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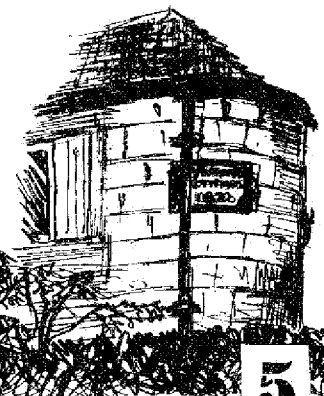
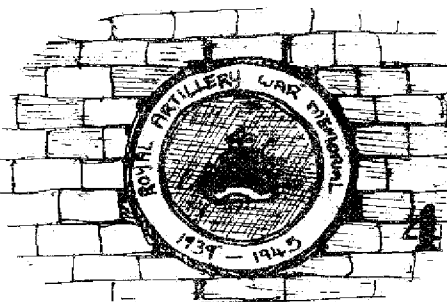
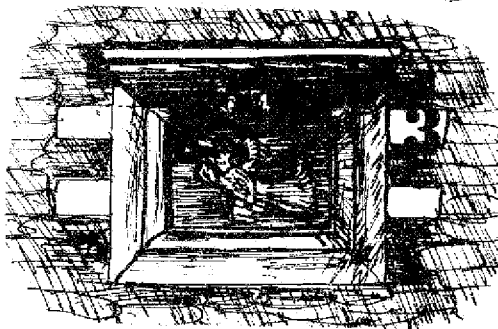
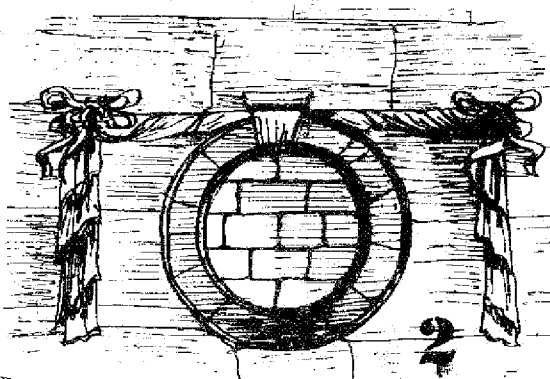
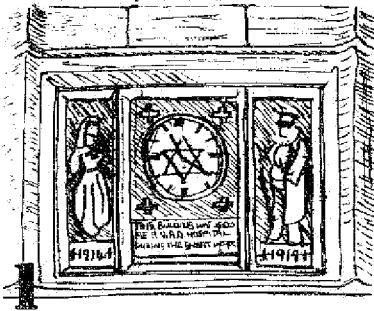
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SUMMER 1983

## KEEP TAKING THE TABLETS

Our last picture quiz, on local Post Boxes proved very popular. Here's another drawn by Cheryl Hannam.

Pictured are various stone plaques and tablets etc., situated in the Totley area. Can you name their locations?



Answers on a postcard to - "Tablet Competition". Send your entries to any of the names or shops listed on the back page. There is a good prize to the first correct entry pulled out of the hat. Results in September issue.

### Bound to Please

THE TOTLEY DIARIES

THE LONG LOST Totley diaries have been uncovered by the Independent after years of rumour, suspicion and false leads.

The diaries - almost half a century of minutes from the village's former Parish Council - were said to be locked in an old wooden chest in the dusty vault of an ancient Derbyshire church. Instead, they were really nestling quite safely and happily in the archives of Sheffield's Central Library. And, they are believed to be genuine!

Totley Parish Council was set up in 1894 after a Local Government Act passed through Parliament. The Council had more wider-ranging powers than similar bodies today and had much greater control over the local environment. The Council met every two months from 1894 until 1933 after which the big brother Authority, Norton Rural District Council, was merged with Sheffield City Council. But a unique picture of Totley life in this period is contained in the three thick volumes of minutes lovingly kept by parish clerks over five decades. The volumes were handed over to the City Council in the 1930's and now form a part of the Sheffield Collection at the Central Library.

The Independent intends to serialise extracts from the minutes in future editions, which, it is believed, give a rare insight into the daily life of Totley when it was merely a village.

# thunderer

## "NO REPLY"

Those who attended Topley Sports Night in 1982 may recall being reminded on the programme to buy this magazine in order to keep up to date with "plans to provide a Community Centre in Topley".

You will, no doubt, be aware that since that date little or no information of progress have been forthcoming, although the Community Centre sub-committee have remained active in the hopes of furthering this aim.

Only two of our three City Councillors replied when copies of the relevant documents were sent to them and following a meeting with M.P. John Osborn, last year, no communications whatsoever have emerged, in spite of a promise to inform of various aspects of the proposal from local, national and E.E.C. levels.

In October 1982, Mr. Fall, Head of the Council's Corporate Management Unit, did say in a written reply that the Community Centre document submitted by T.R.A. would be passed on to Education, Family and Community Services and the Housing Departments but the only gesture to date (verbally via Councillor Jack Thompson) is an intimation that Housing Dept., are considering "Tenants Meeting Rooms" on a city wide basis. Councillor Howard Knight, Joint Deputy Chairman of the Housing Committee, who accepted an invitation to attend the T.R.A. Committee Meeting on Wednesday 15th June, gave an assurance that he would try to obtain replies from the various sections of the Council who had so far, remained silent.

It would be disappointing to hear that the proposals for a Community Centre were not being considered with the merits they deserve. Providing an actual building is difficult and expensive. Providing replies and acknowledgments is still, presumably, a relatively cheap and simple task.

