

Wudhus News

April/May 2020

Horsley Woodhouse Parish Council



Horsley Woodhouse

Easter Egg Hunt

Sunday 5th April

Win an iPad
in our
Easter Raffle

1st SITWELL
SCOUT GROUP

Hunt for clues around the village
Start and finish at the scout hut
Win a chocolate Egg and other prizes!

£2 per child 11 - 2pm
Refreshments And Raffle tickets available

f See Facebook for full details: 1st Sitwell Scout Group

The poster features a cartoon rabbit holding a basket of colorful Easter eggs and a yellow flower. The background shows a sunrise over rolling green hills with butterflies. The 1st Sitwell Scout Group logo is prominently displayed on the right side.

At the time of going to press this event is still scheduled to go ahead.
Please check the Scout's Facebook page to get the latest information.

Horsley Woodhouse Parish Council

Report from the February and March Parish Council meetings:

The Safer Neighbourhood Team provides up to date information on twitter @HeanorRuralSNT and you can email the team on ripley.neighbourhoods@derbyshire.pnn.police.uk Crimes and anti-social activity can be reported by ringing 101

February

- Post Code – Church Lane. Postcode is going to be changed to DE7 6PZ and it will be called Merlin Lane.
- 30 trees have been ordered from the Woodland Trust and the placement is under review – Ash, Rowan and Cherry.

March

- The first Speedwatch has been carried out and three motorists have been caught speeding through the village.
- The Parish Council has been successful in the application for community tree pack from the Woodland Trust. The trees will be delivered in November, members agreed to organise a community event to plant the trees.

Planning

February

AVA/2020/1200 - Wood Lane. Proposed single storey side/rear extension along with the associated alterations.

No objections

AVA/2020/0057 - Church Lane. Proposed single storey extension to front elevation and sunpipe over first floor landing.

No objections

AVA/2020/0069 - St Johns Road. Demolition of existing bungalow and erection of 11 dwellings with new access drive.

No objection

Comment: Worried about the environmental impact on mature trees and wildlife in the area. Would like to see the mature trees protected and incorporated into the development.

March

AVA/2020/0120 - Main Street, Horsley Woodhouse. Change of use to bring former post office area of the building into the residential part of the dwelling.

No objections

Don't forget to keep up to date with all things Horsley Woodhouse via the Parish Council's village website www.horsleywoodhouseparishcouncil.org.uk

Horsley Woodhouse Parish Council cont...

Recreation Matters

Sitwell Recreation Ground - March:

- Inspections has been completed and no faults found
- Scouts will be re-seeding the bonfire site on the Sitwell Recreation Ground in the near future.

Parish Council meetings:

The next two meetings will be held on **7th April 2020 and 5th May 2020** at **7.00 pm in the British Legion Hall.**

All members of the parish are welcome to attend to observe the meeting and raise any issues.

Parish Council Contact Details:

- Cllr K Seals (Chairman) – 01332 881 983
- Cllr S McGuinness (Vice Chairman) – 07790 849 000
 - Cllr A Nathan – 07790 730 610
- Cllr I Ratcliffe – 01332 781 872
- Cllr S Till – 01332 881 739
- Cllr J Whitmore – 01332 880 203
- Mrs K Richardson (Parish Clerk) – 01332 883 404 or

Email: horsleywoodhouseparishcouncil@aol.com

Horsley Woodhouse Church Hall

This welcoming and well equipped local venue can be hired very reasonably for:

Crafts. Dances/Dancing Lessons. Parties and Celebrations. Training Sessions. Buffets. Fund Raising Events. Sales. Exhibitions. Concerts. Amateur Dramatics. Music Practices/Recitals. Fashion Shows. Corporate Functions. Meetings. Quizzes. Meals. Clubs and Societies. Classes. Hobbies. Zumba. Yoga. and lots more.....

Call Sheila on 07803 158 235

'Cinderella'

The Stargazers Drama Group managed to sell out practically all five of their performances of 'Cinderella' at the Church Hall in February. A total of 500 people came to see the show, and the Director Morgan Bennett reckons that this was one of the most successful Stargazers shows ever; with 30 performers of all ages and a strong production team drawn from the villages of Horsley, Denby, Kilburn and Horsley Woodhouse.



**Auditions for the next pantomime will start in the autumn:
speak to Ray on 01332 882 200 if you want to be involved.**

Thursday weekly Chair Exercise Classes the Church Hall 10.00 'til 11.30 am

These highly successful gentle exercise classes have gone from strength to strength in the last couple of years. They are under the expertise of the Instructor, Diane Cliff a representative of Age UK Derby and Derbyshire. Diane combines her skill and knowledge with her lively sense of humour and caring personality. The exercise is gentle and is based on falls prevention, always with warm up at the start and a cooling down period followed with a relaxation stage at the end.



There is always time for a cuppa and cake or biscuit before the start, together with a chat and a laugh and a catch up with other events which are of interest taking place in the Hall. Many of the Chair Exercise people also attend the stage productions, panto, the Getting to Know You Café and various craft clubs, etc., where they make new friends and acquaintances and learn new skills too. Some also attend the yoga and the adult ballet classes which are also held in the Hall.

