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*Totley Open Gardens: a couple of young visitors sample the raspberries (photo: Tom Steele).
For a report on this record year for TOG, see page 14, and for more photos, see page 25*

What We Did On Our Holidays!

Where did you spend your summer break this year? Did you travel abroad to visit a favourite European destination, or maybe America...New York for shopping and skyscrapers, Florida to please and excite younger members of the family? Did you take a long haul flight to Thailand, Australia, New Zealand, maybe enjoy a luxury cruise on distant seas, or did you prefer a more relaxed holiday closer to home...B&B, caravanning, camping, seeking a yet-to-be-discovered corner of Britain? Every preference is now catered for and the world is literally out there waiting for us to make a choice.

At the beginning of the 20th century the idea of an annual holiday, certainly one with pay, was still a distant dream for most workers. In 1911 the Unions began campaigning for workers' holiday entitlement but it wasn't until 1938, with the passing of the 'Holiday Pay Act', that all employees were awarded

one week of paid holiday per year - the current allowance is 5.6 weeks.

Totley History Group has recently been given access to a small number of postcards sent during the period 1905-1914. Written by and to members of the Boler family living in Sheffield, they reveal their own holiday destinations as well as those of their friends...Blackpool, Morecambe, Lincoln, Great Yarmouth, Hoylake (Wirral), Rhyl, Devon and Cornwall, Isle of Man and Isle of Wight.

When the postcards were written the only work-free days the labour force were entitled to were the religious days of Sunday, Christmas, Good Friday and Ascension. However the majority of Sheffield's steel workers were also given an enforced 'shutdown' holiday of one or two weeks when the foundries closed, but it was only management and (maybe) the skilled workforce who could expect to be paid. During this an-

nual closure the machinery was overhauled, furnaces relined and new equipment installed.

Other northern towns such as those in the Lancashire cotton industry had their individual fortnights too, Sheffield's being the last week of July and first week of August. In reality the reason for the break was the need for essential maintenance etc and not awarded for the well being of the workers. The recognition that people benefitted from time to rest, relax and recover from their daily grind was at least two decades away.

Throughout the year employers might deduct an agreed amount of money from workers' wage packets, thus accumulating a 'holiday fund' to be paid out when the great day arrived. For those who had managed to save, a much-anticipated treat would be to spend a few days in the clean air of the recently developed coastal (continued page 3)

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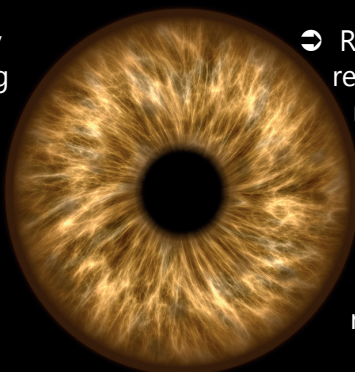
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What We Did On Our Holidays (from page 1)

holiday resorts. Access to these towns had been made possible by the growth of the countrywide railway network built during the latter part of the 19th century, with holidaymakers crowding onto Saturday Specials to get to their chosen destinations. The sea air was believed to be particularly beneficial to good health (especially if the remaining 51 weeks of the year was lived in the smoke filled cities created by the industrial revolution).

The Postcards

Written more than a century ago the few pencilled lines, affixed with a halfpenny stamp and posted to the Boler family, recount the sights and experiences their friends and relatives were enjoying on their special week away from Sheffield.

'Arrived safe and sound after a weary journey, could have walked quicker!' (Great Yarmouth, 1912) *It seems East Anglia has always been a slightly remote destination!*

'Feel quite chirpy after the sea voyage' (Isle of Man 1912) *This was a notoriously rough crossing, usually from Liverpool*

'Dear Mother, Shall be home late Saturday night, I mean early Sunday morning. Do not wait up for me' (Isle of Wight 1911)

Then, as now, the weather was a constant topic:

'Scorching hot, 78 degrees in shade and a week later...Still having lovely weather' (Rhyl 1905)

'Have seen the waves dashing over as on the postcard, it was a sight' (Blackpool 1910)

'Weather inclined to be showery, but at this moment beautiful' (Ilfracombe 1911)

'Raining here, has been all day' (Great Yarmouth 1912)

'Terrible storm Saturday night & wet Sunday but pleasant since' (Hoylake 1914)

'Had glorious weather, no rain since the night I arrived' (The Cunningham Camp, Isle of Man, 1914)

Regarding the last item: camp holidays had originally been the idea of a philanthropic flour manufacturing company based in Liverpool, providing affordable holiday accommodation for working youths. Joseph Cunningham worked for the company and believed in subsidising the holidays but had argued with the company about the rate of subsidy. He subsequently left their employment, moved to the Isle of Man, and in 1894 established his first camp of 600 tents at Howstrake, Grouldie Glen, near Douglas:

'Open May-October 17/6 per week. **Strictly no alcohol**'

Young Men's Holiday Camp,



in the vicinity. During WWI it was requisitioned to house enemy aliens (i.e. German citizens) who were resident in the UK when

The camp proved very popular and in 1905 Cunningham acquired five acres of land overlooking Douglas Bay. He opened a new camp of 1500 tents, built a huge pavilion with a 100ft dining room, a ballroom and many other entertainment opportunities



war was declared. Their cheap labour helped to build chalet-style accommodation and grow food to help self-sufficiency. After the war it became a precursor to the Butlin's style of family holiday.

Back to the postcards: perhaps most interesting are the snippets commenting on what they saw or how they enjoyed themselves

'A lovely spot. Plenty of life here but no mixed bathing' (Rhyl 1905)

'Enoch and I are having our holiday, and here we are in this lovely place. Today has been grand' (Douglas, IoM 1907)

'No swank here but having a splendid week' (Blackpool 1910)

'Am sitting on the rocks watching bathers, male and female. Intend joining them' (Ilfracombe 1911)

'P.C. received, please include me, will see you when I get back as I am running short' (Tent 282 Douglas, Isle of Man 1912)

'Just having a walk on the Prom. Seems to be alright by Electric light' (Great Yarmouth, 1912)

'We had a nice dance on the pier last night. Are just going to The Lakes' (Morecambe, 1913)

'Excellent open air pool here. Water is cold but there is a hot shower bath waiting for you. It's A1 quality' (Hoylake, 1914) *The large lido had opened in 1913, one of many being built to cater for the increased popularity of swimming.*



'No swank here...' - Blackpool's sea-front in 1910, before the development of the Golden Mile

These comments show that as early as the first decade of the century the resorts were developing their own style to entice the holidaymakers. Then, as now, this would influence people's choice of venue.

The postcard from Hoylake was written in the intervening weeks between the assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand of Austria and the outbreak of WW1. For many, holidays would have to be put on hold for the next four years....

Pauline Burnett

Totley Vintage Fair

As another way of raising money for Totley Open Gardens there will be a Totley Vintage Fair on Saturday 9th November from 10am to 4pm. Antique and vintage dealers will be selling a variety of interesting items. Teas and cakes will be available on the day, and entrance will be £1. The sale is being organised by Chris Jenkins, Linda Wheawall and Jennie Street, so put it in your diary to come along and browse the items! There are still a few places left for stallholders, so if you wish to have a pitch, contact Chris Jenkins at christine.jenkins1@sky.com

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Totley Show 2019

Saturday 14 September 2019

The Show will take place as usual at Totley Primary School on the above date.



Best in Show 2019

Please bring your exhibits to the school between 8.45am and 10.45am, but please try and complete an entry form before coming to the school, if possible. You can get a copy of the form from within this issue of the magazine or from Totley Library, Totley Ironing Parlour or Totley Rise Post Office. Please try and come to the school as early as possible, we always seem to have a rush in the last 30 minutes to process all the entries.



The Flower section 2018 - and some veg

There is a full copy of the entry form in this issue of the Totley Independent. As mentioned previously, there are four changes to the classes. In the Handicraft section, we have introduced new class for 'Sewn garment'. In the Domestic section, after a recommendation from the judge, we now have a class for 'Free from - any recipe'. It will be useful if the ingredients are listed with the entry showing what has been substituted.

In the Photography section we have introduced a Portrait class, and an Animal class (domestic or wild).

The Show will be opened by our own Rony Robinson, who will also close the Show with the auction in his very entertaining style.

There will be four Junior Vice Presidents from the two local schools to present the prizes in the children's section and help draw the raffle. We are expecting a number of extra prizes in the raffle, as four new shops which have opened in the last year have all offered to donate prizes - this will possibly be the best selection of prizes that we have ever had.

There will a separate cake raffle. This year the cake will be made by our local expert cake baker, Lynn. She has not given me any details at this stage other than it will be two

tiers! Having seen some of the cakes she has done for other organisations, we are hoping for a lot of interest in the cake raffle.



The Open Art section, 2018

We will be entertained by Seven Hills Quartet and the Tuneless Choir. The latter are a new addition to the Show this year. They practise locally at the Totley Rise Methodist Church Hall on Monday nights every fortnight. Last year we set out chairs so that people could sit and watch the entertainment which was really appreciated by a number of the supporters of the Show.

The entertainment will be followed by the drawing of raffle prizes, presentation of prizes and the auction.

As usual there will be a bouncy castle outside with other games for the children, all free!

There will be refreshments, tea, coffee, cold drinks and homemade cakes - and we are always grateful for any cakes for the refreshments stall! If anyone would like to donate any cakes for the refreshment stall please bring them on the morning of the Show, if possible.

As usual, we are looking for a few more volunteers on the day. If you can spare one or two hours in the morning, between 9am and 11am or in the afternoon between 1.30pm and 3.30pm, please e-mail me, at the address below.

Please come and support this great community event with the displays of local talent exhibited, the charity and local community groups' stalls, entertainment and refreshments. We are sure you will enjoy the day.

*Mick Warwick, Totley Show Chair
totleyshowchair@hotmail.com*



It's been a very busy time at Totley All Saints – but then, that's just how we like it! From visits and visitors to residential and special curriculum days - it's all been happening at TASS!

Happy Retirement Mrs Kathy Green

It is with great sadness that we will be saying good bye to a very dear member of staff: Kathy Green, who is retiring from her post as Finance Officer at the end of this term. Mrs Green has worked tirelessly for the school for 27 years in total, not only in charge of finance for the school, but also in many aspects of business and HR as well as admin and organisation. She has obviously seen many, many changes in that time as well as different generations of children – and their children! As you can imagine, we will all be expressing our thanks to her as well as reliving some very special memories in order to give her a good send off as well as express our appreciation for her many years of service and outstanding contribution to the school. We're sure that many in the community of Totley will join us in sending all our love and all God's richest blessings for health and happiness!



We Salute our Lollipop Lady, Sally Rhodes

We're also saying good bye to Sally Rhodes as our amazing Lollipop Lady of almost 20 years! During that time, Sally has worked tirelessly to keep our children safe as well as be a wonderful, warm welcome before entering the school gate. One good thing is that we still get to see Sally as she continues with her piano lessons with some of our children. Thank you, Sally, for your services to us as a school as well as to Totley! You will be missed!

Celebrating the New Additions to our TASS Family!

As you may have seen from the recent publicity in The Star newspaper (21 June 2019), TASS is the proud home of an endangered rare breed of Willow Tits. Apparently, 94% of the national willow tit population has died out in the last fifty years, making them one of the fastest declining bird species in Britain. But, as it turns out, our Woodland Workshop along with our pond area, are proving to be just the spot to hatch seven chicks using specialist nest boxes. The Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB) and the British Trust for Ornithology have become involved resulting in a research project and bird ringing sessions which our children have been able to witness. How good is that!

Out and About

There have been lots of activities, visits and residential this term, starting with the Y5 residential to the Oaks Activity Centre and ending with the Y6 residential to Thornbridge. In addition, our Y4s stayed over at Castleton just after Easter. Residential are a great part of our curriculum and allow children to experience a different type of learning away from home and school as well as foster independence and new interests.

Following on from all their work towards their SATs, the Y6s not only went on their residential to Thornbridge, but also visited 'Crucial Crew' to take part in different scenarios focusing on different aspects of growing up and including: personal, fire, road and bus safety; dealing with cyber bullying, performing basic First Aid, plus taking part in a mock court trial. The Y2s also got to go out to Anston Butterfly House and the Y4s went to Hardwick Hall.

TASS PTA Fun-d Raisers

The PTA Fun-d Raisers put on a fantastic Family Breakfast raising £200.00 in June and then went on to do their annual Summer Fair. For some reason, we've never had the best weather, but the team weren't fazed at all. There were loads of activities for families to enjoy from 'hook a duck' to face painting, etc. plus afternoon tea and a chocolate tombola! Despite the bad weather having an impact on attendance, they still managed to raise an incredible £1500.00 profit for our school! Our PTA Fun-d Raisers never rest and are planning separate discos for the infants and juniors later this term.

We're so grateful for all the hard work that they do in supporting the school and couldn't put on all of the added extras that make school life so special for our children without them! Thanks so much to Sara Evans (Chair) and Diane Wilkinson (Treasurer) plus everyone who plays a part in supporting these events!

TASS Musical Extravaganza

Our TASS Musical Extravaganza took place in July in the school hall with performances by the Y5 and Y6 cornet players, the choir as well as our guitar and piano students. All of the parents of our amazing musicians were invited and parents had severe hand ache by the end of it due to all of that clapping!

