

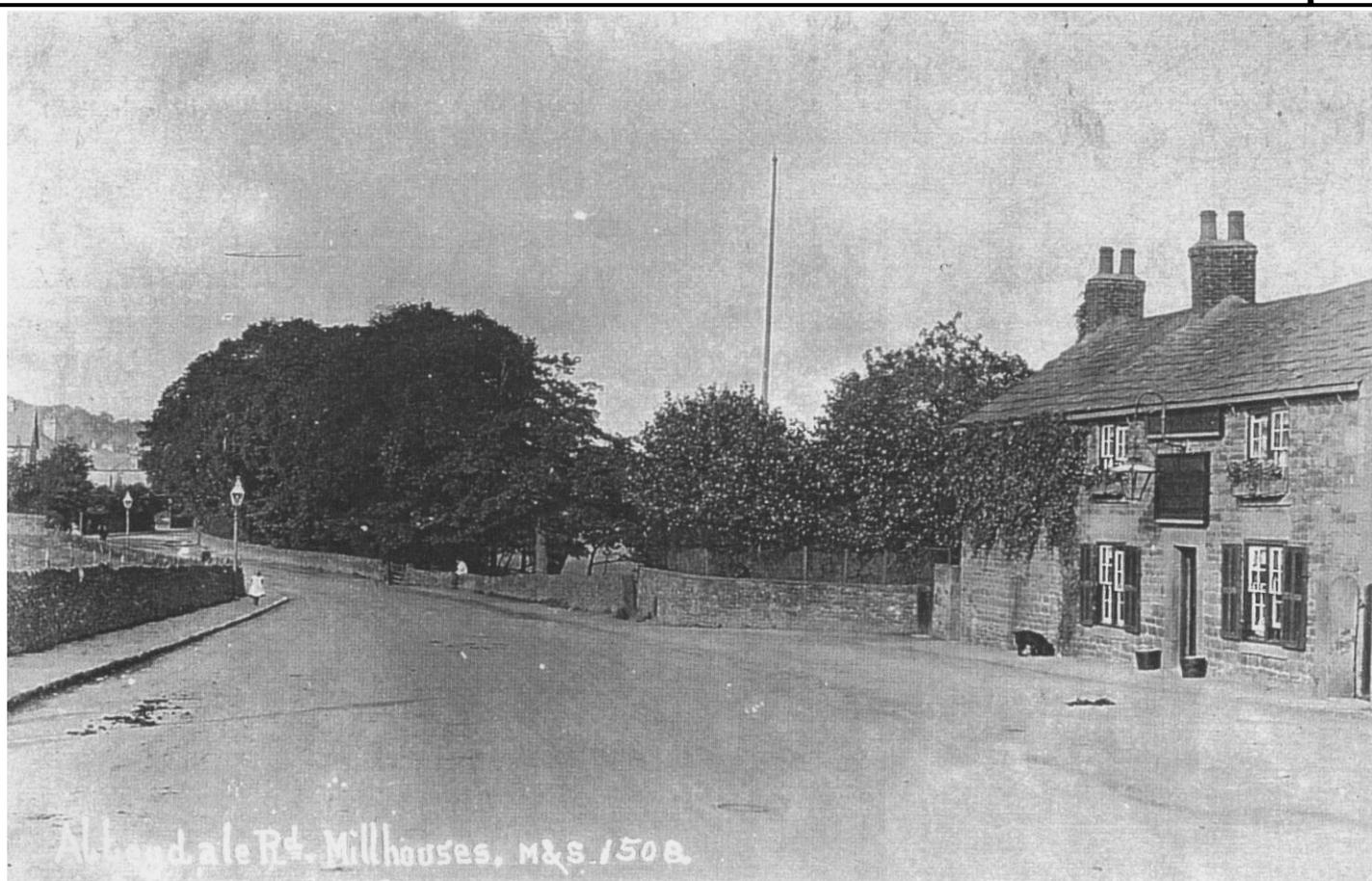
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Abbeydale Road South. Millhouses with the Waggon and Horses on the right and even before the tram and bus terminus was built on the left. when it was a narrow road.

TRA Update

Our summer "break" has been unusually busy. The July Committee Meeting was spent discussing the results of the Totley Residents Survey. For details see "Councillor Roundup" with Councillor Keith Hill. Thanks to the team of volunteers who spent a long time delivering the questionnaire. It was an excellent way to find the way around Totley! Thanks also to Les Firth for collating the results.

Youth nuisance continues to plague the area, particularly Green Oak Park. Please do not hesitate to ring the Police even if it is the day after the event. Look out for Mark Wadsworth our Community Police Officer who has just been appointed.

There are no details regarding the policy of admissions to our local schools at present. Concerns have been expressed and the matter is being followed up.

Finally, I would like to thank Rita Garnett for her help and support on the Committee. Rita has had to resign for personal reasons. If anyone would like to join us, the next meeting is on 6 September in Green Oak View at 7.30 pm.

Avril Critchley

TOTLEY SHOW – SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 18TH – 1.30pm

To be opened by RONY ROBINSON at TOTLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Entry forms available inside the July/August Totley Independent & from :- Totley Library, Busy Bee, Totley Rise Post Office ALL EXHIBITS WELCOME * REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE * SCARECROW COMPETITION

ENTRIES 9-30 a.m.

PUBLIC VIEWING 1-30 p.m.

OFFICIAL OPENING 2-00 p.m.

TEDDY BEARS PARADE & SCARECROW PRIZE-GIVING 3-00 p.m.

PRIZE-GIVING & AUCTION 3-30 p.m.

ORGANISED BY YOUR TOTLEY RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION. ADMISSION:- ADULTS - 50p., CHILDREN - 20p

COUNCILLOR ROUNDUP with Cllr. Keith Hill

TOTLEY RESIDENTS SURVEY: FINDINGS

At our Totley Residents Association AGM earlier this year there was much debate on the loss of community facilities in Totley over recent years. Views were mixed so your Association undertook to mount a survey and 1700 households were contacted. Here is the outcome:

4 priorities emerged. They are:

- Somewhere to meet (across all age groups)
- Better provision for youth
- New facilities for Green Oak Park
- An extension for the Totley Library

Surprisingly, all were rated at about the same level of importance, although many residents added some interesting comments. There was much regret that at the loss of Green Oak View Old Folks Home... and concern that provision for our ageing population was not adequate.

In view of the current spate of youth disorder there was some uncertainty about the wisdom of providing them with "targets."

A strong desire for community rooms for a variety of purposes was highlighted.

A number of traffic "hotspots" were identified.

The Association intends to forward these findings to the City's Development & Planning officers as well as the South West Area Panel so that they can be taken into consideration when further development on the Green Oak View site takes place.

WATCH THIS SPACE!

[Many thanks to the team of deliverers who circulated the survey & especially to Les Firth who collated the findings.]

NO PARKING!

No waiting at any time restrictions are proposed for the Hill foot Road/Butts Hill junction near All Saints Primary. Maps can be consulted in Totley Library. Clearly increased car ownership, greater traffic volumes locally and pressure on road space continues to cause problems.