## OH WELL

Farmer Homes are wanting to re-site the village well previously located in Topley Hall Lane, on phase 2 of 'Half Farm Village', behind the Fleur De Lys. This procedure had already been agreed when they dismantled the well in Sept. 1980.

Farmer are concerned to see that once the well is re-sited a clear agreement will be reached as to whom the responsibility for future maintenance of the well will fall.

One idea is to incorporate the well into one of the plots and on the sale incorporate covenants into the transfer for the future protection of the well.

Alternatively if the well was placed outside the plot boundary Tarmac have asked if the Topley and District Environment Society would be prepared to accept responsibility for the well and its future maintenance. Questions have been raised as to who currently owns the well and who will be considered as the future owner. Any locals who might wish to volunteer for the task of future maintenance should contact the magazine.

## NEW MINISTER

The Rev. Harold Bowes, Minister at Topley Rise Methodist Church since 1978 is taking up a new post in September as Superintendent Minister of the North of Scotland Mission Circuit, based in Aberdeen, after spending 12 years in the Sheffield area.

Prominent in Christian Aid work in Sheffield, he was also involved in the first arrangements for the popular Christian Aid Walk, and is a founder member and former chairman of the Dore, Abbeydale and Topley Peace Action Group.

Mr. Bowes also organised the 200th anniversary pageant marking Charles Wesley's visit to Paradise Square, Sheffield.

New Minister at Topley Rise will be Rev. John Hooper, an Australian, who is minister for the North Western Hills district of Sydney. The last service in Topley to be conducted by Mr. Bowes is on August 14th.

# whisperer...

....Monday 20th June saw the re-opening of the garage on Abbeydale Rd. South re-named ABBEY 83 Ltd., with the creation of 30 new jobs and maintaining the 'Renault' franchise....and alterations continue at South Yorks Motors (Marstone Garage)....

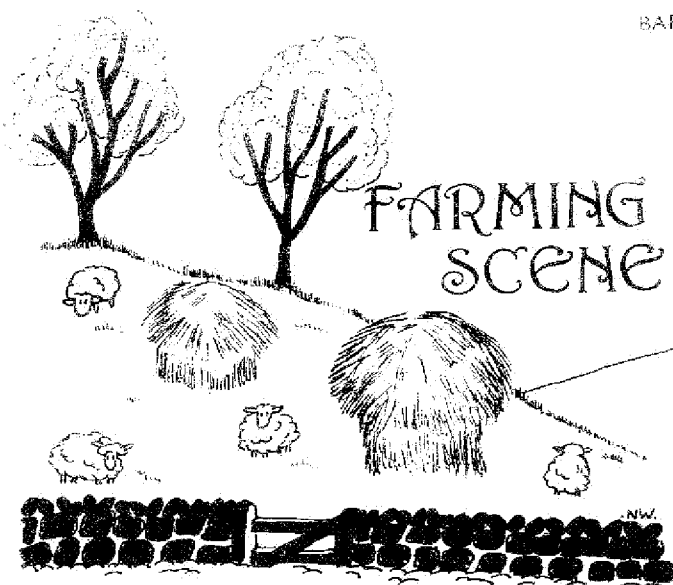
...Topley Rifle Range, little used of late, due to renovations, has been closed for the time being along with all other Ministry of Defence Ranges following an accident involving a young girl in Surrey at a similar range. The cancelled "Clay Shoot" will be held at a future date.

....A Knighthood for Hallam M.P. - now Sir John Osborn...  
...Armstrongs - butchers of Busheywood/Abbeydale Rd. South closed and currently up for sale.....Problems still being encountered with sale of land between Severn Trent Water Authority and Peak Park Planning Board which includes Topley Moss, White Edge, Big Moor and Ramsley Moor, after Government intervention claiming selling price of £1 million too low....Temporary accommodation, during alterations at the Fleur De Lys was provided in an outside marquee - is this what is meant by draught beer ?.....

## LEN STEWART

It is sad to report the recent death of Len Stewart, of Green Oak Drive, one of the founders and original committee members of Topley Residents Association. Len was well known in local music circles as a guitarist/bass player and played at several of the Topley Senior Citizens Christmas Parties with the Trevor Peat Trio. At one time Len had run a city music shop and had contributed articles to national magazines for guitar players. His last appearance in Topley, as a musician, was when he sat in with the Jazz Preservation Society Band at the Cricket Inn, where he was an occasional guest.

BARLEY



# A LOOK AT FARMING ON OUR DOORSTEP

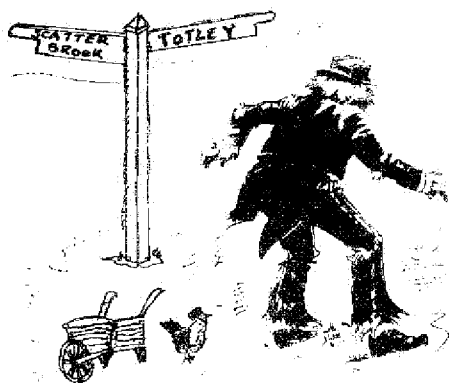
The recent, dry warm weather has been a busy time for all farmers, as they try to catch up with all the work previously held up by the incessant rain. This is a particularly busy time of year for livestock farmers as they conserve grass ready for the winter ahead.

There are four methods of conservation. Conventional silage is unwilted grass put into a consolidated stack, tower silage (or haylage) is made of wilted grass blown into a sealed tower. Big Bale Silage, a relatively new method, utilises either wilted or unwilted grass by making it into high density round bales, which are placed in plastic bags and then sealed. Fourthly, of course, is the traditional haymaking, which many farmers still favour, although it is much more dependant on continuous dry weather.