Local Author Visit

Angela Anwyl, a local author who has recently had a trilogy of children's books published, visited our school in June. Angela started writing as a way to remember stories she made up for her grandchildren and spent some time working with the Y6s, sharing with them some handy hints for writing before reading excerpts from her books to the whole school. Angela also signed and sold copies of her books in the yard at the end of the school day. If you want a really good read for your child, then search for the set of Rachel Barrowovski books!



Statistics Winners

Our Y6 children entered a statistics poster competition run by the Statistics Society and Sheffield University and have had considerable success taking the second and third places! Children had to choose a theme to investigate and then produced a poster to illustrate how they had gathered and presented their data and the conclusions they had come to. Dr Stillman at Sheffield University wrote congratulating us on the "high quality entries from TASS again". Evie Staniforth, Evie Dastoor and Josh Liddle were awarded a joint 3rd prize and Guy Eckersley, Si Zhe Luo, Jesse Drought and Harry Corrin were awarded a joint second! Well done to all!

Future Plans

So what now? We're getting ready for our summer production, 'Ye-Ha', experiencing new year groups as part of 'Passport Day', plus saying goodbye to our amazing Y6s with our graduation event. It's all happening at TASS! If you want to find out more about the exciting things that are happening at our school, then please visit our website or email us at enquiries@totleyallsaints.sheffield.sch.uk. We'll be so happy to let you know!

Karole Sargent (Proud to be) Executive Head Teacher

Update from local Councillors

It's been a busy time for Councillors since the elections and your local team is keeping a close eye on a number of issues that could have a big impact on Totley, Dore and Bradway.

In May the Council announced a review of all Conservation Areas across the city to ensure they were "not acting as a brake on development", which surprised us because that's what they are supposed to do. Following a number of interventions this review was cancelled a few days later. We will keep monitoring the situation, particularly with regard to the conservation areas in Totley and Dore.

Another concern is that the Sheffield Local Development Plan has still not been published and we understand that it will not be published for some time yet. This is a vitally important document that will identify land for new housing over the next 15-20 years. The document is now nearly two years late and there is a growing risk that central government may call in planning inspectors to finish the job. We understand the plan may include a review of development sites in the Green Belt, so we need to press for the earliest possible publication date. Local residents are entitled to know what is going on.

On a more positive note we are told that signs for the new HGV restrictions on Mickley Lane and Queen Victoria Road should be installed by the end of the September. Restrictions on Twentywell Lane and Prospect Road will come into force at the same time.

At a recent meeting with residents on Long Line the issue of speeding traffic was raised. This long straight road is a 30 mph zone but traffic regularly exceeds this speed and as there are no pavements it is a real danger to pedestrians. We are working with residents, highways and the Police to help prevent speeding drivers. If you use this road please respect the speed limit. At the time of writing this article no decision has yet been made on the controversial plans, opposed by many people and your local Councillors, to build 22 houses on the Green Belt on Long Line.

At long last a coffee facility has returned to Whirlowbrook Park. A mobile van is to be found in the lower car park at weekends and school holidays and on some other days as well. It is hoped that a permanent café will return in the near future. Please support the enterprise so that it can continue!

Finally Councillors would welcome applications for up to £1,000 from local voluntary, community and self-help groups in Totley. The 'Ward Pot' scheme is designed to support projects that would make a difference to our local community and further details can be found on the Council website. We only have £3,299 to cover projects in Totley, Bradway, Dore and Whirlow, so an early application is recommended. We have supported Totley Library and a number of other local groups in previous years - for example Friends of Whinfell Quarry Gardens were awarded a sum for plants for a recently reclaimed part of the quarry. If you have never visited the gardens it is well worth a stroll around them, located next to the entrance to Whirlowbrook Park.

Do get in touch with us if you need any help or advice on Council matters. You can find our contact details and surgery dates on page 14 of this issue.

See you soon,

Martin, Colin and Joe

On the Beat

Summer is here, maybe fleetingly, but for a lot of us it's time to take a holiday. Whilst burglaries have decreased recently it is still worth thinking about the security of your home whilst you are away. There are a number of steps you can take to try and ensure your return is as happy as your time away:

- Make sure your home looks occupied. Ideally invite a trusted neighbour or friend to look after it. Let them have spare keys but don't put your name and address on the keys
- Don't leave your curtains closed, this is a clear indicator that the house is unoccupied. If possible your nominated caretaker could come in and open and close them, if not use

half shut blinds or leave curtains half-and-half

- Use timer switches to turn lights on and off during the evenings. Don't just have one light going on and turning off a few hours later, try and stagger lights within the house to create some movement. You can also use timer switches for other electrical items such as radios or televisions to have them coming on and off at certain times. Otherwise search online for a TV simulator which is a small box that replicates the screen of a TV once night has fallen. There are all sorts of SMART gadgets on the market at the moment where you can turn things on and off from your phone wherever you are but I'm not that technologically advanced!

- Remember to cancel any regular deliveries including the milk. Don't leave your bins out before you go - ask someone to put them out if they need to go out and make sure they come back in on bin day

- Avoid discussing holiday plans within earshot of strangers or on social media - you don't want to advertise the fact that your house will be empty over a certain period.

- If you're away for an extended break consider using the Royal Mail Keepsafe service to avoid post piling up. Book this online at <https://www.royalmail.com/personal/receiving-mail/keepsafe>

- Consider leaving any important documents or valuable items with other family members

- If you normally leave valuable pedal cycles or similar items in your shed consider leaving them in your house instead. We have still been having shed and garage break-ins locally recently.

- Use www.immobilise.com to create an online record of your valuable items in case you need it for insurance purposes

- Find out if you have a local neighbourhood watch scheme in place who will be able to assist in keeping an eye on things for you, if you're unsure contact me and I'll pass on your details to the local coordinator to make contact with you

- If you have an alarm make sure it is set. Whilst Police will not attend to a report of someone just being able to hear an alarm, if that person who hears the alarm knows you are away and can see a suspicious vehicle or movement inside the house then Police will attend as an immediate response.

- Don't forget to lock up doors and windows! Sounds obvious but in the excitement of heading away it can be easily overlooked.

- Finally, enjoy yourselves! We all work hard and deserve a break every now and then.

I would be happy to visit you if you have any questions about how to make your premises more secure. Contact me on the details below if you would like to arrange a visit, we've done quite a few recently and the residents visited all seem to have got something out of it. As usual my email address is adrian.tolson@southyorks.pnn.police.uk and my contact number is 07787 881945. Please remember this number is not for reporting incidents or crimes and is not on when I'm not working. If you need to leave a message remember to leave a number for me to return your call, I have still had some messages lately with no number or an incorrect number leaving me unable to contact you back.

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10.30am Mid-morning Service every Sunday. An informal and contemporary service with a monthly Communion, usually lasting approximately 1 hour 15 minutes. Prayer ministry is available after every service.

There is a supervised crèche plus Youth/Junior Church at all morning services.

LEGO: Let's Enjoy Getting Older Together! The LEGO group usually meets at the church at 9.15am on the second Friday of each month then drives into the local area for walks of about 8 miles. There is always a lunch stop, usually at a conveniently placed local pub (the walks are planned with that in mind). The walks take place whatever the weather. After one particularly wet day Terry was heard to say that he was thinking of renaming the group LEGOFS - Let's Enjoy Getting Our Friends Soaked!

If you are interested in joining us give Terry a ring on 2367746.

Friday Lunch Club The Lunch Club meets every Friday. It provides morning coffee, a 2-course lunch and some kind of entertainment for up to 24 elderly, housebound or lonely residents of the S17 area. Transport to and from the club is provided by Transport 17. For more information, call Phyl on 0114 235 1897.

Senior Teas: Totley Rise Methodists provide lovely tea and cakes for elderly people in the community, on the 3rd Sunday of the month from 3 to 4.30pm. You can join us either as a participant or a helper! For more information call Anne on 0114 236 6558.

Focus Church: August 11th and September 8th will be the next two services of the unique and inspiring Focus Church. Focus Church is particularly geared for people with learning disabilities and cognitive difficulties and their carers. The service is a time for worship, creativity, fun and fellowship . . . and an opportunity for carers to chill. For further information, please contact Sue or John Freeman on 236 6819 or email sueandjohn6@talktalk.net

Tuesdays at TRM

Every Tuesday there is a lot happening at TRM:

Prayer meeting 9.30-10am in the church. We focus on prayers for the community, for the world and any situations needing healing and the touch of God's hand.

Coffee morning in the church Lounge from 10-11.30 offers folks an opportunity to get to know others better, discover common interests and catch up on the many happenings in our church and Totley communities.

Citizens Advice Bureau 10 - 12 noon in the TRM Centre, No appointment needed. Drop-in free confidential advice service. Advice on legal, financial, employment, benefits and any other matters of concern.



Knit, Natter, Craft and Chatter in the TRM Centre runs from 12 noon - 3pm. This busy and friendly group has grown a lot, demonstrating great appeal in our local community. Young and old, men and women are all welcome. The group offer tea, coffee, biscuits and most importantly, friendship for up to three hours. Contact Maxine on 348 5220 or 07761 829824 for more information.

Tuesday Ladies meet the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 8pm in the church Lounge. About 35 ladies consisting of both church and non-church members meet to enjoy speakers or a quiz or beetle drive. Sometimes the evening includes food such as salmon and strawberries or cheese and biscuits. If you would like more information, please call Janet Savage on 236 9002.

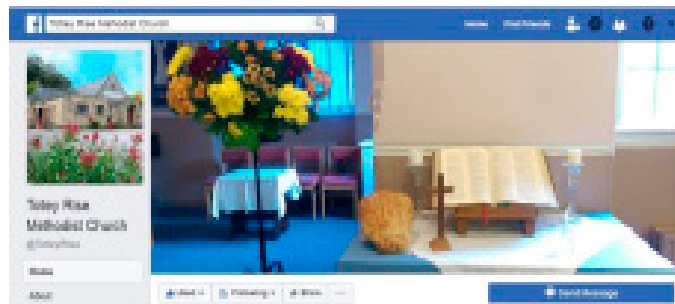
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For information please visit our website for a booking form and details of room charges, send an email to enquires@totleyrise.co.uk or contact the caretaker, Dean Duke, on 236 0389 for more information.

Find us on Facebook!

Our Facebook page gets daily updates of events and is also a way to send a query or ask for further non-urgent information. Our page also contains a link to our website, www.totleyrise.co.uk which publishes our Sunday notices and offers a link to a recent recorded sermon.



For more ongoing events see this issue's Totley & District Diary, p.30

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Organic Wildlife Gardening

The weather during the spring was constantly changing, but there were a few really warm days in May when it was so good to be out in the garden. By the end of May, my garden was full of fresh green leaves and forty-eight native trees, shrubs and flowers had been in bloom. A further eleven flowered by the end of June. Bees were visiting in larger numbers than in previous years to a greater variety of flowers and not just the popular Greater Celandine and White Deadnettle, which had been their main source of nectar and pollen in the past at this time of year. For me, the transformation from leafless trees and shrubs, and little sign of life in the flower-beds, to the lush green of our native plants is "simply the best".

Some of the flowers that are particularly popular with pollinators up to this time are Red Campion, Comfrey, Yellow Archangel, Tufted Vetch, Birdsfoot Trefoil, Welsh Poppy, Red Clover, Foxglove, Bramble, Rock Rose (not a member of the rose family), Sweet Briar and Dog Rose. Cultivated roses have been admired over the centuries and some are very beautiful, but, as with all flowers, easy access for pollinators and the best pollen and nectar for our native pollinators is provided by our native flowers, as they have evolved together over millions of years.



Foxgloves growing among the Ox Eye Daisies

Pollinators are also affected by chemicals used in the garden and on our farmland. Wild flowers have been planted around crops to support bees, but the chemical fertilisers, pesticides and herbicides have been found to contaminate both the flowers and the insects that visit them. All pollinators will be affected adversely and it is contributing to the massive decline in their numbers.

Chemicals also destroy the huge amount of living creatures in the soil which help plants to absorb the nutrients it provides. The moisture-retaining properties of the soil are also compromised and so the soil is at risk of being eroded. With organic farming, while the yield may be smaller, there is no damage to the wildlife and the soil structure is secure. In addition, there is no risk of chemicals leaching into our water-courses or the hidden costs of having to clean the water for our consumption and pleasure.

In this context, there are two meanings of "organic". Any living organisms are made up of organic matter, but when we are

talking about farming, gardening and products which are certified as "organic" then they pass a regulatory standard as a method or product which does not involve the use of any chemicals and, if animals are involved, very high welfare standards.

I have gardened organically for at least 20 years and never used chemicals. I compost as much as possible, use it around the garden and, sometimes, for sowing seeds, which admittedly means there can be a variety of plants in the plant pot . . . but no matter! If I have to buy some compost, I make sure that it is "Soil Association" approved so that I know it has been produced without any chemicals and is made up of entirely natural substances. I am particularly careful about this after checking with one manufacturer about his "organic compost" which, it transpired, was made from council green bin collections which was probably living matter but certainly could not be guaranteed to be untreated with chemicals.

