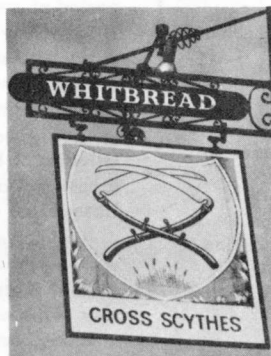


# TOTLEY INDEPENDENT

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## GOOD SIGNS — CHEERS !



AFTER A SUCCESSFUL first season, Totley Tug of War Club are seen here relaxing, after pulling. (A few pints ?) Ably supported (glass in hand) by 4 of our local Landlords, who also know what their right arm's for. Back row left to right are : Harry Scholey of the Shepley Spitfire, Peter McLean of the Cross Scythes, Cliff Hodgkinson of the Cricket Inn and John Harrop of the Crown. During the last two years, the pubs have entered their own tug of war teams and have supported and contributed, wholeheartedly to many other local ventures. At the time of the photo, Ossie Tyler of the Fleur de Lys was in America, but we assumed he was present in spirit !

TUG OF WAR CLUB. Back row : Mick Cooper of Twentywell Lane, John Jenkins of Aldam Close, Brian Turner of Green Oak Avenue. Middle row : Paul Cleaver from Manor Top, John Reeve of Aldam Croft, Greg Brownhill of Aldam Close, Tony Nutbrown of Devonshire Road. Front row : Mick Pilgrim of Aldam Close, Jim Higgins (Captain) of Laverdene Road and Cliff Bardelli of West View Lane.

## QUICK ON THE DRAW

PEN AND INK drawings of Totley have always been a popular feature in the INDEPENDENT and the local Artists pictured here together, for the first time, decided - just to tickle the palette - to add their own atmosphere to the photo (out of the shadows; into the shadows) by bringing along their own Totley gale. Pictured left to right are : Bob Warburton of Rowan Tree Dell, Bill Carter Wigg of Baslow Road, our photographer Don Bellamy of Green Oak Road, Eric Hardcastle of Stonecroft Road, Brian Edwards, Harry Wooffinden of Green Oak Drive and Mike Roberts of Totley Brook Road.

No doubt, as is the custom, someone will invent a suitably witty set of initials, to join these talented gentlemen together as a club !



# THUNDER

WELL, WE'VE MADE IT!

Our 50th Edition, and the first one to feature photographs. It is hoped that in the future there will be occasional editions also to include photos, the next one being for Christmas.

We thought you may like to see some of the faces who have been involved behind the pages.

For the outdoor photos of the Artists and Staff Members, we picked just about the windiest day of the year. This was the first time that the Artists had met as a group, but what better occasion than a celebration.

We hope the small memento of the bookmark will prove useful, and as a further reminder, of this edition, each child in our Primary Schools and Nursery has received a printed balloon.

There would be no point in continuing with the magazine, if you didn't carry on buying it. Please keep up the good work.

## totley licence

(A pint-sized Pub-licity poem dedicated to Local origins).

"They strut 'a-round' like a Peacock with a Crown upon their heads to relax they play at Cricket they pre Fleur it to their beds.

They work at making Scythes Cross they have been known to Grouse when angry they Spit fire a Castle is their house.

Sometimes they dress up fine to frequent the brewery tap in either a good or a Brad way they don Mothers Old Red Cap.

They never wander far Devonshire is their bounds they're very fond of animals especially Hare and Hounds".

## What Do You Know ?

### HELP US TO KEEP YOU INFORMED

REMEMBER: If you have any news, diary dates, details of local events etc., drop them in or hand them to any of the names/addresses on page 3. We are always pleased to hear from you and receive your letters.

All items are printed absolutely free. There is no charge whatsoever.

Don't forget - it's your magazine. Help us to keep in touch with what is happening.

PLEASE NOTE. There is still a waiting list for adverts. For details of rates: contact John Perkinson.

## JUBILATION

JUBILEES are great occasions! Even when they are counting months rather than years, they are still times for celebration, and the 50th issue of the TOTLEY INDEPENDENT is such a time.

Since it first saw the light of day, the TOTLEY INDEPENDENT has given pleasure and service to our local community in a wonderful way. Its circulation soon built up from the original figure, and continues to show a slight increase. We who live in the neighbourhood owe a real debt of thanks to all those who work hard on its production, those who contribute to its pages, print it, sell it and talk about it. May it long continue!

Alan Jockel  
Chairman  
Totley Residents Association

## whisperer...

.....Work has started on the traffic light system at Baslow Road and Glover Road junction..... New notice board for Totley Rise Methodist Church.....  
... New fence for Peacock at Owlser Bar..... Halifax Building Society coming to Totley Rise Shops.....  
..... New coats of paint for Cross Scythes and Cricket Inn..... Students back in residence at the College.....

