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Annual Street Scene Competition







(Above) **Best Hanging Basket (Winner)** Sue & Philip Needham, 24 Fairfield Road

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(Left) Best Planters (Runner-up) Natalie Stevenson, 16b The Crescent

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(Below) **Best Window Boxes (Runner-Up)** Teresa Waite, 14 Meadow Close (Middle) **Best Window Boxes (Winner)** Norman Allen, 71 Fairfield Road



A big thank you to all the households that took part in the annual village Street Scene competition. Well done all.

Horsley Woodhouse Parish Council sponsored Best and Runner-up prizes for: Hanging Baskets, Planters and Window Boxes

&

Horsley Woodhouse Community Association sponsored the prize for Overall Champion Garden

HW Parish Council Chairman Cllr Karen Seals is seen in the photographs awarding residents with their certificates and garden gift vouchers.



Annual Street Scene Competition

Scarecrows & Bunting

Sponsored by Lesley Gascoyne







Runners-up Prizes 2nd) Boats 'n' Animals with handmade bullrushes, 15b Church Lane 3rd) Were-Rabbit, 16 Main Street 4th) Ironing Lady, 37 Main Street

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Annual Street Scene Competition Cont....



Scarecrow & Bunting Joint Winners

The Wombles of Woodhouse, 7 Meadow Close & Fairyland, The Haven, Wood Lane

Thank you to Lesley for sponsoring the Scarecrow & Bunting section and also undertaking the difficult task of judging

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Check out the Scarecrows and Bunting village film on either the HW Facebook page <u>www.facebook.com/horsleywoodhouse/</u> or the HW Carnival Facebook page: <u>en-gb.facebook.com/HorsleyWoodhouseCarnival/</u>

Horsley Woodhouse Community Association

presents

the 'Picnic and Party in the Park' Sat 21st Aug 4.00 - 8.00 pm at Sitwell Recreation Ground, Merlin Lane, HW

Join us for an afternoon of music, drinks, food and family fun. Bring your picnic baskets, blankets and the whole family to enjoy music from:

Donna Briscoe Greene - Soul/Gospel David Chabeaux - Big band/Swing LahdiDahs - 40's vintage Herron Bros - Indie music

Food will be on sale including pizza and ice cream – fingers crossed for the Scouts BBQ (tbc). There will also be a bar and we will be operating Challenge 25, so if you are between 18 - 25 you will be asked for proof of ID.

If you want to treat yourself to something special why not pop along to Peony Gifts and Kitchen and order a Picnic Box for £6.00pp or really make an afternoon of it and order their Picnic Afternoon Tea at £10.00pp

<u>Pre-order only</u> via the website from 1st August. Last orders on 13th August Collection from Peony's up until 4.00 pm on the day of 21st August

You can still grab a selection of their usually range of treats on the day but the picnic boxes and afternoon tea boxes are only available via pre-order until 13th August: Visit <u>https://www.peonygiftsandkitchen.co.uk/s/order</u> and click on Pick up/Select Peony Gifts & Kitchen/Start Order and scroll down to 'Picnic in the Park'

If you incur any problems just pop into the shop or give them a call on 01332 883 228.

Many thanks to our sponsors this year:

Peony Gifts & Kitchen, Main Street The Co-operative Food, Main Street BA Kelf Bodyworks, Merlin Lane Nac Hire Ltd, Unit 9, Lady Lea Road Derbyshire County Council Horsley Woodhouse Parish Council

Free Entry

Under 16's will need to be accompanied by an adult over 18

"RAMBLING" Through Time

(A serialised alternative history of Horsley Woodhouse)

Part 2. The eastern boundary to Stainsby Avenue

We start our first Ramble on the eastern boundary of the Village. As we approach Dobholes Farm we pass a

stretch of conifer hedge on the left which marks the place where Slack's Farm used to be. This was demolished a few years ago and replaced by the new Dobholes Farm building further up the drive. The eastern boundary is by the bottom hedge of Smalley Recreation Ground, adjacent to Dobholes Farm, it's a small water course which goes under the road and across into Tavern Wood. It joins a small stream which is the beginning of Gypsy Brook and can again be seen flowing beneath Wood Lane by The Haven bungalow. As this is written there are excavations taking place to install larger pipes under the road to prevent flooding. Tavern Wood has scenic paths leading down towards



Stainsby Avenue and across Smalley Meadow with its rich array of wild flowers, towards the Cricket Ground. This path runs by the Cricket Ground and then branches left towards Smalley, or a sharp right along what used to be the main road to Wood Lane, passing by the Stainsby House land.

