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TOTLEY PRODUCE SHOW

Tark the date - 10th Sept 1988
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- Titley Rise Methodist Church Hall.

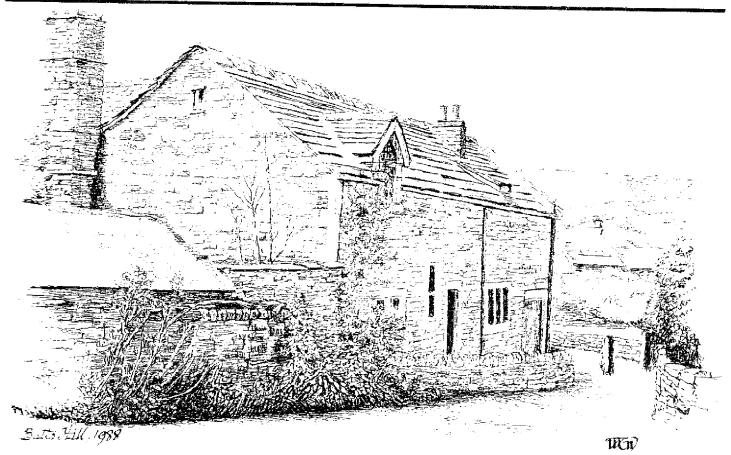
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Show entries received at 11.00a.m. Judging & certificates 12.30p.m. Public viewing 2.00 - 3.30p.m.

Many other stalls and attractions

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Items for the White Elephant Stall to Margaret Coldwell at the Library or at 30 Glover Rd. (367021) or on the morning of the show.



In the May 1981 issue of the interested, there appeared, is intley Teaser No.3", a drawing what appeared to be a derelict asiant subsequently revealed as seint on Butts Hill.

The dem shows that same building it is today; a 'des.res. in a fact travilar suburb', no doubt with the deal mod. cons.

The two pictures appear to bear little relationship to one another: particularly noticeable is the absence of the trees which dominated the old building, but the position and relative size of the house and adjoining walls are difficult to reconcile one with another. If you keep your old issues have a look for yourself!

NEW CONTRIBUTOR

Do we really want a <u>d</u>og?

It is important to ask yourselves this question first, because most people love puppies. They are appealing, adorable, cuddly and the larger breeds are still small. not all people feel the same about them once they have grown up; and they do not remain puppies for very However, they are very dependant animals and you will remain responsible for him for the rest of his life.

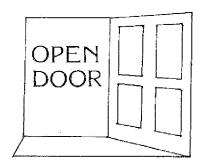
Your dog will need human companionship for a good deal of each day, even more when he is young; and he will require training and regular exercise. Play is important too! The long haired breeds need a lot of grooming.

your dog will require space, both inside and out (a well fenced garden, which may never be as neat again). He will need to be fed regularly and will require a bed, collars and leads grooming equipment and feeding bowls.

He must have regular vaccinations (yearly after the puppy ones) and there is no N.H.S. for dogs so vets bills will need to be allowed for in case of illness or accident. (you can however insure against this).

Plans will have to be made when you go on holiday. You can't take a dog abroad (you can take them, but they have to be quarantined for 6

Please call in at



for a 'cuppa', a chat and help if you need every Thurs 10-noon Church Hall, Totley Brook Road.

monens aron recarn co ents coancry to protect against Rabies). Dogs are not accepted everywhere in this country, so boarding kennel fees will add to the cost of the holiday, and may make last minute holidays impossible during the 'high' season when the good kennels are booked up.

If you are prepared for all of the above (and more!) owning a dog can give you one of the great pleasures in life.

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One important point: - Never buy a dog as a present, it iš ā commitment theprospective owner has to decide upon for himself.

Katie Patmore

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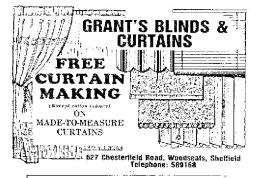
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Dear Sir....

As one of your few, if not only, overseas subscribers, I felt I had to respond to your article on page 8 of the July/August issue. You begin "Does anyone remember the great drought of '76?". We do in a way that must be different than most Totley residents. As Canadians spending our first sabbatical in Yorkshire (although not my first time residing in England), we had all the stereotyped responses first time foreigners have to your country -we expected the weather all year to be grey, rainy and mild. To our surprise and, may I say, delight, we hit the Dread Year of the Drought. Roses blooming in our backyard (sorry for the Canadianism) on Christmas Day, camping trips that were a dream of dryness, and a welcoming warm spring. I recall going out to Ladybower Reservoir and seeing the remnants of an earlier village poking through mud at the bottom of the dehydrated reservoir.