## TICKET TABLE

FOLLOWING A MEETING of the Library and Arts Committee, on the 17th July, it was resolved that the Ticket Table in Totley Branch Library be allowed to continue, after a trial period of one year.

This facility was granted to Totley Residents Association and other local organisations for the sale of tickets for their various events.

Authority was also given, for the Director of Libraries to approve similar schemes at other suitable branch libraries on request.

### MEMBERSHIPS

Anyone wishing to renew their membership of Totley Residents Association will be able to do so at the Ticket Table on Saturday 7th November, between 2 - 4 pm. 50p per house-hold, per year.

Incidentally, we notice that there are various leaflets available free, in the Library, including 'On Short time, Redundant and Help and Advice'. Also available - for reference only - are other leaflets of general interest to anyone affected by the current economic situation, in connection with their job (or lack of one).



"Wife, ten kids and a Residents Association to support".

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## PUBLIC MEETING

THE LAST scheduled meeting of  
Totley Forum, arranged for Tuesday  
15th of September, was cancelled.  
There were several other local meetings  
held on this date and also it was felt  
that the subjects to be discussed might  
be better served if discussed at a  
Public Meeting; giving everyone in  
Totley a chance to have their say.  
A possible date for this meeting is  
likely to be late October. The actual  
date and location will be advertised.  
A reminder will be sent out through  
the schools.

The main subject for discussion will  
be that of a Community Building for  
Totley, together with an improvement  
to local facilities, and it is also  
hoped to give an up-to-date report on  
the Road Safety Campaign. The  
formation of a Majorette troupe has  
once again been suggested by parents  
and this could also be included.  
Representatives from all the local  
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invited to attend, so you will have the  
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# EXHIBITION

## IYDP



### AIDS FOR LIVING

This exhibition was held in Totley Rise Methodist Church Hall, on Saturday 19th September and was organised by the Church Members as their contribution to the "Year of the Disabled". Unfortunately, this was a busy Saturday locally, so perhaps the exhibition didn't get the numbers it deserved, as Pauline Perkinson discovered when she went along.

When picturing a disabled person, I'm sure most people think of wheelchairs and walking sticks, but the exhibition set out to show the aids available for a wide variety of disabilities. British Gas make appliances with easy grip knobs, for arthritic people, or with braille for the blind, and at special height for wheelchair users. The Electricity Board also make braille knobs, large rocker switches, that can be operated by elbow or walking stick, and special hand grips on plugs and adaptors. British Telecom make amplifiers for the hard of hearing, a braille card callmaker, and are now modifying public coin-boxes for disabled people.

I was invited to 'drive' a wheelchair up a ramp, through a doorway, down a ramp (difficult), and over cobblestones (uncomfortable), but thanks to Mrs. Paulson I negotiated the obstacles, without mishap and appreciated the difficulties at first-hand.

Many thanks to Dr. Marion Jepson (retired) for explaining the uses of many articles to help with cooking, cleaning, personal care, and the toys and games which are used to help handicapped children become used to everyday problems. There are also available from local garden centres, long-handled tools for working in the garden.

There was no entrance fee to the exhibition, just a genuine desire to show what is available to handicapped people and from where.

If you need advice for yourself or others, you should contact the Aids Centre for the Disabled, 87-89 The

Wicker, Sheffield, Tel. 737025 for an appointment. Casual callers are also welcome to see a permanent exhibition of aids and equipment between the hours of 9.30 am to 4.30 pm. (Tuesday to Friday). Help is also available with the care of children and young people with special needs, from the Family Centre, Union Road, Sheffield 11. Tel. 58655.

### FOOTNOTE

As their contribution to I.Y.D.P., British Rail have introduced a half-price fare scheme for the disabled, also if you inform the Station, in advance, they can arrange for help to be available.

## Magic Brews

Peter and Beryl McLean moved into the Cross Scythes on September 1st and contrary to rumour, they are no strangers to Sheffield (both having been born here) and no strangers to the trade.

Until recently Peter was manager of Whitbreads laboratory in Kirkstall, having worked previously in their laboratory in Bridge Street, Sheffield. After two years away from the City, Peter and Beryl were pleased that their first house has given them the opportunity of returning to home ground.

As they moved in, work was underway with the installation of hand pumps for the new traditional beers, recently introduced. This together with the preparation of food for customers and their two young children aged 4 and 2 has obviously kept them busy, but with the help of other members of their families; they are settling in. Although they are sharing some relatives! Brother-in-law Terry Clayton recently took over the New Inn at Barlow and help from the family has also been welcome there. In fact it was the atmosphere of the New Inn that convinced Peter, this was the life for him.

