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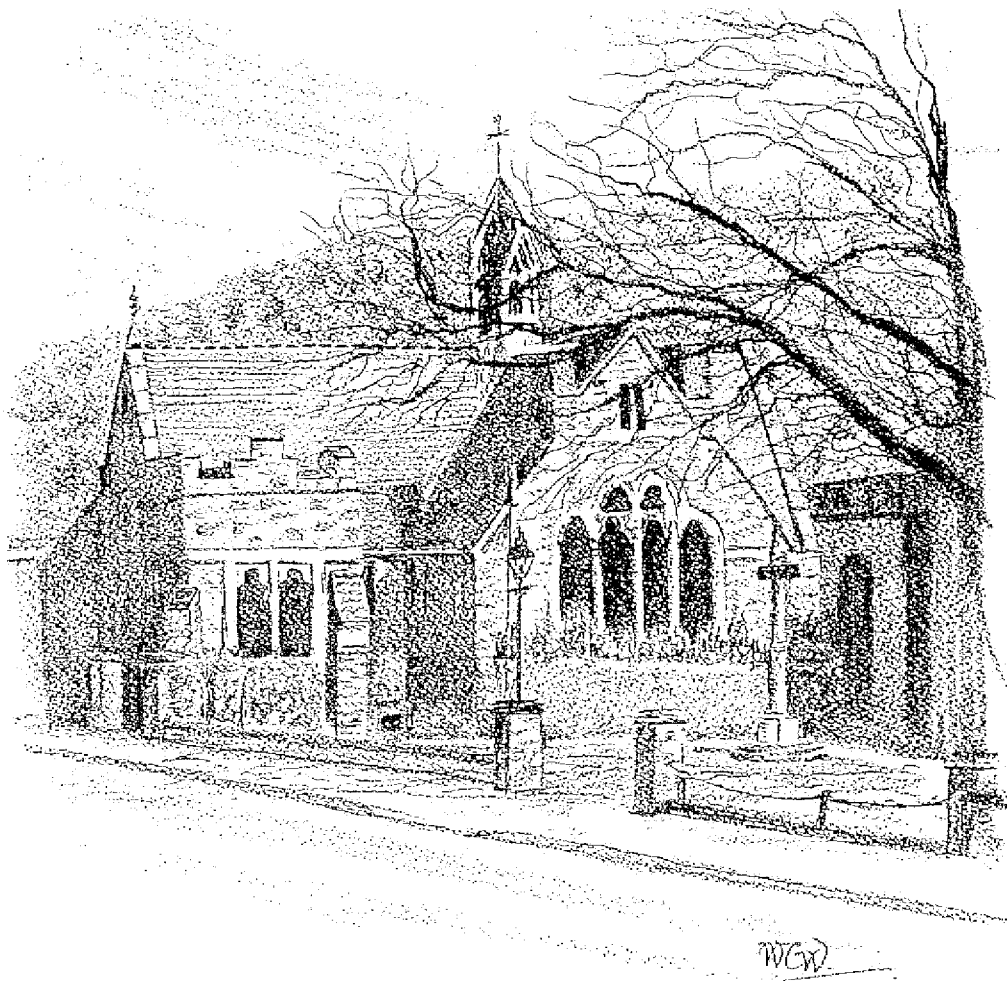
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HELP

In order to continue publication of the Totley Independent you will notice that the style and layout of this issue has been altered and simplified.

We are still without a new editor and compiler and are in desperate need of a volunteer for this post.

Some regular features and articles have been withheld due to our current problems. Normal service will be resumed as and when possible.



The Local Post Office Sorting Depot, Abbeydale Road South, viewed from outside St. John's Church, as drawn by Bill Carter Wigg.

The building was purchased from the P.C.C. in 1956.

Built originally as St. John's Church Rooms in 1893 by Ebenezer Hall (of Abbeydale Hall) the building displays fine stone work and stained glass.

During the 1914-18 War the building was used as a hospital, as the mosaic plaque over the entrance records.

ABBEYDALE ADULT EDUCATION CENTRE (TEL: 368931)

Autumn Programme 1987. Enrolment is on Wednesday 16th September as follows:

All morning courses	10.30 am - 11.30 am
All afternoon courses	1.30 pm - 2.30 pm
All evening course	7.30 pm - 8.30 pm

Full details available in leaflet now available.

WHISPERER.....

After complaints that, once again, the Totley War Memorial had become an eyesore, it has now been tidied up by the Council but the overhanging bushes on the nearby Baslow Road footpath are still in need of attention Bus service X23 is now calling at every bus stop between Totley and Town After the resounding success of Totley Family Sports Day held at the Bents, organiser, a smiling Barry Catton, was able to hand over a cheque for £500 to St. Luke's Hospice Several local Neighbourhood Watch Schemes are now under way with, hopefully more to follow Peter Swifts, newsagent at Totley Rise, is now under the ownership of United News Shops. Peter has been a great supporter of the Independent, selling it over his counter for 10 years, since the very first issue. Best wishes for the future Mr Ken Firth, Head Teacher of Totley County School, has been awarded a Master of Science degree in Education Management New lease of life for the Old Barn next to the Fleur de Lys?