Anyone wishing to comment or object should write to:

Development Services (Traffic Regulations)

Howden House

1 Union Street

Sheffield S1 2SH

....by Sept 3rd.

Trains Through Totley - Good news & bad.....

Over a year ago we learned that the Totley line was taking extra traffic due to building work on the country's west coast line. A year later the work is late!.... and uncovered quarry wagons are adding to the dirt and noise.

However, we are advised that much of the extra traffic will cease in mid-September and my councillor colleagues have undertaken to monitor quarry traffic.

In short, matters should improve in a matter of weeks.

If they do not, don't hesitate to contact Network Rail [08457 11 41 41] or your local councillor.

Lastly, a personal view and a personal plea:

YOUTH NUISANCE IN TOTLEY

About this time last year the Totley Residents Association began to receive disturbing reports of vandalism and antisocial behaviour up and down the valley.... Sufficiently

serious, we thought to justify inviting the police to a special meeting to seek remedies.

Significant attempts were made to tackle the problem by police and crime prevention methods. **Above all residents were urged to report incidents as when and where they occurred.**

This led to some improvement (and some arrests).... until this spring and early summer.

By the time the Independent goes to print meetings will have been held at top level to find solutions.....

But will they work?

Not unless

1. The police improve their call-centre performance.
2. The communication process between community and law enforcement officers becomes more effective..
3. (some) parents are forcibly reminded of their responsibilities.
4. Neighbourhood Watch is reinvigorated in our locality. Presently, it appears moribund.
5. The quality and availability of youth provision in this area is improved. 99.9% of our young people are fine but they do need to see positive role models and life-styles.
6. Citizens need to be urged to report disorder/misbehaviour with as much accuracy as possible... despite delays, persevere... if there's no response after 10 minutes ring again, if necessary the next day or the day after. Information is power!

This way we reject the siege mentality and regain our community.

There are many more of us than there of them and accurate reports and descriptions generate police resources and results.

Let's give it a go!

POLICE CALL CENTRE: 2 20 20 20

COMMUNITY OFFICER MARK WADSWORTH: 296 3666

POLICE EMERGENCY: 999

Keith Hill (City Councillor for Dore & Totley Ward)

CALVER WEIR RESTORATION

I bet 90% of readers will have crossed the River Derwent at the tight bridge between The Chequers at Froggatt Edge and Calver Sough. If you have managed to cast a quick glance over the parapet you will have seen the placid water of a dam very often dotted with wild fowl. This dam was created by building a weir, thus raising the water level and, in doing so, fed water via the head goit (or channel) down to the huge Calver Cotton Mill where it drove the water wheels. The weir was built in 1778, later was later reconstructed then enlarged. Nevertheless its condition has deteriorated alarmingly.

Something has to be done soon and the Calver Weir Restoration Project is urgently raising funds for these repairs pending major restoration work, which will cost much more.

All you who have walked past on the riverside track will have paused to admire the wild life and be attracted by the water splashing over the weir. What a wonderful place this is but if nothing is done about the weir then this would create detrimental effects on the river upstream and its inhabitants way beyond Froggatt. Would you like to contribute? The repair work needs to be completed by the end of September, so why not send donations now to The Shuttle House, New Bridge, Calver, Hope Valley S32 3XT. If you are a little late, your contribution will help towards the larger project.

BRIAN EDWARDS

Whisperer

Hillfoot Road/Butts Hill.

The council are proposing parking restrictions and double yellow lines on the above two Roads,

Both of which are getting worse during school times with cars parked all the way down Hillfoot Road.

249 Baslow Road.

The above premises which was the old butchers shop. A planning application has been put in to the planning department for change of use for these premises to a hot food takeaway.

This will cause parking problems at an already busy junction plus the problems of noise and litter late at night. Surely we have enough takeaways further down the road.

97 Bus Service.

This bus service along with many others has now changed and goes all the way to Ecclesfield.

M 17 Bus Service.

The little bus that runs from Dore to Bradway has now changed again from Aston buses back to Stagecoach.

Friends of Green Oak Park

At last we have some improvement in the children's playground. Unfortunately, it will be next year before we can afford to finish the resurfacing of the ground. We have been successful in our bid for the grant for the multigames area and teenage shelter on the old tennis courts. Work should be started early next year. A wire mesh grill has been put on the small bowling pavillion. We are waiting for anti-graffiti paint to cover all the green paintwork. We have a group of jobs hanging around the bowling green causing a lot of damage. Why they find pleasure in the destruction they do I cannot imagine. The bowling green has been dug up in places, the benches thrown across the green and near the football pitch the 2 by 1 flags that edge the side of the steps leading down to the green are smashed on a regular basis. Someone must know who is responsible for this. Please give us names, we will do the rest. We are trying to improve our park. Help us to name and shame and give the park back to the children and adults who appreciate it.

Sylvia Ruddle

T.O.A.D.S. AUTUMN PLAY

Our next play is a good old comedy/farce, "Pool's Paradise" by Philip King, something to cheer you up on a dark evening! Penelope Toop is suddenly aware that the local raffle she thought she had been contributing to every week, is, in fact, a football pool, and she and her friends might have won a sum of money. How to tell her staid husband, Reverend Toop, is the burning question of the day. Confusion reigns - another Vicar, a Bishop and another coupon appear before everything is sorted and confessions made.

To add to your enjoyment, we are hoping, with the help of the Castle Inn, to give you the choice of a glass of red or white wine as well as the usual splendid coffee or orange. This is an experiment, as we have been asked by some regular members of the audience why we don't sell wine. So we will see what happens in November, Wednesday to Saturday, 17th to 20th, at 7.30 p.m. Tickets still £3, or £2.50 concessions, from me, Kate Reynolds, 236 6891, or any other member of T.O.A.D.S. from the beginning of October.

Parking-Totley Rise Shops

I write in hope that it will bring this subject to some people's notice and that those people are able to do something about the problem - perhaps our Community Police Officer, somewhat anonymous these days, reads this magazine?

Almost every, time I visit the shops which is most days of the week, there are cars parked on the double yellow lines outside the top shops and often on the opposite side as well. Bringing drivers' attention to the road markings only serves to bring a response of "mind your own business" or worse!

On one occasion I was unable to get off the road, turning in on the way down from Baslow Road, due to the congestion caused by the illegal parking and thereby causing a hold-up of traffic on the main road. I am aware of the problems of large vehicle, trying to deliver to any of the top shops when drivers have parked in the way. Even Post Office vans have problems on many occasions. The excuse of "just popping into the shop for a minute" does not wash - how can anyone know how many people will be waiting to be served before they actually go into the shop, let alone get out of the car?

Perhaps there is an answer to the problem of parking at the shops, though I can't think what it would be but it certainly is NOT illegal parking which happens even when there are spaces lower down the service road. I just hope that when the inevitable scratch occurs to someone illegally parked, it is THEM who have to pay and not some poor lorry driver struggling to get round to carry out his delivery.

