October at the Totley Library, 7-30pm. the committee have organised a Pie and Pea supper at all Saints Church Hall on Saturday 29th. of October starting at 7-00 pm.

The evenings entertainment will include a Quiz, sing along and a novelty act to surprise all, including the person doing it.

Tickets will be available from the office on Baslow Road.

On a more serious side of things it is becoming more and more difficult to provide the service that Transport 17 prides itself in giving. The reason for this is the shortage of volunteer drivers and helpers for transporting people to luncheon clubs etc. who would not otherwise get out.

If you can help in any way, if for only one day in a week, please contact Michael Finn at the office or telephone 362962.

JOHN WADE SINGERS

The John Wade Singers will be giving a concert at St. John's Church on Friday 28th. and Saturday 29th. of October 7-30pm.

They will be giving a performance of "Cavelleria Rusticana" and "Pagliacci" both evenings starting at 7-30pm..

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Stanage edge nearly bursts at the seams every weekend with rock climbers searching for still harder routes to conquer. Hang gliders soar over the Hope and Edale valleys. Horse riders thrill to the gallop around the Tissington and High Peak trails. Steam railway fans enthuse and dream about a return along the Monsal trail. The motor cycle trial rider can still open the throttle around tracks and disused quarry areas beyond Bradwell moor. The mountain bike has enjoyed supremacy along the Houndkirk Road and tracks of Totley Moss and Blacka moor.

Fell runners hardly seem to pause for breath as they charge through bogs and heather attempting to chip off seconds on a Marsden to Edale and Derwent Watershed race. Water sports abound, and yachts proudly command the waves on Ewden valley and Dovestone Reservoirs. Anglers cast their line for that whopper in glorious Dove dale and Ladybower dam.

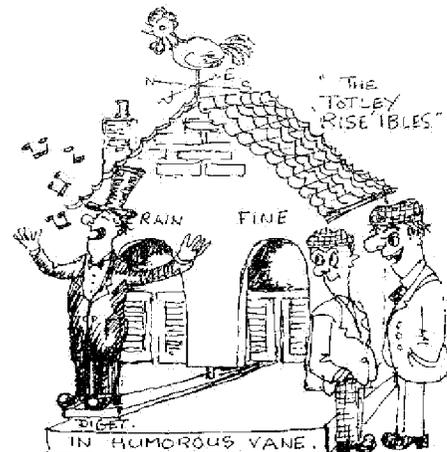
Amongst all these goings on the bird watcher can focus on a Buzzard or Hen Harrier on the heights beyond Mickleden Edge. The Botanist could trace a rare orchid in the hidden corners of Chee Tor. The caver exploring the depths of Eldon or Giants Hole could wriggle into a new chamber to delight the potholing world. Maybe the geologist with his little rock hammer could find a stone more precious than gold in "Them thar hills".

Sprinkle around all the rambles crossing Kinder Scout and bound for the Pennine Way plus the thousands of tourists who visit the stately homes of Chatsworth and Haddon Hall and it present a pretty crowded picture of our 542 square mile park.

One could hardly imagine that there was any room left for more pursuits, but the Peak has many strange secrets. Who could begin to imagine that lying rusting away in the elements lay many war time aircraft wrecks. The high moorlands hold sentinel to over 50 crash sites. Stories related to the courage of gallant aircrews are endless. The hobby known as wreckology will send enthusiasts scouring the countryside for crash sites, for over 2000 aircraft, hostile and otherwise, crashed on the hills of Britain during the last war. If on your travels you find any of these wrecks please leave intact for these are crown property. Permission to dig would have to be sought from the Air Ministry and individual Land Owners. Failure to do this could lead to a prosecution under the National Park Bye Laws (1949). Always be prepared for weather changes on these high moorland slopes, and observe the country code.

Enjoy the heritage of our National Park and who knows you may find a spot that is not so crowded.