Hoping for the same lovely weather, our return sabbatical brought us back (by choice) to Totley in 1982-3, one of the coldest, wettest, most dreary years I have seen. Still we loved

people of Totley more than made up for the grey surround.

We, here in the Niagara are suffering through the worst drought ever worse than the 1930's we understand. Just as Canadians have stereotypes of the English weather, we know that most the the British cannot believe that Canada is eyer anything but a snowbound wilderness. Summer in the Miagara Peninsula is usually sunny and hot, and very very humid, as our Sheffield visitors can attest. Temperatures are on average 78 degrees F, and the humidity pushes the comfort factor wild. It is usually uncomfortably sticky. This years drought and greenhouse effect, which has hit all of the American midwest and devastated the farming in the Canadian provinces of Alberta, Saskatchewan and Ontario is a dry heat and is no laughing matter.

It is really quite frightening, as our Niagara area tender fruit farmers have lost their livelihoods. I may look back on '76 in Totley with nostalgia, but I expect never to think backon this June and July in Canada with anything but sorrow.

Gail Benjafield

FAMILY SPORTS '88

Family Sports Day was held once again on Totley Bents Recreation Field by the Cricket Inn on Sunday 3rd July. Nigel Worthington, a Northern Ireland International and Sheffield Wednesday Football Star kindly opened the event prior to taking part in the Totley Moor Fell Race.

It was unfortunate that the event was preceded by Totley County School Fayre on the Saturday as understandably families cannot always spare both days of a weekend to support social events.

We were most grateful to P.C. John West and his colleagues from South Yorkshire Police who organised a one way road system around Totley Bents, allowing the traffic to park and get round without the hastle experienced last year.

It is difficult to list everyone who deserves thanks for their support, from the local retail outlets who advertised and sponsored races, to the people who ran the stalls and the people who set out the field and organised the races.

THANKYOU

The aim of Family Sports 88 was two fold, originally it is the continuation of Totley Sports Day which was held in Green Oak Park and organised by Totley Residents Association, to entertain families in the area, I feel sure that this aim was accomplished.

Secondly Family Sports 88 set out to make a profit for the benefit of St Lukes Nursing Home.

On Thursday 11th August a Presentation night was held at the Cricket Inn with a disco and buffet. A cheque for £600 was presented to St. Lukes. Once again our aim was accomplished.

Barrie Catton

totley to trunch and back again!

The glorious weather today --cloudless sky, warm sun tempered
by a sea breeze, a slight haze --reminds me of my first days in
North Norfolk in early September
1947, after that long hot summer.

I came from a busy suburb of Fotley and the bustling prosperous city of Sheffield to a little town of less than 5000 people, of country stock and way of life, set in the rural area of North Norfolk. It was a distinct culture shock.

Life had a much slower pace, cars were few, bicycles the main transport although there was a bus and a train to Norwich 17 miles away --- but that was an expedition! Everyone knew everyone and I was soon known and respected as a new teacher at the Girls! High School. I married and have lived here ever since.

The wide skies and the gently rolling countryside, so different from the hills and moors of Totley's surroundings, are now my familiar environment. The bitter cold of the East winds straight off the sea from January to April, the welcome Spring with the primrose studded lanes, the brooding harvest fields of summer laced with trees heavy with dark summer foliage and the occasional column of smoke in the distance where straw is being burned after the grain is cut, the long sunny warm Autumn -the gift of the now warm sea, the little brick and flint villages each with their beautiful church only a few miles apart, all this is now my, and my childrens', heritage.

I am used to it. So my visit to Totley last Autumn was this time a culture shock! The fast traffic on the great wide road, the, to me, new housing estates and roads lined with houses, busy people everywhere and even a bus route up Totley Brook Road!

For years I have felt homesick for Totley and Sheffield but perhaps now I should feel like a fish out of Mater bewildered by the fast pace of life and beat a hasty retreat to the gentler countryside of Norfolk, my children and grandchildren are here.

Christine Wheeler (nee Hartley)



We are once more appealing for voluntary help at the Home. Besides being in need of voluntary mini-bus drivers, if there are any energetic young Mums in the area who, with children returning to school or starting school for the first time, now feel they could spare a morning a week or some hours on a fairly regular basis we should be very glad of their help.

We should welcome anyone, men or women, who could give a few hours regularly helping with taking drinks round to the residents, helping people to dat at lunch times and tea, or assisting in our very active craft room if you have skills in that direction.