Peter Burnett

AN UNINVITED GUEST

A few weeks ago, my husband burst into the kitchen. "What have you been doing in the garage?" he demanded. "There are bottles knocked over all over the place." I gave him a withering look (well practised for over 40 years) and went to inspect the garage.

"Droppings!" I said. (I thought "Too big for a mouse.") "I think you need to move everything out to find what is in residence."

At this point I decided I needed to walk the dog - always a good plan when a crisis looms.

When I returned I found husband with torch in hand approaching a large sack of compost he had moved onto the garage drive. Apparently during my absence he had noticed the sack moving slightly. My husband shone the torch down into the sack and reflected back was a pair of eyes.

We both jumped away. We were sure it was a RAT! Or even worse RATS!

We stood debating what to do when the top of the sack began to move slowly. Soon the whole sack seemed to be shaking violently and then gradually the top of the sack turned over until it was pointing towards the ground. Out scrambled a hedgehog

It showed every sign of committing suicide by attempting to flee across the road. I decided it would be safer in the freedom of the Church grounds. Ever tried persuading a hedgehog into a plastic carrier bag? I itch at the memory of trying to avoid its needle-sharp spines and the realisation that it would no doubt be host to a number of fleas. However it was eventually transported to its new home where it scuttled away into the undergrowth.

What puzzles me is how did a hedgehog climb into a metre high stiff plastic bag? I never thought of hedgehogs as being noted for their climbing skills. Any ideas?

Eileen Davis



Mickley Lane looking towards Baslow Road and Green Oak shops before Laverdene estate and the same view – August 2004

Chatsworth Sponsored Walk

Sunday, 10 October 2004

The Chatsworth Walk is one of the biggest and most enjoyable fundraising events in the North East and it is hoped to be as successful as in 2002.



How can you get involved? Well, ideally we would like you to consider participating directly by taking part on the Walk on 10 October round the beautiful Chatsworth grounds in Derbyshire. We can supply sponsorship forms to raise funds prior to the walk and the entry procedure is very simple. Otherwise, you might prefer to use some other means to raise funds for Sight Savers, or simply send a donation to us.

As you may already know, Sight Savers is the UK's leading charity tackling the problem of blindness in the developing world. Every 5 seconds someone in the world goes blind and every minute a CHILD goes blind. Children in the developing world are 10 times more likely to suffer with sight threatening conditions and 80% of all blindness is avoidable or treatable very simply or cheaply. Just 12p per year will protect someone at risk from River Blindness and a 50p course of Tetracycline ointment can treat Trachoma, which affects tens of millions of people worldwide and is 100% avoidable! This year, the proceeds from the Chatsworth Walk will go towards the River Blindness project in Cameroon. A worthy cause I am sure you will agree, and the fact that Sight Savers can do so much with small amounts makes our work very easy to relate to.

Finally, please note that the organisers of the event are the Hallam Rotary Club in Sheffield. We are delighted that they are prepared to help us in this way and we have enjoyed great support from them over many years now. If you do decide to take up our invitation then please complete the form below and return to the address below.

Yes, I would like to register for this event:-

Name and Address

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..... No of Adults @ £2 per walker = £

..... No of Children @ £1 per walker = £

..... Family entry @ £5 = £

Total Payable = £

NB – Closing date 4 October 2004

Please make all cheques payable to “Rotary Club of Hallam” and send the above and your cheque to:-

Stan Beresford
Rotary Club of Hallam
C/0 18 Hilltop Rise
Sheffield
S35 8PD

The Golden Age of the British Dance Bands

The recent programme on BBC TV “Strictly Come Dancing” created a massive interest. All over the country, couples are now practising the gentle art and tripping the light fantastic in their dancing pumps, maybe this will be a return to music with a melody. The pop scene is ready for a change, when one looks back to the good old days of the 1930s dance music was the vogue in fashion. Our fair city of Sheffield produced far more entertainment and value for money than what is around the nightclubs today.

Dance halls and classy ballrooms catered for all ages. From the 1930s to the 50s how many readers can remember The Cutlers Hall on Saturday nights. The Grand Hotel also with the Whinston Lee combo. Saturday and Thursday night The Bernard Taylor Band played great music at The City Hall and the floor was always packed. I recall this group also played for dancing at The Old Playhouse Theatre on Trippet Lane during the war years. Cliffe Lobb played a great trumpet and Jackie Bateson the drums for the princely sum of 2 shillings. One could dance to the music of G Lee at The Abbeydale Ballroom. Alas this fine building has gone to rack and ruin; it had the finest cinema also in the suburbs of Sheffield in those days. Other venues for dancing included The Glossop Road Baths, The Greystones Cinema Ballroom, Frank Days at Pitsmoor, The Page Hall, Nether Edge Hall, The Brincliffe Oaks, The Norton Hotel, The Wagon and Horses at Millhouses, even a regular dance spot at The Heatherfield Club at Totley. During the Second World War Days there was certainly plenty of nightlife in Sheffield in those days. Most of the workingmen's clubs also held regular dance spots known as the free and easy style. I remember the special outings when the top dance band in the land played at The City Hall for the price of 5 shillings you could dance to the music of Ted Heath, Joe Loss and Vic Lewis and The Jack Parnell Orchestras.

Nottingham was a grand city for dancing. The venues of the palaise latin american music of Edmundo Ros. The Victoria Ballroom where I met The Ted Heath Band with Paul Carpenter on vocals back in 1946.

Other bands I have danced to include Sid Phillips arranger for the Bert Ambrose Orchestra. This outfit was rated as the best of all dance bands in the 1930s. Top players such as George Chisholm, Tommy McQuater and Ted Heath, vocalists included Vera Lynn, Anne Shelton, Al Bowlly and Sam Brown. I recall a break-off unit led by Jimmy Miller the famous “Squadronairs” dancing at Loughborough Town Hall back in 1943, pure musical class. My favourite sound of all was The Billy Ternent Orchestra. He somehow brought sanity back to music, that era had melody and romance. Billy Ternent had originally been the arranger for the show band of Jack Hynton. Other great dance of that period included Eric Winstone, Stanley Black, Lew Stone, Oscar Rabin, Carrol Gibbons, Gerald O, Billy Cotton, Henry Hall, Harry Roy, Roy Fox, Maurice Winnick and Charlie Kunz, Jack Payne etc. They had to be good for the competition was so fierce. The gold age of the dance bands was something to treasure. The late Syd Lawrence brought much pleasure to dancers and lovers of the big swing bands with his revival of Glenn Miller and Tommy Dorsey style in the 1970s and deserves a special tribute. Maybe the big bands will never return to the halcyon and calming days of the swing era. For economics will always rule. But who knows that magical programme on BBC TV may get us all back on the dance floor.

John C Barrows

**New
Season at
Buxton**

Buxton Opera House

Opera House

Buxton Opera House is delighted to present yet another exciting and entertaining autumn season.