The Chair Care and Chatter Group which is run by Derbyshire Carers Association is held the 2nd Thursday of each month in conjunction with the Chair Exercise. This is an opportunity for Carers and Relatives to come along and have a cuppa and a chat with like-minded folks. Also, to chat to Georgina from Derbyshire Carers Association, who can help with any advice or information which may be helpful. This all happens in the adjoining room alongside the Chair Exercise.



As this is being written we are in the disruption of the Covid19 epidemic so these activities have been suspended. As soon as the restrictions are lifted the regular attendees will be advised by telephone. In the meantime, however, Di will make weekly telephone contact with you for a friendly chat and check.

If you are interested in joining these Exercise Classes, please call Diane on 07919 116 585 or Sheila on 07803 158 235 and they will be pleased to help you.

Arthur Medical Centre

At the time of writing this in March we are starting to see the effects that the Covid -19 Virus is going to have on all our lives. By the time this is published, I am sure things will have changed significantly. Therefore, for the most up to date advice please refer to the information posted on our website and the health protection agency website.

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-information-for-the-public>

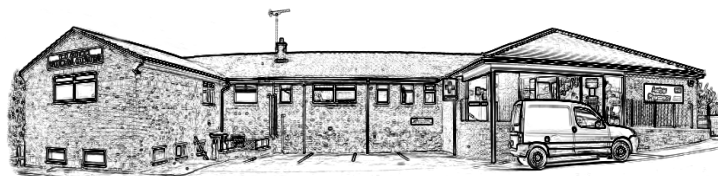
<https://www.arthurmedicalcentre.co.uk/index.aspx>

We are all trying our best to help support our community, and appreciate your help in this time of crisis. Please only contact the surgery when really necessary, to enable us to focus on those who need us most.

For those who are starting to think about spring and summer and all that brings, it may also mean the start of troublesome hay fever symptoms. We wanted to ensure that you are aware of the changes the Practice made last year as a result of new guidance introduced by NHS England. **The guidance made recommendations that GP's and other healthcare professionals should no longer routinely prescribe medicines which can be bought over the counter for minor and self-limiting conditions. These conditions include hay fever, cough and colds, temperatures/fevers, indigestion and headaches.** Self-care is widely acknowledged as an important solution to managing demand and keeping the NHS sustainable. **Please help us protect our NHS.**

We would also like to remind you of the valuable service your community pharmacy offers. They are trained professionals who are able to talk through your symptoms, offering advice and reassurance on how long these may last and what to do if these continue or get worse.

We encourage you to visit the Stay Well Derbyshire website www.nhsstaywelderbyshire.co.uk to find out more information on how to self-care.



Main Street, Horsley Woodhouse, Derby, DE7 6AX.
Tel: 01332 880249 Fax: 01332 781269
www.arthurmedicalcentre.co.uk

Dr A J McKenzie Dr L J Wilton Dr ML Tidmarsh Dr K J Woodier Dr J Clark Dr R Furness

The Getting to know you Café

Regretfully we have to announce that for the time being until this Covid 19 problem has resolved, we have made the decision to suspend the fortnightly Café.

However, we have had a wonderful start to the year, firstly with David gracing the stage again with his guitar. He never ceases to impress and entertain with his marvellous singing and huge repertoire of songs.

Then on 26th February, after we'd had a break for the Stargazers Cinderella Pantomime, we were treated to a Magic Show. This was courtesy of Clive, who mixed his skilful "prestidigitation" with a huge selection of hilarious music hall type jokes. He was brilliant entertainment and had us all in stitches, so much so that he is booked again. One booking in the summer with his Magic Show and then towards the end of the year with his Madeley Players



and their Old Time Music

Hall act. Then on 4th March it was the welcome return of The Meecees and their superb entertainment.



For the future, when we get back to normal, we have a varied diary of entertainment, including, a fascinating talk about the Cold War from the experiences of the Civil Defence. This is deeply interesting and informative about those awful years when

the nuclear threat hung heavily over the country.....our usual Birthday Bash, with entertainment and a buffet.....an enthralling talk called 'Balloons and Parachutes', about the aerial displays by an extremely brave lady.....a Craft Bazaar, closer to Christmas with handmade seasonal goodies and gifts.....our Christmas Party.....a Cabaret afternoon.....Village Historyan interesting and informative insight into dowsing.....The Meecees..... and also a visit or visits from our friends at the Safer Neighbourhood Team.

There is plenty to look forward to. Please rest assured that as soon as things have safely cleared up, we will be back in action with the cakes, biscuits and the brewing gear. We can't wait.....with our love, Sheila, Wendy and Karen. x

Local Clubs, Community Groups & Societies

Jog Derbyshire

Horsley Woodhouse Joggers meet every Thursday at the Church Hall at 7.00 pm. It is a group for absolute beginners or those returning to jogging after a break. For anyone who wants more details please contact Sam Draper by phone 07891 571 488 or email: samanthadraper@live.com.

Orchard Group

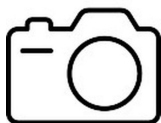
Meet every fortnight at the Orchard Centre on Tuesdays 2.00 to 4.00 pm. Please contact Mavis Thomson for more details on 01332 882 985.

Whist Drive

Meet every Friday night at 7.00 pm at the British Legion - contact Malcolm Parkin for more details 01332 880 160.