Although new outdoor signs are planned to advertise the new beers and car park, nothing much is to be changed to the pubs interior, in fact the Brewery thought the hand pumps would merge rather well with the existing decor and maintain its character, also the upstairs function room is to remain.

In addition to the regular beers, there are now 5 new bitters, 3 new lagers and stella lager is back, also to arrive shortly is a hand pulled cider from

Bulmers, the price of the new products being roughly the same as the more established ones. The Cross Scythes is now one of a selection of Whitbread houses offering a choice of beers etc, from breweries other than their own. Peter and Beryl hope, eventually to expand the catering facilities, lunches and sandwiches are available throughout the week (except Sundays).

Another idea proving popular is the take-away beer in jugs. For just 20p you can buy an attractive 'old fashioned' jug, which holds up to 4 pints and for the "over the bar price", fill it with your own choice of beer.

Before the arrival of their first child, Peter became interested, almost by accident in magic, through a very basic childrens magic set and the gift of a book on the subject, from this his interest widened and upon moving to Leeds "in order to get to know a few people", Beryl persuaded him to join the Leeds Magic Circle, where he became a successful childrens entertainer and toured with their travelling Road Shows, which led to an appearance at the Spa Theatre, Whitby. Before moving to the Cross Scythes, he was elected Vice-President of the Leeds Magic Circle, but was only able to hold the post for 3 weeks. "I may join the local Magic Circle". So far this year he has given about 40 shows and spent the Royal Wedding Day hopping from party to party. However, due to lack of time, his hobby will have to take a back seat.

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# A.G.M.

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11th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The A.G.M. of the Association will be held on Tuesday 6th October, 1981 in the Dining Room of the Upper School and all members - parents, staff and others who have expressed a wish to be members of the Association - are invited to attend.

Coffee will be served after the A.G.M. at 8.45 pm. prior to the election of a Parent Representative on the School Governors, at 9.00 pm.

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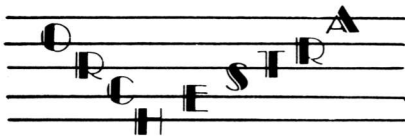
## GRASS ROOTS

"WHERE'S THE PARK MATE ?" enquire the visiting teams as they drive down Mickley Lane and around Aldam Road/ Green Oak Road/Green Oak Avenue/ Lemont Road, looking for an opening and maybe eventually finding the Mickley Lane Entrance pictured here. Green Oak Park (or Green Oak Recreation Ground - to give it the official title), is one of the two public open spaces in the immediate area (the other being at Totley Bents, behind the Cricket Inn), and its use has increased considerably during the past few years.

Apart from the Children's Playground, it is a home for Football, Bowls, Cricket, Tennis, Whit Sings, Totley Sports Night and more recently the Tug of War Clubs Challenge Trophy Competition, now to be held annually.

It is perhaps the only large area suitable (and capable) of attracting and catering for a large number of people, at the moment.

Although considered central, to modern Totley, it is surprising the difficulty that the outsider has in finding it; being bound on all sides by houses and flats, and entered only by four small paths. One other feature of the Park, and also of its surrounding area, is that it is invariably spelt as one word Greenoak, when in fact, it should be two separate words - Green Oak.



## GIRLS WORLD

## TOTLEY

## TROUT

THE TOTLEY ORCHESTRA have asked us to inform readers that they are looking for potential musicians to join them. Meetings take place, on a weekly basis, at Abbeydale Hall and string players would be particularly welcome. If you have any queries or if you would like to join the orchestra, why not call at Abbeydale Hall, 7.30pm on any Tuesday night. Totley Independent intends to visit them shortly and we hope to have an article about the orchestra itself and the type of music they play in next month's issue.

Incidentally, did you know that there is also a combined orchestra made up of junior children from Totley County School and Totley All Saints School.

### HELP WANTED

AFTER 14 YEARS, Guide Leader Margaret Coldwell, is resigning as Tawny Owl of All Saints Brownies, for personal reasons. Helper, Val Kirk will be filling this post, this means, therefore, that at least one - or maybe even two helpers will be required to fill this vacancy. (Particularly now that Snowy Owl, Wendy Kirton has gone to live in Guemsey, following her recent marriage). Only one night a week is involved; no experience is needed, as training can be arranged. You don't even have to wear a uniform! So come along ladies (mums or single) lend a hand, by helping with something really worthwhile.

