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We finally waved what seemed to be an extremely long winter farewell. The signs of Spring were all around us in May – though still not many blue skies. From top left, clockwise: flowering cherry at the end of Mill Lane, bluebells in Gillfield Wood, Penny Lane daffodils and, looking towards Little Wood, some of Edwin Pocock's lambs.

#### TRA Latest News

We held our AGM on Monday 15th April 2013 and it was with sadness that we said farewell to Kathryn Higgins who has been our Chairman for the last two years. Kathryn - you have been such an asset and you will be sorely missed. We also said goodbye to Marlene Marshall, such a tireless worker for our community. Both of you will be more than welcome should you wish to continue your involvement with TRA in the future.

We had our first Committee Meeting on Wednesday 8th May and were delighted to welcome two new members Peter Martin and Johnny Moran. Avril Critchley, Stephani Coe and Ann Capper offered their assistance at the AGM; it is so very supportive of you.

#### **FARMERS' MARKET**

Sunday 7th July 12 - 4pm, Totley Rise. We always welcome new stallholders: email me if you are interested (moranjaygee@tiscali.co.uk)

#### **HELP**

We need a Minutes Secretary. This will involve attending meetings on the second Wednesday of the month at The Cross Scythes, 7.30pm to take the Minutes, type them up and email them to the Committee. I have been voted Chairman and therefore need someone to do this for us. If you are community minded and would like to help us please contact (moranjaygee@tiscali.co.uk) Hetty Moran, Chairman, TRA.

## **TOTLEY SHOW**

Saturday 7th September, Totley Primary School

#### TOTLEY OPEN GARDENS

Nine lovely Totley gardens will be open over the weekend of 6th and 7th July, from 1-5pm each day. The money raised from the sale of programmes, plants and cakes will go to Transport 17, Totley History Group and Totley Music Festival.



If you have not been round Totley Open Gardens before, give yourself a treat and see some of the interesting gardens right on your doorstep.

For about a month prior to the weekend, programmes can be bought at Totley Library.

On the weekend, programmes can be bought at 170 Baslow Road, which is in front of the archway between the shops.

Delicious cakes will be available at 18 The Quadrant. Plants will be sold in some gardens.

Not all gardens will be open both days, but details will be given in the programme.

Programmes cost £4 per person, which is great value for nine gardens, and the proceeds all go to local organisations working for the community!



Any queries? Tel.

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Jennie Street



## Friends of Gillfield Wood

www.friendsofgillfieldwood.com

### Future Events, 2013 ALL WELCOME

#### Practical Conservation Mornings

Like to be involved hands-on? Come along and find out how to do various jobs to help look after Gillfield Wood year-round. We meet 10 - 1.30 most months - the next two Sundays are June 30 and July 28. Meet at the metal farm gate, end of Totley Hall Lane. Wear appropriate clothing. Tools and refreshments provided by SCC Rangers. See website or email: fogwsecretary@gmail.com

#### In and out the wood - A summer's evening walk on Tuesday 2nd July

meet 7pm, metal farm gate at the end of Totley Hall Lane.
Join the Friends of Gillfield Wood for a short circular walk
through the top end of the wood, across fields to Monnybrook
and back along Penny Lane and Old Hay Lane. On the way
we will take in the history and natural history of the wood and
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Hooray, I hope you will Transport 17 be reading this text snow free for the first

time this year. Not only have we had to contend with the weather and the substantial loss in revenue because clubs were not running as it was not safe for people to be out on the pavements, but one of our vehicles was involved in an accident and has been off the road for 2 weeks already awaiting the inspection engineer (15th May). We understand that we will not be seeing the vehicle again for another week. Fortunately we have managed to maintain an almost complete service by doubling up on journeys and drivers' cars being used in exceptional circumstances so for those of you that we were not able to convey please accept our apologies and normal service should have been resumed by now.

We will be involved in over £1000 expenses for the accident repair, which has come at a time when funds are low and we have also had to replace our car washer which was another exceptional item of £500, as it is a heavy duty model and it has to earn its keep. We will be hoping to raise some of these much needed funds at a Coffee Morning at the Cross Scythes, Baslow Road, from 9.30 to 12.00 noon on Saturday 15th June. Please come and meet us, participate in the raffle and enjoy the excellent tea, coffee and cakes, they really are yummy! If anyone is able to donate suitable raffle prizes would they please call in at our office at 172 Baslow Road any morning Monday to Friday (phone 2362962). Your help would be gratefully appreciated.

As ever if any of you would be willing to join us on a voluntary basis to escort and possibly ultimately drive, you would be given a warm welcome and every encouragement (contact details as above).

Do all take care and please come and see us on the 15th, we really do need your support.

Thank you. Felicity Revill

### TOTLEY GREENS

I wonder whether you could help me discover more about my Great- Great Grandparents, Job & Ann Green of the Fleur-de-Lys? (Cross Scythes in 1861 Census)

Two days ago, I came across a copy of the Last Will & Testament of Job Green .This document was amongst old Birth, Marriage and Death Certificates that I inherited from one of his great-great granddaughters, my mother.

We are related to Job and Ann Green through their younger daughter, Eliza. Eliza married George Wostenholme , who, together with John Green, (Job's son) was the Executor of the aforementioned Will.

Eliza & George had a daughter, Alice (my great grandmother). She married Benjamin Beely Booth and they lived at Toft House.

My own mother was born at "Moorview" on Butts Lane(?) in 1917. She went to All Saints School.

Her name was Doreen Cartwright. She died at 7, Old Hay Lane, Dore, in 2008, aged 92 years.

I wonder if you can put me in touch with any of my Totley relatives who may still live in the area?

I would be delighted to learn more about the family history.

Jeanne Blantern (formerly of Totley & Bradway). Kirkcudbright, S.W. Scotland

Ed: Email received by Totley History Group, we will pass any information back through them.



## **Forthcoming Totley History Group meetings**

#### Sat 22nd June 2pm

Totley's History. A guided walk around Old Totley. Meet at the Cross Scythes at 2:00pm.

Stout shoes essential - dogs welcome on leads.

#### Wed 26th Jun 7:30pm

Totley Library

Open meeting, A chance to share and discuss recent research.

#### Sat 13th July 2:00pm

Visit to the General Cemetery

A guided tour of the General Cemetery. Meet at the Gatehouse in Cemetery Avenue off Ecclesall Road.

Anyone interested in the history of Totley is welcome to come along to any of our meetings. Except for visits, we meet at Totley Library at 7.30 on the fourth Wednesday of every month.

We make a small charge for meetings of £3 to visitors and £2 to members who have paid their £5 annual subscription.

## Please Keep Totley Tidy!

Did any of you see the news recently about Leeds City Council announcing a campaign to help deal with litter and dog fouling? The approach has both the stick and the carrot:

The stick is:

"If they witness anyone blatantly dropping litter or failing to pick up after their dog, they will issue £75 fixed penalty notices for those offences."

And the carrot is:

"If people are seen by officers using litter bins, they will be given the option to have their name entered into a prize draw."

I do wish we in Totley could come up with a scheme like this, as the rubbish on our public pathways is shameful. We now have a variety of bins to help recycling so I don't understand why people can't take their rubbish home with them and both help the recycling and Keep Totley Tidy.

Has anyone any suggestions on a stick and carrot for Totley?

Dawn (can be contacted at Dawn@ilmd.biz)

## **Councillor Surgeries**

#### **Liberal Democrats:**

2nd Monday in the month 6.00-7.00 p.m., Totley Library, Baslow Road and 2nd Saturday in the month from 10.30 a.m. to 12.00 noon, Dore Old School Hall, Savage Lane, Dore Contact details:

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**Totley Independent Website:**www.totlevindependent.co.uk

#### \*BUSINESS PROFILE\*

## **The Sunflower Bakery**



The Sunflower Bakery owned by Ron and Tatiana Shrimpton opened on Dore High Street in December 2012 and offers a range of over forty bread products made and baked on the premises including authentic recipes for traditional English, French, German, Bavarian, Ukrainian and Russian breads. Also available are quality food products including award winning cheese from Cheshire and Ireland, jams, marmalades and honeys, diabetic jams, preserved vegetables, cured sausages and hams, chocolates, cakes and fresh ground coffee.

The T.I. met up with owners Ron and Tanya to find out more about their flourishing new business venture...

## Can you tell us about your background in bread making?

**Ron:** I'll pass this question completely over to Tanya as this is her expertise!

**Tanya:** Yes Ron has the business brain, whilst I bring the creative side to *The Sunflower Bakery.* I trained at Kiev University for 5 years and finished as an Engineer in Technology and Fermentation. I view myself as a food

scientist as the degree involved microbiology, chemistry and physics along with other elements. Then from there I have had over 20 years experience in the industry starting at floor level in a factory in the Ukraine and rising all the way to executive technologist, with the role involving checking the quality and standards of all the products we produced. Along the way I have picked up so much experience and different recipes and it was very important to bring these influences into the business.

#### How did the business end up in Dore?

**Ron:** After we married 5 years ago Tanya moved over here to Castleton where I live and during this time we found ourselves in the midst of the dreaded recession like everyone else in the UK. I owned two businessesone involved with consultancy work and another in the music industry. However both of these were affected during that time. It was then that we put our heads together and thought about how we could combine both our skills.

**Tanya:** On the side I had already started baking specialist artisan bread at home and was selling it at Hathersage market along with other products but this reached a saturation point where I just couldn't do it anymore. This was when Ron and I decided that it was the right time to open our own bakery and we were very fortunate to find the vacant shop which had previous been the Dore deli. We literally stumbled across it when driving through the village, we saw the 'for lease' sign advertised and couldn't believe our luck!

## What do you put your businesses success down to?

**Ron:** We have done very well in the short period we have been open and I would like to give thanks to the local community who have supported and welcomed us so warmly. We wanted to bring something new to the area, and I believe the range of unique products we produce has done that. For us the key to the business is that we produce Artisan bread and so the success of this place will always be down to the quality of what we produce.

**Tanya:** Bread is an everyday product so it has always been my philosophy that we should use natural processes when making it. The key to my bread making is that I do not use chemicals and preservatives during the creation process and it is all handmade bread. I don't think people fully realise the harmful additives and chemicals that are put into supermarket breads. In the UK convenience and shelf life seem to be prioritised whereas in the Ukraine bread making industry which I worked in for so many

years they have a very traditional way of making the bread. This has stayed the same for centuries with the emphasis being placed on natural processes such as fermentation.

## Can you tell us about the range of breads on offer at the bakery?

**Tanya:** We have a range of *Sourdough breads* including ones flavoured with Olives & Oregano and Tomato. One of my favourite breads is *Rye bread* and we have lots of variations on this; Sourdough Sunflower Rye, Bavarian Seedy and Farmer's Seedy Rye. A lovely little loaf is the *Spelt & Honey bread* for those that like a sweet taste and we also have unique creations such as *Beer bread* and *Stilton and Olives bread*.

**Ron:** We do still offer traditional breads such *Irish* Soda bread which is always popular and Malted Granary loaf but most tend to have Eastern European roots with Tanya pooling all her years of experience into the recipes!

## What does the future hold for The Sunflower Bakery?

**Tanya:** The future looks very good for us, we have already recruited our first apprentice; a local young man, Imre Von Schrieber who works here and also attends Buxton College as part of a training programme. This has worked out really well as I am able to pass on skills to him through guidance and teaching, and he is teaching me things as well because of knowledge he has gained from the college course.

**Ron:** Looking ahead we aim is to have a separate bakery unit which will eventually service this shop and other outlets. At the moment we are able to produce around 500 loaves a week however we are looking to extend this but there are limitations with the amount of space at the bakery. Processes like fermentation require a lot of space and so that is where a separate bakery unit would come in. We always take it one loaf at a time though and we are very happy how quickly and readily we have been welcomed into this community. What is for certain though we will always

be looking to keep on expanding and developing new artisan breads for customers to enjoy!



(From left to right: Apprentice Imre Von Schrieber and Owners Tatiana and Ron Shrimpton)

#### **Contact details**

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**Reporter: Ruth Dacey** 

#### **Holes in Roads**

A number of people are asking why the recently trenched roads are being dug up. It is not due to faults, but because of the way in which long lengths of cables or pipes are laid. Chambers are not permitted, and, as the distance is too great for one length, joints have to be made. The jointers cannot wait whilst the conduits are laid, and so get called in after the conduits have been laid. Hence the road has to be dug up again! Do not ask me the logic. In my mind, there must be a better way. The cables are coming from Poland. It is hoped that the Totley Area will be finished by Friday 17 May and Bradway to Jordanthorpe by Friday 24th May.

An "Environmental" van is parked by the excavation at Bradway. This is because traffic lights are on a main road, and the occupant of the van is responsible for ensuring that the lights are working - it is cheaper than paying a "fine" to the Council, if they did fail, and causes motorists less hassle.