There's plenty to choose from with everything from drama, opera and ballet to concerts, children's shows and comedy. Happy theatre-going! Shows visiting Buxton include the smash hit musical Annie starring Su Pollard, the best of opera and ballet including Rostov's La Boheme and Moscow City Ballet's Swan Lake and a stage version of Bad Girls, Jacqueline Wilson's novel for children and teenagers.

There are also a host of one night shows as varied as Puppety of The Penis and Prunella Scales in An Evening With Queen Victoria plus visits from Bill Wyman, Bill Oddie, Everest climber Doug Scott and former England cricketer Jonathan Agnew. The theatre is also proud to present the 1st Buxton Week of Shakespeare which features Kaos Theatre Company's Richard III, The Tempest from Theatre Royal Bury St Edmunds and a visit from the hysterical Reduced Shakespeare Company. Musical concerts include The Best Of The 80's Tour featuring Nick Heywood and Toyah, and visits from The Hollies, Steeleye Span and Gene Pitney. As ever the Studio Season, newly re-titled "Fringe Season", is a varied and vital mixture of film, comedy and drama. Highlights include a double bill of Krapp's Last Tape and Filth performed by Fringe favourite George Telfer, Three's Company's inventive presentation of Othello, Hello I'm Johnny Cash (a celebration of the iconic music legend) and our usual Friday night fun in the form of the Buxton Buzz Comedy Club.

The autumn also sees the first-ever Buxton Festival For Children and Teenagers between Saturday 23 and Sunday 31 October. The Festival entitled A to Z features host of plays, music, workshops, films, arts and crafts plus unusual events including a roller-disco in the Octagon and a theatre sleepover! Finally, don't miss our traditional family Pantomime, Cinderella starring Isla St Clair and Mark Homer who played Tony Hills in EastEnders. The new season brochure, which covers September to January and the Children's Festival brochure are available from the theatre foyer.

Please call the Box Office on 0845 127 2190 to request a brochure or make a booking. You can also view details of the new season and book online at the theatre website www.buxton-opera.co.uk

PEAK DISTRICT EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

Wed 1 to Fri 3 Holymoorside Well Dressing. 2 wells at centre of village by Recreation Ground. Tel – 01246 569177

Wed 1 to Sat 4 Eyam Well Dressing and Wakes. Tel – 01433 630930

Wed 1 to Sun 5 Foolow Well Dressing. 2 wells on village green. Thu 2 to Sat 4

Thu 2 to Sat 4 Longshaw Sheep Dog Trials. In front of Longshaw Lodge, near Fox House Inn on B6521 Grindleford to Sheffield Road. Start 7.30 am (weather permitting), finish approximately 6.00 pm. Tel – 01433 651852

Fri 3 Great Longstone Chase. Starting from the Cricket Pavilion, Great Longstone at 6.45 pm, registration from 5.30 pm. Tel – 01629 640319

Sat 4 to Sun 5 Chatsworth Country Fair. Spectacular event with activities for all the family. Massed pipe and military bands, hot air balloons, parachuting and over 200 shops. Tel – 01328 701133

Sat 11 The Great Kinder Beer Barrel Challenge Race and the Edale Brewery Beer Festival. Start of Challenge Race – Snake Pass Inn at 12 noon – 12.30 pm, finish of Challenge Race, The Old Nag's Head, Edale at 12.40 pm to 1.45 pm. Edale Beer Festival – Edale Village Hall in Edale car park. Tel – 01433 670237, email betnbert@hotmail.com

Sat 11 to Sat 18 Hartington Well Dressing. Blessing 11th at 2.30 pm. One well at pump. One well by war memorial. Tel – 01298 84452

Sat 18 to Sun 19 The 20th Buxton Country Music Festival. The Palace Hotel, Palace Road, Buxton. 18th 6.30 pm to 12 midnight, 19th 12.30 pm to 11.00 pm. Email frankhambleton@aol.com Web – www.frankhambleton-promotions.net. Tel – 01298 70194

Sun 19 Brass Bands Entertainment. Octagon, Pavilion Gardens, Buxton at 1.00 pm Email – ianzmason@msn.com Tel – 01663 744907

OCTOBER

Sat 16 to Sun 17 10 Artists Exhibition. Baslow Village Hall 10am to 5pm Tel – 0114 2304108

NOVEMBER

Fri 26 Bamford and District Gardening Society Floral Art Demonstration. The Village Institute, Main Road, Bamford at 7.30 pm Tel – 01433 651417

DECEMBER

Sat 4 to Sun 6 Jan Great Hucklow Christmas Lights. 4th switch-on lights at 7pm Tel – 01298 871385

Sat 11 to 12 Carols by Candlelight. Treak Cliff Cavern, Castleton at 2pm Tel – 01433 621487

All the above, plus many more events, can be found in "Peak District Guide 2004" the National Parks Free Official Newspaper Guide.

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ROO-INNED -ENGLAND LOSE IN LISBON

BUT PEAK DISTRICT WRITERS WIN IN ASHBOURNE

June 24th 2004 was a night to remember. Just as Roo-mania was hitting fever pitch and England were stepping out on that fateful night in Lisbon, a number of intrepid Derbyshire writers stepped out onto the stage at the St. Johns gallery in Ashbourne. For June 24th was also the launch of the Peak District Writers Association - just as the Lakes inspired the romantic poets, so the beauty and mystery of the Peak District influence and inspire modern authors and poets.

At first, the writers were 'as sick as parrots' when they realised that the two events would clash. But they came out battling! They gave 110 percent, played a diamond formation, were cheered by a small but vociferous crowd and were generally 'over the moon' with the outcome. In the end, through skill and determination, they were able to snatch victory from the jaws of defeat (unlike our brave footballers who snatched defeat from the jaws of victory).

The players lined up as follows. Dronfield writer Andrew Hassall, author of 'Snakebreath', a dark psychological thriller set in the Peak District, described the influence of folklore and mystical traditions on his writing. David Fine, author of 'The Executioner's Art' and a new book about the history of Sheffield, spoke about the interface between urban and rural landscapes. Ian Wood, an exciting newcomer onto the literary scene and Diana Snyder, an accomplished Derbyshire-based poet also made superb contributions.

Fortunately, everyone played a blinder. There was no Swiss referee to spoil the party (burn all those cuckoo clocks!), no penalty misses (spend it like Beckham!) and no negative coaching tactics. The same could not be said when they retired to the pub next door to witness the heartache of the penalty shoot-out.

Barely a leaf stirred in those forsaken streets and the flags hung dazed and confused. Never mind! England and St. George will be back to fight again. So will the Peak District Writers - next year in fact at the same venue! Thanks to Lindsay Trevarthen, the organiser of the festival, for her unstinting effort and support.