Camera Club



Forthcoming meetings at
The Old Oak Pub

14th April
12th May
9th June

at 7.30 pm

Come along and join in

Scouts, Cubs and Beavers at the Sitwell Recreation Ground



Monday 7.00 - 8:30 pm - Scouts (10 ½-14 years)

Tuesday 7.00 - 8:30 pm - Explorers (14-18 years)

Wednesday 6:30 - 8.00 pm - Cubs Scouts (8-10½ years)

Thursday 6.00 - 7.00 pm - Beaver Scouts (6-8 years)

Please contact Ian Britton, GSL, 1st Sitwell Scout Group on:

M: 07847 207 756

E: gsl@1stsitwellscoutgroup.co.uk

Over 60's Club - at the British Legion Hall

The Club meets every other Tuesday 2.00 to 4.00 pm in the Legion Hall.

We are starting our outings earlier this year with a trip on the River Trent, roast dinner served on board on Tuesday 24th March and numbers are limited.

Members will vote at the next meeting on the destinations for outings commencing in May through to September and these will be open to visitors.

At the last meeting we were entertained by "The Codnor Warblers" and they were a great success, every one enjoyed the singing and humour, hope to have them back in the near future.

Don Barham, Hon Secretary

Horsley Woodhouse Ladies Group

We meet in the British Legion Hall, first Thursday of every month at 7.15 pm

April 2nd - Food tasting evening, bring along a savoury or sweet dish of your choice -
this event is now cancelled.

May 8th - Pilates and Keep Fit - Chair based exercises with Greta

June 4th - Forensic Scientist to entertain us with stories about his work

For more details contact Pat Dickinson on 01332 880 858

If you are a group or local club and would like to be included in this section please contact Tania Pells (Editor) on editorwudhusnews@gmail.com.

Horsley Woodhouse and Smalley Royal British Legion

The Legion Hall sustained some roof damage during the recent storms, thanks to prompt action by our roofing man it was kept to a minimum although a quantity of snow penetrated the roof space before it was re-covered.

We continue to meet on the first Monday of the month to deal with routine matters, usually bills to be paid. Attendance at the meetings is never more than six or seven, this is apparently the case at the majority of branches and the trend nationwide.

We are marking the 75th anniversary of V.E. Day on Friday 8th May and are going to hold a coffee morning in the Hall on Saturday 9th May 10.00 am till 12:00 pm. Anyone who

possesses memorabilia of that poignant time in our history, please do bring it along - photographs, old newspaper cuttings, medals etc. Although the nation was celebrating victory there was a great feeling of sadness for the men who would not be coming home. Personally, my memory of the day, was the church bells ringing out around 9.00 pm for the first time in six years, prior to that they would only be rung if Nazi paratroopers were landing; what the public were supposed to do no-one ever told us.

Horsley Woodhouse R.B.L would like to congratulate whoever was responsible for naming the stretch of road from Church Lane corner to Kelf's garage "Merlin

Lane". Along this lane large quantities of Merlin engine parts were moved in and out; inwards to the inspection department set up on the site and outwards for those suitable to the Clan Foundry site at Belper where Rolls-Royce were developing a new tank engine for the British Army.

The name helps to perpetuate the memory of those men and women who worked long and tiring hours in all weathers to see us through to ultimate victory.

Don Barham Treasurer

Horsley
Woodhouse and
Smalley Royal
British Legion



Local Clubs, Community Groups & Societies cont...

Horsley Woodhouse Walking Group

Wed 1st Apr – Marehay to Greenway – back to Inn (2.5 miles) – meet at the Village Inn, Marehay

Wed 8th Apr – Denby village to Horsley Woodhouse & back (2.75 miles) – meet at Denby Village car park

Wed 15th Apr – Kilburn to Horsley Golf Club & back (3 miles) – meet at Kilburn car park

Wed 22nd Apr – High Bluebell Woods walk (3.25 miles) – meet at Kilburn car park

Wed 29th Apr – Smalley Dam and Bluebell Garden (3 miles) – meet at Smalley car park

Wed 6th May – Stanley Common & Bluebell Woods (2.75 miles) – meet at Stanley Common WM Club

Wed 13th May – Kilburn/Bargate & Booths Woods (3.5 miles) – meet at Kilburn car park

Wed 20th May – Morley & Cloves Wood – meet at Morley lay-by

Wed 27th May – Brackley Gate & Breadsall Golf Club (3.5 miles) – meet at Morley lay-by

Meeting time 9.45 am unless otherwise stated.

For more information contact:

Jane Stallion 01773 841 428
or
Gordon McNeil 07740 243 825



If you wish to contact us or put an article forward:

If you would like to put forward any details to be included in the next edition of the Wudhus News please contact Tania Pells (Editor) at editorwudhusnews@gmail.com.

If you are holding a fund raiser, have some community news or you need support to write an article please get in touch.

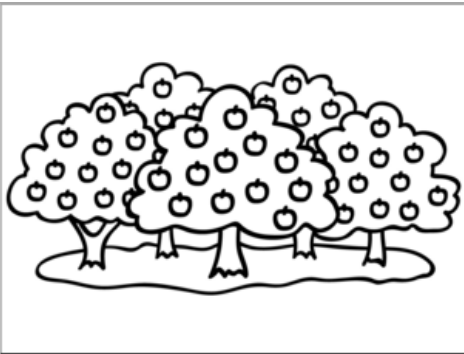
All articles and information submitted will be reviewed by the Parish Council before it can be approved. Unfortunately we cannot advertise businesses within the newsletter or print personal letters.