I have been told today about the "fines" that contractors, working in the highways, face: Failure to provide a sand bag to secure a fence - £75 (per bag) Failure to make good the white line, after a repair and patching, in a London Red Route - £325,000

#### **Wollaton Road to Mickley Lane Path**

When the cable trench was cut through the wood, a discussion was held between the contractors, Interserve, Amey, the Highways contractor, and Council officers, regarding the steps. It was decided that on reinstatement, the steps would not be replaced, but a ramp provided to comply with the Disability legislation. Two residents have objected and have a meeting with one of our councillors and MP, Nick Clegg.

Roger Hart



#### <u>It's all happening at</u> <u>TASS!</u>

It's been a very busy term at Totley All Saints – but then, that's just how we like it!! From visits and residentials, visitors and

special curriculum days - it's all happening at TASS! Sports Day at EIS

Well, what a time we had at our TASS Sports Day at the English Institute of Sport! The day was amazing and allowed all children the opportunity to take part in a wide variety of activities that just wouldn't have been possible if we had stayed at home in snowy Totley! From traditional favourites such as egg and spoon, obstacle and sack races, to state of the art EIS track and field events — we did it all! Even our parents and grandparents plus little brothers and sisters, also had their own egg and spoon race. We certainly think that some of the champions of the future have been inspired!

#### Egg-citing Easter

We had a fantastic time celebrating too, visiting All Saints Church and giving thanks with a selection of singing, prayers, poems and presentations. Children also took part in our competition to find the best Easter Bonnet and Decorated Egg. The afternoon culminated in the PTA putting on an Easter Egg Hunt for each class in the afternoon and a special assembly hosted by Totley Rise Methodist Church.

#### St Luke's 'Biz Kids' Challenge

Another big event this term was that our Y5 children took part in the St Luke's 'Biz Kids' Challenge, whereby a small number of chosen Sheffield primary schools and businesses worked together to raise money for St. Luke's Hospice. The class was provided with a £100 loan to seed fund their chosen project, a school magazine, and were given business guidance by representatives from Sheffield Eagles Rugby Club! The class came second overall and won a massive £1334.48!!!

#### Visitors and Visits

We've also been going animal crazy at TASS with visits from the PDSA and the Dore and Totley Veterinary Clinic. Both organisations led fantastic workshops for our children on how to keep pets safe and healthy as well as understand their responsibilities as pet owners. The Verve Academy of Performing Arts also delivered a day of workshops and had our children buzzing about singing and dancing! In terms of visits this term, we've been to Totley Library, Abbeydale Industrial Hamlet, Abbeydale Sports Club, Whirlow Farm, Don Valley Stadium, Jorvik, Longshaw and the Y4s have been on their Castleton residential!

So what now? Well, we're getting ready for a host of sporting fixtures, a whole new raft of visits and visitors, getting ready for moving on to new classes and secondary school, plus we'll be holding a fantastic Disability Awareness Day. Our PTA are also putting on a 'Bring Your Parents to School for Breakfast' morning plus a Family Party in the Barn! Yep! It's all happening at TASS!

If you want to find out even more of the exciting things that are happening at our school, then please look at our newsletters (posted on our 'soon to be modernised' website) or email us at <a href="mailto:enangements.com/enangements-school">enangements.com/enangements-school</a>, sheffield.sch.uk. We'll be so happy to let you know!

Karole Sargent, Head teacher

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### SPORTS CORNER



Hello Totley residents. I have really enjoyed writing for the Totley Independent and as of September I will be studying with SportsBeat who own newsrooms in London and Manchester and the agency distributes text, videos, camera-ready pages and supplements to more than 200 newspapers and 150 websites across the UK and around the world. Sports journalism has always been a particular interest of mine and in this issue I have decided to discuss finance issues within women's football.

#### **Football and Finance**

Kelly Simmons, the FA director of women's football, recently said that female professional footballers could expect a central contract of £20k. What do you think about this?

I think it is good that they will have a central contract however I personally don't feel that the figure of £20k is enough. This is because on that wage many who cannot get sponsorships alongside that figure will need a second income. And because they are 'professional' means they are bound to meet certain training hours at the clubs which may make it very difficult to find time to work as employers may not want to hire someone who can only work restricted hours.

I think the fact that central contracts are being discussed shows the progression in the women's game which is a positive; however, to truly bolster finance in the game, the next step is to provide enough incentives for sponsors and investors. The key factor in this, I believe, is raising awareness and participation in the game. In recent years massive strides have been made - you only have to look back to last summer's Olympics and Women's Team GB performances as women's football opened itself up to a whole new audience on the biggest sporting stage of all. Great Britain's 1-0 group victory over Brazil at Wembley was watched by more than 70,000 fans and drew a peak audience of four million on BBC One. The word legacy was emphasized emphatically during the 2012 Games, and for the women's game I believe this is already coming into effect. The crowd figures provided a vehicle to showcase their sport and, despite failing to secure the victory against Canada that would have guaranteed them a shot at winning a medal, GB's efforts must be regarded as a success.

Another crucial step has been the Super League expansion. In December 2012, the FA opened applications for all women's football clubs to apply to join the WSL, as part of their plans to expand the league from 2014 onwards. Currently the FA WSL has 8 teams, with no promotion or relegation system but this will change with two leagues being introduced at the end of the 2014 season, with one club being promoted and one relegated. In addition, all clubs will be required to have a reserve team which will play in the FA WSL Reserve League.

At present, Arsenal, Everton, Chelsea and Liverpool are the only men's Premier League clubs with female equivalents in the WSL. As well as improving playing standards, the proposed expansion to two divisions is expected to encourage more high-profile men's clubs to launch women's teams, with Manchester City among the first to have registered an interest in getting involved.

So clearly money is the next hurdle in the progression of women's football. Great strides have been made in

the last decade or so, especially as changing attitudes to women's football have allowed the game to flourish. However the key issues to work on for the FA is to find out how to make the product of women's football more attractive to sponsors, broadcasters and people who want to come in and watch the game.

Reporter: Ruth Dacey

Ed:- If any other aspiring journalists are interested in writing us articles, please do get in touch – contact details on back page.

## Dore Gilbert & Sullivan Society

A big "thank you" to all who came to see our production of Iolanthe at The Montgomery Theatre in April. The feedback was excellent and it was obvious that everyone I spoke to enjoyed the show. We certainly enjoyed performing in it. It was a delightful week and worth all the hard work we put into it. Some thought it better than last year, an accolade indeed.

Next year we are breaking with our usual tradition and putting on a non-G&S opera although not for the first time!

We have decided to regale you next April with "The Merry Widow" with music by Franz Lehar, a popular and fun filled operetta concerning a rich widow and the attempts to keep her money in the hard-up principality by finding her the right husband - but more about this in a future edition.

The Saturday performance of Dore Gilbert and Sullivan Society's latest offering of Iolanthe was a Gala performance in aid of St. Luke's Hospice. It is pleasing to report that, as a result of that decision and with the bucket collections during the show week, the Society raised £1000 for the hospice. Thank you to everyone who supported the Society and to those who gave their time to enable this to happen.

Don't miss The Society's next concert in July. See The Diary for details.

We are now starting rehearsals for our summer concert which will be, as usual, in the Church Hall on Townhead Road. The concert will include the usual eclectic mix of music and words which we have entitled "Ballads, Songs and Snatches" and forms part of the Dore Festival. There's a rumour that I will be involved in an instrumental trio – I will say no more! It will begin at 7:30m on Saturday 6th July and the ticket (price £6, available from me – ring 0114 236 2299) will include refreshments.

If you enjoy singing, why not come and see us and maybe join us. We rehearse at Intake Methodist Church on Wednesdays and we could do with more tenors! This event is always well attended so get your tickets early and if you've never been to hear us before, give it try, we think that you'll find it worth the effort.

Derek Habberjam.

## **Harry Brearley**

A passion for hard work In 1913, Harry Brearley, as leader of the Firth Brown Research Labs, was asked to investigate the problem of fouling and misfiring rifles. He realised that the problem was caused by rust and set about experimenting with the steel recipe until he found a metal that did not rust. When tested with acids, the second batch of steel through the arc furnace resisted all attempts to corrode it. Harry Brearley had discovered stainless steel!

He wasted no time in telling his employers of his belief that given suitable treatment this material could be made to make cutlery. They did not believe him. He was very disappointed at their reaction, but trusted his own judgement. He began obtaining patents, starting a firm "Amalgams" with a friend, that led to the making of table knives by R.F.Mosley's at the Portland Works. (The cutler who actually made them, on being told they would be rustless, replied, "Bloody likely, it'd be contrary to nature".)

Despite the lack of interest from Firths, Harry Brearley continued to experiment with his new metal. To test its resistance to rust, he distributed cutlery made from it to his friends, asking them to return any that rusted. None was returned! Firths challenged Harry Brearley's right to hold the patent for stainless steel and pressed him to sever his contact with his Amalgam company. Distracted from his work by the patent dispute, he left Firths at the end of 1914 and joined Brown Bayley's Steel Works. He was happy there and could get on with his work without interruptions from his employer . He remained with the firm for many years, eventually becoming a board member.

The patent disputes rumbled on and took a toll on Harry Brearly's health. He was passionate about his work and seems to have been deeply affected by anything that got in the way of it.

Towards the end of his working life Harry Brearley took a complete break from all work, and spent a year out in Australia and South Africa. He made a bonfire of his card index system so that he could forget technical reading, future plans and engagements. He came back refreshed, but still in love with the infinite variety of interest wrapped up in steelmaking. Maybe it was at this time that he started thinking seriously about what was to be his parting gift. He does say that a few men, all in the steel trade, used to meet regularly for lunch and got to talking about how to operate and support ideas which were likely to make life more bearable, cheerful and attractive for workers in humdrum jobs. He decided a trust was the answer.

A few months before the trust was set up, he set down his gathered thoughts, headed the aims "Bear ye one another's burdens", and underneath, "The Burden Fund". He listed aims like making opportunities for people to read and possess good books, to see good pictures and plays and to hear good music, and to be active in providing such opportunities.

He wrote to his son, Leo, "The lust to work, the desire to find out and understand things is not confined to those who regularly wear clean collars, and ....... I am proud to confess my life-long indebtedness to scores of friends with hard hands and black faces who toil at laborious tasks in mills and forges." \*

He had decided who he would like to have with him as the first governors of "The Freshgate Trust Foundation". They were all people from Brown Bayley's; three of the governors lived in Totley Rise. To show his own commitment he gave £20,000 as a nucleus of the Fund. In his will, after making provision for his widow, he left the residue of his estate to the Fund. Mrs. Brearley made similar arrangements in her will.

The fund is still active in Sheffield as a charitable trust which awards grants to local organisations in education, travel, medical; recreation; music and art; welfare and social care and heritage.

\* On January 1st 1929 Harry Brearley sent Leo an extremely long letter - his life story. Much of this formed the basis of his autobiography, "Knotted String", published in 1941. The 1929 letter was republished in 1989 by British Steel Stainless, in conjunction with Kelham Island Industrial Museum as "Harry Brearley - Stainless Pioneer". Maybe he wanted to pass on to his son the lessons he had learnt and the principles by which he has lived his life. We learn much about the man from this letter. A copy of this book is in the reference section of the Stainless Steel exhibition at the Millennium Gallery.

Christine Shimell

This is an edited extract from Auntie Wyn's Briefcase, by Bill Glossop. Also included Are extracts from Harry Brearley's letter to his son, Leo, written in 1929.

## **Bowling Club Open Day**

Abbeydale Park Bowling Club is holding an open day at Abbeydale Park on Saturday 6th July from 10am to 12 noon. Please wear flat shoes to play. The green is right at the top of the car park, on the right.

### **TOTLEY SHOW 2013**

### **Saturday September 7th Totley Primary School**

**8.45am to 10.45am** Entrants registration 11am to 12.30pm Judging & awarding of Certificates.

**1.30pm** Doors open to the public (Entrance 50p., children 20p.).

**1.45pm** Official opening by Rony Robinson.

**3pm** Prize giving and Auction of donated items.

4pm Conclusion

Entry forms available in this issue, at Totley Library, Totley Post Office, and The Ironing Parlour. Or at the door on the day. Please read the form carefully as there have been some changes in the classes.

Offers of help would be appreciated. There will be a planning meeting in the near future for all interested in helping to run the show. See the August Totley Independent for details.