WE ARE SURE all local residents must share our disgust at the recent deliberate killing of over 100 trout in Old Hay Brook. Local Pollution Prevention Officers confirmed after carrying out tests that the cause of the fishes' deaths was a toilet disinfectant "which must have been deliberately thrown into the water". This was despite rescue attempts made by children and their parents living nearby.

Although it is difficult to prevent this sort of mindless vandalism, we can all help by acting when we spot trouble. The Pollution Prevention Department of the Water Authority will be only too pleased to help if contacted.

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## NEVER TOO LATE

### CALLING TOTLEY SENIOR CITIZENS

Bored ? Cold ? Tired of sitting at home ? Now's the time to make the effort !

There are many clubs in the area offering a warm, friendly atmosphere and listed below is a selection of them. They would be pleased to welcome you at their next meetings.

Have fun trying out these new clubs and activities - you never know, you might even enjoy yourself !

T.O.P.S. (Totley Older Peoples Society)  
Large new club. Social activities, speakers, games, slides, trips and outings etc.

Meets Wednesdays 2 - 4 pm. at the Heatherfield Club, Baslow Road.  
Call in any Wednesday afternoon, ask for Mr. Carter Wigg or Mrs. White.

#### Green Oak Over 60's Club.

Small social group, games and chatter, occasional speakers, slides etc.  
Meets in Green Oak View Day Centre.  
(Entrance opposite Library Car Park)  
Wednesdays 6.45 pm - 9 pm.  
Call in on Wednesday evenings, ask for Mrs. Sheldon.

#### Friday Drop - In Centre, in Green Oak View Day Centre.

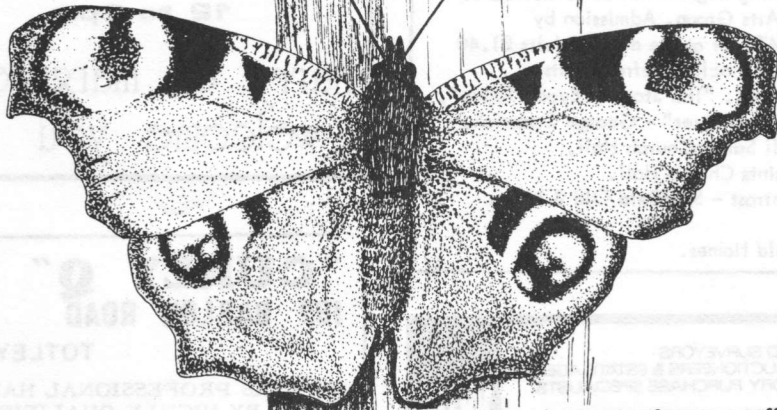
Morning tea and coffee in a warm pleasant day room.  
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For further information telephone Abbeydale Hall on 368931. There are now leaflets available from the Library, with the following as an additional item to those printed :

Tuesday 10 am - 12 noon beginning October 6th. "What Makes a Good Read" ? Ten sessions taken by Betty Hunt B.A. (Creche provided).

## Warburtons World



I SUPPOSE NOW it is time to look back over the summer and sort out some impressions of it. After a most dismal spring, this must rate as one of the best summers for a long time. I always use the sun-loving butterflies as a kind of barometer, and for once, they seem to have let me down. The summer has unarguably been good, and yet two of my favourites have been missing - at least from Totley. The ones in question are the Red Admiral and the Painted Lady, both migrants from southern Europe and the north coast of Africa. At the same time, another - usually less common - has been in my garden regularly.

The two migrants rely upon favourable southern winds to help them to our shores in early summer, then successive generations spread throughout the country. Come autumn and they vanish - they cannot survive our winters in any state: egg, larva, pupa or adult, and there seems to be evidence that at least some of them move south again with the colder autumn days.

The Peacock is made of sterner stuff. It hibernates through the winter as an adult, usually in an outbuilding or pile of old sticks, where its black underside makes an admirable camouflage. It emerges in spring and the females lay their eggs on nettles - these provide us with the adults in August and September. The adult is a most sumptuously decorated insect, displaying a rare richness of colour plus its dazzling eye-spots. The reason for these is believed to be protective: the spots are so conspicuous in flight yet when the insect lands and closes its wings, there is no hint of colour at all. It is believed that to most predators, the Peacock simply 'disappears' when it lands and thus escapes.

It is a pity that our magazine has not yet (?) appeared in colour, for a black and white illustration gives no impression of this truly beautiful insect. To see it at its best, the south of England near a large Buddleia bush on a hot August day should provide dozens. We, here in the frozen north, must be content with our precious few.

If you want to encourage Peacocks (and many others) to visit your garden, Buddleia and the Ice Plant (Sedum) will certainly attract any adults in the vicinity, and a clump of nettles may well be host to their caterpillars.