John Barrows



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GARDENING TIPS FOR OCTOBER

Well what a good show we had last month. I must say a big thank you to the T.R.A. team and their helpers, everything seemed to go along quite well and everyone who took part or just went to look enjoyed it. Amanda and Pauline did a great job on the entry registration. This is a thankless task and quite demanding, so an extra thank you to them. I hope Les's voice has recovered from the auctioneering role (Eadon, Lockwood and Riddle "beware").

We all look forward to next year, perhaps we will get more entries, as we will be incorporating one or two suggestions made at and after the Show, regarding entry categories so get the garden and your other hobbies organised ready in good time.

FLOWERS. Clear and clean up flower beds and dig over where possible, if soil condition is poor add some of your favourite fertiliser, bone meal is a good slow acting one for general use. A handful to a square yard or a bit more, if you've got a metric handful to a square metre. Firm the soil before planting any Spring bedding displays, such as wallflowers, polyanthus, forget-me-nots, sweet William etc. Any cuttings which are to be kept outside, such as alpinas etc. should be plunged in ashes or soil to prevent frost damage to the roots.

Time now to lift and dry tuberous begonias and dahlias, if you haven't done so earlier and store in a frost free place. Place them stalk end downwards for a week so that surplus moisture can drain away.

Damaging frosts are likely at this time, so bring in any tender plants, you wish to save for next year. Fuschia and geraniums are just two of the most popular. Rambler roses should be pruned and trained. Some need much of the old growth which has borne flowers cutting out and some make most of their new growth from the base. It depends which variety you have, so check this out before cutting. Take up gladioli corms, dry and store.

VEGETABLES. Earth up celery and leeks. Make sure soil is firm around sprouts, stake if necessary and take off any yellowing leaves. Plant out Spring cabbage. If your greenhouse has a bit of space, why not try a bit of late salad crops, lettuce, radish, chives etc. will give a fair catch crop.

Pick any beans day to day up to the frost arriving, onions can be stored by stringing them up in a dry, frost free place. Keep an eye on all stored vegetables and discard any which show signs of disease or rot. Dig any vacant plots and add manure or compost to enrich the soil for next year's crop.

TREES, SHRUBS AND FRUIT. Prepare ground for shrub and tree planting. The gathering of apples and pears must continue as the various varieties become ready for picking. The best test is to lift a fruit gently with slight pressure on the stalk from the thumb, at the same time if it comes away readily it is ready, do not pull at it, only store sound fruits.

Don't let too many raspberry canes form, cut some away, tie the remainder firmly to wires or stakes and cut off the tips.

Prepare sites for planting new fruit trees

in November the soil should be well dug and enriched with well rotted compost or manure and a dressing of bone meal.

Strawberry beds should be cleaned up, remove all dead and damaged foliage also weeds. It's a good time to take cuttings of a good many shrubs and time also to plant heather.

GREENHOUSE and INDOOR PLANTS Time to think about fixing back the insulation before the really cold weather sets in and give those heaters a good clean and trim the wicks on paraffin types.

Chrysanthemums should be brought in before the petals begin to open, or if frost threatens should be brought in at once whether they are showing colour or not.

Keep an eye on ventilation, air should be kept moving to prevent too damp an atmosphere. Make a regular practice of picking off dead leaves and flowers from all types of plants, this will help prevent the spread of disease and decay.

When the foliage of gloxinias and begonias has withered completely the tubers can be removed from the pots, dust them with flower of sulphur before storing them in a dry frost free place.

Schizanthus and calceolarias must not be allowed to become pot bound, pot them on and keep them as near to the glass as possible. Gradually reduce the amount of water given to fuschia, do not let them dry out completely though. Cinerarias want all the air possible at this time, they don't mind being a bit on the cold side, pinch out the tops to encourage bushy plants. Feeding of pot plants must become less frequent with the exception of cyclamen and primulas. Check bulbs being brought on in darkness and water if necessary. Pinch out the tips of winter cherry back to the berries. Plant cape, cowslip, freesia, indoor gladioli, lilies, daffodils, hyacinth and tulips to flower in the spring, keep them dark until the shoots appear. Sow in warmth annuals like clarkia, poor man's orchid (schizanthus) and salpiglossis to flower next spring.