We are a brisk ten-minute walk from the main road if you have no car, mostly up hill, but very good exercise! Please enquire further from Mrs 8.M. Raven, the Administrator on 369952 (office hours).



GARDENING TIPS

Well, I did say prepare for rain last issue. I did not know to advise planting rice - there were plenty of paddy fields in Totley during July.

I hope you compensated by putting a bit more fertiliser round your plants; it certainly paid off in my garden. I hope the weather hasn't dampened your enthusiasm for the Totley Show 10th Sept. I do hope you will support this event, it's lots of fun and the organisers do put a lot of their time and effort laying it on. They deserve your support. Entry forms are in the Post Offices and the Library.

JOBS FOR SEPTEMBER

- * Prune rambler roses
- * Pot on Cineraria
- * Prepare bed for spring cabbages
- * Remove strawberry runners
- * Take viola cuttings
- * Take lavender cuttings
- * Disbud late flowering chrysanthemums
- * Feed leeks with quick acting nitrogen fertilisers (nitrate of soda)
- * Ripen onions by exposing to the sun (PICK OUT THE BEST FOR THE SHOW)
- * Take cuttings of bedding calceolarias and penstemons
- * Plant Hardy primulas
- * Bring cyclmen & chrysanthemums into greenhouse
- * Cuttings of alpines inserted earlier and now rooted should be planted out where they are to grow or potted & put into a frame till spring
- * Keep weeds down by hoeing and weedkilling
- * Cut off old parsley leaves to promote new growth
- * Pot up bulbs for indoor flowering
- * A good time for planting evergreens and conifers

- * Prune and tie in blackberry and loganberry
- * Spike and top dress lawns
- * Sow or turf new lawns

This is a good time to increase your stock of plants. Cuttings are relatively easy and a cheap way of having a good show next year. Flowering maple, campanula, fuschia, busy lizzies, ivies and geraniums are just a few to start with. Don't forget 10th Sept. Totley Show. You don't have to be an expert, just bring along the best of your efforts. You never know you may get a certificate. If you have a big runner bean then you may win the Busy Bee trophy and prize***.

You will never know if you don't enter.

See you there!

Tom Busy Bee

*** Don't forget, ladies, there are sections for needlework and embroidery, flower arrangement etc.

<u>smiddy loaf</u>

802 fruit
I large cup sugar
I tsp mixed spice
402 margarine
I large cup of water
I tsp. baking powder

Mix all these ingredients together in a large suacepan. Bring to the boil. Simmer for 5 minutes. Stir in 80z S.R. flour & 2 beaten eggs Mix thoroughly. Put in a greased swiss roll tin. Bake for 40-60 mins at 375 F / Gas 5.

Ina Henstock

This recipe is one of 130 gathered together in a booklet "Favourite Recipes" being sold for £2 in aid of All Saints Church Organ Fund. Copies can be purchased from Mrs Angela Waite, 113 Green Oak Road.

YOUTH IN TOTLEY

We have recently renewed contact with Totley starts the ball rolling the City Council through Vena Winter of the Youth Service, in an attempt to provide facilities for the Youth in Totley, but at the time of going to print, no formal reply has been received by Totley Residents Association.

However, in August, it was interesting to hear from Frank Higgins, who over the past few years, has until recently run a Youth Club two nights a week at the Old School Building in DORE where Youth from TOTLEY have been

Frank's article and appeal appears on Page 11. Anyone interested in helping can contact Frank direct but in order to broaden the scope of the appeal, an open meeting has been arranged at the Scout Headquarters Building, off Aldam Road, Totley on Monday 19th September at 8pm.

The purpose of the meeting is as follows: -

Firstly to assess the opinions and support of the Community at large with regard to facilities for Youth in Totley and the problems and realities of starting a Youth Club. It is appreciated that there have been and still are clubs in Totley, but feedback is that little has been known and contact not made with the Council Youth Service and its workers

Secondly anyone who would like to find out what is involved in helping to run a Youth Club, is welcome to come along and ask questions. Noone will be expected to try to run a club single handed. Half a dozen volunteers would be ideal, as this would enable a rota system to operate where people would not be required every single week.

It may be possible to re-start the club in Dore, which could for the time being serve both Dore and Totley. There could be either a transfer to suitable premises in Totley or the starting of a new separate club to complement the other.

If you are interested in Youth, fouth Work or helping to secure

TOT the routh in lotley, please come along. It is important that this meeting is well supported.

Nothing further is likely to happen at present, unless, as in the past, itself.