## OCTOBER DIARY

- 5th Mon. T.R.A. Committee Meeting. 8pm. 37 Sunnyvale Road.  
 6th Tue. All Saints Ladies Club. Factory Visit.  
 6th Tue. King Egbert Association. A.G.M. Upper School Dining Room.  
 7th Wed. T.O.P.S. 2 pm. Talk by Consumer Protection Department.  
 8th Thur. Mother & Toddler Group. 10.15 am. Church Hall (All Saints).  
 10th Sat. All Saints Ladies Club. 8 pm. Church Hall. Barn Dance by the JACKDAWS  
 Tickets £1.50, includes refreshments, from Mrs. C. Ashby - 364880 or  
 Mrs E. Hawley - 350066. Everyone welcome.  
 14th Wed. St. John's Wednesday Club. 8 pm. Open Meeting.  
 14th Wed. T.O.P.S. 2 pm. 'Amuse yourself' session. (Heatherfield Club).  
 14th Wed. Mother & Toddler Group. 10.15 am. All Saints Church Hall.  
 20th Tue. All Saints Ladies Club. 7.30 pm. Church Hall - Beetle Drive.  
 20th Tue. English Saxophone Quartet. 7.45 pm. King Egbert Lower School Hall.  
 Promoted by Dore & Totley Community Arts Group. Admission by  
 programme from Mrs. K. Taylor - 364247 - or at the door. Adults £1.40  
 Senior Citizens, Children, Students 70p, include refreshments.  
 20th Tue. Totley Library Talk. 8 pm. Clarence Daniel. "The Story of Eyam Plague".  
 21st Wed. T.O.P.S. 2 pm. Slide Show: "The Niagara River" - George Creswick.  
 21st Wed. Mother & Toddler Group. 10.15 am. All Saints Church Hall.  
 26th Mon. Toy Party. M & T Group. 8 pm. All Saints Church Hall.  
 28th Wed. St. John's Wednesday Club. 8 pm. Contrast - Sheffield Old & New.  
 By Mr. J. Edward Vickers.  
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#### 215th SHEFFIELD 1st TOTLEY SCOUT GROUP

The Scout Group Gala held Sat. 19th September was a success in spite of the changeable weather. The event made a profit of £280 approx. after expenses. May we take this opportunity of thanking all who contributed, helped at the event and those who attended to make the day successful. Winners of various prizes are listed.

#### LOTTERY

We were hoping to draw the major cash prize at the Gala, but due to unforeseen circumstances this was not possible. We will however, make the draws at one of the Cub/Scout meetings shortly.

#### JUMBLE SALE

A Jumble Sale will be held in the next few weeks. Please watch out for details to be announced shortly.

John D. Turner      Group Chairman.  
Tel. 367594.

#### List of Prize Winners.

##### Main Raffle.

1. Portable TV - Mrs. Wade, Green Oak Ave. (Ticket No. 3251)
2. Food Hamper - Mrs. Homby, Heeley. (867) Donated by Parents of the Group.
3. Bottle of Whisky - Mrs. Edwards, West View (1505)
4. Basket of Fruit - Rollin, Totley Post Office (3909)
5. Two Bottles of Wine - Greenhoff, The Quadrant (284) Don. by Ryalls.
6. Decorkit - Mrs. Cutts, Green Oak Road (680) Don. by Busy Bee.
7. Casserole Dish - c/o Gilders V.W. Dealers (194) Don. by Clarence Fabrications Ltd. Chesterfield.
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9. Pot Plant - Mrs. Coates, Baslow Rd. (316)
10. Tin of Shortbread - Mrs. Bennett c/o Mrs. Warrender (2863) Don. by Avenue Stores.
11. Book of Recipes - G.H. Clark (3895)
12. Cake Tin - Mrs. Redgate, Rowan Tree Dell (3503) Don. by Peter Swift.
13. Box of Chocs - J. Sanders, Glenalmond Road (650) Don. by Totley Post Office.

14. Toilet Set - Mr. Irving, c/o Sheffield City Scouts (3955)
15. Poly Tube Tidy - Barron, Sunnyvale Road (2632)

#### CHILDRENS RAFFLE

- 1st Prize (Boys) - Football. A. Stephenson  
Ticket No. 35.  
1st Prize (Girls) - Doll. Nicola Humphreys  
Ticket No. 34.  
2nd Prize (Boys) - Cub Diary. S. Minifee.  
2nd Prize (Girls) - Calendar. Ball Point.  
Sarah Collins.

Darts Competition. Winner, M. Smith.

Bucket Stall. Winner, Kate Barnett of Dore.

Assault Course. Winner, A. Stephenson.

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## Oh Yes He Is!