What we now know as Church Lane was indeed just a lane, a narrow overgrown one at that, between Woodhouse and Smalley. There were no pavements and the children who went to Smalley School walked on a path through the wood. The Village Miners had their concessionary coal from Mapperley, Denby and Shipley outcrops delivered on steam powered lorries, so this woodland path was the safer option for the



children. One of these lorries was locally known as the Mapperley Jutter. Outcropping was the process of obtaining the coal by digging as opposed to deep mining.

The Tavern was the place to go in the early summer for a while in the WW2 years to hear a Nightingale sing in the evening. Its deceptively dull brown plumage belied its pure and mystical song, the veritable Pavarotti of the bird world. It must have been a memorable experience listening to the rare and captivating courtship song amongst the fresh, early summer greenery, so much so that Ethel wrote a song to the tune of "A Nightingale sang in Berkeley Square" but substituting Tavern Wood. This peaceful and beautiful evening solo would have been a stark contrast to this year's necessary felling of a number of diseased trees in the wood. Chainsaw vs Nightingale, sadly there's no comparison.

We leave The Tavern and walk down Church Lane towards the Village and notice that on the left there is a gap in the trees opposite the entrance to Stainsby Avenue. These were felled around the time of the War, perhaps to make pit props. The view over the wall is quite spectacular, open fields, woodland and the

passage of Gypsy Brook in the dip. The scenery beyond opens up into a panoramic view towards Cloves Hill, Morley and Wood Lane.

We cross the road onto Stainsby Avenue, it is flanked by the track leading to Hurst Farm on one side and Grand Moore Farm and Cottages on the other. In 1732 Hurst Farm (earlier known as Burnthurst Farm was purchased by The Trustees of Richardson's Charity (which also owned Horeston Recreation Ground and Smalley School). The rent from the Farm was to be shared between ten poor colliers from Smalley, Horsley Woodhouse, Heanor and Mapperley. Eventually the farm was sold and the proceeds were invested for the charity which still operates today. A new dwelling has recently been built on the land previously occupied by the original Hurst Farm which had fallen into disrepair.



As we walk along Stainsby Avenue, we enter into the realm of Ethel's life. Although she was born in Bottom Dobholes, the majority of her life was spent on Stainsby Avenue. Her cottage garden was a delight and contained a vast selection of carefully nurtured and occasionally rare plants and flowers. Many of these were shared as cuttings and live on in her friend's gardens in the Village and well beyond. Her memories of Horsley Woodhouse life also live on and will be liberally scattered throughout the rest of these Rambles together with those of Geoff who was also a native of Stainsby Avenue and still lives in the Village.

Stainsby Avenue consists of 24 semi-detached houses, built in two stages, the first ones being built in 1931 and the ones around the turning circle were built later. The Community spirit soon developed in these dwellings which were originally Council houses but now all but 3 or 4 are privately owned with an infill of several newly built or extended properties. The face of the Avenue has changed somewhat. The

Pandemic which started in 2020 strengthened this Community spirit once again with the introduction on Facebook of The Stainsby Avenue L Residents Group and The Walking Group. This has formed strong and lasting connections between families during the fraught times of lockdowns and social distancing and has given opportunities for many activities during these hard times.

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There are memories of family Christmases with benches being borrowed from the Church Hall

and put diagonally across a front room either side of a table to accommodate many family members and Е a barrel of beer. Hearty breakfasts of sausage, bacon, mushy peas and gravy were served on a Sunday, and a lady regularly used to take orders and walk down to the Chippy in Middle Woodhouse as it was known. (Back in the day the Village was unofficially divided into three areas Stainsby Avenue, Middle

"RAMBLING" Through Time cont...

Woodhouse and Horeston by all the locals). There was an annual Coffee Day hosted at number 6 in aid of St Suzanna's. Tea, coffee, biscuits and a light lunch for the helpers were served. A raffle, games, bring and buy, cakes, hand made goods etc., added to the proceedings. All this took place in the small front room in inclement weather or in the beautiful garden on a warm sunny day, which seemed to be nearly every year! Everyone used to eagerly await the arrival of the much loved, retired School Master and his wife with a huge tray of their delicious home baked and sumptuously decorated cakes as their generous contribution. Needless to say, their sweet treats were only very briefly on the stall. Their hearts remained in the Village for many years after retirement until their sad passing in the last couple of years.