Andrew Hassall

Wanted at Totley Primary School Lunchtime Supervisor

Do you (or any of your friends or relatives) have some spare time to help out at lunch times and earn some money at the same time?, then we'd be very happy for you to join our team of lunchtime supervisors

Duties Include:

- Checking children coming into the dining room
- Supervising children queuing up, getting their meal and eating it
- Upholding good manners
- Wiping up spillages
- Supervising Children eating packed lunches
- Clearing up after packed lunches
- Supervising children in the playground
- Encouraging children to co-operate in their play
- Performing basic first aid as necessary

Time: 12 noon to 1.15pm Rate of pay: £5.48 per hour

If you are interested please contact Mrs Goodman 236 4482 in the School Office.

LONGSHAW SHEEP DOG TRIALS ASSOCIATION

We are please to announce that the Longshaw Sheep Dog Trials will take place as normal this year on 2nd, 3rd & 4th



September, on Longshaw Pastures in front of Longshaw Lodge, near Grindleford. On 2nd and 3rd there will be open class sheep dog trials when many of the " One Man

and His Dog" competitors will be taking part, and at approximately 3.00pm on 2nd there will be a hound trail run over the moors facing Longshaw, courtesy of the Yorkshire Hound Trail Association.

On Saturday 4th the day starts at 7.30 am with a local class sheep dog trial and then the second Longshaw Fell Race, open to all comers and entry on the field, will start from the field at 11.00am. This will be followed by a display by the Search and Rescue Dogs and the local mountain rescue team at lunchtime before the trials culminate in a double gather championship, which consists of the 8 highest pointed runs from both Thursday and Friday, starting at approximately 12.00 noon on Saturday 4th, when the winner will take home the prestigious Longshaw Championship silver coffee pot.

Entrance charges are just £3.00 per person each day and we start at 7.30am, weather permitting, finishing at approximately 5.30pm. Hot and cold food will be available on the field. The magnificent array of trophies will be on display each day. For further information please contact the Secretary, Mrs. Sheila Humphreys on 01433 651852.

This will be the 106th year of the Association. Please come and join us for a day on the moors to see some of the wisest dogs in the world. We look forward to meeting you.

MacMillan Cancer Relief The World's Biggest Coffee Morning

Totley All Saints' Ladies Club will again be holding their coffee morning and Bring and Buy in aid of MacMillan Cancer Relief in The Church Hall, Totley Hall Lane.

Friday, 24 September 10.00 am to 12 noon

Very many thanks for past support.

Sheila Parkin

PUZZLE CORNER

Find the Musical Instrument.

The answer to each clue is a four letter word. The last letter of each answer is the first letter of the next answer. Fill in the 5 x 5 grid in a clockwise direction, starting at the top left.

When correctly completed the central row and the central column name the musical instrument.

1. Duplicate
2. Length
3. Not bright
4. Desire
5. Ten to the ninth
6. Melody
7. Immediately
8. Girl's name

Don Ashford.

Answer page 10

Gardening Tips for September

Whew!!, it's hot, 75/80 degrees in the garden, 120 degrees in the greenhouse, watering twice a day is a must to keep everything from wilting. My onions are up to scratch this year and will be a good size ready for the show on 16 September, though size won't always be a winner. The three onions must match so you might get second prize (ha ha!), the show is not just about good vegetables there are lots of other categories such as knitting, art, photography, cakes pies etc. In the children's section they can do a computer picture or a vegetable animal (or a potato bug or a cucumber crocodile etc). These are always a laugh so do encourage the youngsters to take part, for the older ones a miniature garden or open craft so there is plenty for them to enter. All the sections are in last month's Totley Independent so go on, have a go, no-one will laugh (unless it is a funny picture or a vegetable animal). We didn't have many jams or apple pies last year so there is an opening for you budding cooks or even some of the more mature ones like me.

My garden is looking quite colourful; I was pleased to see my strelizia (bud of paradise) plant flower for the first time I have been nurturing it along for 6 years. I bought it as a plant, the one have grown from seed started 11 or 12 years ago has yet to flower, there are times when patience is a virtue. My angels fishing rods (diatsia) has been really good but it was not out for the open gardens. The weather was not too kind for this event but it did not stop the stalwarts from turning out. We had quite a lot considering the weather; we enjoyed meeting old and new friends and the garden met with lots of approval, which makes it all worthwhile. Anyway, get cracking there is lots to do in the garden, deadheading, leaf raking grass, scarifying etc.

PS: DON'T FORGET THE SHOW ON 18 SEPTEMBER

PPS: Christine has just brought in some plum jam she has just made. We have had a lovely crop this year, the tree must have heard me threatening to chop it down because the crop has not been very good in the past, in fact last year we had none at all, they rotted before ripening, that's gardening!!

Flowers – Keep up with the deadheading of plants. Remove summer bedding plants which have finished and prepare any spare beds for spring planting, the earlier you can get wallflowers, primulas etc in the stronger the plants will be to survive the winter. Lift and pot up geraniums, fuchsias and other tender plants you want to keep over the winter. They need to be kept dryish and in a frost-free place.

Tuberous begonias need to be lifted and dried off to keep indoors. Make sure you remember to water regularly any newly planted plants. Plant out spring flowering bulbs, narcissi, lilies, daffodils etc. These can be planted at anytime during autumn, but early planting gives better results (hold tulip and hyacinths, tulips, narcissi, ixias, should be potted up now in bulb fibre and bulbs should be almost touching one another and barely covered with the fibre. Stand the containers in the coolest place available and as dark as possible for 8-12 weeks. Keep checking that they are kept moist (not wet) and dust with flowers of sulphur if slight mould is showing. Rambler roses can be pruned now, cut the growths of those, which have carried flowers to ground level and remove from trellis, tie back the new growth made this year. Cuttings of lavender can be put in now; they are easy to root in a sheltered place outdoors, in a shallow trench in soil and plenty of sharp sand.

Check the supports of taller plants, to reduce the growth of those which have finished flowering (not too much), take cuttings of penstemons now, use non-flowering shoots, put them in a sandy soil round the edge of a pot and place them in a cold frame or COLD greenhouse. If you have planted winter flowering pansies, pick off any flowers to encourage the plant to grow stronger.

Vegetables – This is a busy month for harvesting, make sure you pick all runner beans before the first frosts; this applies to marrows, courgettes and all squashes. Stake up brussell sprouts, plant out spring cabbages. Cover the curds (white part) of cauliflower with a turnover over leaf to protect from frost and keep them white. Onions which have finished ripening can be tied up (like the French do) and hung in a cool frost-free place. Peppers and tomatoes sown outdoors should be picked or given protection. You must have heard that to encourage ripening of peppers (and tomatoes) place them in a tray, put them in a drawer with a couple of ripe applies, don't forget which drawer you have put them in! If your onions are a bit late ripening (brown skins) turn the tops over to expose them to as much light as possible.

Leeks can be fed with a quick acting nitrogenous fertilizer, such as nitrate of soda or with a liquid fertilizer. Herbs should be gathered now for drying. Marrows can be hung in a dry, frost proof place if you have too many for immediate use. Lift and store carrots and beetroot. Continue earthing up celery, test main crop potatoes before lifting, the skin should NOT rub off when thumb pressure is applied, if they are "set" they are ready for lifting.

