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Summer Lane, Winter 1998

*A Merry Christmas
and a Happy New
Year*

CHRISTMAS CHURCH SERVICES ALL SAINTS CHURCH

December

Friday, 7th. Carols by Candlelight - a Christmas evening in the Hall to bring your friends to.

Saturday 8th. An Alpha Celebration & Carols by Candlelight - in the Hall.

Saturday, 15th. 8 am. Prayer Breakfast - in the Hall.

Sunday, 16th. 10 am. "It's a Party" - a Christmas musical presented by the Alive Gang - in Church.

6.30 pm. Carol Service, by candlelight.

Sunday, 23rd. Normal Services

Christmas Eve 4-00 pm. Crib Service - Christmas gifts for Russia via CSW.

11-30 pm. Holy Communion

Christmas Day 8-00 am. Holy Communion

9.30 am. Family Service (45 minutes)

TOTLEY RISE METHODIST CHURCH

December

Sunday 2nd. 10-30 am. Toy service. Toys for NSPCC and the Family Service Unit.

Sunday 9th. 5-00 pm. Service led by Chris Kirk and the children.

Saturday 15th. 10-00 am. to 11-30 am. Mince pies on the "Rise"

Sunday 23rd. 6-00 pm. Carol service.

Monday 24th. 11-15 am. Holy Communion at Dore Methodist Church.

Tuesday 25th. 10-00 am. Christmas Celebrations.

SAINT JOHN'S CHURCH

December

Sunday 9th. 10-00 am. Christingle

Monday 24th. 5-30 pm. Family Service.

DORE and TOTLEY UNITED REFORMED CHURCH.

Everyone in the Sheffield South Group of the U.R.C. is delighted to welcome Miss Jane Rowell as part of our ministerial team. After several difficult years the group is now fully staffed.

This is Jane's first ministerial role. We are sure she has a great deal to offer us and will, no doubt, also present us with some challenging opportunities. We look forward to working with her and ask for God's blessing on all the team and their work.

We warmly invite you to join us, especially over the Christmas period to the following services.

Sunday 9th. 10-30 am. Parade Service and decoration of the Christmas tree.

Sunday 16th. 6-30 pm. Carol Service.

Sunday 23rd. 10-30 am. Christingle Service.

Tuesday 25th. 9-30 am. Christmas day service.

Our best wishes to you all for a blessed Christmas and a happy and peaceful New Year.

CONGRATULATIONS

Our congratulations are due to Mrs. Joyce Heavington of West View Lane, who has recently been awarded the W.R.V.S. long service medal for her work at Lodge Moor and later the Northern General hospitals.

PENNINE WAY HYMNS

Stanley Chandler has recently published another limited edition collection of his hymns and tunes.

With the title, *PENNINE WAY HYMNS* it is a musical journey along the 260 mile walking route which starts outside the *Nags Head* at Edale and finishes at the small village of Kirk Yetholm in the Scottish Borders.

The collection contains 36 hymns named after various locations along the route such as Kinder Scout, Black Hill, Pen y Ghent, Cauldron Snout, Dufton, Slaggyford, Greenhead through to Kirk Yetholm.

The hymn collection contains a number of seasonal hymns as well as praise and worship items. Most of them are very singable with descants being added to seven of them.

Stan likens the journey along the Pennine Way to the Christiann Journey. He has walked along a lot of the route but has been prevented from doing the last 56 miles from Hadrians Wall this year by the Foot and Mouth epidemic, from which the Peak District was mercifully spared.

Copies of this limited edition collection are available from him direct, price £4 from "Aisgill", 3 Aldam Croft, Totley, S17 4GF.

A copy is available at the Library for perusal.

R.S.P.C.A.

Christmas appeal

In the midst of all the charity appeals please think of the homeless animals at the Spring Street Shelter. Totley Library and our local "Late Shop" Co-op have kindly had collection points for tins and complete dried food for dogs and cats all year round, for which we are very grateful. They are joined across the Christmas period by the Halifax Building Society on Totley Rise, who also have a collection box for food. The Shelter is nearly always full, taking 20 dogs and some 70 cats, and the food bill is considerable. Please do help with a tin or two if you can.

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TOTLEY BASED STAMPEDE DO IT AGAIN



The Youth Inline Roller Hockey Team based out of Totley and managed by Andy Brewster (an original Totley Plodder) has retained the British Inline Skater Hockey Association (BISHA) Division 1 league title.

In the final match of the season Stampede had to play the Raptors who were leading the league by one point. Whoever won the game would win the title with the losers coming second!

The scene was set, the packed crowd was tense and the players looked apprehensive. Enter mental gurus Bonsai Kidman and Kamikaze Kev, players were focused, the job in hand established. Nico in net really thought he was a solid brick wall! The Mums screamed gentle encouragement to

their siblings whilst wearing false donkey ears with tinsel between them (sounds like the Mums on a normal day!).

Although Raptors managed a single goal the boys stayed focused and ran out 4 - 1 winners. Ron Shudra will present the team with the trophy on the ice at the Steelers versus Nottingham Panthers game on 1st December following a private presentation of Certificates.

Next season (January - October) the team will be fielding two teams at U14 & U16 levels but will be without a sponsor following a decision by Vesuvius not to sponsor the team for a third year due to the current market conditions. This decision and rising costs has resulted in Stampede merging with the Bassetlaw Beez. The club will operate under a new name but still be based out of Totley with Andy Brewster and Lee Kidman managing the teams and Kevin Walker running the club affairs.

If you know any company that would like to sponsor a successful club's shirts or games please ask them to contact Kevin on 235 1862. The game is not a cheap one for players with an average kit (helmet, body armour, elbow pads, padded shorts, shin pads, roller boots, gloves and stick) costing in the region of £500.

On a positive note I would like to finish by thanking the Totley Residents Association for their support in granting the club £250 from their youth development fund towards new equipment. Their investment resulted in another trophy for Totley. Checkout the photographs on the Residents Association web page on www.totley.org.uk.

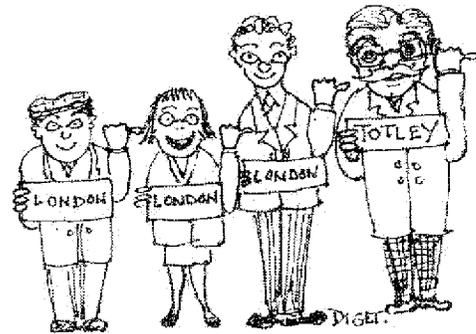
Kevin Walker

CHILDREN IN NEED

The recent raffle in Totley Library in aid of "Children in Need" raised in excess of £400 and Mrs. Mary Marsh would like to say thank you to all who donated to the event.