CHESHIRE HOME

We would like to thank everyone who supported our Garden Party in June, it was a bad week for heavy showers but managed to keep fine on the day, when £3,000 was raised for the building fund. (Apart from repaying the loan on the new wing we are facing major repairs on the flat roof of the old bedroom wing). With a successful barbecue in July, the Bus Fund stands at £21,000 and their committee are starting to look at various types of vehicle.

The House Magazine of the Cheshire Foundation is now being produced and circulated bi-monthly to the 75 homes in the U.K. (The latest edition can be seen in Totley Library). We hope this will be widely read. It is now nearly forty years since the end of the war when Group Captain Cheshire V.C., started the first home for the disabled, and a generation are growing up to whom "Cheshire Homes" does not mean anything. We receive enquiries from people asking if we are a housing association, home for the elderly, ex-servicemen, Roman Catholics, etc., even in Totley there are many people who do not know that we are a home for 36 physically handicapped men and women.

One other item of interest is the new Charity Giving from Wages Scheme which will hopefully mean a new source of income to charities such as ours.

This means that people in employment can arrange to have deducted from their wages a tax free regular donation to a charity, and we are hoping this will be another source of income towards the upkeep of our Home. (Details can be obtained from the Treasurer of the Home, tel: 369952).

YOUTH CLUB

The Dore and Totley U.R.C. Youth Club will re-open on Wednesday, 16th September. This is a junior club open to those in this area who are in the 3rd/4th year junior and 1st/2nd year senior school age group. It is an activity based club offering table tennis, snooker, pool, badminton, indoor football, hockey and volleyball with occasional use of the adjoining field. There will also be opportunities for craftwork and general interest groups.

The club opens every Wednesday from 7.30 to 9.00 pm. The initial joining fee is 25p and the weekly subscription is 15p.

50th ANNIVERSARY

The Sheffield and District Society of Model and Experimental Engineers will celebrate their 50th Anniversary this year on Saturday and Sunday 12/13 September. The open air model steam railway site at Beauchief has become a great attraction over the years, and, weather permitting, locomotives are 'exercised' every Sunday, hauling kids, Mums and Dads around a very attractive site in Beauchief woods. This years 'Big Event' is the Societies 50th Anniversary 'Open Weekend' celebrations, and Sheffield's Lord Mayor (Cllr. P. Horton) will open the new Club House on Saturday 12 September at 2.00 pm.

On Sunday 13 September, other Societies will be invited to show and run their models, and an exciting few hours can be anticipated in very pleasant surroundings. Refreshments will be available on both days, and entry is free. The entry to the site is opposite No.283 Abbeydale Road South, through the Abbeydale Industrial Hamlet car park.

LIBRARY

Radio Sheffield's Rony Robinson will be talking about his book "The Beano" about a works outing to Scarborough on Friday, 18th September at 2pm at Totley Library.

He will be reading extracts from his book and bringing pictures and old photographs of seaside outings. There will be tapes of old seaside music and extracts from the radio play. Everyone is invited to come along and share their memories of trips to the seaside.

LIBRARY

Sheffield Popular Theatre will be staging their latest show, "Absolutely Attercliffe" at Totley Library on Thursday 1st October, at 7 pm.

Admission is free and tickets can be obtained, in advance, from Totley Library. Sheffield Popular Theatre is a theatre group of local people, who already had great success with their "East Side Story - the Darnall People's Show" and now with "Absolutely Attercliffe", they aim to evoke memories of the East End in the fifties.

TOTLEY RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Next Committee Meeting Monday 12th October, 7.30 pm at Green Oak View Day Centre.

JUMBLE SALE

To be held at Dore and Totley United Reformed Church Hall on Totley Brook Road on Saturday 19th September at 2 pm. If you have any jumble needing collection please phone 361839 before Friday 18th September.

BLISS (Baby Life Support Systems)

I am writing to thank all members of the public who visited our stall at the Family Sports Day. We raised a total of £42.80 which together with other recent fund raising activities has given us a figure just over £1,000 in the bank.

It is intended that this money will be spent providing a vital piece of equipment for the Special Care Baby Unit at Nether Edge. We are now awaiting a decision by Doctor Smith at Nether Edge on the exact piece of equipment needed to meet their immediate needs.

Since the Sheffield Branch of BLISS was formed in 1983, over £11,000 has been raised, and has been used to purchase equipment for the Special Care Baby Unit at Jessops, Nether Edge and the Children's Hospital.

Please convey our thanks to all friends for their assistance in baking cakes etc., and to the public for contributing so generously.

CHRISTIAN LIFE

As Christians we aim to worship God corporately; to come to know Him through personal prayer; to show His love in our daily activity for others; and to present our Faith as a reasoned and joyful approach to life which we are eager to share.

The last aim of commending our Faith for the consideration of others, and doing so without pressure and outside the Church environment, lies behind two recent moves in Totley.