Trees, Fruit and Shrubs – Pick all fruit as it ripens, order new bushes, trees or canes as required, choose late flowering varieties if you live in a frost pocket. Prune the shoots on all espalier and cordon trained trees, apply or renew grease bands on trunks to catch winter moths as they climb up the trunk, the caterpillars from their eggs feed on the blossoms in spring. Cut out fruited canes of summer raspberries and tie in the new growth. Autumn varieties are pruned next spring. Finish planting summer fruiting strawberries by the middle of the month. Watch out for slugs and snails. Keep any newly planted stock well watered. Deadhead and shorten the flowering shoots of floribunda and hybrid tea roses. Prepare ground for planting heathers and evergreens. Take hardwood and semi-ripe cuttings of berberis, forsythia, juniper, privet, honeysuckle etc root in a cold frame or indoors. Cutting back wisteria and clematis, which has become rampant is best done at this time.

Greenhouse and Indoor Plants – Disbud late chrysanthemums regularly. Most plants, except annuals will propagate readily at this time, place cuttings in a mix of compost and perlite or vermiculite and place in a propagator or warm greenhouse. The end of the month should see the end of the tomatoes, clear away the finished plants ready to accommodate the plants coming in to over-winter. The nights will begin to get much colder, side vents should be closed for the winter, and shading washed off the glass to give maximum light at this time. Spraying and damping down should be discontinued gradually. Pot on primulas and calceolarias, cyclamen seedlings planted earlier should be ready for pricking out. The ideal time for potting is when they have 2 or 3 leaves each.

Lawns – Rake, scarify and spike ready for a top dressing of autumn winter fertilizer towards the end of the month, this will help develop a healthy root system for next year's lovely green sward.

See you at the Totley Show on 18 September,
Cheerio for now,
Tom, Busy Bee

John Burford

A letter in Dore to Door magazine no.71 from David Burford asked for any details of his great, great grandfather, John Burford, who was a copper stationed in the Derbyshire Constabulary's Dore & Totley Police Station on Baslow Road from 1886 to 1890. From my own records, and those of David, we have been able to track the life of John and below present a very much-shortened version.

This period was perhaps the most difficult for policing because the construction of the Totley Tunnel had brought many navvies into the district and crime certainly increased with this huge increase in the male population. However there were several incidents, before the villages were swamped, that may give some idea of the policeman's lot.

On 26 March 1887, PC Burford caught 11 men drinking out of time, at 3.45, and they were fined five shillings or two shillings and sixpence. The men said they came from over three miles away (Ecclesall and Sheffield). The case was dismissed.

Then on 25 April 1887, PC Burford caught young boys damaging the underwood, at Dore, owned by Duke of Devonshire. PC Congreave corroborated, mentioned that there were thousands of people in Dore on Easter Monday. No fine, but the lads were ordered to pay four shillings and sixpence costs.

Around 1888-9, a tailor named John Royles, probably from Sheffield, made a couple of waistcoats and walked up to Totley to see if he could sell them to any of the navvies working on the Totley Tunnel; for the waistcoat was part of their usual dress. He could not interest anyone in the Cricket Inn so he walked down to the Crown. Here a miner called George Thynne tried one on and strutted outside where he was chased by Royles and the waistcoat retrieved. The tailor, realising that nobody there was going to buy from him, wrapped the garments in a bundle, tied it to a stick and set off towards Dore. After 20-30 yards Thynne ran up and snatched the bundle, quickly disappearing. Constable Burford was called and when he arrived at the miner's house in Totley Bents, found him wearing one of the waistcoats. In court the prisoner explained that he'd been drunk and as he had a mother and father to keep he hoped the bench would be lenient. The outcome is not known. One corroborating witness, Samuel Ware, who lodged for a time in the Cricket Inn, was later to be found guilty of beating up his wife.



Burford was involved in many incidents whether assault, burglary, poaching or the attendance at accidents in the tunnel workings. In November 1888, tunnel labourer Edward Harris was accused of stealing a basket and sixteen eggs from local shopkeeper Mrs. Thorpe. The P.C. apprehended the thief and received a good kicking around the legs for his trouble. He stated that the navvies went around in gangs and the police needed protection. Harris received six weeks hard labour, probably no worse than tunnelling.

Then in October 1889, our bobby caught J. Dyson a pipe manufacturer of Stanington, driving a traction engine without licence. William Lomas appeared in court and said that the locomotive was his property as he

had taken over the business. However the eagle-eyed Burford had spotted that a plaque was clearly marked Dyson 8991, which was for a Yorkshire licence and the traction engine had been spotted at Dore Station, some 50 yards into Derbyshire. These machines were not at all popular for they made a mess of the rather primitive road surfaces and also frightened horses that were travelling past. Policemen tended to serve in Dore & Totley for just a few years before moving on elsewhere.

In Burford's case his term here was probably brought to an abrupt close by an incident that happened on the night of 17th January 1890. A burglar was spotted in bushes in the garden of Mr. G. Slater at Wood Lea on Dore (New) Road and was tackled by the P.C. who received two crashing blows to the head after his helmet had been knocked off. Despite being stunned, he fought vigorously and Mr. Slater, hearing the commotion, threw open the window, at which the burglar pulled out a gun and fired two shots at Burford. One bullet whizzed through his whiskers and grazed the cheek; the other glanced across the top of his head. The policeman became faint from the loss of blood and his assailant escaped. I do not know if any arrest was made. John Burford was off work for three months and was then promoted to sergeant and transferred to Parwich. Dore & Totley residents presented him with an illuminated address, silver watch and chain, and a purse of gold as a mark of respect and in recognition of the faithful and able manner in which he had despatched his various duties. For a time he was stationed at Roston where he was attacked by a stick-wielding poacher, who was thrashed well and truly!

Later in life, John rose through the ranks and became a Detective Inspector and, in this capacity, he had the honour of acting as bodyguard to the Prince and Princess of Wales

when they visited Chatsworth. Eventually John ended up as Superintendent of the Ashbourne.

District, being affectionately known as the father of the Derbyshire Constabulary. He died aged 58 in 1913. There was a large turnout for his funeral, a mark of the respect in which he was held.

Brian Edwards





Transport 17

I hope that you all survived the summer

quite well. We are all refreshed after our break. The sun and rain have made our gardens grow. Don't forget to enter some of your plants and flowers in Totley Show. This is on Saturday, 18th September at Totley County Primary School. We will be having a stall there along with many others.

There is a lot to see and lots to do. Come along and support it, you are all members of Totley Residents Association. By the way, the refreshments are good too.

We were very sad to hear of the death of Winnie Whittington. She was a lovely lady who was a pleasure to take on our buses. I know that she had been friends for many years with a lot of our passengers who told us of her many kindnesses over the years. We send our prayers and thoughts to all her family and friends.

Best wishes,
Margaret Barlow

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Front Cover Photograph Fox House Garage Winter 1947
Having shown a copy of the above to Mr Jeff Blake, now residing in Dorset, his reply and comment may be of interest to your readers.