The winning tickets were drawn on November 16th. The winning tickets, both on white tickets were 228 and 613 winning a pair of Parchment Pictures of a Swan and a Japanese Cushion.

Mary B. Marsh



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ACROSS THE ROOF OF BRITAIN. THE HARD WAY.

A lone walk from Land's End to John O'Groats.

My youngest son Roy, who until recently had been living in Shrewsbury, returned to his home City of Sheffield and greeted me with the news that before he settled back at work he wanted one last big adventure to walk the length of Britain. Namely from Land's End to John O'Groats.

I was rather taken aback with this quest but like a chip off the old block I knew he had the courage to complete this long walk.

His past adventures had been long trips to the Canadian Rockies, French and Swiss Alps and Norway etc. plus the Pennine Way, West Highland Way, Offa's Dyke and even the tough Cambrian Way.

He planned his route to take a 'Back Packing' trip across the hills and dales, no main roads to walk like so many sponsored trips that have been done in the past.

He left Land's End on August 14th. along the coastal path through Cornwall and Devon, his intention was to stay in Youth Hostels on this section but had to camp most nights because the Hostels were booked up with family groups; no provision for the wayfarer, nowadays this is a business.

After several nights camping he managed to get accommodation at Ilfracombe, Lynmouth and Minehead Hostels. 220 miles completed so a day's rest was enjoyed. So far the weather had been perfect.

The next section was the Brendon Hills, the Quantocks and Mendips of County Somerset, Bristol, Severn Bridge to Chepstow and another 100 miles completed.

Offa's Dyke route via Kings Green and the lower Wye valley to the lovely Malvern Hills. Staffordshire way via Cannock Chase to Uttoxeter and on to Ashbourne for more camping nights around Dove Dale. From here along the Tissington Trail to Monyash, Monsal Head and a Peak District rendezvous at Litton village where he stayed at the home of a friend. After another day of rest he headed for Edale completing another 200 mile stretch. Familiar ground across Kinder Scout, Bleaklow, Blackhill, Studley Pike, Bronte country to Skipton area where large sections of the Pennine Way were closed due to Foot and Mouth restrictions.

Undaunted he pushed on on 'B' roads past Malham, Keld, Swaledale, Teesdale, Hexham, skirting Kielder Forest returning to the Pennine way. Tracks over the Cheviots and the Scottish border to Melrose Youth Hostel.

This rated another days rest after another 270 miles slog. From Melrose across the Eildon hills to Peebles bypassing Edinburgh to Falkirk and finally joining great scenery of the Trossachs around Flanders Moss, Callender, Loch Tay and Rannoch Moor where he tackled his first Munro of Ben Vorlich and then Ben Chonzie. Pushing on to Kenmore and the stretches of the Forest of Athol, further wild camping and mountain bothies for well earned slumber, often lulled to sleep with the barking of reindeer in the distant forest. In civilisation at last at the village of Kingussie where he stayed at the local inn.

Crossing the next big sprawl of the Monadhliath Mountains took 3 days where he forded the Findhorn river passing superb waterfalls on route to the city of Inverness where he stayed at the Youth Hostel. A 260 mile stretch from Melrose earned him another day's break. The weather was pretty grim after he left Strathpeffer with plenty of tough hills still to tackle. It took him a full day to scale the summit of Ben Wyvis 3432 feet and down to Loch Glass, more wild camping

before the luxury of Bed and Breakfast at Lairg. From Loch Shinn he skirted the slopes of Ben Klibreck to the shores of Loch Choire. He then crossed the bogs of Strathnaver to the hamlet of Bettyhill along the northern coastline. Head down into the wind from Bettyhill he strode along the coast road for 35 miles to the township of Thurso.

He took a day's rest at the hotel before the last lap to the bleak outpost of John O'Groats. The last leg from Inverness had been approximately 200 miles.

Finishing the trip after 1300 miles he had completed the walk by October 29th. His rucksack weight had been about 35lbs. and his boots had stood up to the test. He looked as fit as a fiddle on his return, his only complaint was the breakfast portions at the hostels had been poor.

John 'Campy' Barrows

Totley All Saints' School Reunion

Over the last 12 months or so we have held two re-unions of past pupils. A very enjoyable time was had by all meeting up with people after all these years.

The following list is of people who attended the Re-unions in October 2000 and April 2001.

Mrs Dilys Cooke teacher.

Sheila Bentley (Cooper), Anne Biggin (Rose), Brian Bowie John Bowie, Margaret Bowie (Monfredi), Ray Browes (Croydon), Pam Busby (Littlewood), Bob Carr, Jim Couldwell, Pat Creswick (Borland), Roy Darby Christine English (Betts), Gerald Fidler, Bill Fisher, Graham Gregory, Doreen Hammerton (Glover), Jack Handley Peter Hassall, Brian Higgott, Elva Higgott (Theaker), Peter Higgott, David Holding, Betty Hoyland (Clark), Pat Hoyland (Crappier), Ann Hussick (Shaw), Howard Jackson, John Johnson, June Morrell, Beryl Parkin (Coe), Brian Pearson, John Perkinson, Annette Reynolds (Sinclair), Carole Reynolds (Thurkettle), Dan Reynolds, Isobel Reynolds Gethin Robinson, Rony Robinson, Anne Russell (White), Gloria Santry (Walton), Geoffrey Seddon, Judy Sharman (Stacey), Sidney Shaw, June Smith (Heald), June Storey (Burton), Michael Storey, Betty Sykes, John Sykes, Doreen Taylor (Thornton), John Willd, Marjorie Wild (Harrison), Derek Wilkin, Ann Willars (Burns), Shirley Winnfield (Rodgers), Frank Young.

It is hoped that we can all get together again along with probably a few new faces in the Spring of 2002 possibly early April a date will be announced in the February Independent.

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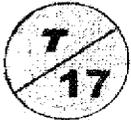
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Alison Bushnell



Transport 17

On Wednesday, 12th. December Jack Cresswell will be playing carols on the organ at Dore Methodist Church. Jack is one of our drivers and is Choir Master at Frechville. He is involved in all sorts of music.