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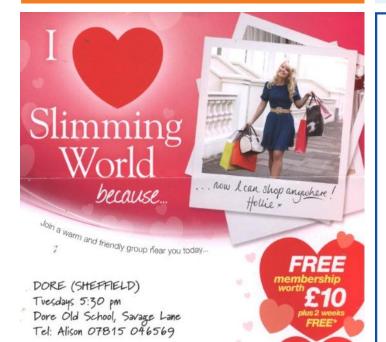


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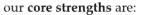
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The T.I. met up with the owners Jonathan and Joanne Tindall to find out more...

#### What made you choose this location for your business venture?

Joanne: Both of us have always been in the catering and hospitality business and when this opportunity came along we just couldn't say no. The building has so much history and character to it, and with the acres of land leading to Froggatt Edge behind the beer garden how could we possibly turn down such a lovely setting!

Jonathan: Yes, the location was a really important reason for coming here. People are able to come and stay here and enjoy the great food and drink but also the fabulous walking, climbing and sightseeing all within the Peak District National Park and towns close by. This area is so brilliant that we own another pub nearby - the "Sir William" in Grindleford - so you can see how much we love this area.

Can you tell us about the history of the Froggatt

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## surroundings and the building?

Joanne: The village of Froggatt lies beneath the gritstone escarpment of Froggatt Edge, on the well- wooded banks of the River Derwent, between the villages of Grindleford and





Calver. The village was originally owned by the Duke of Rutland who, 200 years ago, had 17 cottages built here by local stonemasons for local workers, and there are still some of the original cottages standing, several of which are now listed buildings. The "Chequers Inn" was originally four seventeenth-century cottages, and there are still reminders of the pub's past wherever you look today, and we have tried to uphold the charm and original characteristics of the historical building. We have a full history about the building printed out, which people who are interested can read in the Inn.

## How has the business developed since you arrived?

Jonathan: We have had a complete refurbishment of the place and that includes the accommodation which is the 6 rooms on the second floor of the pub. I think crucially for us though, we have always wanted to create a fantastic experience for when people visit here, and at the heart of this is the food and drink that we serve. We are continuously developing the menu which provides traditional cuisine with an innovative twist. The chefs we have here are fantastic at what they do, and Head Chef Graham Mitchell is always looking at how we can move forward, so you will regularly see different exciting specials available and seasonal changes on the menu.

Joanne: Each of us has over 20 years banqueting and event management experience, so this was a very important element we wanted to bring to this business. Since running the "Chequers Inn" we have also started Chequers Outside Caterers which offers a bespoke service - be it a wedding reception, corporate event, dinner party or formal gathering, we can assist

in all aspects. With this the key is that our food is all freshly prepared and cooked to order and we use the freshest and most locally-sourced produce available. This is an aspect to the business which is continuously developing and we have a very busy summer ahead with lots of functions where we are offering our services.

## Can you tell us a bit more about the food and drink you offer at The Chequers Inn?

Joanne: We are very strong believers in supporting other local businesses around us and it's brilliant because we are able to use some of the finest suppliers in our region for produce. This includes The Peak District Dairy in Tideswell, Paul Bowyer Butchers and Peak Fruits in Hathersage and NVH Eggs from Chesterfield. This applies to the drinks we offer as well, such as the Peak Ales from Chatsworth and beverages from the likes of Kelham Island Brewery and Buxton Brewery.

Jonathan: With fantastic produce we have created an extensive menu that has been designed by working closely alongside the chefs here and the full menu is also served in the garden area at the back of the Inn with summer approaching. There will always be something new for people to try if they have been here before as we regularly change our specials and use ingredients according to season. One thing we have introduced with the food and drink here, is selling our own products. At present we offer Chilli and Lemon grass oil, our own blend of coffee, mixed fruit chutney, jam, fruit marmalade, plum tomato and chilli jam, piccalilli and our special brew of Chequers Ale. This is a range that we are always looking to add to, so hopefully in the future we will have even more exciting homemade products available.

## What events does the Chequers Outside Catering provide for?

Joanne: Weddings are our speciality, having provided catering at many interesting and unusual venues. From village halls to castles, tipees to marquees, all aspects of catering for wedding receptions can be arranged. We can also provide catering at holiday accommodation and this is very popular as the Peak District has some of the finest holiday cottages and barns that we have come across. So here we are happy to provide dinner parties at your chosen location, either full service or just to 'drop off' the food.

Jonathan: Corporate entertaining is also available and we have an ever growing list of companies using us for business lunches, board meetings, seminars and training days. And on a smaller scale we have seen a dramatic rise in canapé buffets and private dining as entertaining in your own home is becoming the new eating out. So Chequers can drop off buffets or canapés to your door, or alternatively, we can provide a chef and waiting-on staff for a dinner party. We mustn't forget hog-roasts which are a novel alternative to buffets, with all our pigs locally sourced, and our chef on hand throughout to carve the meat. And finally with summer fast approaching, large scale barbeques are great for informal events during the summer months which we can help you with.

What does the future hold for The Chequers Inn? Jonathan: In this business it is all about being continuously on top of the game, so we are always looking for new ways of developing, whether that is adding different things onto our menu or bringing in new lines of home-made products. Alongside this we will continue to maintain the excellent quality and

service that we currently provide and this wouldn't be possible without the fantastic team here at the "Chequers Inn" who we are very grateful to! We are definitely going nowhere soon, and are so fortunate to be positioned in this beautiful part of Derbyshire. I just hope people come and visit and get a chance to enjoy it for themselves.



### AA Rosette Award

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**Reporter: Ruth Dacey** 

## TOTLEY RISE METHODIST CHURCH

PRAISE IN THE PARK: Sunday 23rd June 2013 All Methodist churches around the area of Millhouses Park are organising a fun afternoon starting at 2.30pm in the park with games and side shows. The afternoon will finish with a family friendly Service of Thanks and Praise. All are welcome to this free event. FUN IN THE SUN: Sunday 14th July 2013 starting at 10.30 am

You are welcome to join us at Totley Rise church for some 'fun in the sun' at our annual 'fun day'. This jam packed day will start with a service in the morning themed 'MR NOAH IN A YELLOW SUBMARINE,' followed by a barbecue and fun afternoon involving a large water slide, paddling pools and a small beach. Bring along a picnic lunch and your water pistols for a fun filled day, and not to worry, there will be dry spots for those who don't wish to be soaked through.

#### 3-DAY HOLIDAY CLUB: 29th -31st July 2013

The Totley Rise Methodist Holiday club theme this year is Superheroes starting from July 29th running through to 31st 10am to noon each day. Register your primary school age children for free at 9.45am. For more information contact Rachel on 07912352543.

FESTIVAL OF ART: 1st to 21st July 2013

Horizon Methodist church in Ecclesall Road, S11 is holding an art festival from the 1st to the 21st July. All are welcome to see the creation-themed exhibition.

**ALPHA AT TOTLEY RISE METHODIST:** 7th July 2013

An open invitation to anyone and everyone who has been involved in Alpha over the years at TRM to come and join the celebration on the Sunday 7th July at 10.30 a.m. Maybe you have tried church a couple of times over the years and wonder what's going on now. Alpha could be a good place to start, so come and find out more about it at this service. Maybe you are just curious, come along and there will be people to tell you what Alpha has meant to them, during the service. It will be a celebration of all that is good about Alpha, including the food! Come and see! Come and taste!

### STREETS AHEAD ROAD RESURFACING

Here is the schedule from Amey that everyone should have had delivered during May.

Millhouses and Totley - Main Road Resurfacing; Abbeydale Road South, Baslow Road and Mickley Lane.

This work will take place from **30 May to 6 July 2013** and we will need to close some of the roads to carry out the work. Diversion routes will be in place where needed. Pedestrian access and access for emergency vehicles will be available at all times. Please note that our work schedule is heavily dependent on the weather and can be affected by unforeseen circumstances. It may be necessary to change the schedule at short notice. If this happens, the temporary signs displayed in the area will be updated Temporary signs will be displayed in the area before the work starts, confirming the start date and expected duration of the work. Diversion routes will be in place where needed.

Work will not take place on Saturdays or Sundays.

Section of road Note		Dates	Working Hours
Mickley Lane – from Queen Victoria Road to city boundary	Road will be closed during working hours and diversion routes will be in place.  Junction with Queen Victoria Road will remain open with signal control  No on-street parking and restricted access to properties during working hours. (All as normal outside these hours).	Thursday 30 May – Wednesday 5 June	7am to 7pm
Road will be closed during working hours and diversion routes will be in place.  Mickley Lane – from Baslow Road to Queen Victoria Road  No on-street parking and restricted access to properties during working hours. (All as normal outside these hours).		Thursday 6 June – Tuesday 11 June	7am to 7pm
Baslow Road – from Glover Road to Main Avenue (In-bound)  No on-street parking and restricted access to properties during working hours. (All as normal outside these hours).		Friday 7 June – Thursday 13 June	7am to 7pm
Baslow Road – from Glover Road to Main Avenue (Out-bound)  No on-street parking and restricted access to properties during working hours. (All as normal outside these hours).		Monday 10 June – Monday 17 June	7am to 7pm
Abbeydale Road South – from Dobcroft Avenue to Abbey Lane (Outbound)  Road will be kept open but lane closure with traffic Lights  No on-street parking and restricted access to properties during working hours. (All as normal outside these hours).		Friday 14 June – Wednesday 19 June	7am to 7pm

Baslow Road – from Main Avenue to city boundary	Road will be closed during working hours (night working) and diversion routes will be in place.  No on-street parking and restricted access to properties during working hours. (All as normal outside these hours).	Monday 17 June – Tuesday 25 June No working overnight on Wednesday 19 June	7pm to 6am
Baslow Road – from Glover Road to Devonshire Road	Road will be closed during working hours (night working) and diversion routes will be in place.  No on-street parking and restricted access to properties during working hours. (All as normal outside these hours).	Wednesday 19 June – Wednesday 26 June	7pm to 6am
Abbeydale Road South – from Devonshire Road to Abbey Lane	Road will be closed during working hours (night working) and diversion routes will be in place.  No on-street parking and restricted access to properties during working hours. (All as normal outside these hours).	Thursday 27 June – Thursday 4 July	7pm to 6am
Abbeydale Road South – Abbey Lane Junction	Road will be closed during working hours and diversion routes will be in place.  Restricted access to properties during working hours. (All as normal outside these hours).	Friday 5 July	7pm to 6am

#### Parking and access to properties

On-street parking and access to properties will be restricted on the roads being worked on during working hours. Most roads will be open and on-street parking as normal outside of these hours. Please plan ahead and leave extra time wherever possible. Vehicles left parked on-street when we need to carry out the work will delay the schedule and could lead to a longer period of roadworks. Any vehicle left on-street may be towed away and you will need to pay a fee to have your vehicle released.

## Post Office Banking

HSBC and First Direct customers have now joined the Post Office's banking network, meaning customers can make withdrawals and deposits at branches around the UK. Their customers can now withdraw and deposit money and check their balances at Post Office branches and counters around the UK.

The two are the latest to join the Post Office personal banking services network. Their inclusion means that customers of all of the UK's major banks can now use the Post Office for basic banking tasks.

Nationwide is the only building society in the network at present.

There are now 11,500 Post Office branches across the UK, although the number has halved over the past three decades. However, the Post Office says it is committed to no more branch closures.

The addition of HSBC and First Direct (basic account only) Withdraw money to its network will be particularly welcome in rural communities where there is no bank branch within miles.

Bank/building society	What you can do at a Post Office		
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Bank of Scotland	Withdraw money		
Barclays	Withdraw money, deposit cash or cheques		
CAF Bank	Withdraw money, deposit cheques		
Cahoot			
(current account only)	Withdraw money, deposit cash or cheques		
Clydesdale Bank	Withdraw money, deposit cash or cheques		
Danske Bank	Withdraw money, deposit cash or cheques		
First Direct	Withdraw money, deposit cash or cheques		
First Trust Bank	Withdraw money		
Halifax	Withdraw money, deposit cash or cheques		
HSBC	Withdraw money, deposit cash or cheques		
Lloyds TSB	Withdraw money, deposit cash or cheques		
Nationwide Building Society	Withdraw money		
Natwest	Withdraw money		
Royal Bank of Scotland	Withdraw money		
Santander	Withdraw money, deposit cash or cheques		
Smile (current account only)	Withdraw money, deposit cash or cheques		
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## Police operations in Totley.

At the request of the traffic focus group, under the auspices of the Ward Forum, our Safer Neighbourhood Team of Officers have carried out two operations checking traffic speed, safety of vehicles, seat belt and mobile phone use. They have also checked on scarp collection vehicles, in conjunction with Environmental Health, who enforce the legislation and VOSA who enforce the safety of vehicles legislation. Another operation was carried out by the Traffic Division, who included breathalyser checks. Summaries below;

**6th February** On this day we stopped 65 vehicles, of which there were 12 scrap vehicles, and all were in order for collecting scrap, but four were given advisory notices for tyres and exhausts, and lights to be replaced.