I watched all the TV programmes on the Chelsea Flower Show to see what attention, if any, was paid to the problems of climate change and the loss of native flowers and pollinators. The Children's Wood, co-designed by the Duchess of Cambridge, was a delight and would certainly support much wildlife and absorb carbon dioxide which contributes hugely to global warming. Apart from the Yorkshire Canal, the rest of the exhibits and show gardens were all rather similar as far as the planting was concerned with very few natives, and there were too many unattractive structures and/or "art pieces" which, on the whole, did nothing to enhance the gardens. The carbon footprint and, therefore, the negative environmental impact of the Show would have been huge, with plants - even entire gardens - shipped, or flown (even worse), from all over the world . . . completely negating the best (and commendable) efforts of one designer to produce a garden with a zero footprint.

Several celebrities were interviewed. Two of them wanted to have more natural areas in their gardens. One was very interested in a wildflower meadow, but the interviewer passed swiftly over that and moved on to another garden subject to the point of rudeness.

The displays of cultivated flowers in the Marquee were depressing. The daffodils, in particular, were ridiculous and an insult to the beautiful native flower which should be everywhere in the Spring - some of the exhibits showed cultivation to an extreme, even freak, level. The RHS seems happy to encourage the spread of cultivated and foreign species at the expense of our precious natives which are vital to maintain our indigenous ecosystems. Ironically, this is totally at odds with a lot of their research into, and practical work in, combatting climate change and invasive species globally.



Pretty pink flowers and buds on my Dog Rose

Similarly, gardening programmes on television such as *Gardeners' World* and various TV gardening makeovers and the majority of gardening magazines also seem to push all the plants and practices which are so destructive to our environment and helping to fuel climate change.

In total contrast, many plant and wildlife charities are encouraging us all to grow native species rather than

Organic Wildlife Gardening (continued)

cultivated or foreign trees, shrubs and plants in our gardens. These include the World Wildlife Fund, Plantlife, Buglife, Bat Conservation Society, the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds, Wildlife Trusts and the Woodland Trust. There was also an unprecedented amount of excellent and informative coverage in the three weeks of SpringWatch programmes earlier this year.

The dawn chorus has certainly been louder than in recent years and there have been lots of young birds; blackbirds and starlings are loving the mealworms and, along with dunnocks and sparrows, enjoying a good splash in the water dish or ponds. We have also seen lots of fledglings being fed and learning how to forage. In addition, there have been Blue Tits, Great Tits and Coal Tits, Goldfinches, Greenfinches and a Woodpecker all using the various feeders.

I wish I had started to develop my garden in this natural way much sooner as it takes a while to learn what is best for the environment and wildlife, especially now that we are aware how many species of plant and animal are declining or being lost. I was lucky that the founder of the company from which I buy my plants and seeds is well-qualified and his catalogue gives a lot of information - firstly on the best conditions for growing each species, but also which plants look best together and which are particularly good for supporting various species of wildlife. I have to admit that I have not always followed his advice!! . . . and now know that I should have!!! However, at long last, it's rambling, a bit shambolic and definitely untidy, but I am absolutely delighted with how the garden is developing and the resultant wildlife it is attracting. Plants are seeding themselves now, and some of those seeds are thriving, often in very different areas from my plans(!), but they invariably look lovely and contribute to the natural appearance and ambience of the garden.

I would recommend wildlife gardening to anyone - it's cheaper, it's easier and an absolute joy.

Marian Tiddy



Totley Operatic and Dramatic Society

Hello everyone. Here I am again with the latest update from TOADS. As I am writing this it is a beautiful summer's day, and I am hoping that this lovely weather continues and that we all have a lovely summer.

Our May production, from the Wine and Wisdom series, written by Lynn Brittney and directed by Sarah Scott, was in fact two one-act plays, completely independent of each other, but with a common theme - general knowledge quizzes, entitled *Mixed Doubles* and *The Luvvies*. We had wondered if our audiences would cope with the same actors playing completely different characters in both plays. We needn't have worried - they totally 'got it', and if the laughter and applause was anything to go by, both plays were thoroughly enjoyed!



A scene from 'The Luvvies'

We didn't escape without incident however, as my hubby

John was taken ill just as the plays were due to go on, and in the spirit of 'the show must go on', understudies had to be found.

Jeff Bagnall, who all of you know as our long-time front-of-house manager, set-designer, set-builder and all-round general factotum, was press-ganged into under-studying for John in the first of the plays, and a cracking job he did too! (Some of you might remember that Jeff has actually appeared in a couple of plays over the past years - memorably as the judge in *Night must Fall* - you know what I mean Jeff!!!).

And Sarah Scott, our director and Chair, as well as a fine actress, had a swift gender change and adapted dialogue, to play a very grumpy and unpleasant man in the second play. There's never a dull moment at TOADS!!!

We are very grateful to both Jeff and Sarah, and thankfully John is now fully recovered.

However, onwards and upwards. Our November play is now well into rehearsal. The play is called *Biddies' War* and was written by our very own Alan Wade, who many of you know as an actor with TOADS, and through his connection with Dore G&S Society. This is the second of Alan's plays that TOADS have performed. *Biddies' War* is a comedy/drama, set in a farm in Kent in 1944 prior to the D-Day landings. Alan wrote this play to coincide with the 75th anniversary of this event and we are honoured to be asked to perform it.

The dates for the play are Wednesday 20th November to Friday 22nd November at 7.30pm and Saturday 23rd November at 2.30pm. The venue is, as always, St John's Hall, Abbeydale Road South. Please call 01142 351206 to reserve your ticket, or contact me or any TOADS member. Ticket price £6 or £5 for concessions. Please come along and support us, it would be lovely to see you.

We are always looking for new members, so if you feel you would like to tread the boards, or help out in any backstage capacity, please pop down to see us. We meet every Tuesday evening at 7.30pm in the Guild Room at St John's Hall, and you would be very welcome. You can always contact me on 01246 460318, or visit our website www.toadsdrama.co.uk.

Looking forward to seeing you in November.

Anne Bettridge

Holmesfield Flower Club

Wednesday 21 August, 7.30pm: Demonstration of flower arranging by Pauline Foster (NAFAS Area Demonstrator) entitled "Dressing the Dandy". Tickets available at the door - visitors £10, members £5 includes refreshments. The arrangements will be raffled at the end of the evening. All are welcome.

Wednesday 18 September, 7.30pm: Workshop by club members entitled "Funky Flowers". Visitor fee: £5. For anyone wishing to take part, details of what to bring can be obtained from Sandra 01709 541187 or Diana 0114 2377601. All are welcome.

The venue for both events is Holmesfield Village Hall, Vicarage Road (Off Woodside Avenue), Holmesfield, S18 7WZ., There is ample parking.

Holmesfield Church Walking Group

On Wednesday 14th August at 10am Robin Greetham will lead a walk starting from the Cheshire Cheese Pub in Hope (about a quarter of a mile along the Edale Road). We will walk past Losehill Hall Hotel and Norman's House and back to the pub for lunch (optional).

The cost of the walk is £3 and the proceeds will go to Holmesfield Church maintenance fund.

If you wish to come just turn up on the day. If you have any queries phone Robin on 01246 412767. The walk is about 4 miles long. There are no steep hills and a short cut is available.



Transport 17

Once more it is the time of year when our diaries quickly fill with all those lovely summer events. We are all lucky to be a part of a local community that has such a range of things happening and Transport 17 is also fortunate to benefit from some of them.

Our own coffee morning on the 15th June raised £348. Thanks to all who came along to support us and our stall holders: Katherine Maughan - Flamingo Paperie, Margaret Day's Handicrafts, Lynn Munro's Knitten and of course Deb Leonard and Tropic Skincare. For the first time we had a sponsor for the event - Scrivens Greengrocer on Totley Rise. Mark also very kindly donated a lovely box of fruit for the 'Find Totley's Treasure' stall - proper treasure!! Huge thanks to them all for their contributions to the event which we much appreciate. The Cross Scythes were, as always, excellent hosts. We are so grateful to them for everything they do for us.

There were two winners for Totley Treasure and unfortunately we only have the name of one, so apologies to the winner who took the basket of fruit. The other winner was Stella Jockel. Everyone commented on how good it was to see her at a coffee morning again. Transport 17 continues to benefit from her generous support, so many thanks to her.

Danny O'Connor won the cake. The 'package' weighed 4lb 7oz and his guess of 4lb 4oz was the nearest. We hope you enjoyed Ellie Kirkup's cake. Ellie is one of Phil and Aileen Kirkup's grandchildren and it was great to have someone from a younger generation volunteering to help us - foundations for the future!!!

A number of people commented that they were disappointed that we had no raffle at the event. We decided not to have one this time so we weren't approaching local businesses for their support again. However this is the one stall that people clearly love having, so the fund-raising committee will ensure there is a raffle at our coffee mornings in future and there will be one which is a truly Transport 17 one!! Sorry it wasn't there this time.

The Flight Voucher Raffle took to the air once again. Phil Kirkup and Diane Ellis did such a good job of selling tickets that it was a sell out before the event so unfortunately there were no tickets to sell at the coffee morning. We'll have to look at doing another one very soon. Thanks to Ray Carr for donating the voucher and to everyone who bought tickets. The winner was Judy Singleton. She decided she didn't want it and gave it back for a redraw. Daniel Jacques name came out of the hat. He has been desperate to win it ever since the first raffle and has bought several tickets every time we have done it. Let's hope he has a great trip.

At the moment there is an air of change at Transport 17. As I write this article the property where our office is located will be going under the hammer. Mr Stringfellow, the current owner, has regarded us as a charitable contribution for him and this is reflected by the rental we pay to him. Transport 17 would like to formally thank him for his generosity. Now we await the new owner and their plans for 172 Baslow Road. It would be fantastic if we can maintain the status quo.

John Savournin, our admin assistant, has handed in his notice, retiring in the autumn after being with us for 20 years. The management committee are currently reviewing the role prior to looking for a replacement for him. Interesting times.

On a very different note, it is very regrettable to report that earlier in the summer a number of bus journeys had to be cancelled with quite understandable disappointment caused to the clubs we serve. There was an unusually high level of sickness and holidays among our volunteers. The Management Committee was very sorry that this happened and Transport 17 will do its utmost to ensure it doesn't happen again in the future. We have been trying for some time to recruit volunteers and People Keeping Well are currently advertising for us on their network. One of the strengths of Transport 17 is the fact we are very much a part of the S17

community and the support of this community is central to our operation for which we are hugely appreciative.

So to forthcoming events. We are looking forward to being at Totley Show on 14th September. Our bus is booked in once again and Jenny Nuttall and her daughter Thea are working on a quiz for you. Thea is another member of a younger generation who has helped with Transport 17 - isn't it great! So please come and visit us. It's a great opportunity to come and chat to us about the work we do and who knows you too may decide to become one of our brilliant band of volunteers.

A new venture for us is a Pea and Pie Supper with Musical Entertainment on Saturday 28th September at 7.00pm at St Johns Church Hall on Abbeydale Road South which has plenty of parking. We are very fortunate to have Jimmy McWilliams, who lives locally, to provide the entertainment. Jimmy is a popular entertainer who has played theatres throughout the UK including the famous Leeds City Variety. There will be songs, humour and music hall favourites - all in all a generally good fun night out. Tickets are £12.00 which includes the Pea and Pie Supper and you get them from the Transport 17 office at 172 Baslow Road, telephone 0114 236 2962. Look out for our posters and we hope you will come along to support us.

Calling all bridge players - we are holding our Pairs Duplicate Bridge Drive at Abbeydale Golf Club on Monday 30th September, 10.00am to around 3.30pm. The cost is £16.00 which includes a sandwich lunch followed by scones, jam and cream. Posters are out, but if you haven't seen them please contact Libby Ireland (07740 708022 or libire21@aol.com) or Ruth Kerr (ruthvkerr@gmail.com) for further information. It's a wonderful opportunity to do something you enjoy and support Transport 17.

It is a while since thanks have been given to all the individuals and organisations who have made donations to us. We received £400 in memory of Irene Gibbons and £500 in memory of Bill Glossop. Coffee Cakes and Cuttings raised £450 for us, Step Out Sheffield - £65, St Thomas Lunch Club - £200, Dore and Totley URC - £200, Relief Chest Scheme (Masonic) - £250 and £349.00 through My Donate. We have now got collection boxes in some of the local hostels and the box in the Rising Sun on Abbey Lane contained £25.34. These are all a huge help to us and we thank you all.

So let's hope the sun keeps shining and we all have a wonderful summer. September will be here all too soon!

*Sandra Longley
(On behalf of the Management Committee)*



**Friends of
Gillfield Wood**

Diary for August and September

August

Sunday 18th: Friends of Gillfield Wood practical conservation morning, run with the help of the Sheffield Council Ranger Service. Meet 10am at Baslow Road bus terminus. Refreshments, tools, etc provided. Please wear strong footwear and appropriate

clothing. All levels of help welcome, and guidance given. Check our website at www.friendsofgillfieldwood.com where any late changes of venue will be published.

September

Saturday 14th: Totley Show. Come and visit us at the Totley Show and learn more about Gillfield Wood, our group, our conservation work and our events past, present and future. The show starts at 1.30pm at Totley Primary School, Baslow Road.