Jeff and his brother Peter were very keen motorcyclists in their younger days. They managed to ride out to Fox House Garage and meet the then owner of the garage a Mr Ben Buxton, another ardent motorcyclist. Nortons were the bike to have, most likely to have been supplied by Dan Bradbury (motorcycle dealer) of London Road.

Jeff also recalls a bus buried to its roof near by at the entrance to Longshaw Estate, the army being called in to recover the vehicle. The army was also called in to blast open the road from Owlbar and Dore Moor in an attempt to open up to the Hope Valley.

Mike Roberts

C.N. Railton Holden

In last month's issue I was sorry to read of the death of C.N. Railton Holden. I never had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Holden but I found his too infrequent articles in the Independent to be highly amusing and original. His unique reporting of little known historical matter with a local interest was delightful including notably the Edict of Hallamshire 1081, Oliver Cromwell's dental repair at Abbeydale Hamlet and Aunt Beatrice trapped in the outside privvy of her home in Dore Road in 1744. I regret that we shall no longer have reports of Godfrey Shorthouse, the state-registered fruit-and-nut case to coin a phrase of Mr. Holden.

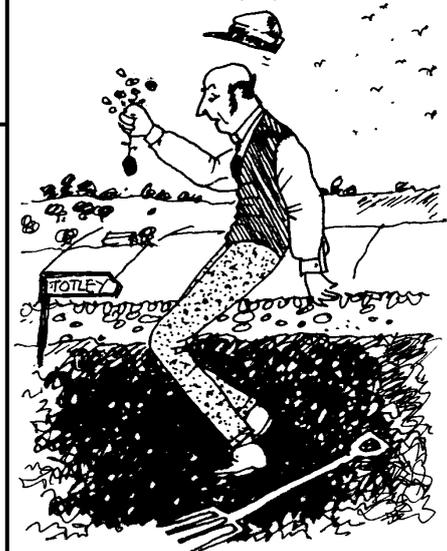
My commiserations go to his family.
Hugh Percival.

I've always said I'd never do it.

Those lager louts come out of the pubs, tanked up to the ears and do it right there on the pavement. I'm a perfectly respectable bloke but I was desperate and there were no public facilities in sight. I couldn't wait any longer and nobody was watching-I found a dark corner and turned "to face the wall. My fingers trembled as I fumbled with the buttons. Then it was all over. Phew, what a relief. If it happens again I'll be prepared and won't be nervous. Next time I will have the bottle because I've finally done it.

I've made my first mobile phone call.

ALLOTMENTS.



IT COST ME MONEY, WEEKS OF TOIL, IN RAIN AND WIND AND SUN, AND NOW I'VE DUG THE TATERS UP, I'VE ONLY GROWN JUST ONE!

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Early Days (Continued)

In September 1943 I began my education at Nether Edge Grammar School. The boys wore brown blazers with the emblem of a torch on the pocket and brown caps. My mother had again saved up to purchase these and I think she was proud of my appearance when she waved me goodbye on my first morning. I had made a special effort to be early for my time keeping at junior school had not been good. On the way I called at the home of Brian Slack on Pinner Road. Brian had promised to show me the ropes being in his third year at the school. I was placed in form B second to form A in the first year.

Some of the masters were eccentric. The history teacher, Mr. Chambers, was corpulent with a square head and closely cropped hair. He wore a grey, worsted suit and had difficulty in enforcing his authority. Whenever matters seemed to be getting out of hand he went berserk, running round the classroom like a Dervish with toothache and beating boys at random with a ruler. How the boys laughed and encouraged him as mayhem ensued.

The English master, Mr. Buchan, had no such problem. Whenever he entered the classroom a hush fell and complete silence prevailed. One sharp, sarcastic remark from him was more effective than the belligerent manoeuvres of the history master. Most of the other masters in their own way kept control of the pupils' behaviour.

The French mistress, Miss Wood, an attractive young lady with a lithe figure and large pale-blue eyes, became the cause of an early misdemeanour of mine. One day she considered I had been impertinent and sent me to the headmaster's study for correction. This took the form of a cane administered three times to my buttocks as I bent over a desk. The headmaster, Mr. Smith, was the only teacher authorised to inflict corporal punishment and he had become something of an expert in this field. I did not offend again.

In the examinations at the end of my first half-year I came top of the class, much to my surprise and to my mother's delight. I can now see her happy smile as she read the report and the favourable remarks of most of the teachers.

One evening near dusk in the February of my first year I was preparing homework in the kitchen of our house at Fulmer Road. We now occupied the entire house Mr. Balmforth having passed away. On his deathbed the old man, in a rare, lucid, interval, had thanked my mother for her services over the years. He wished her to have the old clock with Roman numerals that always stood on his mantelpiece. The clock stands on the sideboard as I write as is now a family heirloom in perfect working order. On that Tuesday evening I was alone in the house, my mother being at her parents' home at South View Crescent as usual. My sister was next door at a birthday party for one of the Parker girls and my brother was at work as office boy to a firm of chartered accountants in Paradise Square. The weather was dull and cloudy. For some time I had been vaguely aware of the distant drone of aircraft engines. Now the sound became louder. I got up from my chair and looked out of the window over the net curtain.

A four-engined aircraft was approaching from the north, low beyond the rooftops of neighbouring streets. Suddenly, to my great distress and amazement, the plane turned over at right-angles and plunged downwards out of sight. I waited in a trance for the resultant explosion - it came at once, a dull rumble in the distance.

The sound confirmed the sighting. No, I had not been dreaming - this was a disaster - out of the sky - right on our own doorstep. My mind went numb and I don't recall my movements for the rest of the evening.

Details of the crash were given in the following evening's Star. All ten airmen in the crew of the American Flying Fortress had lost their lives. The plane had come down in Endcliffe Park into trees near the river by the side of the refreshment hut facing the recreation ground. Children playing nearby had miraculously avoided injury or death. The Flying Fortress, based in Northamptonshire, had been on a raid over Denmark, in enemy-occupied Europe, when it had been hit by fire from enemy fighter aircraft. The plane's navigational instruments were damaged and, off course, it found itself over Sheffield low on fuel and looking for a place to land.

The park was closed to the public for some days. On the Saturday after re-opening I visited the site with some friends. Sunlight glittered on glass in the river bed and, on investigation, I found to my surprise a pair of flying goggles. A few years ago I gave the goggles to David Harvey who was writing his book 'Mi Amigo, the story of Sheffield's Flying Fortress'. My friends were envious at my find and none of us, I am afraid, gave much thought to the departed airmen. Later, when in pensive mood, some of the stories told about the yanks no longer seemed funny - 'Got any gum, chum?' 'Overpaid, oversexed, over here'.

Some twenty-five years after the crash a memorial stone was placed on the site and a service is held there each year. I attended the service on the fiftieth anniversary, somewhat belatedly paying my respects to the departed crew. The young men had given their lives in the fight for freedom like so many of their generation.