If you wish to use any material that is listed within the Wudhus News, please contact Tania Pells (Editor) on the above email address.

Publishing Deadlines: Jun/Jul – 20th May and Aug/Sep – 20th Jul

Unfortunately, any information received after the deadline will not be included but may go forward to the next edition.

Request from the Parish Council



Does anyone have a piece of land that the Parish Council could use as a community orchard? If so please contact the Clerk at horsleywoodhouseparishcouncil@aol.com

Malcolm - Rain or Shine!!

In the December 2019/January 2020 edition we celebrated 20 years service by Malcom, as the Horsley Woodhouse School Lollipop man. We talked about him standing there each day rain, snow or shine. This inspired local resident and keen photographer Glynn Wilton to send in some more photos. Rain and snow but where is the shine!!



Horsley Woodhouse Community Association (HWCA)

Recently, members of the committee have been asked if the Carnival is going ahead due to the current Covid-19 situation. The HW Community Association is committed to bringing the village together each year to celebrate with residents of all ages. Whilst it is only March/April, we start planning and preparing from September each year. With that in mind and the date creeping closer, financial commitments have to be made; **so it is with regret that I announce the full Carnival will not be taking place on Sat 18th July 2020, including the music night on 17th July 2020.**

We are aware that the Carnival provides a great afternoon for the community so we are going ahead with planning for a family fun day and working with other groups in the village. After many weeks of isolation and restrictions I am sure everyone will want to come out and have some fun together. As long as it is safe and following government guidelines on holding events, we will endeavour to put a family community event on.

Please keep an eye out on our Facebook page and in the Wudhus News for future updates. If you would like to get involved please do get in touch via Facebook, email or telephone.

With a sad heart

Tania Pells - HWCA Chair

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Chris Wilcox - Secretary

secretary.hwca@hotmail.com

David Smith - Vice Chair

davidtaiji@hotmail.co.uk



www.facebook.com/HorsleyWoodhouseCarnival

St Susanna's Parish Church

The Benefice of the Denby Group



Coronavirus – Corvid 19

In accordance with advice from the Government and the Archbishops of Canterbury and York

All public worship is suspended until further notice.

The church will be open for private prayer
Each Sunday from 10.00 – 11.00 am

Weekly Activities at the Church Hall

These are the normal regular weekly events which take place in the Church Hall. At the present time, in this time of uncertainty, if you are unsure whether or not the activity is going to be held, please call the telephone number in the contact details box.

Date	Activity	Contact details
Monday	7.00 to 8.15 pm - Line Dancing & 5.30 to 6.30 pm - Circuit Training	Megan 01159 326 217 Julie Cole 07976 710 882
Tuesday	10.30 to 11.30 am - Yoga & Relevétion Dance Academy: 4.30 to 5.00 pm - Pre-Primary Ballet (4-6yrs) 5.00 to 5.45 pm - Primary Ballet (6-10yrs) 5.55 to 6.25 pm - Primary Tap (6-10yrs) 6.25 to 6.55 pm - Primary Modern (6-10yrs) 6.55 to 7.55 pm - Acrobatics (6-10yrs) 8.00 to 9.00 pm - Adult Latin	Anita 01332 842 070 Leanne 07500 823 243
Wednesday	Relevétion Dance Academy: 9.30 to 10.15 - Toddle in Time (2-5yrs) 10.30 to 11.30 am - Adult Ballet & 6.30 to 7.30 pm - Circuit Training	Leanne 07500 823 243 Julie Cole 07976 710 882
Thursday	10.00 to 11.30 am - Chair Based Exercise (cancelled until further notice) & 5.30 & 7.30 pm - Slimming World	Diane 07919 116 585 Tracy 07821 616 372
Friday	11.00 to 12 noon - Qigong/Tai Chi	Angela 07762 380 277
Saturday	10.30 to 11.30 am - Zumba classes	Cathy 07963 738 137

If you are interested in booking the Church Hall for meetings, parties and other functions, or on behalf of Societies and Clubs, please contact Sheila Cullen (the Bookings Secretary) on 07803 158 235.

Community Request

Since the nights have been darker there has been a noticeable increase in the amount of dog foul on the pavement around the village.

Particularly on Main Street, Fairfield Road and Horeston Recreation Ground. As well as being a finable offence not to pick up after your dog (The Dogs Fouling of Land Act 1996), these pavements are entrances to resident's properties.

Please have some consideration for others. If you own a dog then pick up after it has fouled, put it in the many bins around the village or take it home. It's your dog so please care for others and stop giving responsible dog owners a bad reputation.

If you wish to make a complaint regarding dog fouling, please contact Amber Valley BC's helpline on 01773 841 335 or submit the form online via www.ambervalley.gov.uk/environment/dog-control/dog-fouling/



VE Day Tribute by the new Theatre 2020 Group



The Theatre 2020 Group regretfully announce that their VE Day Tribute planned for the VE Day Bank Holiday weekend in May **has had to be suspended in the shadow of the Covid 19 outbreak**. As you will appreciate a full audience in the Church Hall is not an option with a nasty virus circulating.