Our potatoes are now planted and the sheep have been shorn. The wheat has been sprayed with a fungicide to prevent it being overcome by mildew and other leaf diseases. The maternity wards (for pigs) are nearly completed and the first expectant "mums" are in residence.

One of the next jobs will be Sheep dipping. The sheep have a forced one minute swim, in a bath of insecticide solution, to kill any parasites on them and to prevent flies laying their eggs in the wool. The ears are now showing on autumn planted cereals, which means that harvest is nearly upon us, the first winter barleys should be ready to cut before the end of July, along with Oilseed Rape, a fairly new crop in this country, which is now becoming widely grown. In the next issue I will give some details of the uses of Oilseed Rape, and also the date of an Open Day here at Totley Hall Farm, when you are invited to come and look at the pigs etc.

Edwin Pocock.



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# SUMMER QUIZ

## LIBRARY QUIZ

ONCE AGAIN the library will be having a quiz for children to do over the summer holidays this year, from Monday 25th July to Saturday 3rd September. The quiz will be in two age ranges, 7-10 years and 11-13 years, and the winner in each range will be invited to receive a book-token prize from the Lord Mayor, at a special ceremony to be held in the Library Theatre on Saturday 24th September. For Adults who might feel a bit left out, here's a short quiz for them to do while the kids are at the library. If it gets too frustrating, you'll find the answers elsewhere in the magazine.

1. What comes next in the following sequence? What do the numbers represent?  
1, 1.2, 1.4, 1.7, 2, 2.4, 2.8, 3.3, 4, 4.7, 5.6, 6.7.
2. In soccer, if the ball is kicked straight into the opponents goal from the kick-off, what decision does the referee give?
3. If you were to break one of your metatarsals, would you be able to play the violin?
4. If England has April 23rd and Wales has March 1st, what does Scotland have?
5. Put the following composers in the order of the years of their birth: G.F. Handel, F.J. Haydn, W.A. Mozart, F.P. Schubert.
6. In classical mythology some of the deaths met by the various heroes were more comic than tragic. How did Jason, Minos and Perseus die?
7. Which seasonal song ends each verse with a perdx perdx in a pyrus communis?
8. What poets are represented in the following composite verse?  
Shall I compare thee to a summers day?  
Gather ye rosebuds while ye may,  
Where art thou, my beloved Son?  
  
I am weak from your love-liness, Joan Hunter Dunn.

9. Which film stars wrote the following autobiographies? "Snakes and ladders", "Sparks fly upwards", "The Actor's life", "Tall dark & gruesome".

10. In 1844 Phil drew a Camp for Boz. Explain.

11. Finally, a few last words about last words. According to Cyles Brandreth's book "The Last Word", the following three speeches were the last words spoken by John Sedgwick (who was shot in the American Civil War), Dylan Thomas and Bing Crosby. Who said which? (no prizes for this one) - "I've had eighteen straight whiskies. I think that's the record". "That was a great game of golf, fellers". "They couldn't hit an elephant at this dist....".



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215th Sheffield (1st Totley) Scout Group

## WASTE PAPER

The collection for July was held on Saturday 9th. There will be NO paper collections in August due to holidays. The next collection is on Saturday, 10th September when a skip will be in the Totley College Car Park from 9am to 12 noon.

## BOTTLE BANK

Due to noise problems there will be NO further bottle banks after the beginning of August. Group Leaders would like to thank local landlords for collecting bottles and everyone else who used them.

## LOTTERY

Latest winner is ticket No. 70 - Mrs. C. Hurst, c/o Hexborough. Prize - 12 bottles of wines and spirits.

## NEW HEADQUARTERS

Tenders have now gone out for the contract to build the new headquarters, off Aldam Road. Completion date is still expected to be September.

## CUB SCOUTS

The Tuesday and Wednesday packs attended weekend camps at Tansley Woods, near Matlock on 17 - 19 and 24 - 26 of June.

## TOTLEY VENTURE SCOUTS

THE DOUBTS ABOUT the future of the Venture Scout Unit at Totley, reported last month have been resolved. The Sheaf District officials have decided that it should continue as an independent unit. This is good news for Leader Tony Marple and the teenage boys who belong to it. They can now plan confidently for the future, beginning with a weeks camp in the Lake District at the end of July. Any lads aged 16 to 20, especially ex-Scouts, will be welcome at the meetings on Monday evenings, 6.30 - 8.30, at King Edward Lower School. Finally, an apology to Tony for getting his name wrong in the last report.

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## 100 YEARS THE VICTORIA GARDENS

FOR SOME inexplicable reason (excuse me, excuse me!) the recent centenary of the opening of the Victoria Gardens in Totley (which Monday 1883) was overlooked by the Independent.

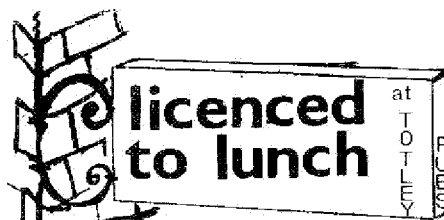
A descriptive article appeared in the Morning Telegraph on the 30th May (1983) and if you refer back to the October 1977 edition of this magazine all is revealed of the local Pleasure Garden that was intended to rival Manchester's Belle Vue.

It is generally reported that the venture failed in 1887, but this date, may, in fact, be incorrect.