Sunday 29th: Practical conservation morning, run with the help of the Sheffield Council Ranger Service. Meet 10am at Baslow Road bus terminus. Refreshments, tools, etc. provided. Please wear strong footwear and appropriate clothing. All levels of help welcome, and guidance given. Do also check our website at www.friendsofgillfieldwood.com - any late changes of venue will be published there.

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Totley Scouts

As we are getting ready to have a break for the Summer Holidays we can reflect on a great summer term of activities from all our sections.



In May the Beaver Colonies and Thursday Cubs had a great time at Hesley Wood Scout Activity Centre at the Beaver and Cub Fun days. There were so many activities for the children to have a go at including Archery, Zip Wire, Crate Stacking, inflatables and so much more. It was lovely to see some of the children overcoming their fears on the obstacle course and having such fun on the bouncy castles.



The summer term is also the time that we all enjoy getting the tents out and taking part in our annual summer camps. This year our two Beaver Colonies and our Wednesday Cub Pack enjoyed a weekend of camping at Walesby Forest Scout Activity Centre. Although it was very damp on Saturday it didn't stop the groups getting out and making the most of the weekend.

The Beavers theme was 'I do like to be beside the seaside'. The Beavers had a very busy day making funky sunglasses, tie dyeing bandanas,

creating wonderful pieces of seaside art, doing some science making moon sand and just playing out in the rain regardless. They had a good sing song round the campfire in the evening and some even had a dance at the disco afterwards. Sunday brought us some lovely sunshine and we had fun playing games and completing some Beaver Badges.

The Wednesday Cubs didn't let the rain stop them either and had fun raft building, playing cricket and taking part on the Adventure Course.

At the end of June the Thursday Cubs took part in a Harry Potter themed camp at Walesby Forest Scout Activity Centre. Upon arrival at camp the Cubs were all sorted into their houses with a sorting hat ceremony, they made their own wands and cuddly owls.



Despite being a scorching hot weekend, we had great fun taking part in potions classes, transfiguration classes, learning magic tricks, trying our hand at fencing and zooming down the zip wire.

Our two Scout Troops are going to be enjoying their summer camps during the school holidays with the Friday Troop going off at the beginning of the holidays and the Monday Troop enjoying their camp at the end of the school holidays. We are sure that they will have a great time and the sun will shine for them.

The end of term is always a time when we say goodbye to some of our young people as they move up to a new section. This year it has been a great pleasure to hand out so many Chief Scout Awards. This is the highest award that the young people can earn in their section and there have been many badges given out over all the age groups.

We wish all our young people and their families a great summer holiday and look forward to seeing everyone back in September.

Sue Bridgens, Group Scout Leader
hallamadccubs@gmail.com

Vacancy

Our Tuesday Beaver Colony is very much in need of someone who would like to take on the role of Assistant Beaver Scout Leader or Beaver Scout Sectional Assistant. Our colony is a very busy, active group of 24 children and we really need another pair of adult hands to help the Beaver Scout Leader. If you think this is something that you would like to get involved with or would like to find out more, please do get in touch. It would be lovely to have someone to join us in September when the group starts back. Just email Sue on hallamadccubs@gmail.com and I would be pleased to give you more information.



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Totley Open Gardens 2019 - a Record Year!

The Totley Open Gardens event on 6th and 7th July raised a record amount of money. The takings topped £3,914, which is the most ever made in the 18 years that TOG has been running. This amount will be topped up by the takings of £315 from the Yard Sale in April bringing the grand total to £4,225.

The weather was particularly good, but not too hot. Visitors to the gardens had come from all over Sheffield and way beyond - London, Devon, Norway and even Australia, among others!

Linda Prosser, now famous for her cream teas at 18 The Quadrant, raised an amazing £731 towards the total.

Four local voluntary organisations will benefit from this money - Cherry Tree Support Services, Transport 17, Totley Library and Totley CAB. The cheques will be presented at the TOG Social on Saturday 5th October.

In 2020, there will be two new gardens and a returning garden, so there is lots of continuing interest in Totley Open Gardens. And if anyone else with an allotment on the Mickley Lane site also wants to open, we would welcome you too, especially with increasing interest in vegetable-growing.

If you haven't ever been round the gardens, make sure you find time next year - you will have some lovely surprises and get lots of inspiration.

Two future events will also raise money for TOG in 2020 - a Totley Vintage Sale on Saturday 9th November at St Johns Hall, Abbeydale Road South, and another Yard Sale on Sunday 26th April.

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Dore Gilbert and Sullivan Society

Despite the weather, or maybe because of it, I seem to have spent a lot more time than usual listening to and dealing with music than is normal, even for me. Our male voice quartet has been reduced to three and so we've been looking round for another to take our retired member's place. Mark White and I have also been looking for some other interesting music we can turn the quartet's hand to (once we are back to strength) and have found some possibilities.



The Yeomen of the Guard: the Lieutenant of the Tower (Alan Wade) trying to get Elsie (Gwen Nimmo) to marry the condemned Col. Fairfax while Jack Point (Ian Stewart) looks on.

Carolyn Bean has been pressuring me for months to sing P.O.S.H. from *Chitty Chitty Bang Bang* but could I find any music for it - not a chance! I think that it was written specifically for the film to fit the action happening on screen. In the end she badgered me so much I gave in and wrote the

thing myself, even having to make some lyrics up because there were none in part of the action, just shouted insults. Anyway I tried it out at the concert and seemed to work OK (relief).

The concert itself was a sellout and everyone seemed to enjoy it - warts and all! There was plenty of humour in the programme as usual, this time provided by Anne Senior with her take of the old ladies meeting up for reunions and Dick Bell *Poisoning Pigeons in the Park*. Thankfully there were some very favourable comments regarding our renditions of Queen's *Bohemian Rhapsody* (very difficult), Leonard Cohen's *Hallelujah* and the selection from *Les Miserables*.

We have to thank Monica Eyley for her tireless work rehearsing us to get us to the standard we achieve and to Peter Waring, our concert pianist who plays all we throw at him. If the audience don't notice many mistakes in our performances it's because Peter catches them and covers them beautifully.

We have two more concerts as we start rehearsing for next year's show, one at the Merlin Theatre on September 14th and another at the Wentworth Music Festival later in September. If you weren't able to make the recent concert in Dore please do try to get to The Merlin for our next one. They need all the funds we can raise for them.

Finally, just a mention of our next show in April 2020 at the Merlin Theatre. This is *Patience*, a wonderful skit on the aesthetic movement of the late 1800s. There's loads of comedy and some of Sullivan's most beautiful tunes. One of the songs was sung with great effect by Hinge and Bracket. More about this show in future issues but in the meanwhile have a good summer and we'll see you either at the Merlin or maybe at our Christmas concert in December at the Methodist Church in Dore.

Derek Habberjam

Recently Spotted...

Julie Gay reports that the Litter Picking Group is seeking to invest in some new equipment.....



Councillors' Surgeries

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2nd Monday in month, 6 to 7pm, Totley Library, Baslow Road.

2nd Saturday in month, 10.30am to 12 noon, Dore Old School Hall, Savage Lane, Dore.

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Walking the Dog....

Scene: Our Attic.

Jack and Rony are sitting at the computer looking at Google Maps trying to sort out a late autumn holiday.

Jack Let's go to Australia!
 Rony No.
 Jack Why not?
 Rony There are too many sheep for you to bark at. And anyway, it would take half our holiday to get to Australia, so we'd have to start coming home before we started.
 Jack What about Cuba then?
 Rony No.
 Jack You like that fiddly bloke with the beard? And Paul from the Co-op's always going on about how you should go there, while you've still got time.
 Rony The fiddly bloke with the beard is dead. And whatever Paul from the Co-op goes on about, I still can't go to Cuba.
 Jack Why not?
 Rony I can't fly.
 Jack Why not?
 Rony Because at our house now we believe in saving the planet. We have signed up never to fly again.
 Jack Go back to Brittany then?
 Rony I always have *diarhoea* in Brittany.
 Jack You can't always have it, or you'd know how to spell it.
 Rony All right, but I haven't got an up-to-date passport either. And by the time I get one, there won't be a Europe any more.
 Jack So it's the UK for our hols? So zoom in to - Scotland! We could go to that island you went to with Les and Dorothy? When Avril's ashes ended up all over you in that gale on the beach?
 Rony Sounds a fun place for a holiday.
 Jack There's always the whisky?
 Rony No. I've got late onset epilepsy these days.
 Jack It hasn't stopped you drinking whisky, even if it should have?
 Rony No, but it's stopped me driving. And Scotland is too far for just Sally to drive to. Besides, she doesn't like wearing a kilt.
 Jack She hasn't got a kilt.
 Rony That's because she doesn't like wearing them. Next?
 Jack Zoom into - Wales? Yes! Prynawn da Swansea! Where you pretended to be Dylan Thomas up by Cwmdonkin Park!
 Rony No. South Wales is too south.
 Jack North Wales then? Yes! Prestatyn! Where you went to that holiday camp with half of Toteley in the old Community Centre in Abbeydale Hall days? And ate jellyfish?
 Rony No. It's a housing estate with a really nasty pub now.
 Jack Llandudno then?
 Rony No. I caught crabs there once.
 Jack What about over here then, this island a bit further west? Angles-
 Rony (PANICKING) No! Zoom out! Immediately! Go east! Northumbria?
 Jack Let's go there then?
 Rony No. It's too Northumbrian. And every time we do go there, we spend a fortune at the Alnwick vet on you and then another fortune next door in the best second hand bookshop in the world.
 Jack Scarborough then?
 Rony No. You won't like the Scarborough Wuff, Jack.
 Jack What's that?
 Rony It's quite a good joke. With you being a dog that wuffs and *Anarhichas lupus* being a catfish, with firm succulent flesh.
 Jack You've just Googled that?
 Rony Course, but we have to pretend to be cleverer than we are when we're in the *Toteley Independent*... Come to think of it, Toteley would be a nice place to have our holiday, Jack. Zoom in on Toteley?

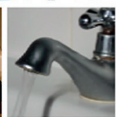
Jack We already live here.
 Rony Green Oak Park! With its own bowling green, once. And cricket pitch and tennis courts. Once. And goal posts and wild flower meadow and courting couples galore, Once.
 Jack And you now want us to have our week's holiday in Toteley?
 Rony I can't think of anywhere better!
 Jack I can. Let's go back to that island, fifteen speeches earlier? Just before you rushed me on? When I said about Angles-
 Rony (LOUDLY) There's nothing on Anglesey! (QUIETLY) Except the amazingest beach in Wales. And the fiery red dragons, the vanishing island with the lighthouse, two magic bridges and the puffins. And *Llanfairpwllgwyngyllgogerychwyrndrobwllllant-ysiliogogogoch*!
 Jack (QUIETLY) Let's go for our holiday there then? Please? Pretty please please?
 Rony (LOUDLY) We are not going anywhere near Anglesey! (QUIETLY) I've secretly booked for there already, Jack. But we have to pretend we're not going, in case everybody in Toteley starts turning up like they did after those telly programmes last year. So *bore da* Jack! And happy *wyliau*!
 Jack And bore da to you... *Goronwy ap Gethin* !

Dywedd

Scouts' Plea for Tombola Items

Toteley Scouts are delighted to be part of the Toteley Show again this year and are again having a Tombola Stall at the show on the 14th September. If anybody has anything they could give us for our stall we would be very grateful to receive donations. If you could message us either by email at hallamadccubs@gmail.com, via our facebook page (just search for 215th Sheffield - 1st Toteley Scout Group) or through our website www.215thtoteleyscouts.co.uk, we can advise you where items can be dropped off or we can collect if necessary! Thank you!

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Sports Week Success!

Totley Primary School recently celebrated Sports Week, which was a great success and a credit to our PE co-ordinator Mr Flevill. From traditional sports such as rounders, tennis and long distance running, to more unusual ones such as fencing, lacrosse and judo, all children participated in a wide range of activities over the week and there was something for everyone! Children in Key Stage Two were part of a World Record attempt for the largest game of rounders. All 133 children took part, beating the current record of 118 players. We're eagerly awaiting confirmation of the successful attempt! All children in school also participated in a sponsored outdoor 'dance-a-thon' to raise money for Bluebell Wood Hospice. House Captains for Stannage, one of our four houses, arranged the day and raised £426.



They were ably assisted by resident DJ, and Head of 'House', Mr Cooper, who led the school in throwing a dazzling sequ-

-ence of shapes over the course of a morning. This demonstrated to children the importance of charity and giving well, alongside one of the many positive impacts sport can have. The week culminated in our annual Sports Day. Held at Abbeydale Sports club, children participated in competitive events, earning points for their house. Families joined us for a picnic lunch before children returned to school for the afternoon.

At Totley, we believe in the value of sport to teach children team work, hard work and resilience, alongside the benefits to physical and mental well-being. While many of our children enjoy varied extra-curricular sports, we know that every child in our school understands the value of sport and appreciates the importance of a healthy and physically active lifestyle.

Ben Paxman, Head Teacher

Letter to the Editor

I read with interest the last *Totley Independent* from front page to back, and it's good fun! Two things made me want to write.

First, the article from a Totley driver about the bus lane. I moved here about three years ago and was led to believe that the police 'turned a blind eye' to driving in this bus lane as there's not that many buses on this road at rush-hour, and so I never go in the outside lane. It would be interesting to know the police's views on this.