We have however, pencilled in a couple of dates as close as possible to the Remembrance date in November, as this will give things a chance to calm down again hopefully.

We will give further updates whenever we have any news. In the meantime, please be assured that we very much look forward to entertaining you all to mark this important historical anniversary, albeit a bit delayed.

New name for Church Lane

As mentioned in the Parish Council report in the last Wudhus News, Amber Valley Borough Council (AVBC) have now organised a new street name and postcode for the road leading off Church Lane giving access to seven private dwellings, B A Kelf Bodyworks and the Sitwell Recreation Ground, including the Scout Headquarters. This was done because these properties have been difficult to locate by visitors or delivery vans and more importantly by the emergency services.

After consulting with residents, and considering a number of different suggestions, AVBC decided on the name Merlin Lane. The reason for this is that, as many readers will know, during the Second World War several premises and areas of land in the village were brought into use as workshops for the dismantling, salvage and inspection of parts of Rolls Royce Merlin aero engines which had either been recovered from crashed aircraft or removed because they had served their limit in operating hours. A great number of these engines were brought to Horsley Woodhouse from all over the country during the war years and for a short time afterwards.



Michael and Ron Harrison fixing the new road nameplate. Alan Tunstall, who first suggested the name Merlin Lane, is supervising

One of the premises taken over for this purpose was what is now the land and buildings occupied by B A Kelf Bodyworks, which is one of the properties on the road which is the subject of this matter.



View up Merlin Lane complete with the new name

A considerable amount of this salvage work was carried out there by quite a large workforce recruited locally, including some fifty ladies who were employed in two shifts in the cleaning and inspection of Merlin parts. This became a very large operation, involving tens of thousands of engines.

It was therefore thought appropriate to name the road Merlin Lane as a reminder of the significant part Horsley Woodhouse played in the war effort.

Michael Harrison

AVBC also consulted the Post Office who allocated the new postcode of DE7 6PZ.

Horsley Woodhouse Methodist Church

SERVICES

We are sorry to have to say that no Services, activities or meetings will take place in our Methodist Church until further notice, in line with Government Guidelines.

In Memory

We've lost two faithful members recently

JANET SPENCER passed away very peacefully on Wednesday 5th February. We remember her family and friends in our prayers.
She will be greatly missed.

BARBARA BRENTON We were all shocked to hear of the sudden death of Barbara on Saturday 15th February. She was a loyal member and organist here for very many years.

If normal service resumes in May then the following will take place

May 2020

Sunday 3rd at 6.00 pm – Service with Holy Communion led by Revd Stephen Pratt

Sunday 10th

at 10.30 am – Café Church in the Schoolroom

at 6.00 pm – Service led by Mr Peter Wadsworth

Sunday 17th at 6.00 pm – Sankey/Songs of Praise Service

Sunday 24th at 6.00 pm – Service led by Revd John Malnutt

Sunday 31st at 6.00 pm – Pentecost Service led by Mr Andrew Whysall

THE COFFEE MORNING for *Christian Aid* - Saturday 16th May from 10.00 am to 12 noon. Free admission. Stalls.

CHRISTMAS FAIR 2019. The final total raised from the Fair, including donations, was £930.10.

Thanks to all who supported in anyway.

THANKS to those who have not parked their vehicles outside our Church at Service times.

Minister:
Revd John
Malnutt

**Church
Contact:**
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Phyllis
Shaw
Tel:
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Councillor Kevin BATTERY – Keeping you Updated

There is no doubt that the Coronavirus Pandemic will have an impact upon each and every one of us in some way or another. Whether as a result of the virus itself, or due to restrictions on travel and holidays abroad, socialising with others, panic buying of toilet rolls and foodstuffs or a downturn in the economy which will affect both national and local businesses. We, are in unprecedented and worrying times, being bombarded with advice and opinions on how to keep safe, coming from all directions.

Derbyshire County Council works closely with the NHS and others in an attempt to ensure you are kept well informed. Its website

www.derbyshire.gov.uk is regularly updated in an effort to highlight the whereabouts of cases in Derbyshire as well as the symptoms and prevention measures that can be taken.

Advice is provided for schools and parents, emotional health and wellbeing and information on the role of Public Health.

Please use the website for information.

The Government has outlined its commitment to supporting councils to focus their efforts on

the priority areas of social care, providing vital support for vulnerable people and supporting local economies.

To enable councils to focus on delivering front line services, both the local council elections together with the election of the Police & Crime Commissioner have been postponed for 12 months. Financial audits have been deferred until the 30th September and new legislation is being considered to allow the holding of 'virtual' council committee meetings for a temporary period, in an effort to avoid face to face meetings.

I welcome the Chancellor's commitment to provide financial support of £12 billion to support public services, individuals and businesses through the economic disruption of Covid-19. Only time will tell as to whether this will be enough, as the situation is changing on a daily basis.

Help for businesses include an increase in the business rates retail discount to 100% for one year, which has been expanded to include the leisure and hospitality sectors, and increased the planned rates discount for pubs to £5,000. An estimated 900,000 properties, or 45% will receive 100% business rate relief in 2020 to

2021.