It is quite possible that in ten years time, todays Totley parents of younger children might couplain that there is nothing for their teenage We can plan now to remedy children. that. Mike Williamson

FAREWELL AND WELCOME

Catholics attending the English artyrs Church in Baslow Road are sad to lose Father Andy Graydon, who has been curate at the main Parish Church - Our Lady & St. Thomas, Woodseats, which serves the Totley Church.

Father Andy came to us from St.Peter's Catholic Church in Doncaster two years ago and said the majority of Sunday and Wednesday Masses at English 💝 Martyrs.

A Yorkshireman born in Elland, he was ordained in 1979 and has now been given his own parish at Mexborough by coincidence also called English Martyrs. A most sincere, kindly and thoughtful priest, he took an active interest in the Dore and Totley Christian Council and had been elected Vice-Chairman prior to this new appointment. He will be very much missed by his parishoners.

Father Andy's replacement as curate will be Father Charles Neill, recently ordained. He hails from Rotherham and is one of a large family whose parents are both local Doctors.

The Parish Priest of both churches -Canon Emil Puttman introduced Father Charles to the English Martyrs congregation at the 9.15 Sunday Mass on 21 August and we all wish him great happiness in his new appointment.

Peter McKinney



Even before my forecast of a dry summer was printed the monsoon season was upon us, giving 6 weeks of our usual summer weather! This has resulted in many thousands of acres of ruined, useless hay, being burned just to get rid of it. The onset of the rain also coincided with the start of the soft fruit season, causing customers to stay away from P.Y.O. sites when they were able to open, with up to 75% of the fruit being lost due to disease/ This hit both the failure to ripen. producer and consumer in the pocket as producer sales were well below expectation, while consumers paid high prices for what little fruit was available.

The cereal harvest is now well under way with yields of both winter barley and Oilseed Rape approx. 20% down on last year mainly due to the wet weather last autumn/winter/spring! Wheat yields are likely to be no better than average, and with quality in doubt due to the rain, prices could rise, pushing up flour and bread prices.

Potatoes have benefited from the rain and a bumper crop is expected, giving price reductions to consumers, and income reductions to producers who are having to sell at well below the cost of production.

The effects of E.E.C. milk quotas are beginning to be felt as the skim milk, butter and cheese mountains disappear tobe replaced by shortages and rising prices. Quotas have also caused big reductions in beef calf numbers, resulting in record prices for calves and much higher beef prices, with a further 25% rise likely next year as supplies dwindle.

Now is the time to buy Pork as prices are on the floor, if not through it! Because of this many producers are having to reduce or completely sell their breeding herds, with the number of sows slaughtered

years figures. A 15% reduction in supplies is forecast for next year along with a 30% rise in prices.

The Bumper British lamb crop is now pouring onto the market, but with approx. 25% of it being exported to France coupled with reduced and higher priced supplies of New Zealand lamb, the price is holding up well, thereby reducing the E.E.C. subsidy bill.

Turning from the general to the particular, we have suffered from the wet weather as much as other farmers, but at the moment are just about up to date with our work schedule. The barley is harvested, and by the time you read this the Oilseed Rape should have been planted. If you see a cloud of white dust pursuing a tractor across a field, don't worry, the dust will be ground limestone (completely harmless) being spread onto the field to reduce the soil acidity. Most non-calciferous soils require a 2 tonne per acre dressing of lime every 4 or 5 years to stop the soil becoming too acid, and thereby reducing yields or causing complete crop failure. Crops vary in their tolerance, with potatoes prefering quite acid conditions with a p.h. of 5.0 to 6.0, most other crops yield best between 6.0 and 7.0, while Oilseed Rape requires a p.h. of 6.5 to 7.5. As the last 3 wet summers have caused our soils to become quite acid, the fields to be planted in Rape will be limed before planting.

Grandfather Clock returns to Totley

The Mobile Museur will be visiting Totley Library on the 5th and 7th September with an exhibition on "Time". One of the exhibits is a grandfather clock which was made in Totley in the last bentury.

There is an inscription inside signed H. S. Goddard Himsworth, which explains that the clock belonged to his grandmother, Sarah Glossop, who was born in Dore in 1805. Her parent's names were Richard and Dorothy Short.

Written on the clock face is "Made by Hill, Totley".

If anyone can throw any light on the clock's history, the Museum department would like to know.