When the Totley Tunnel was opened to passenger traffic on Wednesday 16th May, 1894, villages all along the line celebrated with hoisted flags, Brass Bands and Carnivals. Here in Totley on May 15th and 16th, 1884, the occasion was marked by a Grand Fete at the Victoria Gardens on Baslow Road. (note the date). The afternoons and evenings were filled with stage performances alternating with dancing and there were impromptu games, coconut throwing and other amusements in the intervals.

Jupiter, the Aerial Marvel; Gallimore and Kenyar indulged in a pleasurable pastime, Messrs Hampson and De Mar were entertaining as the Trojan Athletes whilst Venezia troupe performed acrobats.

The Prince of Wales Brass Band played a popular selection of music in the evening and there was dancing in the Pavilion (said to hold 10,000 people in



Armed with note-book and pencil, Jo Dobson strolled along to the Crown, Hillfoot Road, to sample the lunchtime fare, for the last in our present series.

The menu offered can be divided into two sections, the normal daily menu and the various special meals. The set menu includes all the traditional pub grub such as; Ploughmans Lunch, Ham & Beef Salad which are priced at £1.40. The range of sandwiches is from plain Beef and Ham, to a selection of Burgers.

Turkey, Double Cumberland, or Crown Jumbo Steakburger are all at 80p and served with pickles.

Meals are served with either French bread or, for the more figure conscious Crisp-bread. However, after much debate it was decided to try one of the special snacks of Prawn sandwiches. This consists of three wholemeal bread sandwiches, served with salad and an individual pot of home-made cocktail sauce. This cost £1.40 as do the other specials - hot Scotch Egg or hot Pork and Sauce with Salad.

All the meals are imaginative and the portions very generous, which well made up for the lack of dessert.

## JUBILEE PLAY

"Murder in the Cathedral"

St. Peter's, Saints Church are hoping to perform this 20th Century verse-tragedy by T.S. Eliot during the week October 14th to 19th, 1984. This is during the period of the main Jubilee celebrations. A preliminary meeting to explore the feasibility and to decide the rehearsal schedule was held on 6th July. Anyone in the district who might also be interested can contact - Dorothy Hill - on 36 Meadow Grove Rd. Totley, S66 9AZ.

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# A CHANGE FOR THE BETTER?

## AREA BASED MANAGEMENT

The City Councils Housing Department, currently situated in the Town Hall extension, is being de-centralised and the new set-ups planned will affect every council tenant in Sheffield.

Fifteen new management areas are envisaged. Totley is part of Area 10, this area contains the largest number of council dwellings (7,396). Other estates in Area 10 include amongst others; Dore, Bradway, Low Edges, Jordanthorpe, Greenhill, Chancet and Firbeck. The boundaries to the new Management Areas now take account of existing Works Department boundaries.

The introduction of Area Based Management should give improved communication between tenants and the Housing Department. New Area offices will be established in each area, the exact location is still to be decided, although under consideration is an Office in Low Edges Centre with a sub-Office in Jordanthorpe and possible Sub-Offices in Dore/Totley/Totley Brook and maybe even the occasional use of Totley Library and King Egbert School.

Another idea is to maintain a Sub-Office still in the Town Hall.

The Housing Department contacted all Tenants/Residents Associations in Area 10 and a meeting was held on the 28th June, at Low Edges Tenants Hall, where T.R.A. was represented.

A coach trip around Area 10 was organised for Tuesday 12th July, in order that all tenants representatives and other members of the Area Housing Committee and Staff could get to know each others locality and see any problems that are presented. Totley Residents Association have been trying to gain information to pass on to Totley tenants for some time now in order to explain the new proposals.

Direct information from the Housing Department has not been easy to obtain as they themselves have been trying to change over and begin to live with this new idea.

Since T.R.A. became affiliated to the Sheffield Federation of Tenants and Residents Assoc., more information has come to light. This Federation is the organisation that the Housing Dept., has been in consultation with over the whole issue, as the tenants representative.

To explain a little further. Each area will be made up of a newly formed controlling body the 'Area Housing Committee', which will consist of Councillors, Council Officers, Union Members and representatives from the tenants themselves. Each Area will also have a full staff from the Housing Dept.

At these new Area offices, tenants will be able to pay their rent, report repairs etc. It may also be that at a later date rates will also be accepted for payment.

Further information will be printed as the whole issue becomes clearer and starts to take shape.

It is further proposed, possibly in September, that a 'levy' will be introduced, collected along with rents, at 2/3p a week. Tenants will have the option to contract out if they do not wish to participate. This money will be used to finance tenants associations, encourage the formation of new ones and a percentage of the total amount will be used to fund the Central Tenants Federation. This particular point may cause problems for associations such as T.R.A., where membership is made up from both council tenants and private residents as regards funding the individual associations.

The main problem to date seems to have been the lack of publicity and information. Apart from small items in the local press and handbills through doors, most tenants remain unaware of the situation and its implications.

Totley Residents Association has, on behalf of Totley tenants, decided that when more specific information is to hand all tenants will receive either a circular or

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## Housing Department

### HOUSING—A NEW APPROACH

From 27th June 1983 the Housing Department is to begin to change. One of the first things affected by this could be the day your rent is collected.

First day of collection: **WEDNESDAY, 6th JULY, 1983**

Then fortnightly after that on the same day of the week

This change is the first step towards Housing Services being carried out locally by Area Teams.

The aim of this new approach is to let you be in closer contact with people who work at the Housing Department and for you to have more say in how services are carried out.

The change means that to begin with the following services will be carried out by your Area Team.

- ★ estate management
- ★ rent collection
- ★ repair reporting
- ★ property inspection
- ★ caretaking services
- ★ changes of name on rent book
- ★ home visits

This is only the beginning. As Area Offices are opened locally other services such as Relocating and Welfare Benefits will also be carried out by your Area Team.