Fifty or more years ago, the Avenue housed retired people, a teacher, miners, a smelter and a few children to name but a few with a Wood Yard in the field at the top end beyond the turning circle. Flowers grew in front gardens and vegetables were grown at the back; smoke curled up from the chimneys with the fires below fuelled with locally sourced coal. Hard work, good simple food, make do and mend and old-fashioned skills were the order of the day in these homely family dwellings.

We now turn right onto Church Lane for a few steps towards the next stage of our Ramblings.

(Sketch courtesy of Geoff Nash and photographs courtesy of Della Woods Bestwick) (Picture of the path through the Tavern Wood courtesy of Lesley Gascoyne)

Sheila Cullen

	GARDEN OPENING		
	The garden at 9 Main Street will be open for the National Gardens Scheme charity on Saturday 31 st July and Sunday 1 st August, 1.30 to 4.30 pm. The NGS supports nursing and cancer charities: Macmillan, Marie Curie, Carers Trust, Parkinson's UK, among many others. The entrance charge is £3.50 cash only please for adults, children free.		
	There will be the usual splendid Cream Teas and other refreshments in aid of the Derbyshire Children's Holiday Centre, and a plant stall, both also cash only, please.		
	I'm looking forward to meeting people in the garden again for my first opening since 2019 and hoping for no Covid-19 restrictions and fine weather.		
Please bring your own bags for plant purchases.			
	Alison Napier		

Weekly Activities at the Church Hall

This is a minimal selection of activities which are planned to commence in the first couple of weeks in September. They give a choice to serve a good cross section of our Community. This will give a steady and measured start for further activities as we all slowly acclimatise and move towards a gradual normality. The start dates are included for each activity. These are of course subject to any revised Government and Church of England Rules and Regulations which may come into force during these unpredictable times.

Date	Activity	Contact details
Monday	2.00 to 3.30 pm - Falls Prevention/ Chair Exercise &	Diane - 07919 116 585
livionuay	7.00 to 8.15 pm - Line Dancing (Both start 13 th Sep)	Megan - 01159 326217
	10.00 to 11.00 am - Yoga (Starts 21 st Sep)	Anita - 01332 842 070
	1.30 to 3.30 pm Village Crafts	Joan - 01332 880 887
Tuesday	Relevétion Dance Academy: 4.15 to 5.15 pm - Acro (Level 2) 5.15 to 6.00 pm - Ballet (Grade 2) 6.10 to 6.40 pm - Tap (Grade 1) 6.40 to 7.10 pm - Modern (Grade 1) 7.10 to 8.10 pm - Acro (Level 1) 8.15 to 9.15 pm - Adult Tap (Village Crafts & the Dance Academy Start 7 th Sep)	Leanne - 07500 823 243
Wednesday	Relevétion Dance Academy: 9.30 to 10.15 am - Toddle in Time 10.30 to 11.30 am - Adult Ballet <i>(Starts 8th Sep)</i>	Leanne - 07500 823 243
Thursday	Relevétion Dance Academy: 4.30 to 5.15 pm - Ballet (age 5 – 8) 5.25 to 5.55 pm - Tap (age 5 - 8) 5.55 to 6.25 pm - Modern (age 5 - 8) 6.30 to 7.15 pm - Acro (age 5 - 8) <i>(Starts 9th Sep)</i>	Leanne - 07500 823 243
Friday	11.00 to 12 noon - Qigong (Starts 10 th Sep)	Angela - 07762 380 277

If you have any enquiries regarding the Church Hall, please call Sheila (the Bookings Secretary) on 07803 158 235, she will be pleased to help you.