Watch the weather and take precautions when frost or gales or both are forecast, it's no good cursing after you've lost your precious plants.

Cheerio for now.

Tom, Busy Bee

A TRADITIONAL BROAD SHEET BALAD

Navvies - the men who built the roads, canals and railways were a wandering breed. They took their ballads and verses with them, altering the words to suit their location. Here's a piece that would probably be known to navvies on the Totley tunnel brought from Ancoates, Manchester.

For the price of a glass of beer there was sure to be at least one amongst them prepared to stand up and recite "NAVY ON THE LINE"

I am a navy bold, that has tramped the country round,
 For to get a job of work where any can be found,
 I left my native home, my friends and my relations,
 To ramble up and down the town and work in various stations

CHORUS

I am a navy don't you see, I love my beer in all my prime,
 Because I am a navy that is working on the line.

I left my native home on the first of September,
 That memorable day I still remember,
 I bundled up my kit put on my smock and Sunday cap,
 And wherever I do ramble, folks call me happy Jack.

I have got a job of work on the Midland near to Dore,
 But working on the line is the thing that keeps me poor,
 I can use my pick and spade, and my wheelbarrow,
 And I can court the lasses too, but never intend to marry.

I worked a fortnight, and then it came to pay-day,
 And when I get my wages I thought I'd have a play day,
 And then to a little spree in Main Street went quite handy,
 And I sat down in Totley Bents, beside a Jenny Brandy.

I called for a pint of beer, and bid the old wench drink,
 But while she were drinking, she too at me did wink,
 Then we had some talk and in the backyard did tarry,
 Then we jumped over brush and steel and agreed to marry.

They called for liquors merrily the jugs went quickly round,
 Oh, that being my wedding day I spent many a crown
 But when my brass was all done old Jenny went a cadging,
 And to finish up the spree I went and sloped my lodging.

O, know my chaps, I am going to leave the township full of worry,
 And I am sorry for to leave you for I always found you merry,
 But know I call for liquors plenty and drink away my dandy
 And cry out here's health to happy Jack and Jenny Brandy.

CHORUS

M.W.

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BROOK TERRACE REMEMBERED

Dear Ed.

In answer to Brian's request for information on the houses at the bottom of Mickley Lane/Laverdene Avenue.

I well remember the four houses facing Mickley Lane, those illustrated endways on must have been demolished before the war, well before my time. The others were pulled down early 60's or so at the time the road was widened.

The four families living those facing Mickley Lane were:- Windle, Kendrick, Rowe and Rowe, the latter two not related as far as I recall. Childhood memories come to mind:-

Mr.Windle living in the end house (nearest Laverdene Avenue) used to drive a horse and cart delivering groceries for Mr.Taylor whose shop was where the Wine shop is on Totley Rise. The horse very often was kept on the farm at the top of Mickley Lane (Northern Common), owned then by Mr.Windle's brother. As youngsters a real highlight was to collect the horse and some four or five of us would ride down Mickley Lane to the stables of Back Lane where it was put to the cart for deliveries and a repeat journey at the end of the day.

Kendricks lived next door, Don the son, a very good friend at the time, went on to become an Architect (whereabouts now unknown).

Rowe next door, many will remember Harvey the son, particularly those who frequented the Flu' or Cross.

Rowe who lived at the end(Queen Victoria side), a funny story here:- During the war there was a dam built to contain water for use by the auxiliary fire engines based at what is now Marstone Garage. This dam carried quite a depth of mud and silt at the bottom. As lads we used to push sticks down into the mud and by using an upturned jam jar methane or marsh gas was collected, we then used to ignite it, it would burn as if by magic!, certainly to the young impressionable children. By using a longer stick or clothes prop pushed deeper into the mud, more gas could be collected.

