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This is a new drawing by a "new" artist of a familiar corner of Totley. One of the first impressions of the village offered to visitors who arrive from Derbyshire, it is also an indication of the special blend of old and new which is so characteristic of Totley. Peter Inman has offered us other drawings of the area which we hope to include in future issues. It was very gratifying to get such a response from our recent appeal "Artists Ahoy" and we hope that there may yet be other readers who are going to offer their talents to be included for the interest and benefit of us all.

There have been gremlins at work again to cause the editor a few more grey (if not white!) hairs. On page 11 of last month's Independent we said that the Housing Department held advice sessions on the first Tuesday of each month. This should have been the first Thursday from 9-12 am.

The other problem was on page 1. It was, of course the editor's grand-daughter who produced the designs. Sorry!

APOLOGY.

A letter about rabbits at Monnybrook Farm was published in the Totley Independent in December 1988 edition. Whilst this letter was in accordance with the editorial policy of offering space to alternative points of view, it is understood that the letter caused some upset and embarrassment at the farm. This was not the intention of the Editor or Editorial Staff, and the reaction is deply regretted. Accordingly, we offer our sincere apologies to all who were offended by the letter.

GREENOAK BOWLING CLUB.

The Greenoak Bowling Club are looking for new members and players. The season started on April 12th at Greenoak Park just off Mickley Lane. Saturday matches start at 2.30 p.m. Tea and biscuits are available at the green. For further details contact T. Stacey on 350789.

MORE ABOUT DOGS

CHOOSING THE RIGHT PUPPY OUT OF A LITTER.

Ideally puppies are reared in a "home" environment as opposed to a kennel far from the hustle and bustle of everyday life:-people, children, horses, washing machines, telephones, etc, etc; and they are reared by a breeder who understands the dogs she is breeding.

The most important factor in choosing a puppy is temperament, and the first aspect to look at is the dam(mother).The puppies inherit 50% of their characteristics from their mother and she is also responsible for most of their behaviour patterns. A shy, nervous mother(or foster mother) will produce shy, nervous pups regardless of how bold the father is.

You should ask to see the pups with the mother present(not in a separate room). If this is not allowed by the breeder or the new mum is out walking, working etc. either return at a more convenient time or find another litter.

It will be necessary to make more than one visit to a litter and to take plenty of time watching and discussing the dogs with the breeder. Watch them at play and feeding and you will get some idea of which are quiet pups and which are the more active ones. You will also be able to form an opinion as to which is the more dominant and which is the more submissive one.

In every litter is a dominant pup(the one at the top of the hierarchy). He/she will be the first to the food bowl, the first

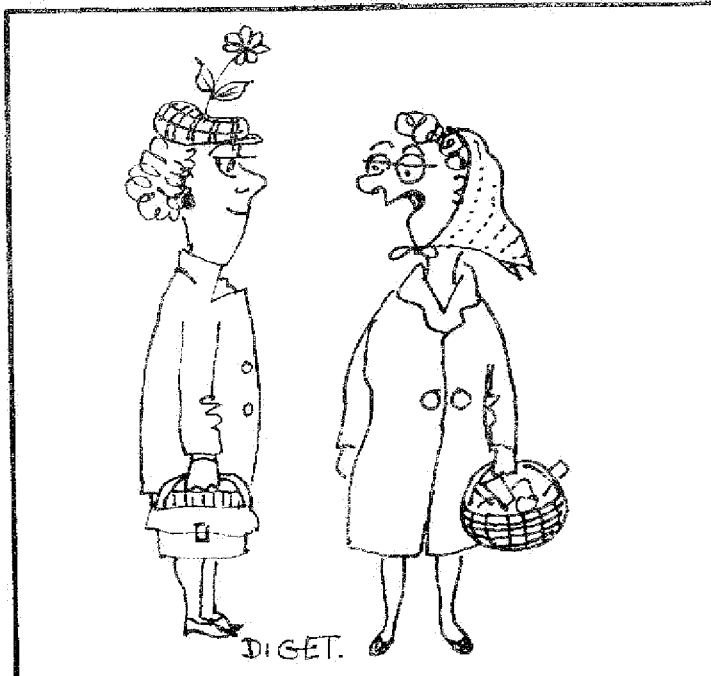
to greet you and will be the one who ends up with a toy thrown in the pen (not necessarily the one who gets to it first but the one who ends up with it. This pup will probably be a good worker but will often be dominant and wilful and may be difficult to train. There is the really shy pup who runs and hides when he sees a stranger. Don't feel sorry for him and take him home. It is cruel to have a pup like this in a noisy household. The independent pup, which goes off to mind his own business and really struggles to get out of your arms should also be left behind.