He will be playing at 11-15 am. or thereabouts. This will be for the lunch club but they have kindly said that if anyone else is out shopping or would like to come along, coffee will be served beforehand in the hall. The offer does not extend to lunch! Come and start off your Christmas festivities and get into the real spirit of this season. Get there about 10-45 am. please.

We have sadly lost some of our club members, staff and passengers during the year. We send our love and thoughts to all their friends and families at this time.

Our thanks to all our supporters, the local Churches, post offices and shops. Special thanks go to all at the library and Busy Bee. I don't know what we would do without the last lot!

Keep safe, have a lovely Christmas and we hope 2002 will be more peaceful.

Margaret Barlow

BANG, BANG, BANG!

Dear Ed.

I just wondered how many Totley Residents, regardless of age, are worried and frightened regarding the excessive noise of firework bangers. I found November 5th. and days before and days after very disturbing.

I hope somebody, somewhere could arrange for a petition to be presented to Parliament for legislation restricting the manufacture and importing of bangers.

The loud bangs produced were reminiscent of the Sheffield Blitz and wartime.

Being a senior citizen and might I add not a "spoilt sport". just one who likes things in moderation with consideration for

fellow humans and Gods other creatures who must also be terrified? A senior citizen, (Name and address supplied.)

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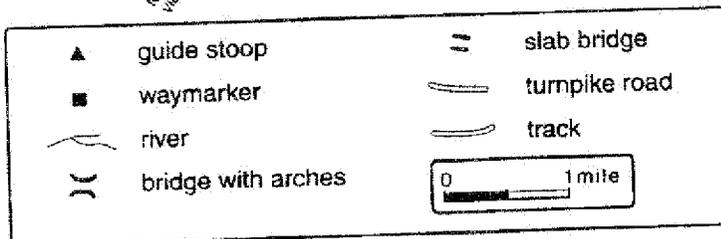
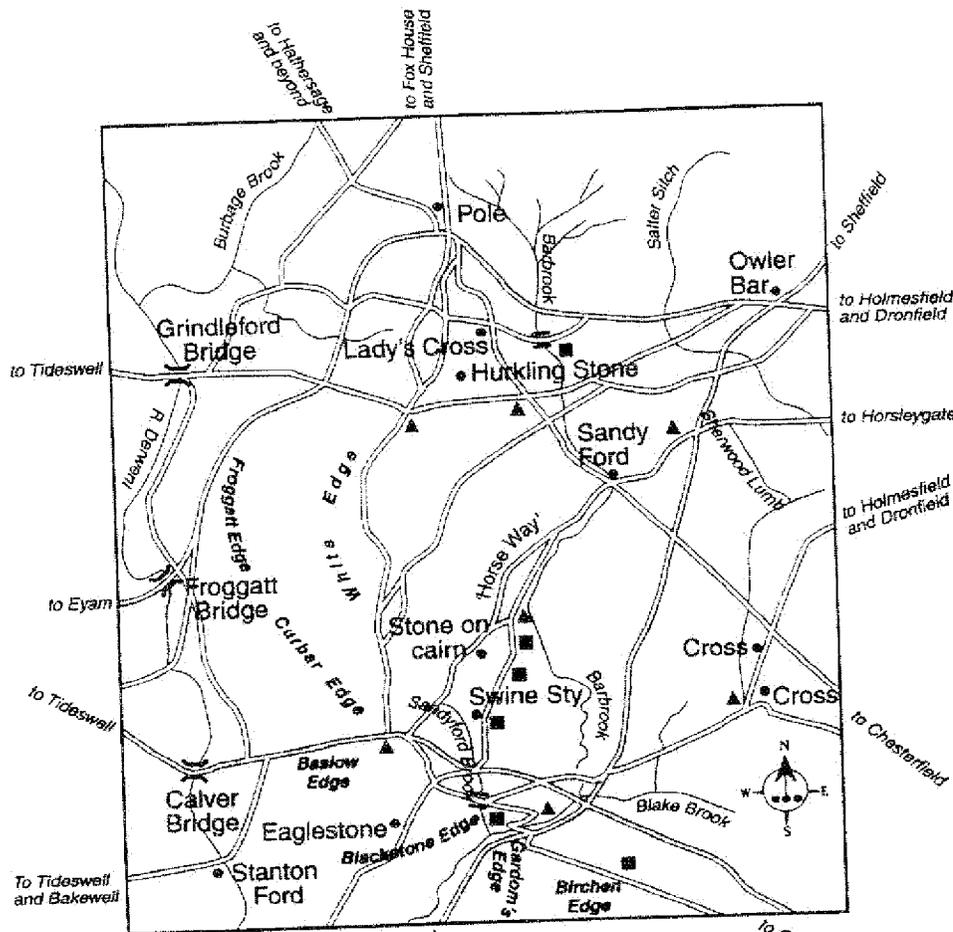
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cart ways that crisscrossed Big Moor south and west of Owlter Bar. Then David discusses the carriage of goods and the carriers, with details of the packhorse trains, wagons and coaches. Our own Old Hay (Olda) gets a brief mention and we also learn that local strings of packhorses carrying lead were in the charge of a man known as a Jagger. One such man Thomas le Jager was alive in Little Longstone in 1316, and of course there is Jagger's Lane in Hathersage. In fact the local lead industry is described in graphic terms 'Long trains of packhorses were standing in the village street (at Chelmorton), and stretching back to the mine, waiting to take their panniers full of ore to the smelters'. During the 16th century, lead was brought over by this method from Ashford and Castleton to the lead smelting mill at Oldhay, Topley, and then subsequently on to Bawtry for onward shipment by boat. David Hey describes the other trades, such as agriculture, coal salt etc., using these old roads and it is not surprising when we read of traffic jams even then! Packmen, Carriers and Packhorse Roads', published by Landmark, is fascinating reading and impinges on many aspects of local history. It is available from local bookshops in hardback, price £19.95.