Your new Area Manager is

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Existing offices at Grange Road, Hyde Park, Park Hill and Kelvin will remain open

be invited to a Public Meeting where the issue can be discussed.

In the meantime, representatives of T.R.A. continue to attend Area meetings and other methods of gaining information are being investigated.

Local tenants are now needed to act as new representatives at future meetings and report back on behalf of T.R.A. The Independent hopes to keep the whole of Totley informed of what is an important and substantial issue of local and city wide concern.

P.S. Rent collections will continue in the usual way.

As we go to print, a booklet has just been received entitled "A New Deal for Tenants?" - some thoughts on Housing Departments Re-organisation and produced by a group of community workers from Family and Community Services.

If space allows, the contents will be reproduced in full in the next issue.

To quote the booklet "Because the re-organisation is very complicated some people may not have fully understood what it's all about (we certainly didn't)".

## BARBEQUE

Totley County School Parent Friends Association are holding a Barbeque on Saturday 16th July, starting at 6.30pm.

Attractions also include - Punch & Judy Show, Disco and Beer & Wine Bar. Tickets are 75p each (includes supper) and are available from Dorothy Firth. 364190.

## SUMMER LANE

Sheffield City Council are applying for outline planning permission for residential development, within the Totley Conservation Area, the land referred to being 2.745 sq metres, between Summer Lane and Baslow Rd. from the junction of Hillfoot Road. (Plan No. A/W.2789. 15.3.83)

In reply to the above proposal Totley & District Environment Society say "This area was a treasured part of "Old Totley" with quaint cottages, stone built, housing many young and old people, unable to afford the more expensive houses in the village.

Our local authority decided in their lack of wisdom that these were unfit for habitation, and, ordered that they be demolished (1950's). Since then, conversion of old barns into dwelling houses has been allowed and at times this is difficult to reason. When Summer Lane was demolished, two excuses were given. One, to accommodate widening of Baslow Road, another was to create a new Bus Terminus. Although the area was cleared of good, sound, stone built properties, the land has been left to collect rubbish. No effort has been made to keep it tidy and this is thought to be all that is necessary. This area should not be built upon, otherwise this will "open-up" the whole of the north side of Baslow Rd, for developers to spoil.

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## COFFEE MORNING

Totley Good Companions will be holding their annual Coffee Morning and Sale on July 14th, 10am to 12 noon at Abbeydale Hall. There will be cakes, groceries, tombola, bric-a-brac and many interesting things to browse over. Come along, with your friends, to share the companionship of Totley Good Companions.

## FETE

TOTLEY BROOK FETE- 17th JULY.

SURELY THE WHOLE of Totley will hear this event this year. Not only will the Dungworth Majorettes be opening at 2 o'clock but also featured will be a Fairground Organ and a group (Frixion). However, it is not expected that the well-trained Dog Agility Contestants will make much noise! There will, of course, be the Blackamoor Run starting at 3.15pm. There is also a gymnastic display, children's slow bicycle race, clairvoyant, magic show, tug-o-war, refreshments, stalls and much, much more. So don't miss Totley Brook Fete on the Public Open Space, Totley Brook Rd (near the 17 terminus) from 2pm - 6pm, Sunday 17th July.

\*Blackamoor Run - Please contact: T. Hazel, 351867 or K. Maikin, 361288 for details. Entry before 2.55pm.

\* Children's Bicycle Race - names and ages to P. Littlewood, 350466 before 10th July.

## GARDEN PARTY

Saturday 16th July is the date for this years Garden Party at All Saints Church. The event will feature all the usual items including a Childrens Fancy Dress Comp., This will be followed by a Dance in the Church Hall at 8pm.

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## double event

On Saturday 23rd July, at the home of Mr. & Mrs. H. Jinks, 20, Devonshire Road, a "Double Event" is taking place in aid of the Totley Wise Methodist Church, Caretakers Cottage Fund. Firstly between 10am - 12 noon, a Coffee Morning with Bring & Buy stall and other features is being held and at 8pm, a Barbeque with hamburgers and hot dogs etc on sale. It is hoped that entertainment will be provided by the Brownies.

## 180!

NERVOUS NINETIES FOR CHAMPIONSHIP COUPLE.

Jonathon and Esther Taylor have made a fresh claim for the record of Totley's oldest couple. The couple, who have been married 63 years, are both 90 which adds up to an amazing age of 180. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor have lived in the Totley Brook area for 20 years. Their son also lives in the district and their recipe for long life is hard work.

## ECGBERTIANS

THE IDEA of forming an association for ex-pupils of King Egbert School is now very much a going concern. Out of the inaugural meeting on 29th March at the school "The Old Egbertian Association" emerged. The first event organised is a wine and cheese social on Friday 9th September at 8pm in the Lower School Hall. All former pupils and their husbands/wives and all past and present members of staff are cordially invited. Tickets are £1.50 and can be obtained from members of the Steering Committee whose local representatives include: Helen Crossland, 104 Bushey Wood Road - 366572. Philippa Lee, 25 Meadow Grove Road - 369168. Jonathan Parsons, 40 Bushey Wood Road - 364389. Jane Leonard, 19 Totley Brook Grove - 351818. John Wade (Chairman) 21 Wollaton Avenue - 360920.

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Action Aid held a Garden Party on Saturday 9th July at Abbeydale Hall. The event was in aid of £100 to buy 5 goats for the Rural Development Centre in Burundi, Central Africa.

Action Aid Sheffield has been in existence for just over 2 years, (though the national body has been going for much longer).