A new temporary Coronavirus Business Interruption Loan Scheme, delivered by the British Business Bank, should be launched in a matter of weeks.

Derbyshire County Council has also set up a Covid-19 Community Response Unit to bring agencies and volunteers together. The Unit will be led by public health and emergency planning officers. The Council has also agreed an initial £1m coronavirus fund to help support vulnerable residents and affected businesses.

This is a time we all need to pull together to keep everyone as safe and protected as possible. I have no doubt over the coming weeks agencies, as well as the Council will be looking for volunteers to assist in helping our most vulnerable residents and supporting vital services. So please keep checking www.derbyshire.gov.uk for the latest updates. Be sensible, follow guidelines and keep safe.

If there is an issue I can help you with, please contact me on 01332 781 092 or kevin.battery@derbyshire.gov.uk.



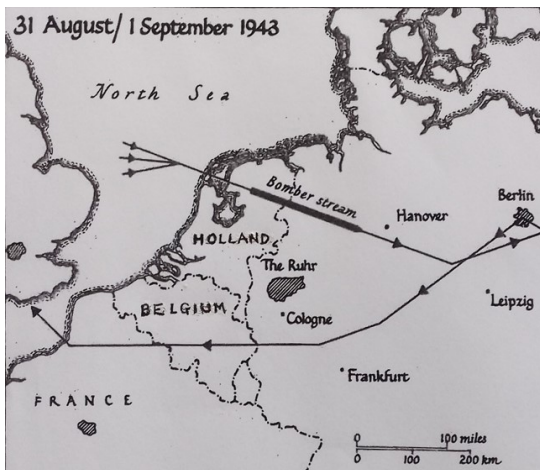
“Missing”

Two Horsley Woodhouse Servicemen, Two World Wars

Part Four – The RAF Bomber Offensive, WW2, 101 Squadron, Ludford Magna:



After a break, ops are on at Ludford. Tuesday, 31st August 1943, Cecil Bardill, Flight Engineer from the Derbyshire village of Horsley Woodhouse, sees his crew listed on the Battle Order for the night, down to fly Lancaster JB150, SR-S – “S for Sugar”. The airfield comes alive again. Cecil and the other crew follow the routine of aircraft and personal equipment checks, word goes around, maximum fuel and bomb loads suggesting a long haul. Lunch forced down past the “knot and flitting butterflies” then dozing off in the billet to the sound of Merlins being tested. Then hanging around in the Mess until someone shouts “C-Flight transport’s here”. Bert Edis (pilot) and Norm Corfield (Navigator) go in to the primary briefing – the curtain is drawn back, “tonight’s target is.....Berlin”,



Flight plan for the Berlin raid of 31st
Aug./1st Sept. 1943

groans and mutterings - the “Big City”, long trip, well defended target, Norm takes notes, flight times, course changes, scheduled time for bombing. Norm isn’t keen, the course chosen means that they will have to fly 70 miles beyond Berlin, then turn and attack from the SE; the withdrawal route is long. Cecil and the others go in – it’s going to be tough. Time crawls by, at last it’s time to “kit up” – Cecil makes sure that his gear is OK and comfortable.

Outside to the transports and off to dispersals, “good luck” and “see you” shouts as crews drop off at their aircraft, finally Cecil and co. arrive at “Sugar”. Ground crew confirm that their Lanc. is OK, Edis and Cecil still do checks – some of the

“lads” pee on the tail wheel for luck. Edis signs the 700 form to accept the aircraft and the crew clamber aboard. Edis buckles in, Cecil settles beside him. Helmets on, the crew all plug in to the intercom and oxygen.

19.40 hrs., Edis checks with his crew – “pilot to rear gunner, OK?” – “OK Skip”, “mid-upper – OK?” – “OK Skip”, each man in turn. 2 minutes to start up, “OK Cecil?” – “OK Skip, ready to start” – Edis: “ground /flight switch to ground”, ground crew plug in the Trolley Acc. – Edis and Cecil go through their checks – “engine controls set, fuel OK Skip”. Edis signals to the ground crew, then “starting starboard inner” – Cecil watches as the prop. turns slowly then the Merlin catches bursting into life, blurring the blades; the routine is repeated until all four are running. “Ground/flight switch to flight”, Edis runs the engines up to 1200 revs to warm them, Cecil checks temperatures and pressures, “all OK” – Edis checks turret movements with the gunners – “OK Skip” – “wireless operator? – all OK Skip”, “compass and Gee OK Norm? – “OK Skip”. Butterflies gone now, the crew are working as a unit; Edis pushes the revs to 1500, Cecil checks the “mags”, superchargers, constant speed units – engines all OK. Edis throttles back, light beginning to fade, other Lancs. are rolling along the peri-track. Then “Sugar’s” turn – Edis gets the “thumbs-up” from the ground crew, he motions chocks away and gets a good luck wave in return. “Sugar” joins the queue for take-off. Glancing out of the cockpit, Cecil sees a group of “well-wishers” near the signals hut. Edis rolls “Sugar” to the hold position on the runway threshold – straight, lined up, brakes on; sun well down now.