The other story that made me smile was from Mr Terry Smith. His letter was about the speed camera vans at Totley rise. Yes, I was that 'poor old lady' going at 34 mph, and I was fined, although I chose the speed awareness course. 10.15 am on a Sunday morning, going to give someone a lift to church. Why do they bother on Sunday mornings? Really, there's not enough drivers on the road at that time!

Oh well, I feel better for that!

Sincerely

Lorna Marshall (address supplied)



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Totley Show 2019

A celebration of our community and its talent in aid of local charities

**Saturday 14th September
at Totley Primary School**

Admission to the show will be 50p for adults and 20p for children

***We would be delighted to see you at the show and to receive
your entries using the entry form overleaf***

The Programme

- 8.45 Registration opens
- 10.45 Registration closes
- 11.00 Judging of classes
- 1.30 Doors open to the public**
- 1.45 Official opening of the Show
- 2.30 Prize money may be collected
- 3.15 Last raffle ticket sales
- 3.30 Prize giving followed by raffle draw and auction of donated items
- 3.45 Collection of non-auction entries

Refreshments will be available throughout the afternoon together with live music, craft stalls and various children's activities.

The Show will end with a charity auction of donated items conducted by Totley's very own Rony Robinson.

How to Enter the Show

Please feel free to enter as many classes as you like! The entry fee is 50p per entry. You can enter up to three entries in any one class; no entry can have been in a previous Totley Show. If your entry doesn't fit one of our classes please still bring it along for display. Children may enter any class. All entries are left at owners' risk.

First (£3), second (£2) and third (£1) prizes will be awarded in each class, unless there are fewer than three entrants in an adult class in which case only a first prize will be awarded. All children's entries are recognised with a certificate and all children's class winners receive a medal. Cups or trophies are awarded to all section winners. A special trophy is awarded for the 'best in show'.

You may donate your item to be auctioned at the end of the show, but this is not compulsory. Any prize money not collected by 4pm will be put towards next year's show. Thank you for entering!

Notes:

Recipe to be used for Dundee cake class (use a deep 7" tin): 175g/6oz plain flour; 125g/4oz butter/margarine; 125g/4oz soft brown sugar; 2¼tsp baking powder; 1 rounded tsp mixed ground spice; 3 eggs, 125g/4oz raisins; 125g/4oz sultanas; 125g/4oz currants; 85g/3oz chopped mixed peel and chopped cherries; 40g/1½oz blanched almonds to decorate.

Recipe to be used for Victoria Sandwich class (use two 7" tins): 125g/4oz Margarine; 125g/4oz self raising flour; 125g/4oz caster sugar; 2 eggs. Fill with strawberry jam.

Children's handwriting classes (on an A5 page): 6-8s a nursery rhyme, 9-11s a poem, 12-14s: a Shakespeare quote.

Totley Show 2019

Entry Form

Please complete prior to bringing your entries for registration between 8.45 and 10.45am.

Name	
Phone	
email	
Address	

Please enter the number of items you would like to enter against each class at 50p per entry:

HANDICRAFT SECTION

1	Knitted or crocheted item	
2	Decorative cushion	
3	Soft toy	
4	Sewn garment	
5	Cross stitch	
6	Quilting / patchwork	
7	Greetings card	
8	Open handicraft any medium	

DOMESTIC SECTION

9	A cake (any recipe)	
10	Victoria sandwich (see recipe)	
11	Dundee cake (see recipe)	
12	Carrot cake (any recipe)	
13	Free from (any recipe)	
14	3 Fruit scones	
15	Loaf of bread	
16	Jam	
17	Lemon curd	
18	Marmalade	
19	Chutney	

FLORAL SECTION

20	Arrangement 18"x10"x10"	
21	3 Cut home grown flowers	
22	Flowering pot plant	

FRESH PRODUCE SECTION

23	4 Eating apples	
24	4 Cooking apples	
25	8 Blackberries	
26	5 or more mixed veg/ salad	
27	3 Courgettes	
28	5 matching runner beans	
29	5 Tomatoes	
30	1 Cucumber	
31	Heaviest marrow	
32	Longest runner bean	
33	3 Eggs from own hens	

ART & SCULPTURE SECTION

34	An original poem	
35	Oil or acrylic painting	
36	Watercolour	
37	Sketch in ink or pencil	
38	Upcycled art or sculpture	
39	Open art any medium	
40	Open sculpture any medium	

PHOTOGRAPHY SECTION

41	Black and white	
42	Portrait	
43	Animal – domestic or wild	
44	Landscape	

WOODWORK SECTION

45	Wood turning	
46	Open woodwork	

CHILDREN'S SECTION (up to 14)

47	Vegetable animal (up to 8)	
48	Vegetable animal (9-14)	
49	3 Decorative buns (up to 8)	
50	A cake any recipe (9 to 14)	
51	3 Biscuits (up to 8)	
52	3 Biscuits (9 to 14)	
53	Decorated gingerbread man	
54	Egg cup flower arrangement	
55	Painting or drawing (up to 5)	
56	Painting or drawing (6-8)	
57	Painting or drawing (9-11)	
58	Painting or drawing (12-14)	
59	Lego model <25cm ² (up to 8)	
60	Lego model <25cm ² (9-14)	
61	Colour photo (up to 14)	
62	Open any medium (up to 8)	
63	Open any medium (9 to 11)	
64	Open any medium (12 to 14)	
65	Handwriting (up to 8)	
66	Handwriting (9-11)	
67	Handwriting (12-14)	
68	An original poem	

Official use only

Entrant number	
Total number of entries	

Total entry fee due	
Entry fee paid	

Cargo Bikes in the hilly city

"Tha'll never get folk cycling here," has always been a popular public rejoinder to the Outdoor City's pedal promotion lobby. "Not until the day tha gets rid of these hills."

Sheffielders, that day has come.

"If you use one of these," said Angela Walker, after breezing up and down the slopes of Heeley with several boxes on her bicycle and a smile on her face, "you're still exercising, but it flattens the hills. And it's fun."



Angela says the new electric pedal assist technology sweeping through the cycling industry is now a real answer for companies and families who want to reduce polluting car or van journeys and ride a bike instead. "It really does make a difference having an electric bike, because all those hills that seem such a challenge for people wanting to cycle in Sheffield just disappear, because the bike takes the strain."

Angela and her team from the Recycle Bikes social enterprise have just launched the new Sheffield CycleBoost loan scheme with Sheffield Council where, for a small returnable deposit, individuals and companies can borrow a free e-bike or an ordinary commuter bike. (See: <https://www.sheffieldcycleboost.org>).

Although a standard e-bike does make it easier to fill your bike bags and e-pedal home with the shopping, it doesn't help you get two or three of your kids to school, or your parcels or leaflets to your customers and clients.

But a growing range of e-cargo bikes does exactly that: rather than struggle up cobbled cliffs with your bike like the famous bread delivery boy, you can now join the handful of local business and families who have discovered the modern way to enjoy the school run or beat any upcoming city centre congestion charge.



The Regather Trading Cooperative use a colossal e-pedal van to carry event equipment or food deliveries, for example, and last year, Rosie Frazer of South Yorkshire's Love to Ride cycling scheme trialled a Dutch Babboe e-trike on her school run.

"Rather than having to take my son to school and then walk and bus the girls to nursery, I could do it all in one journey.

And the kids loved it!" she said. "We got a lot of attention, and I could see lots of people thinking about how they could use an e-bike like this in their own lives."

They can at least give it a try, is the answer. Recycle Bikes offer the loan of their two e-cargo bikes to families or businesses. Their S-Cargo bikes have room for up to 100kg of load - or two kids - and Outdoor Citizens can give e-cycling a go from £12, said Angela Walker.

Sheffield director of public health Greg Fell believes these kinds of cycling machines will help reduce local air pollution, particularly as shops and employers are now gearing up to offer e-bikes on terms far cheaper than monthly car travel and parking costs.

"We all know the answer to our air pollution and congestion problems is that we cycle and walk more and get the bus and train more," said Greg. "A friend who visited Copenhagen recently was astounded by all the bicycle related machines of all shapes and sizes. And that will come here now, I have no doubt about that."

David Bocking



The Brigantes – Daily Life in Iron Age Britain

As part of this year's Heritage Open Days events, the Time Travellers local archaeology group are holding an exhibition at Dore Old School, Savage Lane, on Saturday 14th September from 11am to 4pm.



The recreated Iron Age village at Butser in the South Downs. Picture by Dorothy Prosser

This is a chance to find out about the lives of the Brigantes, our local Iron Age tribe. There will be displays on their crafts, farming, culture and more. See demonstrations of hand spinning and natural dyeing by Holly Hagg Fleece Club and even have a go.

There will also be information displays about local archaeology and the Time Travellers group, as well as information on the history of Dore Old School itself.

John Baker, The Time Travellers

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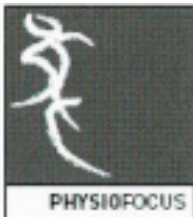
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What's on at the Library



New Computers

All the public computers have now been replaced with eight new Dell computers, with cybercafe software installed for internet access. Users will benefit from much improved speeds and we are confident that the experience of using the library computers will be substantially improved! We have also installed a new multi-functional printer, which can also be used for photocopying and scanning.

Replacing the old computers was a priority for the Trustees, and we were supported with funds from the Community Fund and the Ward pot to help us to achieve this important improvement. We are very grateful to everyone who helped us with this important scheme.

In future we will be running the computers independently of the Council and will manage ongoing maintenance ourselves. We are also upgrading one of our office computers.

Other improvements planned for the library

Two new schemes that are underway are:

- New LED lighting in the adult and children's libraries to replace the old strip lighting
- New ceiling tiles in the adult library

The new LED lighting will save us money on running costs, and the new lights and ceiling tiles will also improve the appearance of the library.

Both schemes are due to take place during September and will require a short closure of the library so the work can be undertaken safely. Further information on closure dates will be available in the library closer to the date.

Totley Library Lottery Winners

Congratulations to recent Library Lottery winners! In May, the first prize of £139.60 was won by Amanda Hardwick, and the second prize of £34.90 was won by Rita Hunter. In June Robert Jones won the first prize of £141.60, with David Kirkman winning the second prize of £35.40. Many thanks to everyone who supports our Lottery, as the funding that it generates provides us with very valuable funds towards the upkeep and improvement of our library.

Totley Library Art Show

We were delighted with the success of our first Totley Library Art Show, which took place at Totley Library on Sunday 9th June, with many local artists displaying and selling their fantastic work. It was wonderful to see that we have so many talented artists living in the vicinity! We plan to hold further exhibitions in the library in the future, so if you are a local artist and would like to get involved, please call in at the library to find out more.

We are also now exhibiting the work of local artists in the adult library and will continue to do this on a rolling basis in the future.

Events in the library for Children

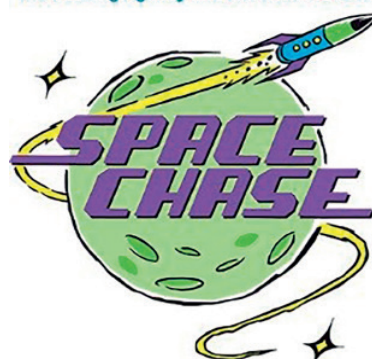
Summer Reading Challenge

The Summer Reading Challenge encourages children aged 4 to 11 to read six library books during the long summer holiday. The Challenge celebrates its 20th anniversary this year.

At Totley Library the Challenge launched on Saturday 20th July 2019 and will finish on Saturday 8th September. Children can read whatever they like - fiction, fact books, poetry, joke books, picture books, audio books - just as long as they are borrowed from the library. Children receive special rewards each time they finish a book and there's a certificate for everyone who completes the Challenge.

The 2019 theme is Space Chase, an out-of-this-world adventure inspired by the 50th anniversary of the first moon landing. Children taking part in the Challenge will join our super space family, The Rockets, for a thrilling mission to track down books taken by mischievous aliens!

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Summer Reading Challenge 2019

Space themed Art Competition

We will be holding a Space-themed Art Competition for children over the Summer holidays. The competition will be open to children in three age-ranges:

- Pre-school children
- Children aged 5-7 years
- Children aged 8-11 years

More details are available in the library.

Children's University Festival of Fun event - Wednesday 7th August

Between 10-12am on Wednesday 7th August we are delighted to be hosting a Children's University Festival of Fun event - Act 1 Drama Study. Further details and booking arrangements will be available from the library.

Story Time during the holidays

We don't run Story Time during August because of holidays, but don't worry - it will return as usual on 4th September.

Isabel Hemmings

Regular events and meetings at Totley Library

Monday:

French for children - 10 am toddlers and babies; 3.40 reception and Yr 1; 4.10 years 2-4; 4.40 years 5 to 6.

Readers Book Group, every first Monday, 1.30-2.45 pm

Friends of Gillfield Wood, occasional Mondays, 7.30 pm onwards. Talks on local nature and conservation. See posters, the FoGW Diary on p.11, or www.friendsofgillfieldwood.com

Councillor Surgery, 2nd Monday of the month, 6.00-7.00 pm

Tuesday:

Basic ITC Sessions, 10am - 12 noon. To book, phone Heeley Development Trust on 0114 250 0613.

Baby Time 1-2 pm. Fun music session with songs, rhymes and musical instruments for babies aged 0 - 18 months.