Brian Edwards

I was delighted to provide a few illustrations for 'Packmen, Carriers and Packhorse Roads' by David Hey, a much respected local historian in South Yorkshire and North Derbyshire, the area covered by the publication. This updated edition of a much sought-after book, first published in 1980, is particularly relevant to our area which is so rich in ancient trackways, bridges and guide stoops. David is Emeritus Professor of Local and Family History at the University of Sheffield and has produced and collaborated on a number of books including 'The Oxford Guide to Family History' and 'Family Names and Family History'. As the economy of the nation rapidly improved during the reign of Elizabeth I, there was considerable development of trade and the resulting need to provide the roads necessary to carry goods. The book examines the evidence on the ground with maps and illustrations giving the local road network. One map clearly details the large number of packhorse and



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THE GHOSTS OF CHRISTMAS PAST by Don Ashford

As the so-called Festive Season draws near again I find myself looking back to the past, trying to remember Christmas events in my life.

In truth I can remember only two events from my childhood, though I am sure this is due to my poor memory, and not any neglect by my parents. I do recall one Christmas Eve when I must have been about three. My dad had been out with one of my mother's brothers for a celebratory drink. They returned to our house in quite a jovial mood, and uncle Bill insisted my brother and me be got out of bed to give us a Christmas present, much to my mother's annoyance. This was probably a bar of chocolate, nothing like today's exotic toys, but very welcome I'm sure. The other memory is a later one, stemming from the 1930s rather than the 1920s. The occasion was a Christmas tea at my grandmother's house. What I remember is not the tea but the taking of the photograph afterwards by my uncle and his future brother in law. The plate camera having been set up on a tripod we awaited the taking. In those days cameras with built in flash had not been invented but Uncle Cyril and Bill (not the same Bill as the one above) were keen photographers so that presented no problem. Uncle was the cameraman and Bill operated the flash - magnesium powder on a sort of metal gun arrangement, set off by a trigger. This provided not only a blinding flash, but also dense clouds of white smoke. It turned out a very clear photograph, which has been seen by scores of people over the last 70 years or so, though disappointing in one respect. I cannot recall any viewer commenting on what a smart and handsome lad I was. All comment on the HP sauce bottle prominent in the centre of the table. These two photographers allowed me to spend hours with them in grandma's cellar, "helping" to process their photos, and this sparked off my interest in the hobby. My next memory is from the late 1940s. I was not a RAF Brylcream Boy but, like most young chaps in those days, I did plaster my hair down. When Brylcream was not available in the war time shortages, I used a home made concoction. Of course in those days, just as now, a lot of time was spent in deciding what should be given for Christmas presents. On the occasion of which I write, there was a lack of consultation among my relatives and friends. The result was that I finished up with 11 jars of the newly available Brylcream.

My next tale is from the first Christmas after we were married in 1950. My wife's sisters and families decided, almost at the last minute, to come to us for Christmas lunch. We had to do some frantic last minute shopping to cater for the enlarged gathering, and remember food rationing was still part of everyday life. The only bird our butcher could produce was an old, not to say ancient, boiling fowl, complete with head and claws. Neither of us had a clue how to deal with this. An operation took place on the back door step. The head and claws were inexpertly removed using a firewood axe discovered in the coal cellar of our rented accommodation. The bird was then cooked in a pressure cooker, one of our wedding presents, before a final browning in the oven. Believe me. I have never tasted a more succulent bird at any subsequent Christmas lunch, however posh the venue. When children came along Christmas, of course, had a different focus. I think their participation in preparations gave as much pleasure as anything, helping to make the cake and the pudding, making and putting up the decorations, collecting holly, making cards for "favoured" relatives and so on, as well as visits to Santa's grotto. The grotto, which most impressed me from long ago, was in Atkinson's temporary store on the opposite side of the Moor to their present

premises. It was on several floors on one of the staircases of the building - perhaps some other readers remember it. However, all our daughters have nostalgic memories of visiting Santa in his log cabin at the bottom of the Moor before the rebuilding, and subsequently a similar set up in the Peace Gardens. As I recall these visits took place on Christmas Eve. No presents were given but Santa involved the children in conversation, telling them at what time he expected to arrive at their house, and would they please leave a mince pie and a drink for him. They loved it. Of course they had ideas of what they would like from Father Christmas. On one occasion our second daughter had been studying a toy catalogue and decided she would like a "catalogue train". This was a simple clockwork engine pulling a couple of coaches on a small circular track, and this was safely delivered by Father Christmas. That Christmas afternoon she and her older sister had a whale of a time behind the settee, one sitting in the box the train came in' and the other in the lid. No doubt they travelled on imagined journeys, children's imaginations being far more wonderful than the most sophisticated toys.

On another occasion our daughter got a conjuring set. Now those of you with experience of children will know what happens. They expect to be able to perform all the magic tricks with no practice beforehand and our 7 year old lassie was no exception. The trick she decided to show us was the one where a piece of paper ribbon is torn into pieces, put into the conjuror's mouth, and magically reproduced from the mouth as a continuous strip. For those of you who are unskilled in magic, I will explain how the trick is done. Before the trick is performed the conjuror has to secrete the roll of paper in the mouth. This does nothing for the conjuror's speech when giving instructions about tearing the paper etc. It also seems to induce increased salivation so that the roll quickly becomes a wet, soggy mass too weak to be pulled out as a continuous strip. So all that was produced was a succession of wet bits of paper and tears as the audience dissolved into helpless laughter. She abandoned any thoughts of a career as a conjuror and became a librarian instead. I must remember to ask her if she ever reads books on conjuring. Enough of my rambling. I know it is sometimes very difficult to think of a suitable present for some people even though there is so much on offer each year from about August onwards. Here is a suggestion, which may be helpful if you are stuck. I read that an Insurance Company is offering a policy for £10 to guard against being abducted by an alien. The payment is quoted in thousands of

pounds. I haven't seen the policy so I am not clear how you collect it if you qualify to make a claim. Apparently hundreds of people who have taken out the policies do not see this as a difficulty. Happy Christmas. Don Ashford



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GARDENING TIPS FOR DECEMBER 2001 and JANUARY 2002

What can I say about gardening in the wintertime, not a lot, wrap up warm if you can get out to finish that bit of digging over you started, or get out in the warm greenhouse and do a bit of talking to your plants in there. You could clean and polish all the gnomes and statues which might be looking sad (you would look sad if you had to sit in a cold garden all winter) the paintwork on fences and huts could do with a coat if it hasn't been done of late.

I have neglected my old hut because one side was awkward to get to and now it needs major surgery to put it right. I should have taken note of my own advice; it pays in the long run.