The best puppy, taking into account your own temperament, is the one in the middle of the social scale. A well adjusted puppy will not hang back all the time. He will come and investigate when you clap your hands and lean over the side of the pen, without being too pushy. He will let you pick him up and handle him without too much protest and crying and will let you put him on his back (in your arms) without being too fierce or nervous.

6-8 weeks old is the best age to acquire a puppy. Dogs bought after 16 weeks, that have been kept in a kennel with their mother, can be very difficult to socialise with people.

Once the puppy is home, it is your responsibility for the rest of his life. It is your responsibility to train him to become an acceptable animal in human society. Accept this undertaking with pleasure and you will have a wonderful companion.

Katie Patmore.



All this fuss over't Channel Tunnel, our Totley Tunnel's been going into foreign parts for years.

TOPS - OVER 60's CLUB.


The Totley Older Person's Society meet every Wednesday from 2.00 to 4.00 p.m. at the Heatherfield Club. The programme includes cards, occasional bingo (of course!); guest speakers and demonstrations. ½ day trips to local beauty spots are also organised - these include afternoon tea at some village pub. (Full day trips of longer distance are perhaps too much for some members who are not so young or mobile).

There are also Bring and Buy afternoons, an annual Autumn Fayre and a Christmas Dinner. If desired a weeks holiday is arranged for those members who wish to go with the club and this includes door to door transport.

There are vacancies owing to the inevitable losses arising with the advancing years of members. If you are interested, you can contact Sid Otter on Sheffield 364690 or just turn up at 2.p.m. on a Wednesday - either way you will be

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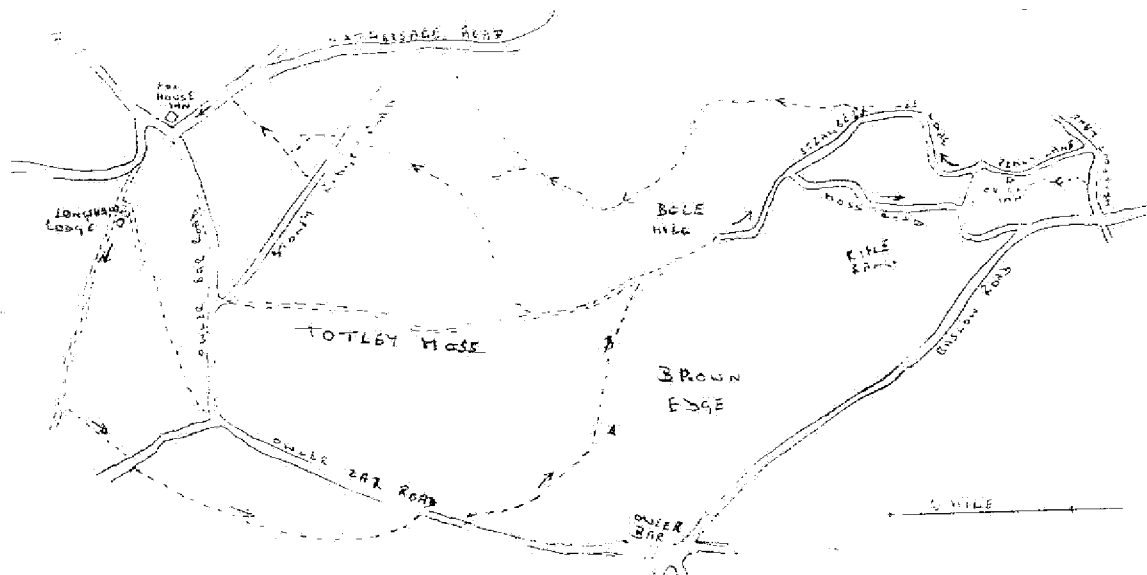
10½ miles. Allow 6hrs. Boots desirable.