This year they are raising funds for a specific project in Burundi, Central Africa. Burundi is one of the poorest countries in the world, with a population of 4 million and a life expectation at birth of 42 years.

So far they have managed through a Barn Dance & Raffle, and an inspired effort in the London Marathon, to raise just over £507 to buy a large water storage tank for this project. It is hoped this will help eradicate the widespread poor health caused by polluted water supplies.

The current aim is to raise £100 to buy 5 goats for an agricultural project in Burundi - they are used for their milk and because they breed fast!

Anyone wanting more details can write to Jane Bailey, c/o Council Voluntary Services, 69 Division St., Sheffield or phone Joyce Chappell on Sheffield 681302.

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## DANCING OUT

MORRIS DANCING evokes thoughts of village greens and warm summer sunshine. The reality of the visit of the Escafold Morris Men to Totley was rather different. They were dancing on the tarmac of the Shepley Spitfire car park and the evening was distinctly chilly. This did not diminish the enthusiasm of their spirited performance to the group of spectators huddled under the pub walls. The dancers were obviously out to enjoy themselves and after a brief show and another drink, they were off up the Hill to the Old Mother Redcap. The weather was improved somewhat for the Yorkshire Chandelier at the Fleur De Lys three days later. This was fortunate as they took almost as long to start as the Morris Men took for their dancing! This performance was on a much grander scale. A large company of impeccably dressed lady clog dancers was backed by a small band, which included three hirsute men. The ladies took their dancing seriously and presented a full and varied programme. Although the two groups presented widely contrasting shows, both were enjoyable and future shows are looked forward to.

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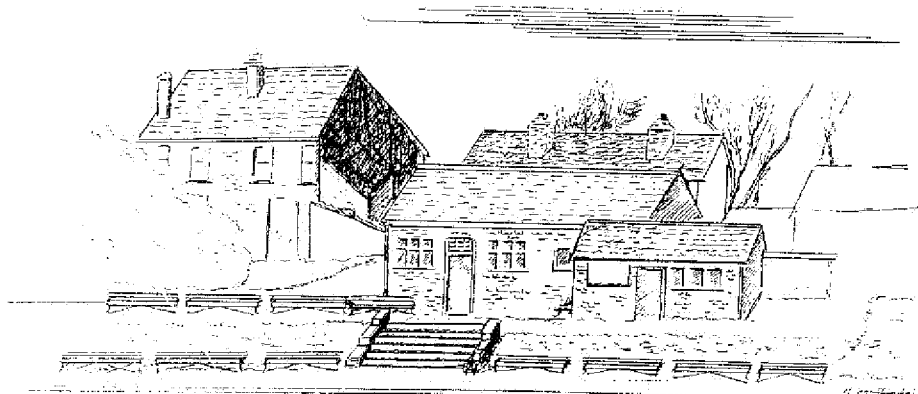
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1. S. Abernethy of a "no" ("no numbers") decreasing by half a step each time.
2. Be goal. A goal kick to the opposing team.
3. Only if you could already play before you broke it: it's a bone in your foot.
4. November 30th. They are St. George's Day, St. David's Day and St. Andrew's Day.
5. The same order as in the question. The dates are respectively 1685, 1732, 1756 and 1797.
6. The prow of his ship "Argo" fell on him; he was boiled in a bath; he was accidentally struck by a discus.
7. "The Twelve Days of Christmas", each of whose verses ends with a partridge in a pear tree.
8. Shakespeare, Herrick, Wordsworth and Betjeman. They are lines from "To his love", "Counsel to girls", "The affliction of Margaret" and "A Subaltern's love-song".
9. Dirk Bogarde, Stewart Granger, Charlton Heston, Christopher Lee.
10. "Boz" (alias Charles Dickens) saw the first edition of his "Martin Chuzzlewit" in 1844. Sarah Gamp was one of the characters in it, and "Phiz" (H.K. Browne) included her picture among his illustrations for the book.

## TUNING IN

BLOWING OUR OWN TRUMPET ?

MUSICIANS are wanted to help start a Musical Workshop in Totley. If you enjoy playing musical instruments of any description (whether it's in the bath or the City Hall) give John Marshall a ring on 360653.

## BACK SOON

The Totley Independent will be back on sale again in September.

The full results and a report on Totley Sports Night will appear in the next issue.

## WELL NOTED

MUSIC FOR A SUMMER EVENING

THE YIP-PUNCHING musical talents of Totley were displayed at the United Reformed Church at a concert given by the local Christian Council.

Rosemary Bolton opened with a group of folk songs, Totley's answer to Mary Hopkin. The audience was asked to join in giving the impression that this might be a "Do it yourself" evening, but after that we were allowed to sit back and listen for the rest of the evening. This was a pity as we were just beginning to enjoy singing.

Apart from another song from Rosemary to end the concert and one by her husband Adrian, the rest of the programme was instrumental.

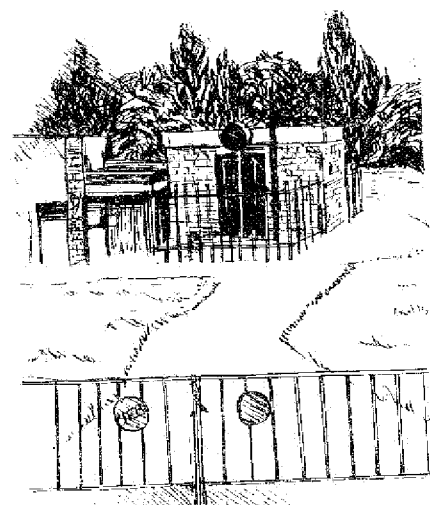
Most of the items were solos by the young people of Totley, accompanied and augmented by their parents. They played a wide range of instruments, many of which are not often used for solos.