The four houses opposite had outside loos in the communal back yard and it was here one could find a clothes prop. The Rowe family must have been protective towards their property as

their prop was kept inside the loo but could just be reached via a small opening above the door - no doubt for ventilation!

One enterprising youngster decided or by popular request was asked to pinch this prop. Unknown to him Mr.Rowe just happened to be sitting on the loo doing what comes naturally. A loud shout followed and Mr.Rowe tried to give chase but was severely handicapped as he soon found out, his trousers and braces were around his ankles.

(Name and address supplied)

Dear Sir

Regarding Brian Edwards' drawing on the front cover of the September Issue of the Totley Independent, may two original Totley Rise-ites (combined age about 150) help to identify the buildings?

If you stood in Mickley Lane about 70 years ago, facing Glover Road end, panning to the right you would see:- Mr. Gledhills House, Harry Green's stable with joiner and coffin maker's workshop over and the four houses of Brook Terrace. In 1930 the families living there were called Bailey, Tate, Bishop and Simpson.

Harry Green became Landlord of the Fleur De Lys, Mr. Gledhill became to live at 85, Baslow Road.

Doug Bishop and Bill Glossop

SEPTEMBER INDEPENDENT

Last month's edition of the Totley Independent had on its front page a sketch of Mickley Lane by Brian Edwards for which I must apologise as the write up was slightly incorrect.

The terrace shown was "Brook Terrace" not "Brock" and "cut flowers" should have read "cauliflowers", close weren't we!



The slab bridge on Big Moor crosses the upper reaches of the Bar Brook which then flows down through Baslow and into the Derwent. Nearby was the village of Leash Fen said to have disappeared into the bog. Just over the Curbar Gap Road is the small mill dam for the leather mill which must have belonged to this long vanished community.

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- THURSDAYS OPEN DOOR, United Reformed Church, 10-00a.m.- noon
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- SAT. 8th. DORE MALE VOICE CHOIR, Greenhill Methodist Church Hall, 7-00pm. with
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- SAT 8th. AUTUMN FAIR, National Childbirth Trust, Dore Old School,
- MON. 10th. TRANSPORT 17 GENERAL MEETING, Totley Library, 7-30pm.
- WED. 12th. JEWISH CUSTOMS by Mrs. Isaacs, Totley Rise Methodist Church, 8-00pm.
Wednesday Friendship, all welcome.
- SAT. 15th. ANTIQUE FAIR, St. Johns Church Hall, 10-00am. (Details inside)
- SAT. 15th. ACORN PLAYGROUP 21st. BIRTHDAY PARTY, 2-00pm. to 4-00pm. United Reformed
Church Hall, Totley Brook Road.
- FRI. 14th. TOTLEY LADIES EVENING GUILD, Peakland Rockscapes by Mr.A.F.Taylor
Abbeydale Hall 7-30 pm.
- MON. 17th. WALKING IN THE HIMALAYAS by SHEILA DYSON. An illustrated talk organised
by the T.R.A., Totley Library, 7-45pm. Tickets free from the Library.
- TUE. 18th. TOTLEY TOWNSWOMENS GUILD, Methodist Church Hall, 10-00am.
- WED. 26th. ONE WORLD WEEK, PEOPLE ON THE MOVE IN ARGENTINA, Speaker Rev. Roy Arnold
Totley Rise Methodist Church Hall, 8-00pm.
- SAT. 29th. TRANSPORT 17 PEA & PIE SUPPER, All Saints Church Hall 7-00 pm. Tickets
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- SAT. 29th. DORE MALE VOICE CHOIR, Hathersage Memorial Hall, 7-00pm. with Conductor
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- FRI./SAT 28th./29th. JOHN WADE SINGERS CONCERT, St. Johns Church, 7-30pm. Details
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NOVEMBER

- SAT. 5th. CHRISTMAS FAIR, R.S.P.C.A., St. Johns Church Hall, 11-00am. Details inside.

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