Proceed down Hillfoot Rd., Chapel Lane, Cricket Inn, Strawberry Lee Lane to the bridle track direct to the ruined farmstead of Strawberry Lee. Locate two stone pillars and leave the main track by going over the crest of the hill to our left. A solitary stunted hawthorn bush acts as a marker across this slope. A slightly cairned track takes us to a wall and stile over to Totley Moss. Turn right along a well-defined track towards the stony ridge road. (Note the gaunt ruins of a plate-layers hut used by the railway workers in the last century and just beyond is the air shaft from the Totley tunnel.) ½ mile along the bridleway and we cross the busy road over a stile onto Stony Ridge Moor. Here are breathtaking views to Kinder, Bleaklow and even to Holme Moss T.V. mast (30 miles away) if the day is exceptional. The path descends and after another stile we join the main Mathersage Road. A short stroll to our left and we arrive at the Fox House Inn. Cross the road at the junction and enter a gate which takes us into the Longshaw Estate, owned by the National Trust. Head forward past the Lodge and Hall (now converted into flats). After a line of Rhododendron bushes swing over to the left and join another broad track which passes the quaint, ancient Little John's Well. (Robin Hood's Well is supposed to be on Stony Ridge Moor). The track joins the

Froggatt-Calver Road by a wooden pole marker and we leave the Longshaw Estate to cross into White Edge Moor. A finger post directs us to White Lodge, once a game-keepers residence when grouse shooters prevailed here. It is now privately owned for "outward bound youth groups". Locate a stile at the crest of the hill to our left just above the lodge and proceed straight forward following wooden post markers across White Edge Moor and onto the fringe of Big Moor. Lady Cross has associations with the early days of monks at Beauchief Abbey and nearby are old quarry workings. There are also tumuli and old guide stones to be seen. The well defined track across the moor soon brings us to Barbrook Bridge and the Owler Bar Road. This bridge once carried an ancient coaching road. Proceed to the right for 150 yards in the direction of Owler Bar and to the left enter a gate to Totley Moss. A faint track takes us across the moor for approx. 1 mile with Flask Edge to our right. The Trig. Point off the track is at 1295 ft and the highest point on the moor. We join the main track across Totley Moss to the right of the air shaft and are soon onto the bridle-way between Brown Edge and Bolehill. Descend the steep fields to the side of the rifle range by a well defined path, over a wooden stile, pass by another air shaft and join a lane into Moss Road. Walk down Moss Road to Lane Head Road and soon we are back into Totley feeling - probably - thirsty and tired!

Note:- When near the rifle range be sure to keep to the tracks - they are legally open even when the flags are flying but of course we don't want to lose any of our readers!

John C. Barrows.



HEALTHY EATING

For thousands of years the health giving properties of green vegetables have been known to man. Root crops, brassicas (cauliflower, sprouts, cabbage etc.) are now part of our staple diet. But what about the lesser known exotic fruit and veg? With the advent of wide bodied jet aircraft it is now possible to sample products grown ten thousand miles away within four days of harvesting. During the following months I propose to explain the history, origins, usage and taste, not to mention the calorific value of some of the fruit and vegetables from faraway countries, which may have escaped your notice. Space permitting, a recipe using products which are in season and readily available, will be suggested. Why not try the following?

BANANA & GINGER PUDDING. (Serves 6))
Approx. calories per portion: 210.

INGREDIENTS: 4 bananas, peeled and cut into chunks, juice and grated rind $\frac{1}{2}$ lemon, 3 oz. plain flour sieved with 1 tsp. ground ginger, 1 oz. caster sugar, 3 eggs, beaten, $\frac{1}{2}$ pint natural yoghurt, 2 tabbsp. melted butter, 2 tbls. chopped preserved stem ginger. **METHOD:** Toss banana in lemon juice and rind. Arrange the banana in a greased ovenproof dish, about 9" in diameter and 2" deep. Beat the flour, ginger, eggs, yogurt and melted butter to give a smooth batter. (The ingredients can be blended in the liquidiser or food processor, if preferred.) Add the chopped stem ginger and carefully pour the batter over the bananas. Bake at 190 C, 375 F, Gas Mark 5 for 30-35 minutes, until puffed, golden and just 'set'. Cool for a few minutes, dust with a little icing sugar and then serve.

John Scriven.

CRAFT FAIR

There will be a Craft Fair on Saturday May 20th, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Dore and Totley U.R.C. Church Hall.

There will be a wide selection of quality stalls including:- Patchwork, children's clothes, leather goods, garden furniture and ornaments, hand made wooden toys and games, ceramics, dried flower arrangements, bric-a-brac, cakes etc.

Refreshments will also be available.