Drivers of 53 vehicles were given advisory talks to be aware of speeding, as they were travelling at between 35 and 40mph, with around 45 to 50% being from the close locality. They were travelling to school, shops or Owler Bar, Baslow, Bakewell areas. One vehicle was issued with a Fixed Penalty Notice for 52mph, with others given warnings for exceeding 30mph. A flat back truck, carrying gas cylinders, was checked and found to be overweight, but other defects resulted in it being taken off the road

**13th February.** Snow restricted this days operation. 49 vehicles were stopped driving above 35mph, and all advised regarding speed with 42mph the highest (60% were locals). Next speeding operations will look at placing all offenders onto speed awareness courses, as opposed to advice.

Advised by locals that scrappers out and about at 5am, so we will look at a really early scrap op next time.

**June 20th** The Road Policing Group West Team decided to conduct a speed and breath-test check on Baslow Road at Totley on Monday 20th June 2012 between 19:00 and 20:30 hours. The main aim of the speed checks was primarily education rather than enforcement. During this time the following action was taken:

- 23 verbal warnings regarding speed
- 6 endorsable Fixed Penalty tickets issued for excessive speed
- 1 non-endorsable Fixed Penalty ticket issued for seat belt offence
- 25 negative breath tests, approx 52% were locals

#### **SOUTH WEST COMMUNITY ASSEMBLY**

The City Council has abolished all of the assemblies in the City, to save money. The second part of the consultation process has been held, but an open house event will be held 20 May, before the consultation ends 3 June. Councillor considerations and decisions will be made before the end of July, with proposed implementation in September. At the consultation meeting, which I attended, the proposals were that the new scheme of Local Area Panels would be led by our three councillors, with representatives from public, private and voluntary sectors. There was no opportunity for individual representation. It was also felt quite strongly, that Councillors leading could result in political decisions being made as against the wishes of local communities. The funds available, for our ward, will be in the region of £4,000. Roger Hart

## **Totley Primary Update**Hello from all the Children, Staff and Governors at

Hello from all the Children, Staff and Governors at Totley Primary School. We have had an extremely busy couple of months and have some great news that we would like to share with you.

#### Heads up for our very own Mrs Booth

A member of staff at Totley Primary School gallantly shaved her hair for the Children's Hospital. Mrs Booth raised over £1400 for the hospital which I'm sure you will agree was an amazing achievement. The children got to see Mr Stewart perform the first shave during



assembly, which will probably go down as one of the most exciting assemblies ever!

#### A real credit to us

We have recently completed the first ever Y4 residential to Kingswood Outdoor Pursuits Centre in Penistone. The trip was a great success with all the Y4 children (and staff) enjoying themselves immensely on a range of activities. The children got the opportunity to try out quad biking, climbing, zip wire and the 3G swing. Due to the success of the trip there will be plans to repeat this next year.

#### **Sheffield Football Champions**

The Y6 football team won the Brian Bradley Shield which places them as the best football team out of 138 primary schools in the city.



This is the first time we have won the trophy and we are all over the moon about the fantastic achievement.

#### Sunshine not guaranteed

We cannot guarantee the sunshine but we can guarantee a great day out for all at our Summer Fun Day. The PTA has organised the fun day for a number of years and this year looks to be the greatest yet. There will be displays from the school clubs, Cheermania, bouncy castle and slide, craft activities, face painting, tattoos, grass sledge, BBQ, staff and games. The PTA would be delighted to receive any offers of prizes that you may have for the tombola, homemade cakes, books and plants. Maybe you your business or your workplace would like to sponsor an attraction in return for publicity and the opportunity to have flyers distributed on the day? If you can help in any way then please do get in touch with the school at enquiries@totley.sheffield.sch.uk Entry to the fun day is free, so put the date on your calendar now, Saturday 22 June 2013, 1.00-4.00pm. forward to seeing you there on the day!

#### We need you

The school has been without a Road Crossing Officer (Lollipop person) for a long time now to cover the crossing on Baslow Road. As I am sure you are all aware the road is extremely busy, especially during the early morning when our children are making their journey to school, and the ever increasing concern is that there is no one there to help them safely cross the road. We are desperately seeking someone who has a little time to spare from 8.30am-9.00am and 3.10-3.40pm Monday- Friday. If you may be able to help then please do contact the school directly on 0114 2364482 – we all would love to hear from you.

### THE MEMOIRS OF DAN REYNOLDS By Himself

Mr and Mrs Mills who owned and lived at Cross Grove House were really charming people - when they moved house they offered the premises to Totley Sports Club before putting it up for sale. The offer was declined. I feel sure the money could have been found if certain people had been approached.

Mr and Mrs Adams lived at Green Oak House, a nice residence with two entrances, a coach house and stables over which were living quarters for the gardener. The house, coach house and, stables are much the same today except the ground floor to the house is now shops.

Mr and Mrs Milner lived at and owned Totley Hall, the farm and estate which stretched as far as Totley Brick Works, and also the wood we know as Gillifield. Mrs Milner interested herself in village activities including the school and church. Many times we school-kids were allowed to visit her gardens and glass houses where Mr Lewis (head gardener) would explain the whys and wherefores of plant life. We saw very little of Mr Milner as he suffered from bad attacks of gout, but this did not forgive him for the trick he played on his gardener Mr Green, who on reaching pension age was still employed but the amount of pension he drew was deducted from his weekly pay packet saying it was a tax legality. They employed many staff - Mr Holding the Chauffeur, Mr Thomas the Butler, Mr Bradley the Gamekeeper, Mr Lewis the Head Gardener assisted by Mr Green and apprentice Master Cook, also about six indoor staff (cook etc). At Christmas Mrs Milner gave us kids two new pennies for carolling. I guess she was fond of children as her own two boys were grown up, in fact one, by the name of Roy had been killed in action in the 1914-18 war.

Mr Tom Earnshaw lived at the Grange, a residence I always admired. There were two entrances: the one at Baslow Road was half circular with two large stone gate posts. At the sides, about two feet from the ground, were five one foot high wrought ironwork and gates to match. Inside the gate was a lodge which was most likely for the groom, Mr Western, and his family. We assumed it was the groom as a habit was adopted when grooming horses which was to blow hard. This formed a continual habit with him and he was nicknamed `Blower'. His duties after Mr Earnshaw died were general dogsbody and living in tied property. There was little he could do about it, but as long as he was able to visit the Cross Scythes for his pint he was happy.

We kids had plenty of interests - scouts, clubs, girl guides and brownies, and on the Wesleyan side they have Recobites and Band of Hope. We attended them all, religious denominations did not affect our pleasure. I remember when the scouts disbanded, Ernie Thomas (bugler) was allowed to keep the bugle. We had lantern slides (magic lantern), many of these shows were given by Mr Mottershaw, who lived at Number 2 Chapel Walk. He founded the Sheffield Photographic Co and was also a pioneer of the movie picture. The shows were held at Totlev C of E School and were well attended by young and old.

Sunday School sports were held in the fields (now Corporation housing estate). We amused ourselves in all kinds of games - peggy, whip and top, etc for the boys, shuttlecock, hopscotch etc for the girls. We were lucky to get a penny a week for sweets but were never bored. On winter nights we played indoors, board games and a meccano kept you busy yet relaxed.

At Hillfoot Road lived Mr Dronfield and family who ran a small coal business. Five tons was delivered in bulk, was then weighed by the hundredweight, transferred to strong hessian bags and humped to his customers. This was after having done a hard day's work as burner (firing of kilns) at Totley Brick Works.

At Number 2 Chapel Walk lived a Lady Croft and her maidservant Mrs Graves. One of the maid's tasks in summer was to sling a hammock between two apple trees and when Lady Croft was seated would rock the hammock to and fro. When a ton of coal was delivered Mrs Graves would ask three or four of us lads to carry it by way of buckets to the coalhouse and we were paid a few pence each.

Mr Green, who lived at Number 5 Chapel Walk, converted an outhouse into a chip shop in later years. Entry was by way of steps bordering the two

properties. Mrs Green often used to threaten we lads if unruly (which I assure you was often - devilishment is more descriptive than unruly). Her lack of being able to see a joke didn't help and inspired us to persist, but it was all good clean fun in which we revelled.

At Bole Hill Lodge on the Moor lived Mrs Hyde (nee Alice Hassell) whose grandfather, George Siddall, was one of the keepers for the Duke of Rutland. Around the corner at the top of Blackamoor was yet another keeper's lodge. The keeper was Harry Siddall, reported then as being the best besom maker and dry waller in the district, but he was also bone idle. He lived there with his wife and about five children. This was a very lonely place with access only for the keeper and his family, so the children, who never went to school, were not used to strangers and consequently were inclined to be wild. The mother, Mrs Siddall, was a very lovely and kind woman and many a chat I have had with her when as postwoman she delivered the mail, after which she would purchase groceries and walk back home, and that was no mean task. How she did it I don't know, why she did it was for the love of her children. It is really unbelievable what lengths a mother would go through for her loved ones in those days.

There were three ways to reach the house: one on Fox House Road at the end of the plantation, one at the entrance to Blackamoor Park at the end of Strawberry Lee Lane, and the third about half a mile beyond Bole Hill Lodge as you approach the big moor. Eventually people started to use these ways, and one person that comes to mind is Mrs Parker who lived at 359 Baslow Road. About two years ago I had the pleasure of meeting her daughter, Mrs Hartley at Bushey Wood Road and we talked of Totley when she was a child. She went on to say as her mother used to enjoy her walks to the moors using the way to Strawberry Lodge, and told of how her mother described the children as being frightened when she approached and would scamper into the house to peer at her at sill height through the window. Eventually they were more daring and in time she was able to speak to them. One day she approached the house and one of the children called Tommy was sat straddled on the gate. She said "Hello Tommy" to which he replied "Ado", she asked how his mother was to which he replied "Ma's in bed". "Oh I hope she isn't poorly" she asked. "Her's nobbut calvin" (having a baby). The same boy now lives at the old peoples home for men on Ecclesall Road. Mr Parker interrupted to relate a chat he had with the vicar of

Dore, Mr Gibson. He told me with smile on his face how he had visited Dr Parsons at Totley Brook Road where the maid called Martha (a girl from the same family) was knelt down washing the steps. He greeted her with "Good Morning Martha, winter draws on". She, misunderstanding what he had said, replied "`Ave nobborgor' `em on but 'av got stuff to make `em". I consider the two incidents amusing and witty. After we were taken into the township of Sheffield and the park, that is Blackamoor was bought by J G Graves and given to the Parks Department, the Siddalls moved out. The new tenant had a poultry farm and a small time cafe where you were able to buy tea and the like. This eventually ceased and not long after, the building was demolished. Recently the Sheffield Parks Department rented the park for sheep grazing until the conservation group stepped in with evidence that they had contravened a clause written in the gift by J G Graves. The same happened when groups of horse riders were using the park any old how. You will now see notices denoting bridle paths. I would say at this point how indebted the people in Sheffield are to J G Graves for his presentation of parks etc, a truly generous and thoughtful person who always had his fellow men at heart.

Jack Fox used to say one could always guarantee to poach rabbits and game on the Duke of Rutland estate (Blackamoor) but not anymore. As kids when walking out with our parents the moor was loaded with grouse. You never hear or see them today. The moor is no longer a gathering for the guns on the "Glorious Twelfth" of August - there must be a reason. Our local doctors were Dr Parson of Totley Brook Road and Dr Thorne of Baslow Road (now a private nursing home opposite Shapes). The nurses were Miss Barron and Mrs Jessop who were also midwives. Dr Thorne was a very down- to-earth man and a great friend of the working class and spoke in the same dialect. Services had to be paid for so many people had a good working knowledge of herbs and would use them in times of illness.

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## NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH - COLD CALLING

Residents on the Quadrant, the Grove, Marstone Crescent and Stonecroft Road will have received 'No Cold Calling' information and stickers for the outside of their doors. Due to a major lack of communication between Trading standards and parts of South Yorkshire Police, one set of incorrect letters and stickers have been sent out, with a new set only being delivered to residents in the Grove, Quadrant estate. We are trying to resolve the issue. Roger Hart

### Do You Remember?

The White Drive/White Lane?

The lane linking Mickley Lane to Woodthorpe Hall (Shepleys) was widely known during the War years as Shepleys Drive. Sometime towards the end of that period White Drive began to appear. My simple explanation that the drive was surfaced with limestone chippings, hence the colour. I well recall Frank Shepley and Mr Salt the farmer at Woodthorpe driving their respective cars down the lane, followed by a cloud of white dust. In my childhood the lane was used by many Totley people walking to Holmesfield. At the bottom of Wingshill there were two large gate posts painted white. From there to Woodthorpe Hall was considered private by our children and we respected this. Regarding an antiaircraft gun being positioned in the position mentioned by Graham: I have no recollection of this, nor a search light, which has also been suggested. There are plenty of signs of wartime occupation in the field. The passing of time erases facts. I hope this is of help.