In the first half Rajiv Samuel played the Euphonium, Rachel Butcher the French Horn, Rachel Green the Oboe and Elaine Hoyle the Bassoon. As befits a Summer Evening Entertainment, strawberries and ice cream were served in the interval, but with cups of tea instead of champagne. After all this was Totley, not Glynecorne ! The youthful theme continued in the second half with Simon Green giving a performance of The Acrobat on his Trombone, that Jimmy Edwards would have been proud of.

This was followed by Lorna Latham on Violin and Phillip Latham on French Horn.

The evening was very enjoyable and raised £64 to be shared between charities chosen by Mrs. Judith Morris, who has just retired as Chairman of the Local Christian Council, which organises the ecumenical activities between all the churches in, Dore, Totley, Totley Rise and Bradway. It has become traditional for the chairman to organise these entertainments at the end of their year in office and we look forward to the tradition being maintained next year.

Colin Wells.



A somewhat different drawing of a part of Totley. Cheryl Hannam has pictured here a view from the entrance gates of the Y.F.B. Substation alongside Totley Bridge.

This building is easy to ignore although splendidly set in its own grounds.

## NEW FRUIT

THE NEW OWNERS of the Main Avenue Fruit Shop are Bess and John Whidborne of Totley Brook.

The changeover took place on 1st June, John's 40th birthday ! They are not new to the trade and already have other shops at Jordanthorpe and Gleadless. Bess and John would like to assure all customers that they will continue to sell a variety of pot foods as well as good quality fruit & veg. at reasonable prices. Looking to the future, they hope to sell wet fish and also to extend the frozen food side of the business.

## ALL CHANGE

FROM July 27th, Avenue Stores will be under new management. Norman, Julie, Michael and I will be leaving the shop after 6 years (and one month !). We would like to thank all our customers; some, not only for their custom but also for their friendship.

We trust you will welcome the new owners with the same enthusiasm and support. We feel sure that Keith and Susan Sanderson, and their young family Kathy and Tim, will be very happy in the Totley community.

Jackie Fletcher.

# SPORTS

A SPORTING CHANCE

Totley Sports and Social Club has been in existence since at least 1906, and offers a wide range of sporting opportunities. The Club has a number of divisions, these include football, cricket, fishing and athletics.

The two football teams, which play in the Hope Valley Leagues and the athletics are particularly successful. The athletic section, winning this years Star Walk team event.

Rumour has it that one of their fleet-footed members will, in future, submit regular reports of activities.

The most recent social event was the annual Dinner Dance, (usually held at the Embassy Ballroom), this is open to everyone and sees the presentation of trophies.

The major prize is the Presidents Trophy, awarded for services to the Club and this year it went to the President himself, John Harrop of the Crown, which serves as the clubs current headquarters. The club is on the look-out for new cricket and football players, so if you are interested in these or other events please contact: President - John Harrop at the Crown or Chairman - Norman Cann. Tel. 365296.

The Independent is always willing to print all local sports results and stories. Anyone interested in reporting sports news in Totley please get in touch.

## TOTLEY TUG-O-WAR CLUB

TOTLEY TUG-O-WAR CLUB held their annual Open Competition on Sunday 10th July.

The venue was changed from Abbeydale Sports Club to the College field, bottom of Totley Hall Lane.

Full results will appear in the next issue.

Any enquiries about the team, contact - Brian Turner on 364475.

## bowls

GREEN OAK GO FLAT OUT FOR THE CROWN

Totley's top crown greeners are bowling over the opposition in Sheffield's prestige Telegraph League.

As Green Oak Bowling Club's 'A' team prepare for their 13th match of the 20-game season they are leading the rest of the field by two points.

Star player so far this season - the 10-strong team came 4th last year - is Mick Hirst, who has won 11 of his 12 games.

Mick is shortly due to play in the All-Yorkshire finals.

Club secretary Frank Woodhead, of Green Oak Road, said that so far the season had gone very well for the 'A' team with just 8 matches left to play.

"It was a big achievement for such a small club to get in to the top league at all and it would make history if we could win it".

The club's Kaye Cup team, which contains several of the 'A' team squad is also proving too hot for the opposition. The Thursday nights side is also well clear of the pack after consistently strong performances from Jack Clark and Norman Cann.

In the Lant League, the 'B' team, which is short of players, is holding a mid-table position, as are the two Veteran sides and the Ladies squad.

Solid individual performances have come from Tom Mirfin, for Veterans 'A' and Ken Crawshaw, for Veterans 'B'. Frank Woodhead has played for Yorkshire twice this season and the county side has won on both occasions.

## OUT TO WIN ROBERT RUNS TO CRYSTAL PALACE

Biathlon boy Robert Allinson has won through to the National Finals of the athletic event's Junior Championships after an impressive performance in the North of England section.

12 year-old Robert, of Main Avenue, won the 800 metres race, half of the 2-event championship, in a time of 3 minutes 9 seconds. He completed the 100 metre swim in 1 minute 11 seconds winning him the cup for second place overall.

The national finals take place later this year at Crystal Palace.

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## A SECOND LOOK

PHIT GENTLEMEN PLEASE !

A NEW BREED of clockwatchers has been discovered lounging in one of Totley's pubs. They can be seen in the Crown Inn, Hillfoot Road, where drinkers can now travel backwards in time.