FARMING SCENE



We have now finished lambing and all the sheep have been returned to the fields, where due to the extremely mild winter, there is adequate grass to get the lambs off to a good start. Our average is 1.68 lambs per ewe this year, down from 1.98 last year, mainly due to an above average number of barren ewes, which have now been sold.

The sows that were artificially inseminated after the demise of Monty have now farrowed successfully with an average of 12 pigs per litter weaned and with one sow producing 18 piglets it is obviously an efficient but somewhat expensive production method. Rommel, our new boar, appears to be working well with the first litters due this month.

On the arable front, most of the spring corn, sugar beet and potatoes are now planted and require some warmer weather to really get going. Autumn planted oilseed rape is now in flower creating yellow patches on an otherwise green landscape. This crop helps to feed several species-bees who gather the pollen and nectar for honey, humans who eat the oil products extracted from the seed and cattle, sheep and pigs whose feed contains the high protein seed residue.

Watch out for a bumper crop of aphids (greenfly etc.) and flies this year as the last two mild winters have allowed them to survive and multiply rapidly. Many crops are already infested with aphids 2 months before they normally appear, and are at risk of being damaged either by the aphids sucking out their sap or from the viruses transmitted when this occurs.

We are just being our perennial fight with the weeds on our soft fruit area, made worse this year by the increased acreage but hopefully by the end of next month when the picking starts we shall have conquered them. Let's hope both pickers and producers enjoy a long hot summer this year. Let's face it, we are due for one!

Edwin Pocock.,

GARDENING TIPS

I hope your garden didn't sustain too much damage in the winds last month. I noticed one or two trees slightly askew on my walks around the area.

Things are getting a bit hectic now; the greenhouse is bursting at the seams with young plants growing like mad. I am looking forward to the warmer weather so that I can get some of them outside.

Things to do in May.

- * Tie in climbers and wall shrubs as they grow to prevent them being damaged by wind.
- * Keep an eye open for pests and diseases on roses. These are best dealt with early before they build up into large colonies.
- * Dead head rhododendrons as soon as petals have fallen.
- * Apply peat generously to top dress heathers, working it in amongst the base of the plants. To raise new ones peg down some shoots with bent wire.
- * Watch out for suckers growing from the rootstock of rose bushes and trace them back to source and pull them off. Rub off suckers from the stems of standards.
- * Late in May plant out Fuchsias and other tender shrubs that have been hardened off. Stake those trained as standards. Protect from frost if forecast.
- * Young camellias that have become top heavy can be pruned now.
- * Make sure all soft fruit is protected from birds.
- * Mulch all fruit if not already done especially plants growing near walls.
- * Continue spraying regularly to control insects on top fruit, also mildew and scab on apples and pears and grey mould on strawberries.
- * Cut out branches or shoots of cherries which have died as a result of bacterial canker infection and paint the wounds with protective pruning sealant.
- * Mow grass regularly. Make sure your mower blades are sharp and height of cut no lower than $\frac{1}{2}$ in (13mm)
- * Perk up your lawn with a fertilizer if not applied last month. Many good lawn foods contain a weedkiller as well so you can do two jobs in one go.
- * Sweet corn can be sown outdoors if soil temperature is 50F or planted under cloches. Plant them in squares rather than in rows - this helps wind pollination.
- * French Beans should germinate fast now if sown outdoors but remember they are

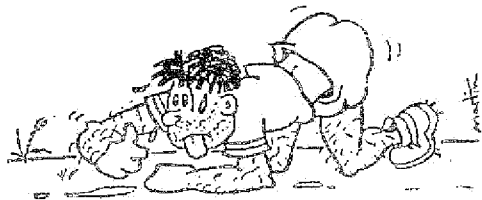
natives of warm climates and will benefit from cloches or low polythene tunnels if cold winds or frosts come.