Craft Group, 2.00 - 4.00pm

Poetry Group, last Tuesday in month, 7.00 - 9.00 pm. Please note that this group cannot accept new members at present.

Wednesday:

Coffee Morning, 10.30 - 12 noon

Story Time, 10.30 - 11.30 Craft activities, singing and stories.

Health Walks, 10.30am Wednesday, Totley Library. One longer walk of up to one hour duration, and one shorter walk, followed by refreshments from Totley CRIC. Contact Step Out Sheffield on 07505 639524 or email stepoutsheffield@gmail.com www.healthwalksinnsheffield.btck.co.uk/

Totley History Group, usually last Wednesday of the month, 7.30. Talks on matters of historical interest. Check posters, the Independent Diary, or www.totleyhistorygroup.org.uk

Yoga sessions 7.00 - 8.30 pm, Wednesdays (except the last Wednesday of the month). For more details call Ann Zielonka on 0114 2361585 or 07929 736966. Beginners welcome.

Gardening Tips for August and September

What a busy period we had getting ready for the Open Gardens! Even though people think the garden is OK, we like to give our visitors something a bit special, so we add a few extras to give a bit more colour to the areas that have finished flowering in the spring but where the summer flowers were not in full bloom.

Lots of tidying up all around - pruning shrubs, clearing paths, moving hose pipes, etc. so that people could walk around comfortably, and within the rules of health and safety.

On Saturday the morning started wet but the rain cleared and the sun came out just a bit before opening time. Christine and Rosie were kept busy on the front entrance, selling programs and giving directions to the visitors. We had a great time showing visitors round, trying to remember the names of the new flowers (and some of the old ones - age, you know!). All the visitors were happily enjoying the sunshine and showing a lot of interest, particularly in plants they don't have in their gardens. Those people who had not been before were very surprised to find such a lovely oasis behind the shops. It is always good to see the astonished looks as they come up the steps.

We had some small visitors who showed a lot of interest, particularly in the ponds, spotting frogs, newts etc. They also liked the raspberries as they are just ripening - not many left at the end of the day (though they did ask before eating them). I was very pleased that they were not bored - they enjoyed searching for the golden eagle and the moles.

The delphiniums have done very well. This is one of the plants that I have grown from seeds. It is the best one I have seen for colour, a lovely intense royal blue, and it really stands out on the back border along with the established penstemon. The bees were having a great time, particularly on the *Thalictrum* which has tall white fluffy blossoms with a flat landing place for them. I think a good time was had by all. We were very tired but happy at the end of two days- thanks to all who came! You made it all worthwhile.

August and September are busy months in the garden - deadheading flowers (one of the essential jobs if you want the plants to continue flowering), watering and feeding is the order of the day. (Don't forget to arrange for a friend to look after your garden if you go away for any length of time). Quite a few people during the Open Gardens asked me why certain plants were healthier than theirs. I answered that it is very likely that they are not feeding and watering correctly, and using the correct fertiliser is important. Check the instructions with any special types of plants, preferably before you buy them, to see if they require any conditions i.e. sunny or shade, acid soil, and if you cannot give the plant what it needs, then don't buy it (unless it's cheap in which case give it a go).

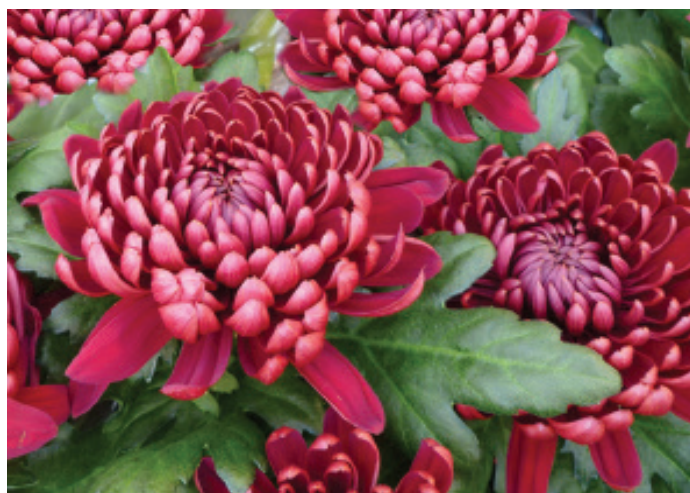
One of the most enjoyable tasks at this time is harvesting your crops. Runner beans, French beans, broccoli, sweetcorn, strawberries, raspberries, (if the children haven't eaten them) and spuds are all delicious and tasty from your own garden - you can't beat it.

Those of you who are contemplating having a new lawn should start now, preparing the area to be sown or turfed so that it will be established before the colder weather is upon us. Sow overwintering crops i.e. broccoli, onions, etc, as soon as beds become available.

The Trolley Show is on 14th September. I hope you will have finished all those craft items for the show bench, and that you are encouraging the children to take part in the various categories (see the schedule in this issue) and keeping them busy during the school holidays. I will be there judging the fresh produce, so bring along your goodies for me to look at. I look forward to seeing you and having a good chat!

August

Flowers: Give flowers a good general fertiliser regularly. This will pay dividends in healthy plants and better blooms, and sweet peas, dahlias, and chrysanthemums especially benefit.



Chrysanthemums

Stake the taller plants as they grow. Cut down lupins and delphiniums as they finish flowering unless you are collecting seeds from them.

Watch out for the usual pests - aphids, earwigs, caterpillars and slugs - and deal with them as soon as they are seen.

Sow forget-me-nots, brompton stocks, pansies and violas for planting in autumn or spring. Plant out crocus, narcissus,

and snowdrops if you want to naturalise them.

Plant up any empty window boxes or tubs with bulbs. Take cuttings of pinks, phlox and penstemons. Keep picking sweet peas off to encourage more flowers. When cutting gladioli leave some foliage so as not to starve the bulbs.

Vegetables: Give outdoor tomatoes and cucumbers a liquid feed. Give the onions (which you are growing for the show!) special attention! Liquid feed regularly and do not let them dry out until the leaves start to yellow a bit, then bend over the leaves to encourage the bulbs to swell, and then stop watering.

Marrows like plenty of water and a high potash feed, and don't forget to pollinate by hand if insects are scarce. Slip a piece of board under them to keep them clean. Pick runner beans regularly, keeping an eye out for the largest (ready for the show!) and cut cucumbers and marrows as soon as they are ready - do not leave on the plant.

Take cuttings of herbs - rosemary, sage, mint, etc - and root in open ground or under a frame.

Trees, Shrubs and Fruit: Thin out fruit on apples and pears, tie in blackberry canes, clean up and clip over strawberry beds once the fruiting has finished. Use nets to protect autumn fruiting raspberries and strawberries. Plant out strawberry runners for an early crop next year - these need to be covered by a cloche from December to February. Summer prune apple, pear, peach, plum, and blackcurrants; cut out raspberry canes which have finished fruiting to about 4 to 6 inches above ground, and mulch over the area to prevent the roots drying out.

Cuttings can be taken off many shrubs such as buddleia, hydrangea, and viburnum. Cuttings of camellia, jasmine and honeysuckle should be planted in warmth.

Prune jasmine, wisteria, clematis and mock orange when they have finished flowering.

Greenhouse and Indoor Plants: Shade, water frequently and give liquid feed. Spray with water in the mornings (except hairy-leaved plants). Take cuttings from fuchsias, busy lizzies, hydrangeas, geraniums, plumbago etc. Pot up hyacinth and freesia bulbs for Christmas - put them in a cool dark place until the shoots show.

Lawns: Prepare any new areas ready for sowing at the end of August, and set your lawn mower higher in drought conditions to conserve moisture. Rake regularly.

September

Flowers: Keep up with the dead-heading of flowers, as this prevents moulds from forming and spoiling later flowers. Take some cuttings of lavender now - they root easily outdoors in a sheltered spot. Put them in a shallow trench to which plenty of sharp sand has been added.

Reduce the growth of herbaceous plants which have finished flowering, but don't overdo it! Stake up plants that might be in danger of rocking or breaking when the winds pick up. Take cuttings from violas, insert non-flowering shoots in a sandy soil and put them in the cold frame. In fact there are lots of plants which can be propagated this way - penstemon, calceolaria, honey-suckle, potentilla, weigela etc.

Winter flowering pansies may be producing a few flowers by now, if they are, it will pay off later to nip these flowers off now - the plants will be stronger before the winter sets in. Plant hardy primula plants, they will make better plants prior to winter. Plant out bulbs and corms and tubers in beds and borders to flower next spring.

September is the month when mildew can be a real nuisance so try to deal with it as soon as it is seen - a good fungicide will help. Pot up hyacinths, tulips, narcissi for forcing, keeping



Hyacinths

them as cool as possible (48 deg F/9 deg. C) for the first 8-12 weeks. This can be achieved by covering them with 3 - 4 inches of moist peat in a sheltered north facing corner, If the pots are not drained, they should be kept covered from rain etc.

Towards the end of the month pot up geranium, fuchsia, begonias which were outdoors etc., which you want to protect over winter: this must be done before the first frosts.

Vegetables: Gather french and runner beans regularly. Never leave any pods on the plants to become old and stringy unless they are required for seed (or you're entering the longest runner bean at the show). Earth up celery a little at a time. Prepare ground ready for planting spring cabbage later in the month. Marrows can be stored if there are too many for immediate use - hang them in nets or old nylons in a frost free but cool place. I put collars around my leeks at this time to help the blanching process: I find it cleaner than earthing them up, though a little earthing on the outside of the collar helps to keep them stable.

When the stem of main crop potatoes is set that is it cannot be easily rubbed off by pressure with the thumb, this is a

sign that they are ready for lifting. Keep a weather eye out for warnings of frost so that outdoor tomatoes and marrows can be picked before they are ruined. Lift some parsley



seedlings and transplant them into a frame in good soil. They will provide pickings throughout the winter if you use the lights to protect from frost.

Trees, Shrubs and Fruit: Deadheading is the order of the day especially for roses; you should get a late flush of flowers if you have kept up with the job. Prepare ground ready for planting evergreens, heathers and conifers. Always keep newly planted trees and shrubs well watered. Give new conifers a treat by spraying them on warm, dry, windy days.

Take cuttings of shrubs and climbers, and root in a cold frame or indoors. Cover autumn fruiting strawberries with cloches. Prepare your storage area for apples and pears in a cool airy place. Place grease bands round fruit trees especially apples. Unwanted laterals should be removed from peaches and nectarines for the last time.

Greenhouse and Indoor Plants: Gradually decrease watering all round and dry off tuberous begonias, cacti, gloxinia, clivias etc. Feed plants in flower such as African violets, begonias, bush violets, chrysanthemums. As flowering finishes, discard summer annuals which have been used as pot plants.

Disbud carnations and chrysanthemums. Bring indoors tender plants which have been enjoying their holiday outdoors during the summer. Repot arum lilies to flower at Easter. If you want a bit of greenhouse colour in the spring, sow a few annuals such as clarkia godetia, or perhaps a few snaps. Most pot plants will stand a few cuttings taken at this time.



Clarkia Godetia

Pot up freesias using 5" pots, putting 6 to 8 bulbs in each. Give ferns a feed of very weak liquid manure. As I always say, but it always needs repeating - watch the ventilation: close side vents until spring. Wash off any shading except where you are growing shade-loving plants of course. Discontinue spraying and damping down.

Lawns: Continue regular mowing and raking. Give lawns a treat by scarifying, spiking and a top dressing of sieved potting compost. You could mix in some autumn lawn food for good measure. September is a good time to sow or turf a new lawn.

I look forward to seeing you at the Totley Show!

**Cheerio for now,
Tom**

Friends of Dore & Totley Station

The canopy! Finally, it's in place and been opened!

On Friday 19th July we were visited by Dan Jarvis, MBE, MP, the Sheffield City Mayor to officially 'open' the canopy and unveil a plaque. A full report will be in the next issue. We anticipated meeting a number of influential people and pointing out the issues we have here at Dore & Totley, including parking, unreliable, infrequent and overcrowded services, and the long delayed plans to redouble the tracks and rebuild a second platform.

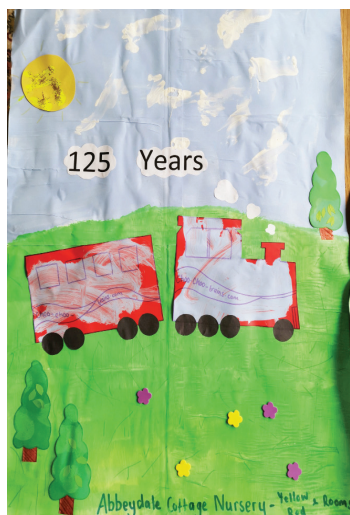
Hope Valley Line 125, 1894 – 2019



We had our commemorative walk to mark 125 years of passenger services on Saturday 29th June, the warmest day of the year so far. It certainly was a challenge to get over the top to Grindleford and catch our planned train back – it was late. It was just as well we did catch it because the next one was cancelled!

Children from Abbeydale Cottage Nursery school have produced two lovely posters (see below) that are now displayed in the old shelter. They mark those 125 years since passenger services began up the Hope Valley in June 1894. Children from the school

regularly walk along to the station and watch the trains, and sometimes take short trips together.