At this time of year we give thanks to God for the Harvest. The Thanksgiving Services in our local churches are as follows:-

Dore & Totley United Reformed Church

Sept 25th - 10.30am Family Service

6.30pm Harvest Thanksgiving NEIGHBOURHOOD

All Saints Church

8.00am Holy Communion Oct 2nd 10.00am Holy Communion 6.30pm Evensong

Totley Rise Methodist Church

9.15am Holy Communion Oct 2nd 10.30am Morning Service 6.30pm Evening Service

St. Johns, Abbeydale Road

8.00 am Holy Communion Oct 2nd 10.00am Sung Eucharist

6.30pm Evensong

TO AFRICA OFF

Jeremy Bezant, aged 18 years, a former pupil of Totley County and King Ecgbert School, is off to spend a year doing voluntary work at a school for physically handicapped children in Umtata which is in the Transkei, Southern Africa. He will be one of 175 young people selected by a charity called 'Project Trust', from over 500 applicants, who will be going to countries all over the world.

The charity, based on the Hebridean Isle of Coll, puts candidates through a rigorous selection procedure, which includes digging 'lazy beds', planting potatoes and draining peat bogs in freezing conditions on Coll in. February gales.

Jeremy has had to raise £1,700 towards the cost of sending him abroad for the year, and he is very grateful to all local churches, charities, industry and family friends for the help and encouragement which they have given to him.

When Jeremy returns in the summer of 1989, he will be going on to read Biological Sciences at Birmingham University.

WATCH

The number of Neighbourhood Watch schemes in Totley is increasing One of the latest and the rapidly. largest so far covers the whole of The Grove and The Green.

One intention of these schemes is to persuade burglars to look elsewhere for houses to break into. almost the whole of Dore and large parts of Totley are now covered it is important to make sure you have a watch set up in your street.

Each Watch organises itself differently but the basics are:-

- To appoint a co-ordinator to act 1) as a link with the police crime prevention officer and community constable.
- To club together to buy a Neigh-2) bourhood Watch sign.
- To make sure that somebody keeps 3) an eye on your property when you are away, and that you have neighbours you can call on if you have a problem.
- 4) To mark stealable items with your Post Code and pass on information about securing doors and windows.
- 5) To keep a look out for suspicious looking people and vehicles and report them to the police.

For more information about setting up a Neighbourhood Watch in your street contact Woodseats Police Station (Tel 500200)

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> The volume of recycled paper still represents a very small proportion of total paper production, as without the sort of voluntary efforts provided by the local Scoutsupporters, it would not be considered an economic proposition, but when one considers the costs brought about by the indiscriminate destruction of tropical forests and the consequntial soil erosion, drought and famine, it must surely be a cause well worth supporting, and one which even brings local as well as distant benefits.

plea from dore

After running Dore Youth Club for seven years I am unfortunately retiring from the job due to work committments.

It is very sad that we have not been able to find anyone interested in taking over the club considering that Frank Higgins tel. Dronfield it has been going for nearly 20 years. (95) 410263.

There is a definite need in the area for a place for young people 13 plus to meet their friends in a social environment in the evening.

I am pleading for anyone in the area who is interested in young people and helping their development socially to contact me.

I would like to point out there is a local authority grant to the leader of the club.

		SE	PTEMBER DIARY
Mon	Sept	5th	T.R.A. Committee Meeting
Fri	Ħ.	9th	"Relaxation/Coping with Stress and Holistic Health" Mrs E. Elliott. Ladies Evening Guild, Abbeydale Hall 7.30pm
Sat	II.	10th	TOTLEY PRODUCE SHOW
Sat	"	10th	Scouts Paper Collection. Skip at College Car Park
Mon	t#	19th	Youth in Totley. Open meeting for Parents. Scout Headquarters (off Aldam Road) 8.00 - 9.30pm
Tues	*1	20th	Totley Townswomens Guild. Methodist Church Hall. 10.00am
Fri	10	23rd	Copy date for October "Independent"
Fri -	Sun 23	- 25	Flower Festival. All Saints Church
Sat	41	24th	Jumble Sale. St. Johns, Abbeydale Church Hall
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One of the joys of editing the "Totley Independent" is to receive letters from readers. This month we can share a letter from Ontario, one from Norfolk and one from Staffordshire. Extracts from Gail Benjafield's letter appear on page 4 whilst Christine Wheeler's reflections on the contrasts between Totley and Trunch are on page 5.

Martin Hawke, writing from Staffordshire suggests that we include more news about people - past and present. His own father, having been a retail dairyman in lotley for 35 years died in May this year at Perhaps there is a need Beauchief. for a personal column in the Independent. Certainly we will be glad to pass on any news which is passed to us. Martin suggests a "hatched, matched & despatched" column. Do write and tell us!

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