M G Roberts



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#### **GARDENING TIPS FOR JUNE & JULY**

What lovely May bank holiday weather we had! With record temperatures and no rain we managed to get guite a lot done. The bedding plants (quite a lot less than previous years, as we are trying to cut down on the work load) are nearly all in place, The vegetable patch has had a transformation: we now have 5 raised beds with paths in between. It's much easier to manage and looks a lot tidier! The leeks and onions are in and have settled in nicely - they should be OK for the Totley Show on 7th September! I hope you're getting your things ready for the show - it's a lot of fun entering, and you could win a certificate or even a cup. Remember it's all for a good cause: Transport 17. The greenhouse is looking busy with the tomatoes and cucumbers in place and although the geraniums and petunias are a bit behind, they will be in hanging baskets and tubs later. I have a few tomatoes coming along. They will be in reserve in case of any failures - and for friends who need some later. The fuschias and larger begonias are coming along - they are also a bit late due to the cold wet start, though they may run on a bit later in the season, so we might have a good flowering in September/October. The lilies are looking very healthy, but I must watch out for the dreaded lily beetle (a small bright red thing which can devastate a pot of lilies in a very short time - I'll treat them with "provado", which also deals with vine weevil in other pots of plants. I might even give them all a dose as a preventative measure, BUT don't use "provado" on anything you are going to eat! The ponds are looking a bit green. I don't want to use a clearing agent yet because the tadpoles are enjoying themselves at the moment. I think the fish will reduce their numbers soon, and then the job of cleaning them out needs to be done (YUK!). The lawn is a bit patchy this year - I will have to give it a good feed. It's already been scarified (the thatch moss removed), so I'm sure we will have a lovely green sward in a couple of weeks (I hope). The blossom on the fruit trees is a bit slow coming out this year (it's at least 2 weeks late) but let's hope the fruit will develop OK - we don't want any late frosts to spoil things.

#### **JUNE**

**FLOWERS** The weather will hopefully be a bit drier so careful watering will be necessary, especially for newly planted bedding plants etc. Tie up the taller plants or they could be damaged by wind.

Hardy primula can be lifted and divided. The crowns can be divided into several clumps and transplanted into a moist, shady position.

Aphids and greenfly can be troublesome, so regular spraying will be necessary to keep them under control.

Don't forget to give your plants a good feed now and again - it will pay dividends in helping plants. As alpine and rockery plants finish flowering, trim back the growth to keep plants neat and compact. Sow seeds of winter-flowering pansies in seed boxes and put them in a frame, then when they are large enough they can be planted out in the garden.

Dead-head peonies after flowering and cut back oriental poppies.

Lift and clean spring bulbs, store in a light, airy shed. Pinks can be propagated now by means of cuttings. Select healthy-looking none-flowering shoots, 10-13 cms long (4 to 5 inches). Pull them out at a joint (this is termed "piping") and insert these pipings firmly 5cms (2 inches) deep and about 10 cms apart in sandy soil, preferably in a frame but a shady border will do. Keep them well-watered, shaded from direct sunlight.

Sow biennials such as Canterbury bells, foxgloves, pansies, violas and sweet Williams in frames or cloches.

**VEGETABLES** Make successional sowings of all vegetables such as lettuce, carrots, turnips, radishes, mustard and cress, all the salad vegetables and turnips will be better in a shady spot.

Plant out winter greens, including brussels sprouts, broccoli, kale and savoy. Stake up peas and beans.

Plant outdoor tomatoes when they have been hardened off. Choose a sunny spot - a border at the foot of a wall or fence with a southerly aspect will be best. Soil should be in good condition but not too richly manured. Let them set a few fruit, then feed with tomato fertiliser.

Plant out runner beans 20cms (8 inches) apart, and provide a stout take or cane for each plant.

Plant celery, set plans that are 8cm (3 inches) high or more - I find the self-blanching type less time-consuming.

Plant out marrow plants - they will be ready in good time for the Show. I plant mine in well-rotted compost between 2 bales of straw. This keeps them off the ground and holds the moisture, which they love. Let's see if you can beat my whopper of last year.

Pinch out broad beans when they have set 3 clusters. This may prevent an attack of black fly.

You may be able to lift a root or two of early potatoes for an early taster - keep earthing up.

Sow a further crop of parsley and stump rooted carrots.

Make a sowing of french beans in a sheltered place. These will crop in September (just right for the Show) and continue until the first sharp frost.

Don't forget to water and feed, don't just spray the tops, give them a full soaking. This should last and prevent surface rooting which make the plants susceptible to drought conditions. Keep hoeing to prevent weeds taking hold.

Plant out leeks for winter/spring.

Sow chervil and dill in a sunny spot to be ready in late summer.

**TREES SHRUBS AND FRUIT** As with all plants, keep well watered and weed free. Remove dead tips of cotoneaster and cherry.

Pick the poisonous seeds of laburnum, especially if there are children around. Give azaleas, rhododendrons, camellias and hydrangeas a feed of sequestrine especially if they are yellowing.

Keep an eye out for pests and diseases and deal with them as soon as they are seen.

Planting of new shrubs and trees is best left until late summer. Increase your stock by taking semi-ripe cuttings from a wide range of trees and shrubs. Root in a frame or on a window sill. Layer clementis and flowering quince.

Prune deciduous shrubs like cleutzia broom and mock orange after flowering.

Keep raspberries moist at ground level by mulching with straw or strawy manure between the rows.

Keep the young shoots of blackberries and loganberries tied up.

Peg strawberry runners which have been earmarked for propagation into posts.

**GREENHOUSE AND INDOOR PLANTS** For plants, keeping an eye on temperatures is the order of the day, damping down if the weather is hot and giving plenty of ventilation. Early June nights can be very treacherous, so watch the weather forecast.

Keep plants well watered and fed, take out side shoots on tomatoes and feed with fertiliser when the first truss has set.

Pollinate flowers using a fine brush - or a cottonball on a stick will do nicely.

Watch out for white fly. I use yellow sticky cards placed strategically around. They are very effective. If they get really bad, use a whitefly smoke cone. You will need to repeat this every 5-6 days to give effective control.

Sow greenhouse calceolarias now. Sow seed in well-drained trays, and give the lightest covering of sand. Cover and place in a frame to germinate. They do not like excessive heat. Continue to feed flowering and fruity pot plants, and stand on damp pebbles to maintain humidity.

Pot up rooted cuttings taken in May. Watch out for aphids etc and treat when seen. I find plant pins very effective.

Take stem cuttings from geraniums, busy lizzie, fuschia, heliotrope, kalanchoe, plumbago and peperomia.

Take leaf cuttings from African violets, rex begonias, echeveria and gloxinia.

**LAWNS** Cut, water, keep clean regularly. Trim edges, it really makes the garden look smart. New lawns should be gently rolled and lightly cut over. Apply lawn feed if you haven't already done so. Apply selective weedkiller when weeds appear. Prepare ground for new lawn areas to be laid in autumn.

That should keep you busy for a while.

#### **JULY**

**FLOWERS** Remove any blooms or flower spikes that are faded and no longer decorative - the object of the exercise is to prevent seed formation which weakens the plants.

Watch out for the nasties: caterpillars, aphids, etc which will all be munching and sucking at your plants. Deal with them before they get a strangle-hold.

Tulips, hyacinths and other bulbs will now have completed their growth and may be lifted and cleaned. Lay the bulbs in shallow trays in a cool dry place.

July is a good month to plant Madonna lilies. Plant them about 8" apart and 2" deep. Lilies prefer a sunny positioning in good but not freshly manured soil.

At the end of July start feeding chrysanthemums, take geranium cuttings, propagate pansies and violas by cutting off the present flowering shoots to within 1" of the roots, and cover with a little fine soil. They will produce shoots which will provide cuttings next month.

**VEGETABLES** Thin out vegetable seedlings sown last month before they become overcrowded, and cut globe artichokes as they become available - do not leave them on the plant too long.

Continue to plant winter greens. Keep them well watered. Leeks need to be blanched by drawing earth around the stems or wrapping them with roofing felt or similar. They should be just right for the Totley Show in September! Have you tried letting a few radishes run to seed? The pods they produce are quite delicious if picked young.

Gather herbs for winter use, mulch and spray runner beans.

**TREES SHRUBS AND FRUIT** Thin out apples, pears and plums if the crop is heavy - the fruit will develop better. Blackcurrants will benefit from a feed of high nitrogen fertiliser such as nitro chalk.

Cordon trained apples should be summer pruned to keep them in shape and check their vigour.

**GREENHOUSE AND INDOOR PLANTS** Keep the greenhouse well ventilated. Most plants prefer a moist atmosphere which also reduces the chance of spider mite invasion.

Do not allow coleus plants to flower. They are grown for their foliage - the flowers are insignificant and do not smell very nice. Tomatoes should be fed and watered to a fairly strict routine to prevent blossom end rot (where the tomatoes develop a nasty black base), but do not allow them to be stood in water and make sure the pots or grow-bags have sufficient drainage.

Greenhouse primulas, caceolarias, and cinerarias sown in June will need pricking out into trays or boxes; earlier ones can be put into pots.

Keep a wary eye open for greenfly etc and deal with them before they get out of control.

**LAWNS** Set the mower high in dry weather and remove the grass box so that the cuttings act as a mulch to keep in the moisture.

Let's hope we have the weather to sit out on the lawn, perhaps have a barbie or a picnic.....or just lay back with a glass of something! Lovely.....

Tom



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## **Totley Scouts**

Sainsburys have just finished giving out Active Kid vouchers when you shop with them. If you have any please pass them onto the Scout group. We use them to swap for valuable equipment for Scouts. Last year we concentrated on renewing camp kitchen equipment such as pans, knives, chopping boards, can openers etc. With your help we can obtain even more. Either hand them to someone you know who is involved with scouts or simply post them through our letterbox. Thank you.

I would also like to thank Tesco for donating 100 tubes of smarties. This is a fund raising exercise so that we can buy new tents. We just don't have enough tents any more to accommodate all the children (and adult helpers) at camps. We don't know how successful we will be yet. We have handed a tube of smarties to each child. Great to eat but in return we have asked that the children try to fill the empty tubes with 20pence coins.

Camping and outdoor activities are a big part of scouting. The children would like to camp more often. This year the beavers and cubs will be camping at Walesby Forest in a more civilised setting, whilst the scouts are planning a 'wild camping' trip where they even have to dig their own toilet! Of course all the groups have activities at the scout hut where they learn how to make a camp fire (without matches), and how to cook; to prepare for the camps. Safety is important so as well as learning how to use equipment properly there are also first aid lessons.

All children like to get dirty so over the next few weeks river walking, dam building and bridge building figure prominently in the activities; as do climbing (we have our own climbing wall) and shooting and archery.

We have meetings 4 nights a week.

Beaver Scouts (for 6-8 years olds) on Tuesdays from 6:30pm until 7:45pm.

Cubs Scouts (for  $8-10\frac{1}{2}$  year olds) on Wednesdays from 6:30 until 8pm; and also now on Thursdays from 6:30 until 8pm. And Scouts and Explorer Scouts (for  $10\frac{1}{2}$  – 16 year olds) on Fridays from 7:30pm until 9:15pm.

If any boy or girl is interested in joining any of the groups please come along to find out more and try a session or two to see if you like it. Of course we do need your parents permission, so ask one to come along too to find out more. We are next to the woods off Aldam Road.

Don't forget we also need adult (male and female) helpers to ensure that we can continue to provide exciting activities for the children. Please let me know if you can help. Our existing leaders find it very rewarding but need help.

Richard Frost

Chairman, 1st Totley Scouts TotleyChair@aol.com, 0114 236 3603

### **PUZZLE CORNER**

#### **Not Heard**

Find a single word answer to each of the following. Each answer is a word in which the first letter is silent. e.g. Period of time is HOUR. 1. Enfold in paper. 2. Old Testament Book. 3. Short winged small bird. 4. Sham or false. 5. Mangle. 6. Relaxing and pleasurable. 7. Esteem or respect. 8. Valuable hint. 9. Scientific study of the mind. 10. An apparition.

## TOTLEY MUSIC FESTIVAL 2013

Hi there music-lovers! Get your diaries out and keep your evenings free for Totley Music Festival 2013! Here's the



**provisional** programme for the week. It's subject to change, so watch out for leaflets and posters about these (and possibly more) events, and keep an eye on the website - www.totleymusicfestival.co.uk

Once again, admission to all events is free.