- * When planting Cabbages or Brussels Sprouts in light soil or exposed positions, make shallow trenches about 4ins deep which can be filled in as the plants grow to give firm anchorage.
- * Many seeds can be sown outdoors now if weather is reasonable and not too wet. These include runner beans, beetroot, carrots, herbs, peas, spinach, broad beans, parsnips and turnips.
- * At the end of the month plant main crop potatoes and earth up early ones.
- * Plant out earlier sown leeks and brassicas.
- * In the greenhouse check vigorous plants twice a day for water if the weather is hot, watch the ventilation to maintain optimum temperature. Don't forget to close down at night!
- * Shade cuttings, seedlings and young plants from bright sunlight.
- * Feed once a week plants that have been in the same pot for more than a month and are growing strongly.
- * Watch out for pests and diseases and take precautionary measures by fumigating the greenhouse regularly. Remove weeds and faded flowers.
- * Check whether seedlings pricked out last month require potting on. Do this when the leaves are touching and move them from trays to 3-3 $\frac{1}{2}$ in pots.
- * Pot on sprouted tubers of glaxinias and begonias if they have developed plenty of roots and shoots.
- * Pinch out tips of young fuchsias when they reach 3-4ins high to encourage a bushy habit.
- * Tie in and train tomatoes. Pinch out side shoots as they form.
- * Weed rock plants carefully, trying not to disturb the surface mulch of gravel. If you have no gravel surface, spread some now as it helps retain moisture and makes weeds easier to remove.

Remember.

- * Keep the hoe moving all round the garden to stop weeds from getting a hold.
- * Water container grown plants well before putting them in and keep them moist all summer.
- * Watch out for greenfly and other pests and deal with them as soon as possible. That's enough to be going on with!

Cheerio for now, Taa, Busy Bee.



FAMILY SPORTS '89

Keep an eye on the date for this year's Family Sports Day - June 25th. We hope to include much more about this popular event in the June Issue - it is certainly something to look forward to.

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ROUND UP

The processes of change go on all around us, sometimes so slowly that we scarcely notice them. Sometimes they happen suddenly and we almost forget what things were like before the change took place. Keen observers will no doubt be able to catalogue all the changes that have happened locally in the recent past but for most of us we accept the change with resignation or even disinterest. This probably isn't true however of the changes which have recently taken place in a local well-known doctor's surgery. For most people who are involved, not least those who work there all the time, the reaction is probably one of relief - the change has at last been accomplished - at least very nearly by the time we can be read in print.

DEAR SIR . . .

We welcome letters about local affairs and will publish as many as possible. However the views expressed are not necessarily those of the Editor, Editorial Staff or Totley Residents Association and must not be imputed to them.

Dear Sir,

How interesting to read "Walk around Totley". Piper House was mentioned and my husband was born there. And "Diget"! - a true artist with a sense of humour without which our living could be much harder.

Yours sincerely, Evelyn Green.

Dear Sir,

I must comment on the article you printed in the last edition headed "Neighbourhood Watch".

You inferred that Five Trees Avenue was not in a Neighbourhood Watch scheme. This is incorrect. Five Trees Avenue, Five Trees Drive and Five Trees Close are all in a Neighbourhood Watch scheme and were one of the first ones to do so in Sheffield.

This is the first burglary we have had since the Watch scheme began, four years ago and was conducted by perpetrators who were aware of the movements of that particular household. Valuable information however, was given to the Police as to the possible culprits - by observant neighbours.

I set up this "Watch" a few months after moving into Five Trees Close and the scheme, on the whole, has been very successful.

Yours faithfully, Mrs J. Crocker.

ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE SOCIETY.

An increasing number of people are becoming aware of the devastating effect of this disease and yet don't know much about it or where help can be found. The Sheffield branch of the Society have asked us to draw attention to the fact that they run a "Carers' Support Team" and they are also looking for members to join that team. If you might be able to help or want to know more about it contact Judith Windle, Sheffield Alzheimer's Disease Society, Floor 2, Sheaf House, Leadmill Road, Sheffield S1 2BP. Tel 768414.

ENGLISH MARTYR'S CHURCH SILVER JUBILEE.

This joyful occasion took place on Thursday, 23 February when Mass was concelebrated by the Bishop of Hallam-the Rt.Rev. Gerald Moverley- assisted by Canon E.Puttman and Father Charles Neal. It was mainly through the efforts of the Canon that the church was built 25 years ago. Attending the ceremony were six former curates, four of whom are now parish priests. The Rev. Stewart Rayner, Vicar of All Saints, was amongst other denominations represented.

In his address the Bishop reminded the congregation of the time before the present church was built when Sunday Mass was said in a room at the Cross Scythes Inn. The land at the corner of the Crescent and Baslow Rd. was acquired for what now seems a very small sum. Sunday morning attendances are now well in excess of 100 and a good community spirit exists. The music for the Mass was chosen and led by Angela Harpham. It was to the Harpham's house on the Green that people were invited afterwards to 'drinks and nibbles' provided by the parish. Altogether it was a very happy and memorable occasion.

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ANAGRAMS

RAT ATE TAR.