20.15 hrs., green light from the signals hut, SR-S clear for take-off. "OK chaps, here we go", Edis has his left hand on the control column, feet on the rudder pedals, right hand on the four throttle levers, he eases them forward favouring the two port engines to counter swing. "Sugar" picks up speed, Edis holds her straight, Cecil is standing now, checking the gauges as Edis moves the column gently forward; the tail wheel comes up, he uses the rudders to keep "Sugar" on track. Cecil takes over the throttle levers, pushing forward – "full power Skip", Edis clamps both hands on the control column – Cecil calls the speed: "100, 110, 120 mph, crucial moments, "Sugar" fully laden, 2000 gallons of fuel, 6 tons of bombs, 7 crew, all-up weight close to 25 tons.....130 mph, Edis hauls back on the control column, wheels "un-glue" – end of the runway coming up, "undercart up" – Cecil confirms, hedges slide beneath, S-Sugar airborne, underway, bound for the "Big City" – flaps to 10 degrees, Norm gives the heading for Mablethorpe – "OK Skip, ETA Mablethorpe good". Edis keeps "Sugar" climbing. In what seems like no time, Ron Holdaway calls "Mablethorpe coming up Skip" and Norm gives the necessary course change. Darker now, "Sugar" slips into the bomber stream – Edis lets the gunners test their guns. "Navigator to pilot, ETA good for Dutch coast", "pilot to engineer, engines seem alright Cecil, how's the fuel?" – "OK so far Skip, "Pilot to navigator, are we still on course?" – "course good Skip, 'Gee' confirms, signals all good". "Pilot to gunners, enemy coast coming up, keep your eyes open for fighters"...

To this point my account has followed fact. Once again, certain elements and phrases have been included to maintain flow and continuity and it is acknowledged that small parts are inevitably speculative, but these do not impact the factual thread. Now though, I pass into the realms of speculation, for records show that Lancaster JB150 SR-S for "Sugar" was posted missing and later, on the morning of the 1st September 1943, FTR (Failed to Return). Subsequent records conclude "no traces found", a situation that persists to this day.

So what happened to Cecil and the crew of JB150, SR-S? With no hard evidence we cannot be sure, we may only speculate; all things considered, the main possibilities would seem to be as follows:

- a "conventional German night fighter attack, SR-S either being shot down into the sea or exploding in mid-air due to fuel tanks/lines and/or bomb load being hit;
- a German "Schrage Musik" night fighter attack (Schrage Musik – Jazz Music) was the German code name for night fighters fitted with angled, upward firing cannon to the rear of the cockpit. This system enabled the fighter to "slide" undetected beneath the target bomber and fire upwards with the cannon at the "cross shaped" target, often hitting fuel and or bombs causing a fatal explosion or at least shooting the bomber down;
- German anti-aircraft "flak" from either barge/ship mounted AA guns or ground installations, particularly the 88 mm flak guns, some of which were radar directed. Again, SR-S may have exploded due to direct fuel/bomb load hits or been shot down into the sea.

On the face of it, one of the night fighter scenarios may be more likely, fighter attacks accounted for two thirds of RAF bombers lost that night, 19 were shot down along the outgoing route, 22 in the target area or along the first 70 miles of the return leg with a further 6 lost after this stretch. Either way there would have been at least 7 empty beds at RAF Ludford Magna on the morning of 1st September 1943.

In due course 6 telegrams would arrive at homes across the UK with a further one going long distance to Australia. One of these was delivered to Stainsby Avenue, Horsley Woodhouse, informing Cecil's family that he was missing as a result of air operations on the night of 31st Aug./1st Sept. '43. This may have been followed by a letter confirming that Cecil was missing but that this did not necessarily mean that he had been

“Missing” cont....

killed or wounded, beginning an agonising period of hope that Cecil had somehow survived a crash and was a POW or still trying to get back somewhere. After some six months, during which no further word was received, there would have been a further communication stating that, in view of the significant lapse of time and lack of any further information in response to official enquiries, it was with deep regret that Cecil’s death as a result of air operations was now assumed. Even then hope would linger, until at some point would come the acceptance that Cecil was gone.

Epilogue

Just off Cooper’s Hill Lane, Runnymede, Surrey, is the Air Forces Memorial. Opened in October 1953, the memorial commemorates the 20,389 airmen and women lost in WW2 from bases in the UK and NW Europe with no known grave. Panel 141 carries the name of (Sergeant) Cecil Bardill, Flight Engineer, RAF VR, one of the crew of Avro Lancaster JB150, SR-S, missing, failed to return. His fellow crew members are listed as follows:

Flt. Sgt. HG Edis	Panel 192
Sgt. W Bennett	Panel 142
Sgt. N Corfield	Panel 146
Sgt. J Findlay	Panel 149
Sgt. G Haigh	Panel 151
Sgt. RD Holdaway	Panel 153

This four-part article has covered two Horsley Woodhouse Servicemen, Corporal Thomas Marshall, 3rd Battalion Rifle Brigade, WW1 and Sergeant Cecil Bardill, Flight Engineer, RAF VR, WW2. Let them stand for the hundreds of thousands missing in war, of whom there has been “no word”.

“We will remember them”

Look at the names on the memorials,
Everywhere you go;
Someone was killed...
A long time ago;
I remember the faces,
I remember the time
These are the names of friends of mine.