**Sunday July 14th**: The **Beekeepers Group**, with the **Gamebirds**, and **Tim and Julie Cole**. 10 musicians playing traditional folk music in harmony - an unusual approach with a mellow feel.

Heatherfield, Baslow Road, 7.30 pm

Monday July 15th: Albert's Skiffle Band: The best songs from the 30's, 40's, 50's and 60's, including Bill Bailey, Leaning on a Lamp, Don't Bring Lulu, Honey Pie, Worried Man Blues and other skiffle favourites. With Eric Sinclair's Jazz 'n' Gospel Band playing mainstream jazz.

Heatherfield, Baslow Road, 7.30 pm.

**Tuesday July 16th**: Jazz evening, with the **Walker Brothers** and **Djangonauts.** Another great evening of instrumental and vocal jazz.

Heatherfield, Baslow Road, 7.30 pm.

**Wednesday July 17th:** Early evening: **Totley Primary School Concert.** Early evening concert in the playing field (if dry) by school pupils. *Totley Primary School* 

**Variety Cabaret** for the whole Totley community - featuring some old friends and some new faces. *Leonard Cheshire Home, Mickley Lane, 7.30 pm.* 

**Thursday July 18th**: The **Bob Hall Show**. Britain's finest blues and boogie pianist, with Hilary Blythe on vocals and bass.

Cross Scythes, Baslow Road, 7.30 pm

Friday July 19th: Folk Concert. Featuring many of the artists who made last year's concert such a resounding success. With traditional and contemporary songs, rousing tunes, and wicked banter, come along and hear some of the most entertaining acts on the Folk circuit today. Arrive early to get a seat for this ever-popular event.

Heatherfield, Baslow Road, 7.30 pm

**Saturday July 20th**: Rock evening, with the **Hendersons** and **Sycamore**.

Heatherfield, Baslow Road, 8.0 pm

#### LIBERTY FOODS

Having recently organised a party for my husband's birthday and not wanting to cater myself, I contacted Liberty Foods at the junction of Main Avenue and Baslow Road.

We had meat and potato pie and it was absolutely delicious.

I would recommend the company highly. Not only was the food enjoyed by all, with many positive comments but the service they provided was second to none and completed in a very professional manner.

We are very fortunate to have such a company in our area.

Jean Byron

## **Totley Memories**

#### **Chemical Yard and Gillfield Wood**

I write with reference to some of the articles in your extremely interesting and informative **Totley Independent** magazine. However, as some of the articles were submitted by readers some time ago I do apologise for the elapse of time. Also, I may have got some of the information incorrect. Therefore, I reiterate my apologies but as the adage goes "better late than never"!.

Mrs Anne White did request who the gentleman was who rented the shed adjoining the pig sty where her father housed the pigs. That gentleman was the dear father of my brother Stephen and I. He was a builder and property repairer and his tools and ladders were stored there. Incredibly before entering the shed he had to make a loud noise in order to scatter the rats who resided there!

When the beautiful piglets were born my wonderful dad would lift me up to watch them over the door. It was the most exciting sight watching the enormous sow feeding her much loved babies. Dad's arms would ache with holding me for ages! I always assumed the pigs were the property of the butcher, Frank Thompson. I feel sure that the pigs were permitted the freedom of his field. I am unsure though if the field once was a reservoir. However, I am aware it would flood on occasions.

As a youngster my father and his brothers lived behind Anne at the bridge in the cottage. Later they would reside at number 43 Queen Victoria Road, next door to the Sharp family whom Anne mentions in her memoirs.

I was very young when I would see Freddie and Tommy collecting the eggs of a morning from the chicken coop. On some occasions their sister Martha would accompany them. The owner of their house was a Mr Sharp. He was a conductor on the then number 24 Totley bus and his daughter Jennifer was a kindly young girl.

Unfortunately, Jennifer's little sister was tragically killed whilst playing at the front of the house. In those days little girls would wear a pinafore to ensure their dress was kept clean whilst playing outside. Sadly, a passing lorry reputedly entangled the apron in its wheels. The little child was killed. I recall she was a very pretty child. She had the most exquisite blond curly hair. Such a gentle child and so very sad that she died.

May I compliment you, Anne, on your appraisal of the Sharp family. They were kindly souls and your wonderful mother with her comment that the boys were somewhat different is indicative of her kindly nature.

Doubtless due to the perceptions of such a young girl when you penned your amazing poem. How pleased and proud you must be. She was priceless! I have a copy of the poem to retain for my family.

Like yourself Anne my cousin Pat and I would pass the Chemical Yard to go shopping. We only once saw the enormous bottles of chemicals when the gates were open one day. It seemed such a secret place.

I wonder too Anne, if you recall Pearsons nursery just on Baslow Road near Green Oak Park. Our father made the gates for the entrance. I believe the blacksmith Mr Bradbury made the wheel in order for the gates to swing along the channel for them to open freely.

I am aware, Anne, that you will have known Mr Bradbury as his Smithy was nearby. My brother Stephen informs me he was a giant of a man. He would let boys watch him working. However, if they got too close for comfort he would cuff their ear to ensure their safety.

I believe he forged the runner irons for the sledge our father made for us. I just wish we had ensured we had kept it in the family. My father was a proud craftsman and it would doubtless be as sturdy today as it was then. Such pride was taken in the perfection of their products

Like Anne, I am so proud and pleased that Stephen and I had such wonderful and kindly parents.

Doubtless Anne you would shop on Totley Rise with your mother. My cousin Pat and I would take our ration book coupons to purchase sweets from Mrs Spring, the petite and feminine little lady who owned the shop. As the owner of a ration book was deemed a "Totleyite" we cherish that.

My cousin Pat and I and friends would frequent Gillfield Wood. We would climb the trees and jump

the rivers and gather the bluebells with a large array of beach leaves, beautiful in a vase! Celandines and wood anemones would adorn our windowsills in spring, delightful!

We would spend hours there and the only concern in those days was that we would probably be wet and muddied. Safe and carefree times. Our father erected a tree swing for us where joyous hours were spent. Such fun for the kids!

My cousin Jean and I we also found the clay in the woods and would spend hours perfecting small jugs and plates etc. A spring in the hillside kept it just perfect. Indeed we became quite adept with practice. We were extremely proud of our expertise. These pieces would be left to bake in the hot sunshine which oddly enough seemed to shine endlessly in the 6 week school vacation!

However, on one occasion our priceless pieces had been smashed to smithereens. Perhaps our efforts were not deemed as highly by someone! We never located the culprit. Will they please "step up now"? Only joking!

Come winter we would gather in Salt's field to sledge. Again countless hours of fun for all. Returning home to a roaring coal fire and the tastiest of home cooked meals by our wonderful mother. Enormous meat pies and large fruit scones and cakes. A truly wonderful and kindly person to all she knew. She was a good neighbour to her treasured neighbours and a wonderful community spirit all around us too

It is quite probable that milk may have been sold at Mr Salt's farm. Is it possible that the name Gillfield was derived from the sale of a gill of milk? I have often thought it was likely. He did keep cows and perhaps the large metal jugs would be used for the sale of the delicious milk, enjoyed on numerous occasions by my parents.

Jean mentioned having never been able to find the milestone in Gillfield Wood. However, my friends and I would paddle the river there. I will look for it again come summer. It was much lower down from the stile. It was located slightly higher on the same side as the now non-existent first scout hut. Then there was just lower down a metal pipe across the river. We would use this to balance across the water, often falling in and going home soaking wet. We were never rebuked as it was another happy day for kids enjoyment. Peace and quiet for mums.

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Mrs Windle is mentioned collecting firewood near the pool that was on occasions used by the boys. She was another lovely Totley resident. She was also Auntie Tess to Stephen and I. Her husband Claude played the piano along with musicians in my family. We would gather for soiree events in one of the houses. Yes, we had some great entertainment in the days prior to television. Lots of fun and laughter to be had. Aunt Tess's daughters were named Patricia and Eileen. They too were polite and cheerful. Their dog was called Woofy Windle. He was taught a quite remarkable trick. Auntie would tell him he had been run over by a car. He would lay prostrate on the floor. She would say "poor Wooffie a car has run him over and he is dead". Then she would say "but he would not lie down". He would jump up to delight the children wagging his tail twenty to the dozen. Today he would definitely merit an audition on the X Factor! Totally irrelevant now to my childhood memoirs but recently Dennis Wyatt at the Town Hall has posted requests on the trees and fences at the bottom left hand side of Queen Victoria Road, telephone 273 6677. This refers to finding the owner of the heavily overgrown land at the bottom of Queen Victoria Road. Perhaps a reader may be able to name the owner. May I wish all readers well Anne Tunney (Mrs)

## **Anyone Remember?**

Nee Wrigglesworth

I have recently received issue no 361 and feel compelled to respond to "Anyone Remember" on page 29. I lived for my first 19 years in Totley although I am now an exile in a village near Leeds.

I am assuming that Rony Robinson is referring to the road/track that runs from Mickley Lane, at the side of the Shepley Spitfire and eventually leads to Woodthorpe Hall.

From about 1953 until late 1967 I lived with my parents in the prefabs on Aldam Road. My frequent excursions (usually with Michael Oliver from across the road) into "the woods" onto which our garden backed often led me to the road in question. I well recall the circular gun emplacement (or was it a searchlight foundation) as well as the semi-sunken room nearby - possibly some sort of air-raid shelter for the personnel - and some other ruins.

Michael and I usually referred to the lane as "The Top Road" in those days. However my father (Douglas Turner, born in Totley Bents in 1926) usually called it "Salts Drive" We often walked along it but, when we reached the gate by the site in question, we nearly always turned left towards Holmesfield, except on the rare occasions when we explored the site itself. The left turn took us onto "Wings Hill" which was very steep - ideal for sledging. Last time I went up there (about 4 years ago) the hill was overgrown with brush - certainly no longer suitable for sledging!

Incidentally, I also recall the subject track, as it then was, being grubbed up and relaid with a more permanent surface, probably in the late 1950's or early sixties. The material used was crushed limestone, the white colour of which could have given rise to the name "White Drive/Lane/Line" mentioned by Rony.

From late 1967 until mid-1969 we lived at 50 Mickley Lane - in sight of the road and my father rented a garage on Laverdene Avenue - even closer to it. Stephen Turner

## **Totley's Ancient Woodland Secret**

Some call it Gillfield or Gilleyfield with a hard 'G', some with a softer 'J' sound. No-one can quite agree. But however you pronounce it, it is a place of real natural beauty and of significant ecological and archaeological importance. But a lot of local people don't even know about Gillfield Wood. We want people to know - so we have a website where you can find out more.

Running mostly along the meandering Totley Brook from near the Shepley Spitfire to the bus terminus on Baslow Road, this ancient woodland was first recorded by name in 1561 as Jyll Felde, but is probably the woodland first mentioned as 'wood, pasturable' in Totley's entry in the Domesday Book in 1086 - which probably meant that people turned out their pigs in it to eat acorns there! Over the centuries, people and small industries have eked out a living from the timber and wood grown, 'nutters' after hazel nuts may have raided it, 'bessom brooms' have been produced there, it's been chopped and coppiced and planted, the gentry have bought and sold it and generally made money out of it. Now it's a place for walking and pondering.

Home to a diverse number of birds, mammals, aquatic and insect life, the importance of the wood like its ecology is slowly evolving. It comes into its own in Spring with its warblers and swathes of bluebells and wood anemone. An open community group was formed two years ago, 'The Friends of Gillfield Wood' (FoGW), whose aim is to research the past and improve the future of this lovely piece of ancient woodland.

FoGW has been successful in winning a Lottery grant to tell 'The Story of Gillfield Wood' from its beginnings to the present day - by researching its history and archaeology and even the clues given by its plant life. We are involving new people in this adventure and always welcome new people to help us.

The group also holds walks and talks, study groups, field trips, bug and bat hunts, field surveys, conservation work mornings and social events that should appeal to all ages. The sun is starting to shine, nature is waking up again and it's time to ditch the television guide, pull on the boots and wellies and head for the woods!

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The work was exacting. Each aircraft had different wiring requirements, length, width, colour etc and up to 25 items were listed per bundle.