We've not a bad year; it was a bit damp earlier on but turned out quite nice later. They say the rain is due to global warming, I didn't notice if the rain was any warmer, did you? We didn't have a lot of excess sunshine either; perhaps they got it all wrong. It should be called global wetting perhaps. I managed to get my summer house completed in time to have some pleasant comfortable lunches and teas in there, Christine calls it a Tea House of the August, as it was finished about then and it has an oriental style about it. She has made a comment about the topping (Finial) it's supposed to look like a lotus flower. She says it looks more like a man trying to get out of the roof.

I've been thinking about those people who can't get out much and have to sit indoors most of the time, gardening to them must be a far off and reflective thing going back into your memories of gardens past, and enjoying whatever view you have out of your windows, we "fit" gardeners must be thankful that we can get out and about building up our memories for later.

May I take this opportunity to wish you all a happy Christmas and a joyful gardening New Year.

Flowers.

Dig any vacant ground and top dress with a good manure or fertilizer, if you are putting in bedding plants next season don't over do the fertilizer or they will make more green than flowers. A touch of bone meal or hoofhorn will do nicely. Make sure your insulation around the plants which are likely to be affected by frost is adequate, straw or agricultural pease or even newspaper can help (newspaper can only be used where it is a sheltered spot, otherwise it goes all soggy and freezes up). You can take root cutting at this time, oriental poppies, perennial verbascums, anchugas and phlox can be propagated this way, dig up a root mark the top cut into small pieces about an inch long noting the up end, push them into a sandy compost in a well drained box or pots. The tops of the cuttings should be just level with the soil. Place in a greenhouse either warm or not and water moderately. They will be slow at shooting, and in late spring when they are properly hardened off the small plants can be established outdoors. Check dahlia tubers in store, cut out any rotting bits and dust the cuts with flower of sulphur. Prune clematis, jackmanii and the hybrid types. Increase stocks of rhododendron and azaleas by layering, that is bending one of the lower branches down to earth and pegging it down. A bit of sand mixed with the soil where it touches the ground will help, a small nick in the branch will also be beneficial and encourage it to "strike" sooner.

Vegetables.

Dig any vacant plots, clearing away any crops that are finished. Leave the clods of earth large so that the frost can get at them (this is the only thing that frost is good for. Oh it also knobbles a few slugs. Check your soil condition and balance the pH. To suit the crops you are going to grow, do not add any lime to freshly manured soil, the lime locks the goodness in the manure and takes a long time to be of benefit to the soil. Protect cauliflowers from frost by bending a leaf or two over the curds. You should all know by now if you have been paying attention, that Boxing Day is the traditional day for planting onion seeds, especially the ones for the Tottley Show. Kelseo or Robinsons mammoth are the real whoppers like the ones Aaron wins with. I don't know what he puts under them but it must be good stuff, I've only beaten him once. I must find out what he uses and which song he sings and when.

If you want really good flavoured onions use Ailsa Craig seeds, they are great for kitchen use. If you are not growing from seed, onion sets make good bulbs but are planted in May under cloches or April in the open. (Turbo or Sturon are good varieties.) Seeds need to be in deep boxes or in

individual fibre pots. Pots are best because there is less root disturbance when planting out in May or April and therefore less check to growth. They don't need a lot of heat 55 to 60 degrees or so, lowering to 50 degrees F when they show through.

Start planning what you are going to plant and where, try not to plant the same crops in the same place as last year, rotation is the order of the day.

Buy the seeds in good time so that you have an early start if the weather is element (We hope)

Trees, Shrubs and Fruit

Continue pruning if it is not already done, it must be completed by the end of January. Also the winter tar oil wash. This will kill off any aphid eggs and other nasties waiting to pounce in spring. Check over any potted shrubs and ornamental trees in pots, make sure they are comfortable in their winter quarters and make sure they have not blown over or the insulation is loose. These things can be quite expensive so a little thought at this time can save a lot of heartache later. Cover any soft fruit bushes with fleece or netting in January as birds can be a nuisance pecking at developing buds.

Spring flowering almonds and other small trees susceptible to silver leaf curl or black spot can be covered with a good healthy quality fungicide, choose a brand with a long life and wear a mask and any other protection recommended by the manufacturers. If we have snow this winter get round knocking it off the branches of conifer trees, the weight of snow can seriously deform this type of tree, especially if they are quite small ones.

Greenhouse and Indoor Plants

Your greenhouse should not be empty at this time, but, if it is give it a good clean up with a good disinfectant, especially if you have had nasties in there last season. Those proper gardeners who have plants in will have to be extra careful when disinfecting and cleaning, cleaning the glass is particularly important as in the winter the plants which are growing will need as much light as possible during the shorter days.

Whilst you have the disinfectant out, give the empty pots and trays a good dowsing ready for the busy springtime ahead.

Where watering is needed, do it sparingly and don't splash around, you need to keep the atmosphere as dry as possible. On sunny days, even in winter, the temperature can be quite high so be ready to ventilate when it reaches 60 degrees F or so, but remember to close the vent in the afternoon, or when it turns dull, when the temperature can drop quite rapidly.

Mid January is a good time to sow cyclamen (they take 15 months to reach flowering stage), geranium and begonias.

Start taking chrysanthemum cuttings and also at the end of January you can start off begonia and gloxinia tubers, the begonia will need a minimum temperature of 55 degrees F. Gloxinias need a bit more, around 60 to 65 F If can't maintain these temperatures leave them dormant until later.

After the daffodils and hyacinth you got for Christmas have finished flowering give them a weak feed of house plant food and let the leaves die back before storing the bulb away until next season, it's a shame to throw them away and they will give good flowers given the chance.

Mother Nature is wonderful you know, especially if she is given a little help from us wonderful gardeners (Ha Ha!).

House plants don't like high temperatures and draughts (well most of them) so don't put them near the heating appliances, the non flowering specimens will not need a lot of water at this time, standing them on damp pebbles and spraying over them will do just fine. The exception is any plant with hairy leaves, they need watering from the bottom, again, quite sparingly.

It's given me quite a funny turn thinking that there may be an empty greenhouse out there!

Lawns.

As usual rake up any leaves etc. but only on fine days, don't walk on lawns when it is frosty or snow covered or you will have yellow footprints across your grass in the spring. If you have a wet spot on your lawn area give it a bit of sharp sand that should help. If that does not cure it, then land drains are the answer, but that can be quite a big job.