The reference to the high usage of the letters A E R & T in last month's Independent set me off on the anagram trail again, using these four letters only once each.

I found a total of 17 words with 2, 3, or 4 letters without recourse to a dictionary. No doubt "Pseudotruchos" will let me know which ones I missed!

My list appears on page 11.

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"It's time to right wrongs" is the slogan for this year's Christian Aid Week (15-20 May). Christian Aid not only helps to provide food in areas of great need but also seeks to help the poor realise their right to land, clean water and other means of providing their own food.

Three important ingredients of Christian Aid Week are fund-raising, education and worship.

Fund-raising is dependent on good organisation and willing volunteers. The House-to-House Collections are an important source of revenue and a generous response would be appreciated.

Education is important to help people be more aware of the needs of poor and deprived people throughout the world. Posters, leaflets and other publications (all available from Christian Aid) help to inform people of these needs. Christian Aid, supported by most denominations, is a major charity bringing relief in times of natural disaster or economic circumstances.

Worship is vital, and Church members can all join together in this form of support. Leaflets for daily prayers and worship suggestions for children and youth are available. The hard work of the many volunteers should be supported by the prayers of as many people as possible.

Another type of activity being tried this year is the TICK-IN approach. People will be given the opportunity to show their support of Christian Aid's work to strengthen the poor by ticking and signing a statement to be displayed on special posters bearing a large tick. The statement will be concerned with Christian Aid's approach to basic human rights.

Two other ways of supporting this cause are by taking part in the May Day Trek on 1 May or the Night Hike on 24 June. Let us all endeavour to play our part, in whatever way we can, to improve the lot of the many deprived people in the world!

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A THISTLE IN THE KILT.

There is a lot of leaping about going on in Glasgow and Perth, where they do such things when angered by Westminster-sourced acts of political vivisection such as experimenting on Scots before trying out the medicine south of the border where the votes come from.

The irritation is, of course, the new Poll Tax or community Charge, the glossy modern name for Capitation Tax from the Middle Ages. Then it was found to be unworkable because they didn't know where anybody was, let alone how much they earned, if anything. Clever substitutes like Salt and Window Taxes, and, for all I know Chastity Belt Duty and VAT on lark's tongues in aspic, and other convenience foods were hurriedly introduced - and then dropped, of course!

But beware complacency as you bask in the warm breezes of your Republic, for the chill is coming your way next April, and there's little doubt a few million more boring words than this lot, too. Every adult will get a demand for money from the Council (so what's new?) and couples get one each. Presumably if the husband doesn't cough up with both payments they can send the wife to jail. This opens up a whole new set of possibilities.

What you will pay will depend on who, where and what you were when you filled the form in. To make things simple there are five different rates of tax, plus a few tricky ones on water and sewage, if applicable. And rebates, if applicable. Right now, nobody round here is paying anything, as the Authorities are overwhelmed with the applicables.

As it happens, most people except the hard up (as usual) will be better off, as there are far more polls to tax than properties, but there is an uneasy feeling that they haven't got it right yet.

I'm certain of one thing. Chips wouldn't be the same if they brought back the Salt Tax!

Adrian Schofield.

Editor's note: It was good to hear from Adrian again and to know that he remembers his happy days in Totley!

HOME - SAFE.

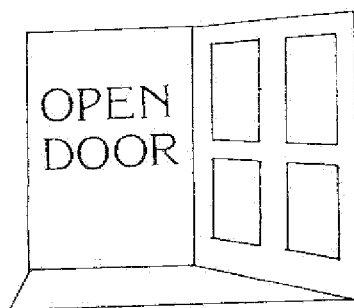
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Local History

Totley has increased its population since I last wrote about the Victoria Gardens, so I make no apologies for another account.

The Victoria Gardens, Totley, Derbyshire were opened on Whit Monday 1883 and comprised 15 acres. These gardens were situated behind Nos. 85 and 87 Baslow Rd., where part of the Laverdene Estate is now and stretched behind the Rise shops to Totley Mill Dam, near to Milldale Rd. (Nos. 85 (the dentist's) and 87 Baslow Rd. were once one establishment. At the beginning of this century, this was The King's Arms Hotel. The renovated hut by the side of No. 87 was the original bar of the hotel.) The Gardens, according to White's Directory, consisted of a cricket ground, bicycle track, lawn tennis, archery and a large lake with pleasure boats. Amongst the trees was a ballroom and refreshment room 180ft. long and 60ft. wide with its roof and walls built of glass. Known today as the 'Monkey Gardens' as monkeys were reputed to be there. It is said that a lady went up in a balloon but no written account of this can be traced.