I did not retain my pre-eminent position in the examinations at the end of my first year at Nether Edge but my eighth position allowed me to enter the top form 2A for my second year.

In my first year I had been selected to run for the junior cross-country team against another school. During the race an opponent and I lost the trail through Ecclesall Woods and we meandered about eating chestnuts. When we did, somewhat belatedly, arrive back at the pavilion it was deserted, the other runners and officials having gone home. I was not selected for the team again.

This did not worry me unduly as I now had a passion for football. I had been taken by my brother to Bramall Lane to watch Sheffield United and was soon intoxicated by the game, an interest that continues to this day. Such was my attachment to the game that on alternate Saturdays I went to Bramall Lane and then Hillsborough to watch our great rivals Sheffield Wednesday.

At school, I became a competent player for our form and much enjoyed the weekly matches on the sports field near Carterknowle Road. Mr. Chambers supervised these activities and loved to play before the match began, dribbling with some skill and evading the tackles of a host of boys trying their utmost to dispossess him.

One afternoon I was in a particularly abandoned mood anxious to show off before my schoolmates. After several attempts to trip the master had failed I eventually succeeded in my endeavour and Mr. Chambers fell headfirst into the mud. Some of the boys laughed hysterically but others, more tolerant, cried 'shame' and berated me severely. I did feel remorse at the sight of the ageing teacher being helped to his feet by some of the more compassionate boys. Despite running berserk with a ruler at times the master was a sport at heart and I was distressed to see Mr. Chamber's grey, worsted suit splattered with mud. The teacher accepted it all in good humour and went up in my esteem thereafter.

Hugh Percival – TO BE CONTINUED

BACK TO SCHOOL

Soon hundreds of children will be going to school, some for the first time, some to new classes and many to different schools as they start their secondary education.

I cannot remember my first day at school in the 1920's, but I was told later I came home very upset because I couldn't read! I imagine I had undergone some sort of encouragement along the lines of "you'll enjoy school, you'll be able to read for yourself." Recently I have met again a class photograph probably taken about 1929. Although I kept in touch with only one lad from the 40, I was able to put full names to 12 plus put part names to 5 others. A pity I can't remember what I did last week.

This year the third of our five grandchildren will transfer from primary school to join her older brother at Wetherby High School. Last year another granddaughter transferred to Bennet School in Tunbridge Wells in Kent. Both schools have school uniforms, so hopefully, the long baggy trousers, trailing in the mud adopted by some pupils, will not be acceptable. Granted we have only been peripherally involved, but the purchase of the new uniforms does not seem to have generated the interest and excitement we remember for our own daughters.

When our eldest daughter transferred, the uniform had to be purchased from Walsh's department store in Sheffield. In those days even the undergarments were specified. She emerged from the dressing room, clutching her waist and almost in tears- "mummy these are far too big." Truly, the offending garment would have been a better fit for Mr. Les Dawson playing a pantomime dame than for an 11-year-old girl. Matters were not improved when the assistant told my wife in superior tones "that's the smallest size we do." Obviously we were totally in the wrong to breed a daughter of more dainty size than what they regarded as normal. Our other two daughters went to a different school and didn't run into the same difficulty.

Of course our granddaughters have a wider choice than their mothers did. Not surprisingly they can opt to wear trousers instead of skirts. This was not the only move towards traditionally more male attire. It was a surprise when their sports kit included shin pads as well as football boots, but we had an even bigger shock than that. On one occasion when we asked if they had got all their new uniform yet the reply came "not my gum shield yet." This was not for there two minute rounds in the boxing ring, nor to guard against possible bullying, it was for rugby football.

Even so our young lady in Kent has opted for skirts. On our visit earlier this year I couldn't decide whether her school skirt was shorter than those worn by the current generation of our daughter's own school, when travelling on the bus. What a change from when our girls were there. It cannot be imagined what the school secretary would have said at the sight. She was still able to strike fear in mothers who were formerly pupils when they turned up at parents evenings. She even terrorised the husbands as well.

I seem to have concentrated on the girls in my ramblings and neglected poor Jack and the boys. I am pleased to report the changes have not all been in one direction. He has had to do sewing, using a machine, and cooking, rather more useful than the wooden pan stand I made in my first year at grammar school. We could eat and enjoy the Christmas cake he made for us but I don't remember my mother ever using the pan stand.

However, I suppose we shall have to wait a long time before we read in the papers of parents taking a school to task, under equal opportunities legislation, because their son has been forbidden to wear a skirt to school.

Don Ashford

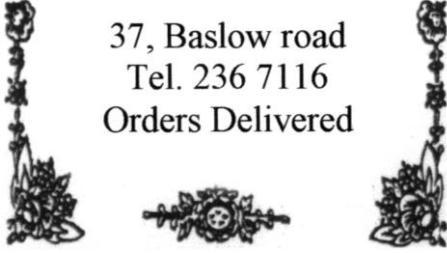
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A Tale of Two Trees (Totley)

Early 2002: an overgrown small plot of land on the corner of White Lane (cart-track) and Mickley Lane, Totley is sold off at auction the Council's Property Services Unit. Not a lot of money for the Council or you and me, but good stewardship by Council officers - we are told that the land contained two ramshackle sheds and was last used some considerable time ago for chickens.

Sometime later in early 2003: a planning application arrives in the Council's Planning Dept seeking permission for a block of four flats. Over time the number of flats is negotiated down to two but this is still vigorously opposed by local residents, community groups and the local Councillor. Traffic safety and access issues are raised, the loss of visual amenity is highlighted, concern voiced about design. Photographic evidence is prepared and made available to the Planning Dept. and Councillors.

Eventually, the application comes before a full board of City Councillors and after full consideration planning permission is granted. Locals are astonished but take comfort from the fact that much of the tree growth and vegetation is subject to Tree Preservation Orders (TPO's).

Time Passes.

August 2004 nearby residents alert the Councillor that foresters are

falling two of the protected trees, a sycamore and an oak.

Immediate enquiries reveal :

In January 2004 a tree surgeon acting for the architects/developers had found evidence of "included bark" on the sycamore viz. ivy growth. This could render the tree dangerous at some future time (as with all trees?)

Permission is sought to fell it

The Council's Woodlands officer re-examines the site and finds that he cannot declare that the sycamore could not be dangerous at some future time. Permission is granted by officers (Councillors or objectors were neither advised or consulted!)

Shortly thereafter the oak tree suffers a similar fate. The same local Councillor is assured that

In short:

- These decisions were taken by Council officers, not Councillors (known as "officer delegation")
- Parties who objected to the original planning application were not notified of the changes to planning consent.
- Planning law is an ass!
- TPO's are not worth the paper they're written on.
- The developer reigns supreme.
- Matters will not improve until local planning decisions are taken by local people!

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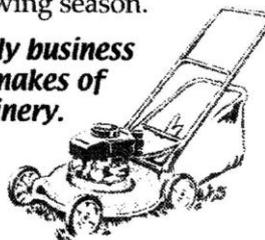
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