Horsley Woodhouse Parish Council

Meetings of Horsley Woodhouse Parish Council - June and July

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Cllr Ainsworth is the newly elected County Councillor and invited members to email him with any problems the Council would like him to address - <u>trevor.ainsworth@derbyshire.gov.uk</u>. Members requested that Cllr Ainsworth should look into:

- Weed killing by the railings at the Church Hall, this has not been carried out
- The Crescent sign is broken and needs to be replaced
- Outside 11a Church Street a lorry has broken a drain cover and this requires replacing

July:

- Tania Pells reported on the Keep Britain Tidy 'Spring Clean' Campaign which took place recently twenty bags of litter were collected from around the village. Amber Valley took the rubbish away and donated the black bins. Derbyshire County Council donated a grant towards the litter picking equipment.
- There will be another litter pick in the Autumn and bulb planting will be included in this event.
- The Street Scene competition will take place 12th & 18th July 2021. HW Parish Council and Horsley Woodhouse Community Association (HWCA) will donate garden vouchers to be given as prizes for the annual Street Scene competition.
- Cllr Illiffe gave the contact email addresses for the new highways' officers, Cllr Till to forward letter requesting speed limits in village to be reduced.
- The trees are overhanging the flashing speed sign, this is to be reported to Derbyshire County Council.

Planning

June:

AVA/2021/0557 – 202 Main Street. 2 storey extension. No objections

AVA/2021/0606 – 24 Wood Lane. Demolition of conservatory, garage and link to main dwelling. Proposed single storey rear and two storey side/front extension rising of ground levels for level access from dwelling and extension of existing parking. No objections

Recreation Matters

June:

- A new roundabout is to be installed on the Sitwell Recreation Ground which will be easier for younger children to use.
- The Council is looking at installing CCTV at the Sitwell Recreation Ground, as there have been several incidents of vandalism reported.

July - The Council will be installing a CCTV system on Horeston Recreation Ground due to growing concerns of vandalism taking place here (see page 23).

Date of next meetings:

The next two meetings will be held on **Tuesday 14th September 2021 at 7.00 pm**, **at the British Legion. If you wish to raise any issues**, please get in touch with your local Parish Councillor or the Parish Clerk.

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Parish Council Contact Details:

- Cllr K Seals (Chairman) 01332 881 983
- Cllr S McGuinness (Vice Chairman) 07790 849 000
 - Cllr A James 07811 384 858
 - Cllr A Nathan 07790 730 610
 - Cllr I Ratcliffe 01332 781 872
 - Cllr S Till 01332 881 739
 - Cllr J Whitmore 01332 880 203

The Safer Neighbourhood Team provides up to date information on twitter @HeanorRuralSNT and you can email the team on <u>ripley.neighbourhoods@derbyshire.pnn.police.uk</u>

Crimes and anti-social activity can be reported by ringing 101

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Local Clubs, Community Groups & Societies

Horsley Woodhouse & Smalley Royal British Legion

The Branch has held its second meeting since the lock-down, observing the rules, this was to approve the payment of three outstanding bills and to authorise the cutting of grass and vegetation on the Legion site.



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The next step is to finalise the financial accounts for the year ending 30th June, then we can hold the A.G.M. appoint officers for the year 1st July 2021 to 30th June 2022 and hopefully resume normal Branch activities.

Don Barham Hon. Sec.

Horsley Woodhouse and Smalley Royal British Legion

Horsley Woodhouse Over 60's Club

No change in the situation, we await 19th July and the proposed lifting of restrictions, once this happens a committee meeting can be arranged and the future of the Club can be decided.

Don Barham Hon. Sec.

Stargazers Drama Group

Stargazers Drama Group Plans its 2022 Pantomime

☆ \bigstar The Production Team at Stargazers is starting its planning for a Pantomime in February 2022 ☆ at the Church Hall. At present we are concentrating on selecting a script and booking our ☆ \bigstar \bigstar venues for rehearsals and performances but we expect to announce dates for auditions later in the summer. Everyone is invited to audition; no experience is necessary, and there are no ☆ \bigstar ☆ age limits. We are always ready to welcome new actors, actresses, singers, dancers, \bigstar comedians, jugglers, acrobats, technicians, stage hands, costume makers and administrators.