On the opening day there were "negro comedians and dancers", live wire walker, gymnastic performers, a camera obscura, large aviary and different exhibitions of 'mysterious things'. There was a string band playing in the Pavilion and in the evening there was a fireworks display.

This was the time of Works Outings, day trips and cycling was becoming popular. Dore and Totley station was nearby, but the crowds did not come, possibly because the Gardens were unable to obtain a drink's licence, so no intoxicating drinks were allowed to be sold.. This must have contributed to the financial failure of the Victoria Gardens as they closed in 1887, after an article in the October issue of the Sheffield Independent gave an account of a hearing against Sheffield Corporation to prevent the use of the Pavilion for convalescents from smallpox.

Pat Sneath.

Is this your list? - see RAT ATE TAR on page 8.

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CRAFT FAIR

Totley Library will be holding a Craft Fair again this year, during the week 22nd-27th May. The sessions will be from 10.00 to 12.00 and 2.00 to 4.00 with a session on Origami on Monday from 6.00 to 7.00.

Monday a.m. Painting on Material.

p.m. Patchwork, Shetland Lace,

Fishermen's Guernseys.

Tuesday a.m. Cake Decorating.

p.m. Decoupage. Miniature petit-

point & Tapestry.

Wednesday a.m. Miniatures in cross-stitch.

Bobbin Lace.

p.m. Spinning. Crochet.

Friday - all day Children's Clothes.

a.m. Hand-embroidered greetings cards.

There will also be displays of embroidery, dried flower pictures, soft toys, minerals and polished stones, woodwork, kites, paintings, terrariums and painted pebbles.

For further details contact the Library on 363067.

CAR THEFTS

Our Community Constable, P.C. West reports a spate of thefts from cars in the area. During March there were 8, mainly in the Bradway area. On the night of 7 April cars were broken into on the roads either side of Baslow Rd. and on the 11 April 2 cars were entered at the Crown pub.

P.C. West says that a total of 16 people have recently been dealt with for stealing from cars in the area or handling the proceeds but this has not stopped the thefts. He strongly advises fitting a car alarm. The Crime Prevention Officers at Heeley have a list of recommended fitters. (Tel. 500700) On a brighter note there has only been 1 house burglary reported, in Twentywell Rd. on 13 April. If you see anything suspicious call Woodseats Police Station (Tel. 500200)..

ABBEYDALE ART GROUP

The Annual Exhibition will take place at Abbeydale Hall on Friday 5th May from 2.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m., Saturday 6th May from 10.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m. and Sunday 7th May 11.00 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.

Refreshments available.

Admission Free.

Programmes on sale.

MAY DIARY

Tues. May 2nd N.S.P.C.C. Coffee Morning, 11, The Quadrant, 10.00 a.m. to 12 noon.

Tues. 2nd Dore and Totley Christian Council A.G.M. English Martyr's Church 8.p.m

Thurs. 4th Housing Department Advice Session. Totley Library.

Fri-Sun 5th-7th Abbeydale Art Group Annual Exhibition. Abbeydale Hall.(see advert)

Fri. 12th "Astronomy" - Mr Bower. Ladies Evening Guild. Abbeydale Hall 7.30 p.m.

Sat. 13th Scouts Paper Collection. Skip at College Car Park.

Mon-Sat 15th-20th Christian Aid Week.

Tues. 16th Townswomens Guild. Methodist Church Hall. 10.00 a.m.

Tues. 16th United Nations Association. A.G.M. Dore, Totley & Bradway Branch.
63 Furniss Avenue. 8.00 p.m.

Sat. 20th Copy Date for June Independent.

Sat. 20th Coffee, Cakes & Cuttings. English Martyr's Church 10-12 a.m.

Sat. 20th Craft Fair. Dore & Totley United Reformed Church Hall 10 a.m.- 4 p.m.

Mon-Fri 22nd-27th Craft Fair. Totley Library. (see advert).

Mon. 29th "Bank Holiday at Whirlow", Whirlow Grange Conference Centre. 2-5 p.m.

COFFEE, CAKES and CUTTINGS.

A Coffee, Cakes and Cuttings morning is to be held at English Martyr's Church, Baslow Rd. on Saturday 20th May 10 - 12 a.m.

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