The work at Totley Grange was confidential; I believe many Totley folk knew nothing of its existence at the time. The photograph (Totley Independent, April, 2012) taken in 1943 is of J G Graves seated left, Lady Grant making a speech and the work team outside Totley Grange

Upon cessation in 1945 the following letter was written, presumably to all members of the team. This copy letter was amongst my grandmother's papers. Name withheld

#### **COPY LETTER**

12th June 1945

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Dear Madam,

This letter sees the end of the Totley Auxiliary Production Depot attached to this factory and it was with very great regret that I had to dictate the cessation notice some weeks ago

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## **DORE & TOTLEY PARK &**

It was full within a few days of opening, and cars are again parking on Dore Road and the land in front of the Almshouses. "Someone" said that it would have enough capacity to cope with the extra vehicles expected when the Tram comes to Dore and Totley station! Some hope! When I wrote to the SYPTE, telling them that it was full already, the reply was somewhat dismissive! We now await the relocation of the out of town bus stop, to be relocated opposite the City bound stop. Kerb edges will also be built out. It is being moved to allow for the installation of the Pedestrian Operated Crossing. All this work is to be completed before the resurfacing of the road, by Amey. Which route will HGV's take, whilst all of this work is carried out, to avoid the delays caused by even more temporary traffic lights? Amey will only tell residents when the work is to take place, but watch "Roadworks Alert from roadworks.org" for advance information.

#### TABLE TENNIS TABLE

Thanks to our friendly farmer, Edwin Pocock, who has stored the table for us, and transported it to Totley Hall Park, Neil Bunting and I installed it on Friday May 3rd. The photograph shows the first players to use it. It is hoped that the bats and balls will be left for the next players to use, but the balls had disappeared by Wednesday 8 May. Replacements will be provided for a short time, but then players will have to bring their own bats and balls. Let us hope that honesty will prevail.

Roger Hart

## **Totley History Group**

We have recently received a kind offer to catalogue the Brian Edwards Collection which is currently held on loan by Totley History Group as part of our Archive. We are hoping to have some public access available to the Archive in the autumn and details will be published in Totley Independent when they are available.

Dorothy Prosser

### **INVITATION TO JOIN OUR SUMMER FUN DAY!**

#### **SATURDAY 22ND JUNE 1-4PM**

Totley Primary School PTA invites you to come to Totley Primary School on Saturday 22 June 2013 between 1 and 4pm to enjoy our Summer Fun Day. Bouncy castles, face painting and lots of classic games will mean that there's plenty to do for both younger and older children alike. With a tombola, a raffle, different stalls, arena displays and lots of activities to join in with, it will be a fun afternoon for the whole family on the green grounds of the school. Refreshments will be available for sale throughout the afternoon including our legendary homemade cakes and a quality barbeque.

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#### **WERE WE GREEN?**

When at a store checkout the young cashier suggested to the older woman that she should bring her own shopping bags in future because plastic bags weren't good for the environment. the woman apologised and explained, "We didn't have this green thing back in my earlier days." The cashier responded, "That's our problem today. Your generation did not care enough to save our environment for future generations."

She was right - our generation did not have the green thing in its day. Back then, we returned milk bottles, pop bottles and beer bottles to the shop. The shop sent them back to the plant to be washed and sterilized and refilled, so it could use the same bottles over and over. So they really were recycled. We refilled writing pens with ink instead of buying a new pen and we replaced the razor blades in a razor instead of throwing away the whole razor just because the blade got blunt. But we didn't have the green thing back in our day.

We walked up stairs, because we didn't have an escalator in every shop and office building. We walked to the shop and didn't climb into a 300-horsepower machine every time we had to go two streets. But she was right. We didn't have the green thing in our day. Back then, we washed the baby's nappies because we didn't have the throw-away kind. We dried clothes on a line, not in an energy-gobbling machine burning up 2200 watts - wind and solar power really did dry our clothes back in our early days.

Back then we had one TV, or radio, in the house - not a TV in every room. And the TV had a small screen the size of a handkerchief (remember them?), not a screen the size of Yorkshire. In the kitchen we blended and stirred by hand because we didn't have electric machines to do everything for us. When we packaged a fragile item to send in the post, we used wadded up old newspapers to cushion it, not polystyrene or plastic bubble wrap. Back then, we didn't fire up an engine and burn petrol just to cut the lawn. We used a push mower that ran on human power. We exercised by working so we didn't need to go to a health club to run on treadmills that operate on electricity. But she's right. We didn't have the green thing back then.

We drank water from a fountain or a tap when we were thirsty instead of demanding a plastic bottle flown in from another country. We accepted that a lot of food was seasonal and didn't expect to have out of season products flown thousands of air miles around the world. We actually cooked food that didn't come out of a packet, tin or plastic wrapping and we could even wash our own vegetables and chop our own salad. But we didn't have the green thing back then. Back then, people caught a train or a bus, and kids rode their bikes to school or walked instead of turning their mothers into a 24-hour taxi service. We had one electrical socket in a room, not an entire bank of sockets to power a dozen appliances. And we didn't need a computerised gadget to receive a signal beamed from satellites 2,000 miles out in space in order to find the nearest pizza place. But isn't it sad the current generation laments how wasteful we oldies were just because we didn't have the green thing back then? Remember: Don't make old people mad. We don't like being old in the first place, so it doesn't take much to hack us off. June Heald

### **POLITICAL THOUGHTS**

I have to confess I have never had a deep interest in politics though I always cast my vote as a civic duty. Nevertheless I do try to take notice of the political scene as it is incessantly cast before us in news bulletins and commentaries, so here are some of my musings on recent events.

Adverse comments about the Prime Minister and cronyism have been heard arising from the number of ministers and advisers who were also ex-pupils of Eton and other public schools and top universities. One defence of this I heard was to the effect that it must be obvious the best educated should lead the country. This seems reasonable but - educated in what? Even if a chap had been to Eton I would still prefer him to go through rigorous medical training before he cut my stomach open or rigorous flying training before he took me to the skies. I would hazard a guess that none of the top politicians have any real experience of how many of their voters live - perhaps not part of the public schools' curriculum.

Another topic recently to the fore has been the introduction of a benefit called Universal Credit designed to simplify the payment system. I have always thought this was an obvious change to aim for and I can cite three of my personal experiences to support this. Each year both my wife and I are sent two notices of Tax Code - one in February and one after the budget around June.

Each year on receipt of the annual statement of our State Pension we are overwhelmed to see we each receive 25 pence per week because we are over the age of qualification. When I was first registered blind the Social Services were very keen to help for which I was very grateful. One of the benefits drawn to my attention was a reduction of the television licence. I could never see the logic of this; the licence covers the house which could house several residents with normal sight. However, out of curiosity, I enquired about this on the next renewal date. The person in the post office was pretty scornful as well as helpful. She produced, I seem to remember, three A4 sheets to be filled in for the application which, if successful, would reduce the fee by a few shillings a year. I don't know the total cost of administering these examples I have given but whatever they are they seem a waste of effort to me.

Probably the strongest argument about the training of politicians would be that they learn "on the job". I agree we have all done that in our own work experience. The trouble as I see it is that the learning experience pulls in different directions. With the adversarial party system we have there is too much concentration on criticism, too little on cooperation and far too much attention towards gaining or retaining power at the next election.

It is not unexpected that some schemes such as airport expansion or a high speed rail line are very controversial and, as such, should be properly researched, discussed and debated to arrive at a solution and not decided on fixed party policy. Even areas where there is no real difference fail to be tackled. Virtually everybody in the country would agree there is a desperate shortage of housing, but there is no sign of `a concerted effort by parliament to start on a solution.

As I said earlier I have no real interest in politics so I will get off my soap box!

Don Ashford.





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#### **Instructions:**

Preheat oven to 160'C

- 2. For the potato gratin, pour the cream in to a heavy based saucepan and place on a medium heat, crush the garlic to a smooth paste and add to the cream with the sprigs of thyme and salt and pepper. Bring to a simmer and infuse for 15minutes then remove the thyme. Peel the baking potatoes and slice thinly, preferably on a mandolin, and layer with the infused cream in a buttered dish. Bake for 45-60mins until soft, top with grated cheddar and bake until golden brown on top
- 3. Blanch cherry tomatoes in a pan of boiling water for 10 seconds and refresh in ice cold water. When cold, peel the skin off with a small pairing knife. Heat the lemon and lime juice in a small pan with the sugar and the 50ml of water and pour over the tomatoes and leave to marinade.
- 4. To finish the dish, heat a frying pan with a little oil and add the seasoned cod fillets, skin side down, fry until golden brown and place in the oven for 10 minutes.
- 5. Add spinach to a hot pan with a knob of butter and a sprinkle of salt and wilt down. Place the spinach on a dry towel and squeeze dry.
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Roger Hart

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Jenny Seymour, 39 from Samantha Millhouses, Royle, from Millhouses, Gemma Windle, from 31 Woodhouse, Jenny Neill, 34, from Totley Natasha Perry, 36, from Beauchief all offer classes and services for local preschoolers, but they put all



thoughts of competition aside to host a Big Chocolate Tea Party for The Sick Children's Trust on 20 April at Dore and Totley United Reformed Church.

The Sick Children's Trust's Big Chocolate Tea Party campaign encourages people to host chocolate—themed tea parties to raise funds for the charity's eight houses across the UK, which provides accommodation to families of sick children.

The day included a host of fun activities such as children's workshops from all of the hosts, arts and crafts, face painting, raffles and of course lots of cake and tea/coffee donated by local suppliers. They also ran a 'taste off' competition between all the cakes and brownies donated from local delis, bakeries and local mums and grans who provided home-baked cakes. The winner were some fabulous "Eat Me" Brownies from HashBrownies based upon the Alice in Wonderland theme.

Caroline O'Doherty, campaigns and appeals manager for The Sick Children's Trust said: "This is the fourth year of the campaign and our supporters in Sheffield seem to really be getting behind it again. Lots of people are registering to host chocolate tea parties which is great as all the money raised will go towards keeping a family together when they need each other most – so what better excuse to have a chocolate treat and a cup of tea!"

The event was the brainchild of local early learning groups who decided to join forces to raise money for the charity. Jenny Seymour from arts and crafts group Creation Station teamed up with Samantha Royle from Baby Bright Eyes language classes, Gemma Windle from Pyjama Drama, Jenny Neill from Baby Sensory and Natasha Perry who runs Sheffield Sling Library. All money raised will go towards the charity's Branching Out Appeal to build a new 'Home from Home' at Sheffield Children's Hospital as well as the region's existing Treetop House.





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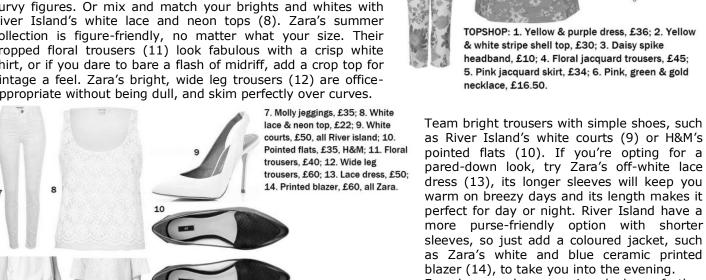
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## **Summer Lovin'**

Spring has finally arrived! It's time to dust away those cobwebs, come out of hibernation and slip into some summery attire.

I dived headfirst into Topshop's sale last week, and found some great trans-seasonal dresses to take me into spring. And their new collection has many great pieces if you're looking for a wardrobe update. For warmer days, try the yellow and purple animal print dress (1, below)

or floral jacquard skirt (5). If you prefer trousers, Topshop's collection of jacquard trousers (4) is perfect. To add some zest, try the yellow and white striped shell top (2). Each of these pieces can be teamed with tights or a jumper if the temperature drops. To add a punky edge to your pretty prints, accessorize with the daisy spike headband (3) or a statement necklace (6). High street offerings don't end there, no matter what your shape, size, style or budget, River Island, Zara and H&M have some perfect summer updates. Look to River Island for brights and whites; their white Molly jeggings (7) are the perfect way to dip your toe in the water if you want to break out of those dark winter hues. H&M+ collection has a similar pair, perfect for curvy figures. Or mix and match your brights and whites with River Island's white lace and neon tops (8). Zara's summer collection is figure-friendly, no matter what your size. Their cropped floral trousers (11) look fabulous with a crisp white shirt, or if you dare to bare a flash of midriff, add a crop top for vintage a feel. Zara's bright, wide leg trousers (12) are officeappropriate without being dull, and skim perfectly over curves.



Maybelline's Electric Orange (22). The brave among us can choose from Barry M's huge collection of coloured eye pencils (23), or for a more wearable colour burst, try a neon nail colour like Leighton Denny's Brick Road or nails Inc's Notting Hill Gate (24 & 25).

However you wear your florals, brights and whites this spring, be bold and be brave; bring a touch of sunshine to your day and shine bright.

pointed flats (10). If you're opting for a pared-down look, try Zara's off-white lace dress (13), its longer sleeves will keep you warm on breezy days and its length makes it perfect for day or night. River Island have a more purse-friendly option with shorter sleeves, so just add a coloured jacket, such as Zara's white and blue ceramic printed blazer (14), to take you into the evening. For shoes and accessories, look no further than ASOS and Next. ASOS' metallic silver brogues (15) and embellished cat eye sunglasses (16) will add a quirky sparkle to your outfit, or opt for Next's white and silver sandals (17) for a more subtle twinkle. Next's rose gold and white bangles (18) offer an expensive-looking touch, and their floral watch and clutch (19 & 20) will add youthful, summery accents.