One of Totley's adopted sons, Trevor Wood and his family, of The Grove, is leaving the area after a 4½ years stay, to take up an appointment as Bank Manager in Bamard Castle, near Darlington, Durham on October 19th. As an enthusiastic and active member of T.O.A.D.S., Trevor has put in a variety of good performances; and will, no doubt, be missed by his colleagues at St. John's Hall. He has also appeared as a Childrens Entertainer and given enjoyment at the Cheshire Home and other Senior Citizens functions, as well as having played hockey for Sheffield Bankers.

For the past 3 years, along with his wife Helen, he has been heavily involved with the Pantomime at Totley All Saints School, having written, produced and appeared in Cinderella, Aladdin and Snow White (as well as his P.T.A. work and serving as Chairman last year). Trevor moved to Sheffield as Assistant Area Marketing Manager for the Bank. He says he was dubious about moving from his native Elland, nr. Halifax, but would now be more than pleased to move back, one day, to Totley and their many friends.

The good news is that the Pantomime is to continue, with Pam and Martin Challis taking over the production of DICK WHITTINGTON. Martin has been the panto's accompanist and musical associate and Pam, besides being a teacher at the school, has appeared in all 3 previous presentations.

Dick Whittington will be presented in February.

# TOTLEY TUG.O.WAR CLUB

## CHALLENGE TROPHY

ON SATURDAY SEPT. 12th, Totley Tug of War Club held an open competition for their new Challenge Trophy and 7 teams took part.

The venue was changed to Green Oak Park, having originally been planned to take place at the rear of the Cross Scythes, and with a good crowd turning up - this appears to have been a wise decision.

Before the event started, there was a small Fancy Dress Competition (quality not quantity) as well as stalls, raffles, stocks - with some well soaked volunteers and music to set the scene admirably supplied by the Sheffield Military Band, not forgetting the refreshments, served by the ladies, from the large striped booth.

The actual competition lasted over 3 hours, providing exciting entertainment and showing how seriously the teams train. The eventual winners were the WHITE HART from Hope Valley with Chapelton (Coach and Horses) runners up. Totley were joint 3rd, which considering the teams weight (640 kilos) was a good result. Other teams were Glasshouses Inn (Codnor), Alfreton, Greyhound (Higham), Chequers (Coal Aston). Also a word of thanks go to referee Sgt. Terry Phoenix of Beauchief, the nurses and stall holders. Unfortunately, Green Oak Park has no area that is sufficiently level enough to be fair to the teams. (Once again, Recreation Dept., please note). It was good to see a new home team acting as hosts, in an event that boasts good sportsmanship and attracts well behaved spectators.

Sheffield Show wouldn't go far wrong by introducing a Tug of War Competition, for teams from within the City boundary, when perhaps one of the rope manufacturers could offer a suitable trophy.

# TOTLEY TUG.O.WAR CLUB

## RESULTS FOR 1981 SEASON

25th May. The Great Hallam Show. Sportsman Inn, Lodge Moor. 2nd - (720 Kilos).  
20th June. Whittington Hall Show. Chesterfield. 2nd (Catchweight).  
28th June. Endcliffe Park Gala. Sheffield. 3rd (Catchweight).  
1st July. Totley Sports Night. Green Oak Park. 1st (Catchweight).  
4th July. M.O.N.C. Gala. Holmesfield Equestrian Centre. 1st (C/weight).  
14th July. Holmesfield Gala. Holmesfield Community Centre. 1st (C/weight).  
19th July. Totley Brook Grand Summer Fete. Totley Brook Rd. 1st (C/weight).  
25th July. Heeley Festival. Heeley Community Centre. 2nd (Catchweight).  
26th July. Hope Lyons Show. Station Fields, Hope, Derbys. 2nd in class, 4th overall (Catchweight).  
29th July. (Afternoon) Royal Wedding Celebrations. Crown Inn, Heeley. 1st (Catchweight).  
29th July. (Evening) Royal Wedding Celebrations. Brincliffe Oaks Pub, Nether Edge (hard floor pull) 1st C/weight.  
2nd August. Uppertown T.O.W.C. Annual Tug of War Comp. Darley Bridge, Derbys. (National A.A.A. Competition) Unplaced (Catchweight novice and 660 kilos events).  
5th August. Bradwell Gala. Town Bottom Playing Fields, Bradwell, Derbys. Unplaced (Catchweight).  
8th August. Norton Show. Oakes Park, Sheffield. 4th (Catchweight).  
15th August. Barlow Show. Barlow. 3rd (Catchweight).  
31st August. Ecclesfield Show. Ecclesfield Park. 5th (Catchweight).  
6th September. Ashover Farms Annual T.O.W. Comp. Ashover. Unplaced (660 kilos), 2nd (Novice Catchweight).  
12th September. Totley T.O.W.C. Annual Challenge Trophy. Green Oak Park, Totley. Level 3rd (Catchweight).  
19th September. Wingerworth T.O.W.C. Annual Comp. Wingerworth. 5th (C/w).  
20th September. Festival of Sport and Leisure. Tupton Hall School, Tupton. Derbys. 1st (640 kilos).  
20th September. Close of Season.