Coinciding with the anniversary, local rail historian Ted Hancock has finally published his 300-page book, "The Hope Valley Line, Dore to Chinley, Volume 1". Volumes 2 and 3 are on track but may be a few more months, or even years? Arrangements are being made for Ted to be in Totley Library to show copies of the book and to give details of how to buy copies.

Commuter Passenger Survey July 2019

This was our third numerical survey allowing us to get some ideas of trends. The official annual rise of 8% between 2017 and 2018 was in line with our own figures. This year our figures show about a 5% increase but we must be careful not to read too much into comparisons of days chosen at random. The official figures won't be released until December and will be lower than they would otherwise have been due to Northern's Saturday strikes.

The success of TransPennine's 6.15 stop to Manchester is notable. That train ran straight through without stopping in

June 2017. The stop was still fairly new in 2018 when 23 boarded, but this year the figure was 36. That record was beaten by Northern's 7.57 to Sheffield. New for 2018 when 20 boarded, by this year it was 43. That may have a lot to do with the fact that this particular train is the only one that regularly departs on time. Being followed by the 8.04 to pick up latecomers may help. Numbers for that have declined, much to the relief of those wanting to use it to travel further afield. Our busiest outgoing service was, and remains, TransPennine's 7.14 which regularly picks up almost 100 passengers.

Timetables, punctuality and train length

There were no changes to the timetable from May 2019 and at the time of writing there is no confirmed news of any for December. It's possible we may get one or two more stops, we've had hints, but don't expect to find the most critical gaps being filled. We'll keep plugging away to achieve that.

Over the last 12 weeks Dore was in the worst 50 out of 2633 stations in the country for punctuality of trains. Not a good record and it won't surprise regular users. That said, the number of very late trains has reduced.

At long last Northern have been able to introduce a handful of new trains that should allow some of the displaced units to come our way. They're many months behind schedule but should allow most Pacers to be retired by early 2020. If any organisation would like a camping coach, additional classroom, scout hut, sports pavilion or similar with a well travelled personality all of its own, these long-suffering trains are soon to be available. In 50 years time they'll be sought after ancient monuments to our railway heritage. Apply now. So far we're seeing more Class 150s and even a rare 156, (all 30 years old and set for another 10) but the 142 Pacers are soldiering on. That's still better than TransPennine where their new trains are also behind schedule. *Manana*, but we may get more 6 coach trains by December after their new trains are brought into use - that's December 2019, not 2018 as previously suggested! Sadly, neither company will be giving us brand new trains.

Planters and plants

Volunteers are trying to maintain a display of flowers in the planters along the platform and in the car park. It's disappointing that one planter was in position at 8 am one Saturday morning but had gone by 4pm – in broad daylight! Its replacement is a lot heavier.

Walking and cycling

In the last *Totley Independent* we reported that 30% of users walked to the station and 5% cycled. That was on a nice day, so when it's wet more come by car. More detailed information is available showing that cyclists come from as far as Fulwood, and walkers from Ecclesall and Greenhill. Some users are dropped off and walk home, or vice versa.

Walking and cycling are healthy options and we're keen to encourage users to find and use their best and safest routes. We won't get more car parking provision for at least 3 years so motorists will be having to walk further anyway. Why not the whole journey once or twice a week? A small number jog to the station and that may be a growing trend.

To the future

As man evolves every journey will be repeated, new boundaries sought and then others follow. Every travel opportunity encourages more travel. It's a paradox. My travel impedes your progress and tranquillity, and yours mine! We encourage walkers and bikers into the Peak District - then note that it's no longer a haven of peaceful solitude. Into that framework sits our station! It's a debate that will be taxing us greatly in the years ahead.

If you're a Facebook user, you can find and join us by searching for FoDaTS. It's a very active group. If you're not on Facebook and would like more information please send an email to our Secretary: nj-barnes@outlook.com

There's lots of information on our website at; www.fodats.net

Chris Morgan, Chairman

Totley Open Gardens 2019



Longshaw Sheep Dog Trials Association

www.longshawsheepdog.co.uk

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We are pleased to announce that Longshaw Sheep Dog Trials will take place this year on 29th, 30th & 31st August on Longshaw Pastures in front of Longshaw Lodge, near Grindlifford, starting at approximately 7.30am each morning. We are very honoured this year to have Mr. William Warrack as our President.



On 29th and 30th there will be open class sheep dog trials when many of the "One Man and His Dog" competitors will be taking part. We are very pleased to have Mr. John Elliott from Sheffield to judge the open classes and championship once again, and to

judge the local class Mr. Frank Satterthwaite, from Brough.

At approximately 3.30pm on Thursday 29th, subject to any unforeseen circumstances, there will be a parade of local hounds courtesy of the Barlow Hounds, Pennine Foxhounds, High Peak Harriers and the Ecclesfield Beagles and for the second year, at approximately 1.00pm on Friday 30th there will be a parade of English Bloodhounds courtesy of The Four Shires Bloodhounds.

Following the local class sheep dog trial on Saturday 31st the Longshaw Fell Race is to be run. Starting at approx. 10.30am, this is open to all adults and is enter on the field.

Starting at approximately 12.30 on Saturday 31st the trials culminate in a double gather championship, which consists of

the 8 highest pointed runs from both Thursday and Friday, when the winner will take home the prestigious Longshaw Championship silver tea pot sponsored by Taylor & Emmet LLP.

Entrance charges are just £5.00 per adult each day, no charge for children and free parking. We start at approximately 7.30am, weather permitting, finishing at approximately 5.30pm. For further information please contact the Secretary, Mrs. Sheila Humphreys, MBE on 01433 651852, or e-mail lsdtat@talktalk.net

This will be the 121st year of the Association, thought to be the oldest continuous sheep dog trials in England with the two world wars and 2001 because of foot and mouth being the only years when no trials were held.

There will be a licensed bar, hot and cold food and drinks, and ice cream available. The magnificent array of trophies will be on display, so please come and join us for a day on the moors to see some of the wisest dogs in the world. We look forward to meeting you.

Totley All Saints School Re-Union

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Ask Your Pharmacist

With Autumn just around the corner you'll be thinking about the "Back to School" shop. New uniforms for growing children and school suppliers are the most significant buys, but you may need to think about contagious illnesses and ailments that plague the school, as well as a holistic approach to your child's health.

Headlice Most parents are familiar with headlice but are not 100% certain of signs and symptoms, appearance and treatments. So, without further ado, here's some knowledge on these persistent bug(ger)s. Headlice are white-ish or grey/brown insects that live in all hair types (dirty, clean, long or short). They can be from the size of a pinhead to a sesame seed and are transmitted through direct head contact - not jumping or flying.

Signs to look out for:

- Seeing whitish insects in hair
- Itching (but not all children have itchy scalps and can take up to 3 months before an allergic reaction causes the itching)
- Small black spots on clothing, pillows and hair (these are headlice droppings)

Treatments and detection of headlice: The most traditional treatment for headlice is using a headlice comb. The hair must be washed and conditioner left in. Hair must be untangled, and the comb must be dragged from the roots to the ends. The comb should be checked from lice before moving onto the next section. The whole head should be combed through at least twice and until you can't find anymore lice. This whole process must be repeated on days 5, 9, 13 and detection combing should be done on day 17. Although it is very effective, it is also a very lengthy and laborious task.

Physical methods – items that can be purchased below suffocate the insects.

Dimeticone 4% lotion and spray – applied and left for 8 hours overnight

Dimeticone 4% spray gel – applied and left for 15 minutes

Isopropyl myristate and cyclometicone solution – applied and left for 5 – 10 minutes

Chemical methods – Permethrin and Malathion

These products need to be used twice – 7 days apart. You should use the combing method 2 to 3 days afterwards to detect if any live headlice are still present.

If you would like more information on products available or more details on what to do, pop into Totley Pharmacy.

Get bedtimes on track and tidy up the sleep hygiene. In the summer, when it's light after 10pm, it's easy for bedtimes to slip. But with early school wake-up calls coming, it's key for children and teens to get to bed so they get enough quality sleep. Paediatricians recommend that children age 6 to 12 get 9 to 12 hours of sleep a night, and that teens get 8 to 10 hours a night.

To help children and teens get the sleep they need when they return to school, it's important to turn off all electronic devices an hour before bedtime. Reading a book or magazine - the old-school kind - can help kids relax right before bedtime.

Make sure backpacks fit well. As schoolkids get older, they tend to carry heavier books. A load of books with a laptop can weigh as much as 30 pounds. That can spell shoulder, neck, and back strain for young people, and affect their posture.

Make sure your child's backpack fits well, with padding on the shoulder straps that can be loosened and tightened to ensure a snug fit depending on the contents. Make sure the backpack is always worn with both straps over both shoulders, not one slung over one arm, which adds to the pressure on that arm.

Walk to school. It's not possible for every family all the time, but if you can, walk with your children to school. Walking the kids to school instead of dropping them off in the car is a great way for families to establish healthy habits together. There are so many benefits of daily exercise for children from improved concentration and better self-confidence to stronger muscles and bones.

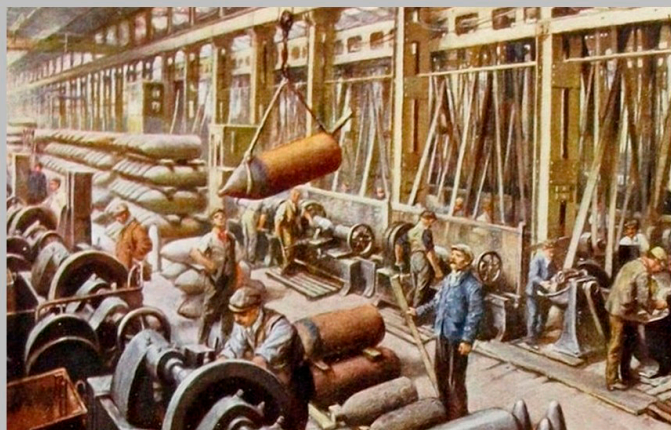
Taj Singh

TOTLEY HISTORY GROUP PRESENTS...

SHEFFIELD 1917-1918: COLLABORATION, INNOVATION & WARTIME PRODUCTION

BY CHRIS CORKER

In this third talk in the series on Sheffield in the Great War, the focus turns to the innovative ideas which emerged during the war, the supply to the US Navy of projectiles in 1917, the continuing role of women workers in the munitions factories, and an attempt to recount what Sheffield made for the war effort. The talk concludes with the effects that the Armistice had on Sheffield in November and December 1918.



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All Saints Church

Totley Hall Lane

All Saints Church and Kenya

Since the early 2000s, a friendship has grown up between All Saints Church and some churches in the Maasai area of Kenya. If you have ever visited the Maasai Mara Game Reserve, you may have passed through the Kenyan town of Narok. This is the centre for a huge area of Kenyan Maasai, living in scattered communities. Almost every year, around the end of November, we have been visited by Pastor David Kereto, a Christian Maasai, who oversees a number of churches in the area.

David was born to be a witch doctor in Kenya. As the eldest son, he was expected to follow his grandfather and father into the family business. As part of his training, he saw how his father dealt with the community problems that were brought to him and how even snakes could be called to do his bidding. His father was revered in their Maasai village and David wanted the same for himself. But a friend had other ideas. He kept encouraging David to see things differently and eventually persuaded him to attend a Christian seminar in Narok. David reluctantly agreed as long as two conditions were met: he must sit at the back and no one must know that the son of a witch doctor was present. David listened carefully and in spite of the battle going on inside his head, he knew that he wanted to dedicate his life to God. This decision put David's life in great danger.



Rev. David Kereto

When David told his father that his witch doctor training was over, his father gave him two weeks and then a month to change his mind. When he refused to accompany him to the river to pick out stones and burn snakes for ashes used in witchcraft, the problem became clear. In Maasai culture, only the oldest living son of a witch doctor could inherit the mantle. If a younger son was trained, the father would lose his powers. The decision was made at an elders' meeting: David must be killed. As his father raised his sword to kill him, David called on God to save him, David's father was unable to move or breathe. His life was saved but the village elders still wanted to kill him, so David ran away. Eventually David was accepted into theological college and trained to be a pastor and newly qualified, returned to the Maasai community. It wasn't an easy ministry and he faced suspicion, resistance and constant threats to his life. Now David leads an International church which oversees more than 300 churches in South West Kenya.

It is an area where many things that we take for granted are simply non-existent. Water is generally collected from the local river, which may mean a five-kilometre journey in each direction, with the help of a donkey if you are lucky. The quality of the water will vary according to the weather conditions. Schooling is free at primary level, but secondary education has to be paid for and many families are unable to afford this. The culture also has not encouraged female education in the past. In one of the bigger villages, Naisoya,

David and his colleagues looked for ways to provide fresh water. After one unsuccessful attempt a hole was bored to a depth of 300 metres and enabled the provision of water to the school, the clinic and the church- the three community centres.

At All Saints we have made contributions (as do other churches in the UK) to this project and continue to do so on a regular basis. We also support a number of people through secondary education. There are now qualified health workers, carpenters and those with good school qualifications as a direct result of this support. David's latest project is one which provides a safe place for young girls fleeing the illegal tradition of female genital mutilation or of being sold into marriage, usually to much older men. The girls are given a safe place to live, food, clothing and an education. This looks like being a long term situation and All Saints will continue to support this Rescue Centre as long as is necessary. Our personal links with David Kereto reassure us that this support that we give really does help to change lives for the better. David sends regular newsletters and photographs so that we can see the work that is done. He will be in Totley in December and everyone is welcome to come and hear him speak. It is a great privilege to know that our small contribution makes such a huge difference to the lives of the Maasai people.