The reason is a clock bought by landlord John Harrop to wind up his regulars. The clock is numbered backwards and the hands travel in an anti-clockwise direction. "People find it very hard to believe. They keep looking at the clock, then at their watches and then back at the clock", said John.

"It is tremendous fun watching them from behind the bar and it has caused a lot of funny comments". John bought the German clock in a Sheffield shop but "most people think I have brought it back from an Irish holiday", he added.

Still on the subject of clocks, Totley has not yet regained a Public time-piece.

## III cricket

CRICKET FINALLY got under way in June after one of the wettest Mays in memory.

The 1st XI have made a reasonable start and new boy M. Roberts has had an outstanding start taking 13 wickets in 3 matches.

The 2nd XI have made a good start losing just one match, the feature being that the side is made up of a lot of young players and they are responding very well.

### RESULTS

1st XI	v Stanley Tools	W 107 v 108-6
	v Millhouses	D 186-8 v 106-6
	v Handsworth	L 103 v 104-6
2nd XI	v Birdwell	59 v 28-1 (RSP)
	v Whiston	W 84 v 83
	v Midland Bank	W 79-5 v 80-6
	v British Rail	L 110-5 v 11-6

Any new players interested in playing for Totley please contact: D. Holding on 365037.

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## CROSS SCYTHES

WORK ON ALTERATIONS at the  
Cross Scythes will not take  
place until later in the  
year.

A spokesman for Whitbreads  
said that they understood  
the local concerns arising  
from a lack of any direct  
announcement as to the  
exact proposals for the  
pubs future.

There may be an interest as  
a catering outlet from "Roast  
Inns" a division of Whitbreads  
but again no other details  
are available.

## TROPHIES

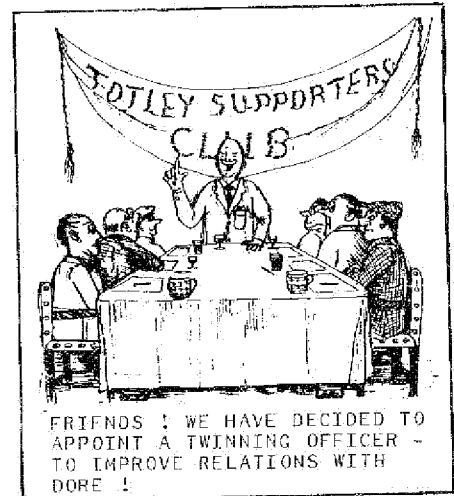
IN ADDITION to the usual  
trophies and medals  
provided by T.R.A. at this  
years event. Two new rather  
splendid trophies were  
additionally donated and  
both presented as prizes  
in the Junior Marafun.  
One from Earl Elwood  
Financial Services at Totley  
Rise and the other from the  
members of staff at the  
National Westminster Bank,  
Totley Rise.

## WRITE BACK

Caroline Parsons, former  
Independent staff writer,  
has joined the Editorial  
Staff of The Star, Sheffield.  
Twenty four year-old  
Caroline, whose parents live  
in Busheywood Road, trained  
as a reporter at Richmond  
College before working on  
newspapers in Kelso and  
Gateshead.

## How's Zat!

ON Tuesday 19th July, Cliff  
and Renee Hodgkinson say  
goodbye to the Cricket Inn  
after spending five years  
as hosts behind the bar.  
But there's good news for  
local jazz fans. The Jazz  
Preservation Society are  
to remain as resident band  
on Friday nights with Cliff  
sitting in on drums.  
We wish Cliff, Renee and  
daughter Zoe future success  
and happiness and thank them  
for their help and enthusiasm  
with the many aspects of  
Totley that they have been  
associated with.  
Their smiling faces will not  
be lost, as they are remain-  
ing as local residents.



## SUMMER DIARY

### JULY

- |      |       |                                                                                               |
|------|-------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 13th | Wed.  | Totley Independent Staff Meeting. 2 Main Avenue. 8pm.                                         |
| 14th | Thur. | Australian Family Reunion Club at British Airways Office, Moorhead 'Sit In' between 1 to 4pm. |
| 14th | Thur. | Totley Good Companions. Abbeydale Hall.                                                       |
| 14th | Thur. | Totley County School Summer Concert. 7.30pm.                                                  |
| 16th | Sat.  | Totley All Saints Church Garden Party.                                                        |
| 16th | Sat.  | Totley County School Barbeque. 6.30pm.                                                        |
| 17th | Sun.  | All Saints School P.T.A. Pic-nic Walk. 2.30 from school.                                      |
| 17th | Sun.  | Totley Brook Fete. Public open space off Totley Brook Rd.                                     |
| 18th | Mon.  | King Egghert School Open Day. 2 - 9pm. All welcome.                                           |
| 19th | Tue.  | Totley All Saints School Concert. 7.15pm.                                                     |
| 23rd | Sat.  | Australian Family R.C. 'Sit In' National Travel, Exchange Street. 11am to 3pm.                |
| 23rd | Sat.  | Coffee Morning and Barbeque at 20 Devonshire Rd.                                              |
| 25th | Mon.  | T.R.A. Committee Meeting. 37 Sunnyvale Road. 7.30pm.                                          |
| 30th | Sat.  | Australian Family R.C. "At Home" between 2-4pm. - 68 West View Lane. Other details inside.    |

### AUGUST

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|------|-------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 23rd | Tue.  | Area Housing Committee to meet at Low Edges. 7.30pm. Totley Representatives to attend. Details 365415. |
| 25th | Thur. | Australian F.R.C. 'Sit In' British Airways, Moorhead. 1 - 4pm.                                         |