The competition on 2nd August was governed by the Amateur Athletics Association and is recognised as a qualifying competition for the National 3 A's Title. Also the competition on the 8th August is attended by many clubs registered with the 3 A's.

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NEW MEMBERS, still required for the Totley Tug of War Club. It is also planned to set up a Junior Team. Local lads aged between 15 - 17 years old would be ideal, but this should not stop anyone younger from joining and training. Youngsters can become a member as an individual or maybe an existing organisation (such as Scouts, youth Club etc.) might like to try their hand. Contact: Jim Higgins, 6 Laverdene Road. Tel. 368984 for further information.

# T.O.P.S.

## TOTLEY OLDER PEOPLES SOCIETY

TOPS RE-OPENED after the summer recess with a visit from the 'Silver Threads', a choir of senior citizens whose programme was much enjoyed. On 9th September it embarked on its first major venture - a coach trip to the Yorkshire coast - and 45 members and friends enjoyed ideal weather for their visit to Whitby and Bridlington. The success of this outing may be judged from the fact that enquiries are already being made regarding similar trips - even a week's holiday together next year.

Apart from the usual programme of Wednesday afternoon meetings a public function is planned in the shape of a Coffee Morning and Autumn Fair, to be held from 10 am to 12 noon on Friday 6th November at the Green Oak Day Centre. There will be cake and provision, 'white elephant' and 'nearly new' stalls and a giant raffle. Please come along and help us help ourselves (and maybe go away with a prize, or at least a bargain!) There are persistent rumours of a Christmas luncheon for members and their friends, so keep your eyes and ears open for further details.

# ONE WORLD WEEK

**October 18-25**

## TOTLEY - ONE PART OF ONE WORLD

OCTOBER 18th - 25th is an important week for all who have a concern about the world and its people as a whole, as well as our own favoured little bit of it. It is ONE WORLD WEEK, (promoted by the Churches Committee of the World Development Movement), and WEEK OF PRAYER FOR WORLD PEACE, while within it occur the annual Vigil for Racial Harmony (Oct. 20th) and United Nations Day (Oct. 24th).

A number of events have been planned locally (there may be others, than those listed below).

At Totley Rise Methodist Church, on Sunday Oct. 18th, the preacher at the 11 am. service will be Pastor Caine, who came from the West Indies and is minister of the Church of God of Prophecy, Duke Street. He has a very warm personality and a vigorous style of preaching, and many who met and heard him on a previous visit will be looking forward to another memorable service. Afterwards there will be a simple lunch (soup, bread and cheese), the proceeds from which will be shared between Action Aid (the organisation through which the Sunday School sponsor a Kenyan boy, Musee Paul - see last month's issue) and the Methodist Relief Fund.

The following Sunday, Oct. 25th there will be a One World Week Service (11 am. the Methodist Church again) followed by an Exhibition on World Development themes, with a special display about the International Decade for Water. (If you do not wish to attend the service, you can come along about 11.45 am. to see the exhibition and perhaps have a cup of coffee).

On Wednesday Oct. 21st, the United Nations Association and Totley Rise Wednesday Friendship have a joint meeting (8 pm. Methodist Sunday School), when Barrie Smith will speak about "Mobile Eye - Clinics in India".

One World Week is a time to think about economic justice, and the way the world system of trade works. As a small practical gesture, at these O.W.W. events there will be a chance to buy Campaign Coffee from Tanzania and tea from Sri Lanka imported directly to Britain by Traidcraft, a non-profit trust which imports and sells a variety of products from Third World co-operatives and self-help groups.

On Saturday Oct. 24th, the local Peace Action Group are planning a Vigil for Peace.

On Sunday October 25th, at 6.30 pm., the local churches will be joining together for a United Nations Day Service at the Church of English Martyrs in Baslow Road. The preacher will be Mr. John Henam, Recorder of the Crown Court, who has a special concern about peace and harmony within our own land as well as world - wide. (UNICEF and Christian Aid cards, gifts and calendars will be on sale after the service).

All these events are open to anyone - it does not matter whether you have any connection with a church, or with U.N.A. - everyone is welcome.