 \bigstar We'll issue more news on our Facebook page but if you want to chat about the \bigstar group and its activities call Ray on 01332 882 200. \bigstar

Horsley Woodhouse Walking Schedule





Date	Meeting place	Walk route and distance (miles)
4 th Aug	Morley Hayes lay-by, DE7 6DG	Morley Circular Walk – 2.75
11 th Aug	Denby Village car park, DE5 8PH	Denby and Dumbles Lane – 2.5
18 th Aug	Little Eaton car park, DE21 5EA	Little Eaton Waterworks and Breadsall – 2.75
25 th Aug	Kilburn car park, Church Street, DE56 0LX	Kilburn and Denby Bottles – 3.0
1 st Sept	Denby Village car park, DE5 8PH	Dendy and Flamstead House – 2.5
8 th Sept	Denby Pottery car park, DE5 8NX	Marehay and Greenway – 2.75
15 th Sept	Kilburn car park, DE56 0PS	Kilburn to Horsley Golf Club – 3.0
22 nd Sept	Morley Church, DE7 6DE	Morley and Broomfield Hall – 3.0
29 th Sept	Straws Bridge, DE7 5FG	Nutbrook Trail and Canal – 3.0

HW Parish Council Website

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

Wudhus News - online Past and Present

You can access all copies of the Wudhus News in colour, from 2013 to the latest edition. Just click on the





News and Events/Wudhus News Page section of the website.

www.horsleywoodhouseparishcouncil.org.uk

An Open Local Forum – 9th September Community Conversation

Over the last six months I've been organising Litter Picking in Horsley Woodhouse and the surrounding areas. It's gone well. Not only have some young people from Holbrook's Autism School and their staff members helped us but every time we went out the good people of the neighbourhood joined us. We built up quite a team.

The idea of a non-Party Open Discussion Forum has been suggested and the first will be held on Thursday 9th September on **"Our NHS"**. You are welcome. It will be friendly, informed and everyone's voice will be heard.

Join us at 7.00 pm on Thursday 9th September at the Royal British Legion Memorial Hall, Main Street, Horsley Woodhouse. There will be tea and biscuits.

Do you love Our NHS? Has it looked after you well, or do you feel let down?

Many of us would say that these last 18 pandemic months have shown us what a great institution Our NHS is. But things are changing.

Will we be able to get full health care as before? What are your health priorities when so much is at stake? Is Our NHS about to be parcelled up and sold off? Is our personal information to be used by others? What are your views? This is an opportunity to say what YOU think is important. Health Workers are particularity welcome. If it's appropriate, we can pass on your views to NHS Decision Makers.

The meeting will be a combination of simple, clear information and plenty of opportunities to join in.

If this Forum is an enjoyable success, then we might organise a meeting on Planning on 4th November.

See you there

Keith Venables venables keith@yahoo.co.uk



Horsley Woodhouse Methodist Church

Minister: Revd John MalnuttTel: 01773 713 711 Church Contact: Mrs Phyllis Shaw Tel: 01332 880 083

We had decided that once all restrictions were lifted, on 19th July, we would then resume Services in church with a *Songs of Praise* on 1st August at 6.00 pm. Whilst the restrictions are going to be lifted, we had assumed that this would only happen when infection rates were very low. This is not so. Infection rates are increasing rapidly every day and continuing to do so. In the light of this, and recommendations from the Government and the Methodist Church that restrictions should still take place (wearing masks, social distancing etc. in enclosed places) then the majority of our members have thought it unwise to open up in August. It will be September then before we resume Services in Church.

We will be continuing with the 'Sermon Delivery Service' each Sunday during August in one form or another.

September 2021

Sunday 5th at 6.00 pm – Service

Sunday 12th

at 10.30 am – Café Church at 6.00 pm – Service

Sunday 19th - Harvest Festival

at 10.30 am – Service led by Mrs Judith Milner at 6.00 pm – Service led by Mr Richard Horth

Sunday 26th at 6.00 pm – Service

Not all the preachers for September are known at the time of going to press.

We will be collecting for the Padley Centre at our Harvest Morning Service, and the Church will be decorated.

Unfortunately, there will be no Harvest Supper, nor Christmas Fair this year.

Community Request

I have recently been given this photograph of a small group of Horsley Woodhouse Scouts and Cubs and would be very pleased if any readers can help to identify people concerned or give any information of the date or place. I estimate the date to be about 1954. Was the pedal car made to take part in the Carnival or other village event or maybe in a race between Scout groups?

I can identify some of the people as follows: Standing at the back - Charlie Brown (Scoutmaster), Olive Booth (Cub Mistress "Arkela") and on the right the vicar of Horsley Woodhouse Rev. Woodward.

Scouts and Cubs (*left to right*): Unknown, Jeffrey (Jeff) Ratcliffe, Unknown, Malcolm Allen, Unknown (in the car) and Derek Bell.