Don't forget the old mower may need an overhaul, it's cheaper to have it done before February. Whilst you are at it get the shears out, they may need a bit of fetteling also.

Once again a Happy and Joyful Christmas to you all and a good gardening year to all you proper gardeners.

Don't forget the Totley Show in September; Be prepared as the scouts say.

Cheerio for now Tom, Busy Bee.

Totley All Saints' Parent & Toddler Group

The Toddler Group held a very successful Christmas Fair at the end of last month and raised £690.97.

The Committee would like to thank everyone who helped in any way especially the following local businesses for donating tombola and raffle prizes -

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We would also like to thank all those who came and supported us on the day.

A special thank you to Father Christmas who took time out of his busy schedule to visit our grotto and speak so kindly to the children, who all promised to be very, very good between now and Christmas Day!!

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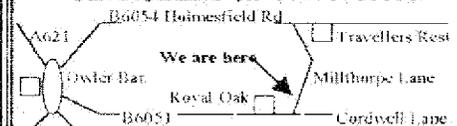
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WHAT IS WRONG WITH THE SPEED LIMIT?

Dear Editor,

I should like to add to the list of annoyances quoted by Alan Faulkner Taylor in the November issue.

As a regular traveller down Baslow Road and Mickley Lane then along Queen Victoria Road and Prospect Road I am regularly harassed by drivers who do not agree with my driving at the permitted maximum speed limit and who try to panic me into going faster to satisfy their own impatience. They drive their car right up to my boot to try to achieve this which is a most dangerous practice and Police statistics show that it causes a high percentage of unnecessary accidents apart from being contrary to the instructions shown on page 28 of the Highway Code.

On Wednesday 14th. November I was followed all the way by one of these errant drivers whose car was so close to mine that for most of the time I could not see his headlights in my rear view mirror. Had I needed to brake suddenly there must inevitably have been a collision

In circumstances like these there is only one safe thing to do and that is to slow down and let the wayward driver get past. I usually reduce speed by 5 m.p.h. which is enough to allow the impatient one time to get round without breaking the law. Frequently the following driver has sufficient intelligence to realise why I have slowed down and takes advantage of the opportunity to get round however the more dim witted ones interpret it as a retaliation on my part to their close driving and if possible drive even closer. Alternatively they remain firming at the back sounding their horn now and again as though it was all my fault for not driving fast enough rather than theirs for driving too close.

There is something to be said for the European directive that everyone with a driving licence should have a retest every ten years. With people like these it would come as a welcome reminder that there is a speed limit and that driving within the laid down speed limits is something they should practice not ignore.

Also there would no doubt be a reduction in accidents that at the moment can be traced to too close driving.

Peter Everatt

WHISPER

Christmas Lights.

Did anyone see the masses of lights on Abbeydale Park Rise last year. If they are doing it again this year, it is a sight worth going to look at and not to be missed.

Can any Road or Street in Totley beat this display?

Baslow Road.

All the new Road markings and signs are now in place between Main Avenue and Owler Bar. The speed limit up to Lane Head is still only 30 m.p.h., but from Lane Head to past the boundary is now only 45mph.

Planning Applications. have been applied for a means of vehicular access from Hillfoot Road to serve no 65, The Grove. (Application no 9B/6235P.)

The building of a house on Mickley Lane between the parkkeepers bungalow and no 30 Mickley Lane.

Planning Application for 77, Baslow Road and Glover Road, for the use of basement/ Lower ground floor of building as a car valeting service. 2

Nick Dean of Green's D.I.Y. shop in Dore has had his hair cut at last did he do it for a bet or was it for Children in a Need?

MY PET HATES! by Alan Faulkner Taylor.

1. Obscene and filthy language in books, films and plays. This practice emanated from Hollywood and has, unfortunately, spread to the BBC.

Recently my wife and I were on P&O's cruise ship *Aurora* - steaming to Iceland and the Norwegian fjords. We had both borrowed books from the ship's library - mine had been written by a Yankee author. The language was disgusting! When returning the book to the library I had printed a note of complaint and when handing it over to the young Indian librarian, who was in her mid-twenties, I remarked: "I would like you to stick this note onto the page opposite the book's contents description."

She replied: "We are not allowed to do such a thing."

Then summoning her colleague, an Indian lady of similar age, who also remarked: "We are not allowed to do this."

Angrily I responded: "Then fetch your supervisor!"

One of the librarians said: "Our supervisor can be found on deck five."

I was even angrier: "No - fetch your supervisor up here to see me!"

A couple of minutes later a young English officer entered the library and I asked: "Can we go to a place where we'd not be overheard by ladies?"

I followed him outside the library and we sat at a table; I said: "This book is disgusting! I have asked your librarians to stick this note inside to warn future readers of its contents. How would you like to read, and I quote: "Eat s...!" of "F... yourself!"

The officer responded: "This is terrible! I will remove the book from the shelves immediately, then complain to our suppliers. We have a contract with them to have our books changed every two years."

2. Adults riding bicycles on the pavement. On two occasions I have written letters of complaint to the area supervisor of the postal delivery service about postmen riding bikes on the pavement. This can be particularly dangerous when an elderly person may be coming out of his/her drive: it could result in a serious accident!

This is illegal, although the police tend to look with "a blind eye" at children and elderly people driving electric buggies. It is very disconcerting to have an electric buggy overtake one silently on the inside of a pavement, particularly when the owner could blow his/her horn.

3. Magpies and carrion crows. The birds themselves cannot be blamed - Mother Nature is responsible for their behaviour - stealing eggs or chicks from the nests of other birds.

4. Grey squirrels - for their habit of stealing nuts and bread crumbs put out for garden birds such as robins, blackbirds, song thrushes, dunnocks, starlings and house sparrows.

5. John Humphreys - for his habit of pronouncing the 'H' in words such as where and why. This is normal with Scots and people who live in the USA, but not an Englishman!

PUZZLE CORNER (Answer Page 11)

Solve the following clues and put the answers in the same order one below another taking care that the letters fall into vertical columns. Adjust the answers sideways so that each successive pair have the same two letters in the same vertical columns. e.g. TAPERED

PETROL

DISTRICT

1. Unidentified 2. Legacy 3. Able to be made right

4. Mended 5. Putdown 6. Transplanting

7. Re-propose for election 8. A bigger photograph

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Fancy Dress Party, by Hugh Percival

The White Lion hostelry at Hunley, its sign and exterior lit up on this autumn evening, was the venue for the cricket club's annual presentation dinner. This year fancy dress apparel was the chosen attire. The lion himself, swinging gently in his frame at the entrance at the instigation of a light breeze, welcomed players, other members and officials, wives and girlfriends with a friendly smile.