## Fund Raiser

ON THE 2nd of September, we held a Summer Fete at 7 Quarry Road, Totley. It was organised by Kerri and Nicky Hickman, Anna and Bradley Fairhead, Mark and Elizabeth Jenkins and Andrew Edwards.

Mr. Morton of Terrey Road, donated a basket of fruit for a raffle. Mrs. Ryalls (off licence) donated some chocolates and Mr. Scriven, a pot-dog. Not many people came, but everyone gave generously and altogether we raised around £14 for the Guide Dogs for the Blind. It was an enjoyable afternoon and we all thoroughly enjoyed doing it. Many thanks to everyone who came.

Kerri Hickman (aged 13)  
Quarry Road.

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# Festival

The Flowers, Arts and Crafts display in Totley All Saints Church and Church Hall, formed part of the Festival 81 programme between 10th - 13th September.

As it said in the leaflet, it was an invitation to share in the appreciation of the creative work of Totley residents in many different forms of artistic expression. And many forms there were, including; Drawings, Paintings, Timber and Metal works, Sculpture, Costume Design, Photography and various types of Needle Crafts.

The effect created by the floral displays, in the Church, was magnificent and obviously the work of many hours of thought and effort.

The Craft displays in the Hall were equally of a high standard, proving just how popular painting is, in its many different styles and mediums. No one could have failed to have been impressed by the almost 3 - dimensional effects created through a brilliance of colour in the bird paintings of Ian Hastings. The exhibits in the Hall were very well displayed, giving an informal and relaxed appeal that allowed the visitors to wander around at their leisure, thereby gaining the full pleasure of each peace on view.

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## LIBRARY TALKS

Clarence Daniel will tell "The Story of Eyam Plague" at 8 pm on Tuesday 20th October in Totley Library. Doors open at 7.30. Please come early to ensure a seat.

Terry Whitham, Branch Librarian.



### The Story of Eyam Plague

It was early in September, 1665 that George Viccars, a journeyman tailor then lodging in Eyam, received a box of textiles from London where the Great Plague was rife throughout the city. Opening the box and finding the materials to be damp he innocently held them in front of the fire to dry and so caught the disease. By September 7th he was dead, the first victim of a plague that was to carry away three quarters of the population of the village. To prevent spreading the disease to other townships the Rector, William Mompesson together with his predecessor, Thomas Stanley, persuaded the villagers to isolate themselves from the outside world, an act of supreme and continuing heroism in the face of appalling horror. There were nearly 270 deaths before the plague died out in October of the following year, including that of Mompesson's own wife, and in all that time only two people attempted to escape.

One of our most familiar nursery rhymes is about the plague and its effects. "Ring a ring o' roses" refers to the purple rash or plague spot that appeared on the victim's chest. "A pocket full of posies" was often carried in the mistaken belief that the sweet smell would keep the disease at bay. Victims had all the symptoms of a bad chill - "Atishoo, atishoo" - before the almost inevitable "All fall down".

Clarence Daniel, who was featured in the "Observer" colour magazine in August, is the author of several books including "Derbyshire Customs", "Derbyshire Traditions", "Ghosts of Derbyshire", "Haunted Derbyshire" and "An illustrated account of the Eyam Plague". He is also the curator of Eyam Private Museum and so probably knows more about the village than anyone else, and especially about that most famous period of its history when it was visited by bubonic plague.

## Home Farm Trust

QUITE A LOT of excitement is being generated by the Home Farm Trust in Sheffield at the moment. Last months article explained the purpose of the H.F.T. and took a closer look at Fairthorne Home. This month we report on their Gala held at 'The Elms' in Dore and next month we hope to report on a particularly exciting event involving royalty, which caused an air of anticipation at the Gala, writes Chris Woodhead. I spoke to some of Fairthorne's residents and found them extremely friendly and very proud of their Home and the produce grown there. The Elms had been utilised for the Gala and there were book sales, a raffle, tombola, a cake stall (with some very tasty looking cakes!) and a handicraft stall. Hot dogs were on sale outside and it was possible to buy garden produce from Fairthorne - this was certainly good quality and very cheap.

In the garden were other stalls including darts, a treasure map and the chance to play croquet. However, one couldn't help being intrigued by a crazy golf course, for whoever had set this up had spent a lot of time and effort on the clever design. Music played, the weather kept fine and the event was a success because everyone enjoyed themselves and learnt a bit more about H.F.T. in the process. Moreover, people were already looking forward to next months event and the royal visit. The Independent will be keeping you informed.

Finally, we must apologise for an error that occurred in last months article, when it was stated that Home Farm Trust mainly involved care of young children. This is not the case and in fact the H.F.T. do not take people as residents until they are at least sixteen.

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