It is with great sadness that we have to report the sudden and unexpected death of our friend Rev Neil Marchant. Neil was the curate at Christ Church Dore but also led services here at All Saints. Neil's funeral was held in Nettlebed on June 27th and there was a service of Thanksgiving held at Christ Church on June 30th. He was much loved by both congregations and will be greatly missed.

Join us for worship every Sunday and Wednesday at 10am. You will be very welcome. Children's activities are held every Sunday during the 10 am service (except the first Sunday of the month).

During this period of interregnum the responsibility for the day to day life of All Saints is shared between the wardens and the PCC. All enquiries relating to baptisms, weddings and funerals should be made to the parish office either by email totleychurchoffice@gmail.com or phone 0114 236 3335 or to the Churchwardens. All other enquiries may be made to the Churchwardens Liz Hayden 01142364944 or Angela Waite 0114 2364728. Revd Ali Creasey, Associate Priest, has Pastoral responsibility for the 10am Sunday service. As she is in a paid job during the week her time has careful boundaries. You can contact Ali at totleyassociate@gmail.com

Liz Hayden and Angela Waite, Churchwardens, Totley All Saints.

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Neighbourhood Watch

Important Changes in Neighbourhood Watch

Background

For several years until late 2017, Neighbourhood Watch in Sheffield was organised as a single City-wide body under the auspices of the Sheffield District Neighbourhood Watch Alliance which in turn was affiliated to the South Yorkshire Neighbourhood Watch Association. In meetings in late 2017 and early 2018 these two bodies determined that they be dissolved and that new arrangements be put in place.

South Yorkshire Police Authority requested that such new arrangements for Sheffield be aligned as closely as possible with their policing districts and that in place of a single City-wide association there should be four new NW districts dividing Sheffield into:

- 1) North West and Central
- 2) North East
- 3) South East, and
- 4) South West

For each of these districts, members of the defunct SDNWA were approached to lead the development of the new arrangements. For the South West district, Les Day (previously Vice Chair of SDNWA), was asked to drive forward the new structure.

The New Arrangements

Within the South West district, the NWA in Totley already had a loose day-to-day working arrangement with the Associations in Bradway and Dore holding joint meetings to maximise their effectiveness and to minimise the call on the time of police officers.

It was decided that a more formal arrangement would be of benefit to these three areas and a working party with membership from each of these areas was established under the Chairmanship of Les Day. The outcome was the establishment of a single association covering the S17 postal district to be known as Sheffield S17 Neighbourhood Watch Association (S17NWA).

A new Constitution was drafted, based on the Constitution of the National Association but strengthened to reflect the latest data protection legislation.

This Constitution was approved at a meeting of members on 24th June 2019 and the following Officers of the S17NWA were elected at that meeting:

Chairman - Harry Driver
Deputy Chairman - Les Day
Treasurer - Bruce Hutchcroft
Data Controller - Richard Tetley
Minute Secretary - Jeanne Clarke

The following Area Coordinators were elected for Totley:

Totley North - Neil Bunting (nbunting@talk21.com)
Totley South - Julie Gay (Ju.gay@btinternet.com)

Totley North encompasses the area defined by the even numbered properties on the north side of Baslow Road from Grove Road, following the route of the railway line as its northerly border with Dore, continuing in a westerly direction as far as the Derbyshire border.

Totley South encompasses the area defined by the odd numbered properties on the south side of Baslow Road from Milldale Road and then follows the course of Totley Brook in a south westerly direction out to the Derbyshire border adjacent to the bus terminus.

To become a member of Neighbourhood Watch, or simply to get more information, please contact one of the Area Coordinators at the email addresses shown above. There is no membership fee and you will be able to benefit from a number of incentives aimed at providing for a safe and secure neighbourhood and community environment.

If you are resident in S17 (but not in Totley) and want further information, please contact me and I will put you in touch with the appropriate Area Coordinator.

Harry Driver, Chairman, S17NWA
(harrydriver49@aol.com)

Physiotherapy clinic to close

A popular physiotherapy clinic in Bradway is closing its doors in September. Activ Physiotherapy has been a well established part of the Bradway community since 2007. Originally known as Bradway Physiotherapy Clinic, it became Activ Physiotherapy in 2010 with additional clinics in Totley and Hope, Derbyshire.



"This has been a difficult decision" says Clare Firth, of Activ physiotherapy. "We have decided to restructure the way the business is run and by closing the Bradway clinic we will have just the one in South Sheffield. This way we can focus our energies on building a service for the people of south Sheffield and have a more efficiently run clinic, just as we have done for the people of the Hope Valley."

The clinic will now be combined with their one on Baslow Road, Totley. Andrew Okwera, Director of Activ Physiotherapy, feels that this will be a positive move. "We have two treatment rooms and a fully fitted gym in Totley", says Andrew. "With the clinics combined, we can pool our resources and run a clinic that is open six days a week, offering evening and weekend appointments and physiotherapists with a varying skill set".

The new service will start at the beginning of September with appointments available four evenings a week and appointments all day Saturday. "With the gym available, we can now work on our in-house rehabilitation, running and golf clinics", concludes Andrew.

The team at Activ Physiotherapy would like to thank all their patients and associates in Bradway for all the years of support and hope that they will join them in their new venture in neighbouring Totley.

Dore and Totley United Reformed Church

Totley Brook Road

Our fundraising for Sarcoma UK continues with a concert by the Dronfield and Lowedges Community Band on Sunday September 15th at 3pm. This silver and brass band consists of younger players and members of the award-winning Dronfield Genquip Band. Tickets are available at £6 each from 07929 720977.

On November 16th we will be entertained by Friends in Harmony, a local choir singing a mixture of well-known music including songs from the shows. More details nearer the date.

The final event of the year will be a Christmas coffee morning with stalls on Saturday November 30th from 10am to 12 noon. If you would like to book a stall please contact Margaret Barron on 0114 2311831 or email r-barron@sky.com

We continue to hold regular coffee mornings on Wednesdays from 10 until 12 and all are welcome to drop in for a drink and chat.

TOTLEY & DISTRICT DIARY

MONDAYS	<p>COFFEE MORNING, All Saints Church Hall, 10am-12noon. Transport usually available on request. Tel 236 0872 before 9.45am.</p> <p>TAI-CHI, United Reformed Church, Totley Brook Road, 11.30am-12.30pm.</p> <p>RAINBOWS and GUIDES, All Saints Church Hall, 5.45pm-9pm.</p>
TUESDAYS	<p>SLIMMING WORLD, Totley Rise Methodist Church, 5.30pm and 7.30pm. Call Catherine Haynes on 07718 205733.</p> <p>PILATES, The Old School, Dore, 9.15-10.15am. Phone Teresa Tinklin 07906 312372.</p> <p>BABY TIME, Totley Library, 1-2pm. A fun music session with songs, rhymes and simple musical instruments for babies aged 0-18months</p> <p>COFFEE MORNING, Totley Rise Methodist Church Hall, 10am-noon.</p> <p>KNIT, NATTER, CRAFT & CHATTER, Totley Rise Methodist Church, 12 noon - 3.00pm.</p> <p>CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU Drop-in, free, impartial and confidential. Totley Rise Methodist Church, 10am-noon.</p> <p>CRAFT GROUP, Totley Library, 2pm.</p> <p>JAZZ IN THE AFTERNOON, 2-4pm, Totley Rise Methodist Church Schoolroom. A weekly afternoon of all forms of recorded jazz, plus discussion. Tea, coffee and biscuits available.</p>
WEDNESDAYS	<p>PILATES CLASSES, Dore & Totley United Reformed Church, 9.00-10.00am and 10.15-11.15am. Contact Caroline tel: 0781 722 0324, email Carolinenorth1@me.com, www.pilatescarolinenorth.co.uk.</p> <p>COFFEE in the Library, 10am-11.30am.</p> <p>STORY TIME in the Library, 10.30-11.30am. Craft activities, songs and a story for pre-school children. Call in at the Library for more information.</p> <p>TODDLER GROUP, 10am-11.30am, All Saints' Church Hall. Details tel. Katy Maclean 07790 411893.</p> <p>HEALTH WALKS, 10.30am, Totley Library. Contact Step Out Sheffield on 07505 639524 or email stepoutshel@field@gmail.com www.healthwalksinffield.btck.co.uk. For more information see Totley Library item in this issue.</p> <p>MODERN SEQUENCE DANCING, All Saints Church Hall, 8pm-10pm.</p> <p>CHILDREN'S FITNESS CLASSES for pre-school girls and boys aged 2-5. Wednesday mornings 9.30 - 10.10am, Abbeydale Sports Club. Free taster sessions. See www.minimovez.com or call Steph on 07838 818743.</p> <p>BELROBICS, United Reformed Church, 9.15-10am, email: jenny@belrobics.co.uk or tel 07816 850132.</p> <p>NCT COFFEE GROUP FOR DORE TOTLEY & BRADWAY, 10am-noon, for mums & babies/toddlers, various locations. Phone Lucy Street 07837 000405 or email: lucy@streetr.plus.com for further details.</p> <p>ROCKCHOIR, United Reformed Church, Totley Brook Rd, 11.30 - 1pm. See www.rockchoir.com or call 01252 714276</p> <p>PUSHCHAIR CLUB, Totley Rise Methodist Church Hall, 1.30-3pm. Tel. 07912 352543 for details.</p> <p>PILATES CLASS run by qualified Pilates Instructor/Physiotherapist for all abilities and ages. 1.30 - 2.30pm at the United Reformed Church, Totley Brook Road. Call Emer on 07792 422909.</p>
THURSDAYS	

AUGUST

SUN 11th MINIATURE TRAIN RIDES Abbeydale Road South. Children's Hospital Charity Day. All proceeds from train tickets will be donated to the charity. 1pm-5pm (weather permitting). Car park closes 5pm. £1.50 per ride per person. See www.sheffieldmodelengineers.com/

WED 14th TOTLEY MEN'S PROBUS CLUB 10am Totley Rise Methodist Church. Illustrated talk by Suzanne Bingham "The Anti Slavery Movement in Sheffield". Visitors welcome.

SUN 18th FRIENDS OF GILLFIELD WOOD Practical Conservation morning run with the help of Sheffield Council Ranger Service. Meet 10am, Baslow Road bus terminus. For more details see page 11.

THURS 22nd GROWTHEATRE EVENT Creative outdoor family session 'Magical Woods'. Ecclesall Woods Woodland Discovery Centre. £5 per child. Booking essential via www.growtheatre.org.uk. For details contact Rachel Newman on 07745 465391 or rachel@growtheatre.org.uk.

WED 28th TOTLEY MEN'S PROBUS CLUB 10am Totley Rise Methodist Church. Illustrated Talk by Mrs. Jackie Depelle "Upstairs Downstairs - From humble Beginnings to the American Dream". Visitors welcome.

THURS 29th GROWTHEATRE EVENT Creative outdoor family session 'Woodland Stick Olympics - Is There Anything We Can't Do With A Stick?' Ecclesall Woods Woodland Discovery Centre. £5 per child. Booking essential via www.growtheatre.org.uk. For details contact Rachel Newman on 07745 465391 or rachel@growtheatre.org.uk.

SEPTEMBER

SUN 1st MINIATURE TRAIN RIDES Abbeydale Road South. 1pm-5pm (weather permitting). Car park closes 5pm. £1.50 per ride per person. See www.sheffieldmodelengineers.com/

WED 11th TOTLEY MEN'S PROBUS CLUB 10am, Totley Rise Methodist Church. Illustrated Talk by Mike Ogden "The Slow Road". Visitors welcome.

SAT 14th TOTLEY SHOW. Come and learn more about Totley and its groups and organisations. The show starts at 1.30pm at Totley Primary School, Baslow Road. For more information see pages 5, 17 and 18 of this issue.

SUN 15th MINIATURE TRAIN RIDES Abbeydale Road South. 1pm-5pm (weather permitting). Car park closes 5pm. £1.50 per ride per person. See www.sheffieldmodelengineers.com/

TUES 17th TOTLEY TOWNSWOMEN'S GUILD, Ann Beedham, "Amy Johnson", Totley Rise Methodist Church, 10am.

WED 25th TOTLEY HISTORY GROUP. Chris Corker, "Sheffield 1917-1918: Collaboration, Innovation and Wartime Production". 7.30pm, Totley Library.

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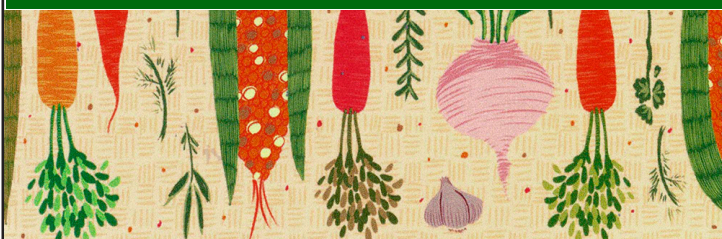


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