Car parking space off the road was limited to a dozen or so cars, latecomers having to park on the narrow lane leading to the inn. The stone-built exterior was further lit on the front side facing the lane by the light from the entrance door and from two large windows one at either side of the doorway. Two upstairs windows with curtains drawn added a little more light to the scene.

The interior, although warm and brightly lit, had no blazing fireside as of yore to welcome the guests, central heating having been installed some years before.

The early arrivals included three gestapo officers, a burly schoolgirl in gymslip with a few extra large holes in fishnet stockings, an outlaw in Lincoln Green with longbow and quiverful of arrows, a nun, Charlie Chaplin, W.G. Grace and a kilted scotsman, clan unknown.

"Guten Abend! Heil Hitler!" Bill Sansom greeted the captain, Dick Sparrow, who was conspicuous with a huge cardboard iron cross hung round his neck.

"Heil Hitler!" cried Sparrow acknowledging the salute of his fellow officer with uplifted right arm and clicking of heels.

"Stop your tickling Jock" said Henry Jewel when preventing Bill Sansom from lifting his kilt, the latter evidently curious as to what clothing, if any, lay beneath.

The propensity for fascism latent in the Hunley team became evident with the arrival of two more members of the gestapo, accompanied by two girls apparently from a harem.

Drinks, freely imbibed in the lounge, snug and tap room, helped to create a friendly, cordial, atmosphere before the members and guests retired upstairs via a steep, narrow, staircase to the dining room. The meal was to take the form of a buffet and sight of the splendid array of food whetted the appetite. Chicken legs, pork pies, sausage rolls, bowls of salad, jacket potatoes wrapped in silver foil to keep them warm, coleslaw, pickles, gateaux, apple pies, cream buns and jam tarts lay on table tops awaiting consumption and, to prevent thirst, a small bar lay situate at one end of the room. At the other end arrangements had been made for the operation of a disco later in the evening.

With commendable promptness those assembled partook of the food in the cramped, overcrowded room, sampled drinks from the bar and engaged in conversation so far as that activity was compatible with the others.

"Smile and say cheese", said Henry Jewel to John Brightmore, the scorer. The secretary, armed with camera and flash, was intent on recording the events of the evening for posterity. The scorer, dressed in whites and wearing a cricket cap, grinned broadly through his false beard as the camera clicked.

"Save me a print, Henry", he requested as the secretary moved on to his next subject, a young girl dressed as Charlie Chaplin with clipped moustache, bowler hat, baggy trousers and cane.

The food disappeared quickly due partly to the appetising nature of the fare but mainly due to the gannet-like appetites of Walter Jordan and Andrew Houseman, ably assisted by the likes of Dick Sparrow and Alan Ray. Within half an hour the

tables were bare except for dirty dishes and cutlery and the scene was set for the presentation of prizes.

Henry Jewel introduced the pre-eminent guest of the evening. "Ladies and gentlemen - and players. It gives me much pleasure to welcome Eric Hardy. He has kindly agreed to present the awards for last season and I now ask him to do so. Mr. Hardy, a stout gentleman whose eyes bulged from an apoplectic countenance like a toad, rose from his chair. He had been asked to help in his capacity as secretary to the league, member of the management committee and also as a friendly character committed to the game of cricket.

"Friends, before I make the awards I will read the resume of the characteristics of each member of the Hunley team. Though familiar to most of you it may be of interest to others." Mr. Hardy put on his spectacles, took some papers from a table and proceeded to read aloud.

"In batting order - Dick Sparrow, our intrepid and inspired captain." Catcalls of derision from the audience. "A batsman of aggressive nature, a slow bowler of guile and with a safe pair of hands in the field. Henry Jewel, secretary, groundsman, opening bat and representative on the league committee. The club are indeed fortunate to have a person of such commitment looking after his affairs." Henry tried to hide his embarrassment at this eulogy by rapidly imbibing the contents of his glass and ordering another pint at the bar.

Mr. Hardy continued. "Sergeant Mick Dyson was selected for the league eleven this year - a notable honour for himself and for the club. A disciplinarian as befits his former rank." Applause and laughter rang out. "Brian Smith, wicketkeeper and prolific scorer of runs. He saves extras behind the stumps and scores many runs in front. Alec Millar, our vice captain and leading all-rounder - has a habit of winning batting and bowling awards - he's not a bad fielder either." Applause and cheering.

Mr. Hardy paused, face redder than ever and refreshed himself from a glass of beer before proceeding. "Bill Sansom, stylish, forceful batsman, cheerful personality and an influential member of the team". Applause. "Walter Jordan, big-hitting batsman and a superb outfielder. A gourmet at the tea-table." Laughter. "Tony Wright, an opening bowler of guile - bearded with some resemblance to W.G. - in appearance at least. Peter Sidebottom, a veteran all-rounder with many memorable catches to his credit over many years. Alan Ray, change bowler with a useful habit of breaking big stands and a useful batsman on occasion. Who will ever forget his part in the match-winning ninth-wicket stand with Walter Jordan against Lentall when all seemed lost? Andrew Houseman, record wickettaker for the club over a period of a dozen years or more, a safe pair of hands in the field and a useful batsman. Alan Brown, senior professional and a match-winning all-rounder of yore."

Mr. Hardy imbibed from his glass and wiped his brow with a handkerchief. "Sid Jones the baby of the team and most promising newcomer." "The only newcomer", shouted Bill Sansom. Mr. Hardy ignored the interruption. "Last but not least our scorer and long serving member John Brightmore. He made his plans for the present successful side thirty years ago."

Applause, laughter and facetious comments, sarcastic and otherwise, had accompanied this oration.

"Eric will now present the prizes", announced secretary Jewel standing at a table on which the statuettes were placed alongside the league championship trophy in a prominent position.

"Batting - Brian Smith", Mr. Hardy called out. Henry handed the prize to Mr. Hardy who shook hands with the player and commented "Well played Brian." He handed over the statuette to the warm applause of the audience.