Spring make up went bold and bright on the catwalks this season, so try a bold lipstick such as Mac's Candy Yum Yum (21) or



21. Pink lipstick in Candy Yum Yum, £14, MAC; 22. Coral lipstick in Electric Orange, £7, Maybelline; 23. Coloured eye pencils, £3, Barry M; 24. Yellow nail polish in Brick Road, £11, Leighton Denny; 25. Pink nail polish in Notting Hill Gate, £11, Nails Inc.

**TOTLEY & DISTRICT DIARY** 

MONDAYS COFFEE MORNING, All Saints' Church Hall, 10am-noon

TAI-CHI, United Reformed Church, Totley Brook Road, 11.30am-12.30pm

RAINBOWS and GUIDES, All Saints' Church Hall, 5.45pm-9pm

SLIMMING WORLD, United Reformed Church Hall, 7pm, Jo Elsey: 262 0523 or 07590 545253

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COFFEE in the LIBRARY. 10am-11.30am

TODDLER GROUP. 10am-11.30am, All Saints' Church Hall. Details tel. Andy Holmes 0114 236 2088 **HEALTH WALKS.** 10.30am, Totley Library foyer. Phone Tina, The Health Walk Ranger: 0114 203 9335 **MODERN SEQUENCE DANCING**. All Saints Church Hall, 8pm-10pm

**THURSDAYS** BELROBICS, United Reformed Church, 9.15-10am, email: jenny@belrobics.co.uk or telephone: 07816 850132.

NCT COFFEE GROUP FOR DORE TOTLEY & BRADWAY, 10am-noon, For mums & babies/toddlers, meeting in

various locations, Phone Lucy Street 07837 000405 or email: lucy@streetr.plus.com for further details

CHAIROBICS. Heatherfield Club, 1.15pm

PUSHCHAIR CLUB. Totley Rise Methodist Church Hall. 1.30pm-3pm. Tel. 236 3157 for further details

PILATES CLASS, United Reformed Church, Totley Brook Road, 6.15pm-7.30pm also new class 1.30pm to

2.30pm, Phone Emer Coffey 07792 422909

PILATES. The Old School, Dore, 9.15-10.15 & 10.45-11.45am, Phone Teresa Tinklin 07906 312372 **FRIDAYS** 

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#### JUNE

SUN 9th MINIATURE TRAIN RIDES. Abbeydale Road South, First train 1pm - last train 5pm (weather permitting) Car Park closes 5.15pm. www.sheffieldsmee.co.uk

SAT 15th COFFEE MORNING Transport 17 will be holding a coffee morning at the Cross Scythes from 9.30 to 12.00 noon. There will be a raffle and refreshments and all are welcome.

TUES 18th TOTLEY TOWNSWOMEN'S GUILD 'Blue John', Ellen Outram, Totley Rise Methodist Church Hall, 10am SAT 22nd SUMMER FUN DAY, Totley Primary School 1-4pm, Refreshments, BBQ, stalls - entertainment for the whole

SAT 22nd TOTLEY HISTORY, A guided walk around Old Totley. Meet at the Cross Scythes at 2pm. Stout shoes essential dogs welcome on leads.

SUN 23rd MINIATURE TRAIN RIDES. Abbeydale Road South, First train 1pm - last train 5pm (weather permitting) Car Park closes 5.15pm. www.sheffieldsmee.co.uk

WED 26th TOTLEY HISTORY GROUP, Totley Library, 7.30pm, Open meeting, A chance to share and discuss recent

SAT 29th SUMMER FAYRE, Cheshire Home, Mickley Hall, Mickley Lane, 11am-3pm

#### JULY

TUE 2nd FRIENDS OF GILLFIELD WOOD, In and out the wood - A summer's evening walk, just over 2.5 miles.

Free to members, £3 to others. Meet 7pmat metal gate end of Totley Hall Lane. Further details page 2.

SUN 7th MINIATURE TRAIN RIDES. OPEN DAY & ANNUAL EXHIBITION (free entry), Abbeydale Road South, First train 1pm - last train 5pm (weather permitting) Car Park closes 5.15pm. www.sheffieldsmee.co.uk

SAT 13th TOTLEY HISTORY GROUP, Visit to the General Cemetery. A guided tour of the General Cemetery. Meet at the Gatehouse in Cemetery Avenue off Ecclesall Road

TUES 17th TOTLEY TOWNSWOMEN'S GUILD, 'Can we afford the Doctor? Pre NHS', Joanne Brunt, Totley Rise Methodist Church

SUN 21st MINIATURE TRAIN RIDES. Abbeydale Road South, First train 1pm - last train 5pm (weather permitting) Car Park closes 5.15pm. www.sheffieldsmee.co.uk

## HOLMESFIELD FLOWER CLUB

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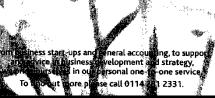
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#### **TOTLEY SHOW ENTRY FORM 2013**

THE TOTLEY SHOW THIS YEAR WILL BE HELD AT TOTLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL, SUNNYVALE ROAD ON SATURDAY, 7 SEPTEMBER. ENTRIES SHOULD BE SUBMITTED BETWEEN 8.45AM AND 10.45AM.

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- 1 Hand knitted or crochet garment
- 2 Decorative cushion
- 3 Soft toy
- 4 Tapestry
- 5 Cross stitch
- 6 Collage, any medium
- 7 Greetings card
- 8 Any medium

#### **DOMESTIC SECTION**

- Victoria sandwich as recipe
- 10 Dundee cake as recipe below
- 11 Carrot cake
- 12 5 Biscuits
- 13 3 Fruit Scones
- 14 Apple pie
- 15 Jam
- 16 Lemon curd
- 17 Marmalade
- 18 Chutney
- 51 Vegetable/fruit animal up to 7
- 52 Miniature Garden 8-14
- 53 3 decorative Buns under 7
- 54 3 decorative Buns 8-14
- 55 Wibbly Wobbly Jelly up to 14
- 56 Flower arrangement in an eggcup - Up to 14

175qms/6oz Plain flour

125gms/4oz Margarine/Butter

125gms/4oz Soft brown sugar

2¼ tsps Baking powder

1 rounded tsp Mixed ground spice

**FLORAL SECTION** 

- 19 Floral arrangement 18" high
- 10" x 10"
- 20 3 Cut Flowers of any variety in season – home grown
- 21 Foliage plant in pot
- 22 Flowering plant in pot

#### FRESH PRODUCE SECTION

- 23 1 plate 4 Eating apples
- 24 1 plate 4 Cooking apples
- 25 1 plate 8 Blackberries
- 26 4 matching Potatoes
- 27 3 matching Leeks
- 28 3 matching Onions
- 29 5 matching Runner beans
- 30 1 plate 5 Tomatoes
- 31 1 Cucumber
- 32 3 Courgettes
- 33 Largest onion
- 34 Heaviest marrow
- 35 Longest runner bean 1 per

#### person **CHILDREN'S SECTION**

- 57 Painting under 5
- 58 Painting 6-7
- 59 Painting 8-11
- 60 Painting 12-14

## NB all Lego models max size 25cm

36 1 plate 3 eggs from own hens -

**ART SECTION** 

**PHOTOGRAPHY SECTION** 

**WOODWORK SECTION** 

No embellishment

38 Water colour

40 Pencil sketch

(prints only)

45 Creative

46 Wildlife

47 Landscape

48 Wood turning

49 Small furniture

50 Wood sculpture

37 Oil or acrylic painting

39 Pen and ink sketch

41 Open multi-media

42 Reclaimed art/sculpture

43 Sculpture, any medium

44 Monochrome, any colour

- 61 Lego model 5-8
- 62 Lego model 9-14
- 63 Colour photo up to 14
- 64 Open, any medium eg Hama
- beads Up to 14

#### **DUNDEE CAKE**

3 eggs

125gms/4oz Raisins 125gms/4oz Sultanas

125gms/4oz Currants

75gms/3oz Chopped mixed peel and chopped cherries

40gms/1.5oz Blanched almonds to

decorate

**METHOD:** Line 7" deep cake tin. Sift flour, baking powder and spice together. Cream margarine/butter and sugar. Beat in eggs 1 at a time adding a tbsp of flour with last 2. Fold in remaining flour and fruit till thoroughly mixed. Put in tin and decorate with nuts.

Bake in a preheated oven 140°C/290°F/gas 2 for 1 hour then lower to 130°C/270°F/gas 1 for ½ to 1 hour approx.

#### **VICTORIA SANDWICH**

125gms/4oz Margarine/Butter 125gms/4oz Self raising flour

125qms/4oz Caster sugar

2 eggs

METHOD: Cream margarine/butter and sugar. Beat in eggs 1 at a time with a little flour. Fold in remaining flour. Divide between two 7" sandwich tins greased or lined with greaseproof paper.

Bake in a preheated oven 180°C/350°F/gas 4 for 20-25 minutes. Sandwich with jam and sprinkle top with caster sugar - please note, recipe quantities only.

- 1 No entry in any class should have been in previous Totley shows.
- 2 Entries may be donated to be auctioned at the end of the Show but this is not compulsory nor a condition upon which entries will be accepted
- 3 Prize money may be collected from 1.45pm
- 4 If fewer than three entries in a class only a First Prize will be awarded except in Children's Section
- 5 Any prize monies not collected by 4pm will be put towards next year's Show
- 6 You may enter as many classes as you wish (The more the merrier!)
- 7 if an entry does not fit a class, it can be left for viewing but no prize will be given and there will be no entry charge.
- 8 You may only collect your entries after the public viewing ends at 3.00pm
- 9 Goods left after 3.30pm will be auctioned.

#### **SHOW PROGRAMME**

8.45am to 10.45am Entrants' registration 11am to 12.30pm Judging and awarding of certificates

1.45pm Official Opening and collection of prize money 3pm Prize giving and auction of donated items

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#### **CHRISTIAN AID**

Many of you will have received your red envelopes in May. Thank you to all who contributed. At the time of going to press we do not know this year's total. However in 2012 we were able to donate £1302 from our house to house collections. This was an excellent result. In Sheffield as a whole house to house collections raised £57,370. In addition to this, various other events throughout the year, including the May Day Sponsored Walk and the July Night Hike and City Centre Carols raised a total of £76,303. Sheffield is one of the most successful areas for fund raising. Thank you once again to all who contributed.

#### **GOURMET SUMMER SANDWICHES**

1 loaf of white bread
1 tub cream cheese or mascarpone
1 punnet of strawberries
Runny honey.
Spread the bread with the cheese
Top with sliced strawberries
Drizzle with runny honey
Sandwich together.

#### MY CHILD

My child you are my precious one
What more can mere words say
You are always in my heart
I love you night and day
I've watched you and the way you've grown
From babyhood to youth
Then on you went and grew some more
In stature and in truth.

And still I love you more and more
I tell you not a lie
My love for you's so very strong
I gave my son to die
He died that you might find the way
Into my loving arm
He gave His life that you may live
To keep you safe from harm

My precious child just turn around And see my arms held wide
Just see how you I long to hold
And keep you by my side
I promise that what ere befalls
You'll always find me there
So let me hold you. Special one
And keep you in my care.

Dorothy Firth

## HOLMESFIELD CHURCH WALKING GROUP

#### **TADDINGTON WALK**

On Wednesday 5th June Robin Greetham will lead a Queen's walk starting from the Arms Taddington.We will walk to Priestcliffe then down to Miller's Dale (there is a shortcut for the slower walkers) and we will return to the pub along the Limestone way. The walk is only short, and after lunch we will drive a short distance to visit Derbyshire's mini Giant's Causeway at Calton Hill. The cost of the walk is £3 and the proceeds will go to Holmesfield Church Restoration Fund. Lunch (optional) will be at the pub. If you would like to come just turn up on the day. The morning walk is 3 miles and the afternoon walk is 1/2mile. Any queries phone Robin on 01246 412767.

## **Brian Bowie 1934 - 2013**

Brian was a true Totleyite. He first lived as a small child on Mickley lane and then moved to Sunnyvale Road. He attended Totley All Saints School and then moved on to Carfield. Playing football for Totley Sports and Social Club took up his Saturday afternoons for many years. He was an outdoor person, working primarily at Bramall's Farm and then at Godley Gardens and other gardening concerns, latterly working at a quarry near Eyam. His friends remember his passion for steam trains and model railways. A retirement present was to drive a steam train and his model railway (sadly now dismantled) was a joy to behold. He spent countless hours in his garden tending vegetables, flowers and his collection of alpine plants. He will be sadly missed by all his family, friends and neighbours.

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