John Gray

Lie in the dark and listen,
They’re going over in waves and waves
High above villages, hills and streams,
Country churches and little graves
And little citizen’s worried dreams....

Lie in the dark and let them go,
Theirs is a world we’ll never know
Lie in the dark and listen.

Noel Coward

For “Stu”

Dedicated to the memory of Stuart Clifford, (9th April 1954 – 2nd February 2019) and all the good times and laughs. Step in time mate, step in time.

Sue & Mick Barham



Air Forces Memorial, Runnymede, Surrey



Avro Lancaster being “bombed up” at Ludford Magna

Keeping the villages connected.... Kilburn News

Support in the community during the Coronavirus Pandemic

By the time the Kilburn News is delivered, we have no doubt that life across the local area and in fact the country will be very different. The main impact will be that the large majority of elderly and vulnerable residents will be part way into the self isolation period and may be apprehensive about who to ask should they need shopping, prescriptions and other urgent household items collecting.

Residents will be reassured to know that the Kilburn & Denby Neighbourhood Watch have teamed up with local charities and the public sector to provide a service to the residents of Kilburn, Denby & Horsley Woodhouse where a team of 25 volunteers are available around the clock to assist with urgent tasks.

All you need to do is telephone their dedicated number **07756 762 192** and a member of the team will take a few details from you and allocate a volunteer to offer support. All volunteers are fully insured and will arrange a convenient time to come round to see you.

The team also have an emergency supply of food items for the elderly should they require a 1-2 day supply until other alternative arrangements can be made. There is also a supply of sanitary products and nappies available should any females need a small emergency supply until they can make it to the shops.

HELLO! If you are self-isolating, I can help.

My name is **Kilburn & Denby**

I live locally at **Neighbourhood Watch**

My phone number is **07756762192**

If you are self-isolating due to COVID-19 I can help with:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Picking up shopping	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Posting mail
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A friendly phone call	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Urgent supplies

Just call or text me and I'll do my best to help you (for free!)

Coronavirus is contagious. Please take every precaution to ensure you are spreading only kindness. Avoid physical contact (2m distance). Wash your hands regularly. Items should be left on your doorstep. **#ViralKindness**

Thanks go to Brindle & Green Ecologists, SC Johnson Group, Denby Pottery and Linden Print & Design for printing leaflets for us.

Scouts, Cubs, Beavers & Explorers

Hut Refurb

Just a few pictures of our make-over at the Scout Hut. Many thanks to all who helped. We are now ready for our Scouting adventures at 1st Sitwell HQ.

Don't forget about our new address too - 1st Sitwell Scout Group, Merlin Lane, Horsley Woodhouse, DE7 6PZ.



Explorers

Some of the Ignis Explorers went shooting last

week, the activity was great fun and some could shoot well too; funny to watch the Explorers get their phones out to count the scores. Would ask what's the score of 10 outer and 10 inner all



about when it's still 10 - skills for life!



Ignis Explorers at Hesley Wood Campsite. The Explorers did a practice walk around the nearby area so they will be ready to do their Duke of Edinburgh. Many thanks from the Explorer leaders for giving up their time for the camp. Great fun was had by all.



Left & middle - Explorers Hesley Wood. Right - Cubs winter camp

Cubs winter camp

Big thanks to the leaders and helpers who took the Cubs away from 1st Sitwell and 21st Ilkeston on their winter camp at Hesley Wood in March. We did many activities including Cavebus, den building, scavenger hunt, crate stacking, go karting to name a few and of course some sleep too.



Great fun was had by all - if you would like to join the fun as a child or as an adult please contact a group near you.



Cubs made a meal towards the chef badge and they had to wash the pots too. Cubs went with the 1st Erewash to do a Beetle Drive and joint games.

While we normally love the great outdoors, Scouters around the UK have pulled together some inspired indoor activities to help ease the strain on parents over the coming weeks and months: <https://www.scouts.org.uk/the-great-indoors/>
We will be adding more onto our Facebook in the coming weeks.

St Susanna's Church



Patronal Festival 14th to 16th August

St Susanna's life is commemorated on 11th August. She had a short life with an unhappy ending. It was not a good idea to refuse the hand in marriage of Emperor Diocletian's son in the days of the Roman Empire if you wished to keep a head on your shoulders.

We are holding our first patronal festival on the weekend of 14th to 16th August. The life of Saint Susanna provided only a little for us to build on therefore our theme for the event is 'The Female Saints and Heroines of the Church of England'. With no process for creating saints in the post-Reformation centuries, the Church of England commemorates the lives of notable Christian Heroes and Heroines. Amongst the latter are famous missionaries such as Gladys Aylward and Mary Slessor, nurses such as Florence Nightingale and Edith Cavell, and the social reformers, Octavia Hill and Elizabeth Fry.

The Programme for our pioneering weekend will include the following:

- A Flower Festival in the Church running over the three days
- A Horticultural and Produce Show on Saturday 15th the Church Hall
- Refreshments served in the Church Hall during the Flower Festival opening hours
- A competition for young people organised in co-operation with the School
- A Special Service on either the Sunday afternoon or evening.

Other events may still be added to the emerging programme such as a special Friday night Quiz Night and a musical concert.