If you do recognise any of the 'unknowns' please do get in touch at <u>editorwudhusnews@gmail.com</u>



With thanks, Michael Harrison

August / September 2021

Church Services St. Susanna's in August & September 2021

Dates and details of Services are as follows:

Date	Time	Service
8 th August	6.30 pm	Holy Communion
22 nd August	6.30 pm	Evening Prayer
12 th September	6.30 pm	Holy Communion
26 th September	6.30 pm	Evening Prayer

Current Regulations affecting the conduct of Services

Certain regulations seem set to continue for the moment but hopefully these will be gradually lifted over

- this period as the pandemic recedes:
- Social Distancing continues to affect seating and church capacity
 - Face coverings continue to be a requirement
 - Hand Sanitisers should be used upon entry and at departure
- Communion will be 'of one kind' [the bread] and will be distributed according to CoE guidance
 - Singing by the congregation is still not possible
 - Track and trace procedures remain a requirement

Whilst I do not anticipate that maximum permitted numbers will be exceeded at any service it will be helpful to have an indication of your intention to attend.

Please contact Andrew Shaw on 01332 883 124 or 07790 012 606 or email andrew.shaw70@btinternet.com

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 <u>editorwudhusnews@gmail.com</u>

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: 20th Sep – Oct/Nov and 20th Nov – Dec 21/Jan 22

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



Coffee Morning & Afternoon in aid of the Teenage Cancer Trust at Spa Villa, 11 Main Street, Horsley Woodhouse

In memory of Jacob Holt who died of cancer in August 2020, shortly before his 21st birthday.

Saturday 4th September 10.00 - 12.30 & 2.00 - 4.30

(Delayed from original date of 10th July as Covid restrictions weren't lifted in time)

Wanted:

Folks to lend a gazebo in case of rain Folks to lend garden furniture Anyone who would like to bake a cake LOTS of people to come along on Saturday 4th September to enjoy tea, coffee, yummy cakes and friendly chat

For further details or to offer to help please contact Dawn on 07543 783 354 or <u>dholtxx@gmail.com</u>

If you would like to donate please justgiving.com/fundraising/jacob-holt-2021

Horsley Woodhouse Community Association

Community Pride – Litter Pick

As part of the Keep Britain Tidy 'National Spring Clean' campaign, Horsley Woodhouse hosted a weekend of clean up and litter pick activities on 5th & 6th June. Locals, supported by the 'Litter picking' team (led by Keith Venables) turned out to collect 20 black bin

bags worth of rubbish. We did unfortunately find some asbestos material on the road side down Lady

Lea Road and a discarded needle on Horeston Recreation Ground, which the Pharmacy thankfully disposed of safely.

It was a good turnout with 22 people litter picking the whole village and adjoining roads including Lady Lea Road, Rkynield Road and Wood Lane. 1st Sitwell Scouts also supported the activities the following week covering Sitwell Recreation

Ground, Church Lane and Stainsby Hall grounds and woodland. Hopefully, we can encourage more younger villagers and families to get involved in the 'Autumn Clean Up' campaign.

As well as litter picking, the Millennium Wall area and Methodist Church grounds were cleared of weeds, moss and leaves to spruce them up with a 'Spring Clean'. The activities

would not have been able to take place without the following:

- Amber Valley Borough Council supplied the bin bags and collected the rubbish bags and took them for disposal (on the Sunday afternoon)
- Derbyshire County Council for providing Horsley Woodhouse Community Association (HWCA) with a grant to enable equipment to be purchased for the litter pick
- Keith Venables and the 'litter picking' team who have been hosting regular litter picks across Denby, Kilburn, Horsley Woodhouse and Horsley

And of course, a huge thank you to all who came out and supported the village to enhance our sense of community pride and spirit.

Tania Pells HWCA Chair

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Community Pride

Students from Broomfield College planted up the grass verge on the corner by the Arthur Medical Centre with box hedges and lavender in the shape of a Spitfire plane on Friday 7th May. This sits alongside a bench and flower planter to help make the entrance to Horsley Woodhouse welcoming. This isn't the first time the students have supported the village; they designed and landscaped the verge on the opposite side to the Doctors a couple of years ago. A big thank you to all involved.



On Tuesday 22nd June, members of the Horsley Woodhouse Parish Council went to do an hour of weeding at Horeston Recreation Ground. The Hawthorne plants that we put in last year were getting drowned in thistle and sticky weed. Whilst there, they cut and removed the grass from the area opposite the Arthur Medical Centre to make it all look nice again. Four hours later, it's all

looking better and the volunteers are all exhausted!