"What was the winning average?" asked Bill Sansom. "Forty Five," replied secretary Jewel. "One thousand nine runs scored." Applause and cheering.

"Bowling - Alec Millar," said Mr. Hardy. Alec collected the trophy to loud applause. "Eighty wickets at an average of 8.56," announced

Henry Jewel before the question could be asked. "Fielding - Peter Sidebottom -" said Mr. Hardy. "Twenty five catches - a record", added Jewel. Peter accepted his prize in his huge hands and acknowledged the cheers by holding the statuette aloft.

"Special award for clubman of the year - Bill Sansom", Eric Hardy announced. A popular choice to judge from the enthusiastic response of the spectators.

There were other presents - flowers and chocolates for the tea ladies and a pen for scorer Brightmore, all in recognition of valuable services performed without thought of reward.

The flashing lights and loud music of the disco brought a premature end to the ceremony. Those present of mature age went downstairs to resume their conversation in the lounge, snug or tap room while the younger element stayed upstairs to dance the night away.

Andrew Houseman, a dancer of renown, set the example to the others as he whirled, pirocotted, and jiggged with footwork to rival that of Fred Astaire and Gene Kelly. A graceful artist perfectly in time with the music.

Bill Sansom attracted attention with sudden changes of direction that found him facing four or five different partners every few seconds. 'Selling the dummy' to use football jargon is one way to describe his method. There was certainly madness in it. Bill's original partner, a girl from the harem, giggled hilariously whenever he appeared before her as happened from time to time, whilst she danced in solitary during his intermittent absences.

The confined floor space packed with dancers jiggging, jiving and jumping to the amplified sounds of music popular with young people was in grave danger of giving way and allowing the dancers to expeditiously join their mature friends in the rooms below.

Walter Jordan became the instigator of a line of dancers that formed in conga style on the dance floor and wended its way precariously down the steep, narrow stairway, and passed through the lounge to the entrance all the time attracting further participants. Now comprising at least forty dancers the line made its way noisily down the lane to the main street of the village, through the village environs not always to the apparent pleasure of the householders looking through their lightened windows. Forty minutes after leaving the White Lion the line returned to that hostelry and disbanded.

"Thirsty work", remarked Henry Jewel to Bill Sansom in the taproom.

"Quite Henry", agreed Bill. "What'll you have?"

"A pint please Bill", replied the secretary while Bill awaited his turn to be served at the crowded bar.

They were joined at the bar by Mick Dyson resplendent in the full dress uniform of a guardsman comprising scarlet and dark trousers although without a busby left behind in a side room for the time being as an unnecessary and inconvenient form of headgear.

"Nice to win the league again", the former sergeant remarked complacently.

"Yes. We'll win it again next year", said Henry confidently in

good humour after imbibing from his glass.

"Sorry to hear about Ted Summers". Mick Dyson brought a sombre tone to the conversation.

"Good chap", opined Bill Sansom disconsolately.

"In a way Ted was responsible for our present success when he ran the junior side", said Henry quietly with feeling.

The late, lamented, Ted Summers had passed away recently at an early middle age. A former player his enthusiasm for the game had led to the formation of a junior side and the present successful team had to a large extent evolved from that junior team. Ted had been the coach, mentor and friend to those young boys for some years before regretfully retiring to devote more time to his family. The junior side disbanded but several of the juniors stayed on with the club to make their mark in course of time.

Ted's funeral bore testimony to his popularity. A congregation occupied all pews in the church and many in the aisles to pay their last respects.

The conversation changed to a jollier theme to match the convivial atmosphere now evident in the White Lion; the dancers upstairs still performing to the sounds from the disco; outbursts of song from the tap room and the hum of conversation and laughter everywhere.

An extension to the licensing hours had been requested and granted until midnight. At that bewitching hour the lights dipped, last drinks were ordered and supplied, and the assembly began to make their way homewards mostly on foot except for those who had thoughtfully arranged for the services of sober drivers. The not infrequent breathalyser tests of recent years had their effect.

The disco continued for a further hour when even the and fittest of the dancers were pleased to desist and make their way home.

"We'll clear up in the morning, dear", a tired landlord told his wife.

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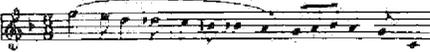
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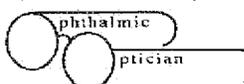
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MON. 3rd. SHEFFIELD BACH SOCIETY, 7-00 PM. Sheffield Cathedral, Messiah, Full details inside.
TUES 4th. LOXLEY SILVER BAND CHRISTMAS CONCERT, 7-00 pm. Sheffield Cheshire Home, Mickley Lane. Details phone Jackie Short 0114 236 7491
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SAT. 8th. ANDY O NEILL, MALE VOCALS, Heatherfield Club, Baslow Rd., 8-30 pm. Non Members Welcome Entrance £1.50.
SUN. 9th. and 16th. Miniature Railway Santa Specials, Full details inside.
MON. 10th. SHEFFIELD BACH SOCIETY, Dore Church, 7-30 pm. Come and Sing Messiah. Full details inside.
TUES. 11th. WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP, Christmas countdown, Rev.C.Kirk 2-30 pm. Totley Rise Methodist Church.
WED. 12th. WEDNESDAY FRIENDSHIP, Carols by Candlelight, 8-00 pm. Totley Rise Methodist Church
TUES. 18th. TOTLEY TOWNSWOMEN'S GUILD.. No speaker. Totley Rise Methodist Church Hall, 10am
WED. 19th. CAROL CONCERT 10-15 am. Totley Library with children from Totley Primary School. All welcome. refreshments available.
MON. 24th. CHRISTMAS CAROLS, 11-00 am. to 12 noon. Sheffield Cheshire Home, Mickley Lane. Details phone Jackie Short 0114 236 7491

Christmas services, details inside.

JANUARY 2002

MON 14th. BLACKAMoor, PUBLIC MEETING, 7-30 pm . Totley Rise Methodist Church, All welcome.
TUES. 15th. WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP, New for 2002 , Rev.C.Kirk 2-30 pm. Totley Rise Methodist Church.
TUES. 18th. TOTLEY TOWNSWOMEN'S GUILD .. Island Hopping in Greece Mr. T.Wallis, Totley Rise Methodist Church Hall, 10am
MON. 29th. WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP, The Luncheon Club , Mrs. A.Lashmar, 2-30 pm. Totley Rise Methodist Church.

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