The first is called "Faith In Print". Member churches of the Dore and Totley Christian Council have given about 80 books relating to the Christian Faith to Toley Library under a nationwide scheme run by the Christian Book Promotion Trust. The scheme meets the approval of librarians because the titles are drawn up by an ecumenical panel to give a balanced cross-section of current Christian literature - including Bible Study and devotional books, Christian biography, faith in practice, Church history. The books will be available for issue on your ticket in the usual way from this month.

Another way of considering the Christian Faith within your own home (on your own or with friends) is offered by the project "Good News Down Your Street". Groups of 2 or 3 local Christians are willing to come and share with you their understanding of the basic facts of Christian belief - the evidence of who Christ was, what he did, etc. Group members are able to come at your convenience and for just as long as you wish.

It is recognised that listening to a sermon gives you no opportunity to raise queries - a friendly chat with others exploring areas of belief would enable you to share your doubts, comments and questions without further obligation. More details from 362322. (Stewart Rayner).

LIBRARY

The revised opening hours for Totley Branch Library, at present, are:

Mon/Wed/Fri	9.30 am	-	7.30 pm
Tues	9.30 am	-	5.30 pm
Thurs	Closed		
Sat	9.30 am	-	12.30 pm

Totley Residents Association are currently organising a petition to have this reduction in service revised. It is believed that Library users would like to see, in particular, a return to Saturday afternoon openings.

TOWNSWOMEN'S GUILD TOTLEY

Our new season 1987/88 starts on Tuesday 20th October at the Methodist Church Hall, Baslow Road at 10.00 am. We have a very interesting programme ready for the coming year. We look forward to welcoming new members. (Secretary: Mrs E. M. White, 17 Chatsworth Road, Totley Rise).

THE DRAMATIC SOCIETY DORE AND TOTLEY UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

The above Society is celebrating its Diamond Jubilee. The Society was founded in 1927 as the Drama Group of the Literary and Debating Society of the then Dore and Totley Union Church and from then has grown and given plays and, more recently, cabarets to the people of this district. We still have some members who have been in the Society since soon after its formation.

As this is our Diamond Jubilee Year, we are starting our season with a comedy 'Ten Times Table' by Alan Ayckbourn, who is one of the most prolific playwrights of our times and the comedy contained in his Ten Times Table is well appreciated by anyone who has ever been on a committee.

Come and see our 'Jubilee' production in the Church Hall, Totley Brook Road at 7.45 pm from Wednesday 28th October to Saturday 31st October 1987. Tickets can be obtained from any member of the Society.

AUCTION

Jim Martin would like to thank the people who gave items to be auctioned at the sale to raise money for Fairthorn, our local home for mentally handicapped young people. As a result, over £500 will be handed over to the charity.

IN AID OF SAINT LUKE'S HOSPICE

An evening of light music by the Capital Wind Quintet (students from Guildhall School of Music and Drama, London). At Christ Church, Dore on Saturday 19th September at 7.30 pm. £3 (incl. light refreshments) £2 Senior Citizens and unwaged. (Kindly sponsored by W A Tyzack plc).

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LETTERS

Dear Sir, I have seen only my own name mentioned in these columns relating to the recent 100th issue and Tenth Birthday exhibitions at Totley Branch Library.

Whilst it is true that I undertook the organisation, I would like to have the opportunity of thanking - particularly - Adrian Schofield, without whose invaluable physical help and judgement the jobs would have been three times as difficult and time consuming.

Thanks are also due from me and the Independent to those who kindly contributed material to either or both exhibitions and, of course, to the library staff for their help and forbearance.

Bill Wigg.

Dear Sir, I was very surprised to read the article in the last Independent about The Quadrant Fire Watchers and especially at seeing my own address and that it was written by my late son Guy.

I have only a vague memory of Fire Watching on The Quadrant during the last war, my son was only 18 when he arranged this. He had already joined the Home Guard and awaiting call-up for the R.A.F.V.R. Sadly, he died of a heart attack in Innsbruck ten years ago. We think the following gentlemen of The Quadrant would have been available during the day - the late Messrs. Rook (retired Headmaster), Hingley, Smith and Talford.

The account brought back many memories. Pat and I would be most interested to know who gave it to you, perhaps he/she could tell us what Group S.H.B.I. stands for.

K. Doris Sneath.

WHIRLOW FARM FAIR - OPEN DAY

The Whirlow Farm Open Day is being supported by the Countryside Commission and will be a real family event. Among the many attractions will be the opportunity to try clay pigeon shooting and pony/donkey riding, or ride on a steam engine. The Totley Shire Horses will be present along with the Rare Breeds from Graves Park. Demonstrations of cheese-making, spinning and weaving, bee-keeping will be given plus both sheep dog and gun dog displays. There will also be a 'Bouncing Castle', a craft marquee, brass band music, the official opening will take place at 12 noon with Tony Capstick and the Radio Sheffield Roadshow.

A Scarecrow Competition has been organised especially for youngsters up to 15 years of age. Entries are invited from both individuals and groups, we are trying for a record crop of 'Scatty Scarecrows'. Interested persons are invited to contact the farm for more information.

Date: Sunday, 20th September 1987

Time: 11.00 am - 5.00 pm

Admission: 50p Adults, 25p Children (5-16 years)

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For further details please contact:-

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