If anyone would like to join in some gardening around the village, please let one of your councillors know. Contact details on Page 13.

Thank you to all who have helped keep Horsley Woodhouse village looking clean and tidy; litter picking, wedding and grass cutting.



August / September 2021



Anti –Social Activity at the Recreation Grounds

Over the last few weeks, a number of anti-social activities have been taking place at both the Horeston and Sitwell Recreation Grounds. Unfortunately, the anti-social activity is escalating and has recently progressed to vandalism and criminal damage of property. The Scout Hut has seen the external tap and wiring damaged, even after repairing them they were targeted again. The metal fence at Horesteon Recreation which separates it from the adjoining field has repeatedly seen sections pulled off. This culminated with the wooden

fence and shrubs next to the access gate being set alight and the fire brigade having to be called out, to tackle the blaze before it spread to the neighbouring shrubland.

These Recreation Grounds are valued community assets for all members of the community from dog walkers, families using

the play equipment and young people just hanging out to meet with friends. Please support the

community by reporting any anti-social activity, don't approach individuals or tackle the situation. **Contact the Police - crimes and anti-social activity can be reported by ringing 101 or emailing**

ripley.neighbourhoods@derbyshire.pnn.police.uk.

The more incidents that are reported, will enable the police to understand the number of incidents and build up the information needed to track down the individuals or groups involved.





Keeping the villages connected.... Kilburn News



The Big Kilburn Clean Up!

On Saturday 26th June 2021 14 Residents and Councillors took part in the annual Kilburn litter pick which started on the Church Street Recreation Ground at 11.00 am. In total, 10 bags of litter were collected in one hour which shows a great effort from all involved. Thanks go to Borough ClIrs Ainsworth & Hillier for providing litter



pickers and bin bags, Cllr Kevin McDonald for donating gloves and hi-vis jackets, Cllr's Bailey, Beadell, Hall for facilitating the event and finally to all the amazing volunteers who kindly gave up their time to make the village tidier! The parish council hope to arrange another litter pick in the autumn so please keep an eye on the next edition of Kilburn News for more information.

Councillor Trevor Ainsworth – Keeping you Updated

It appears that summer may have arrived as I type this newsletter. I hope you are looking after yourselves keeping well hydrated and not forgetting to apply the sun lotion. As the restrictions slowly remove, I know that some of you will still be very nervous about venturing out and mixing with other people. It is safer now and if you follow the rules, that we are used to, not only will we minimise the chances of the spread of Covid-19, it will also help with influenza and other contagious diseases.

Local people are being invited to have their say on plans to improve bus services in Derbyshire. The County Council is asking for views on a range of possible improvements to bus services in the county. The strategy places a requirement on the Council and bus companies in the area to work together to create a Bus Service Improvement Plan. This will involve developing bold plans for improving local bus services and encouraging more people to use them. Some of the possible changes that the Council is seeking views on are, better bus stop facilities, greener buses, more flexible services, on demand services or anything

else you can think of to make the service better. Please take part in the online questionnaire and let them have your views so that together with our bus companies we can improve services in Derbyshire for you. The consultation closes on 20th August 2021 And can be found on the Derbyshire County Council (DCC) website:

https://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/ council/have-your-say/ consultation-search/ consultation-details/derbyshirebus-service-improvementplan.aspx

Many of our employees who work with children or in caring roles already foster for us, but you don't need any special qualifications or skills. DCC have just launched their new 'All about fostering' email bulletins. They will guide you through everything you need to know about fostering in Derbyshire in bitesize chunks through a series of six bulletins - each covering a different topic delivered straight to your inbox. Foster carers from all backgrounds and communities, LGBT+, any ethnicity, race, culture or religion, single or in a relationship, married or civil partnership, any age over 21 are welcomed. You can be in work or not, and either rent or own your home. If you have a spare room and are interested in fostering the fostering team would love to hear from you. They offer weekly payments, allowances and full training and support.

DCC have commenced a major road surfacing programme, if you come across any of the new surfacing please be patient and drive slowly. The chippings can easily flick up and break windscreens. You can report road defects on the Derbyshire County Council website and even add photos if you so wish, or just let me know and I will do it on your behalf.

If you are holidaying in the UK, ensure that if you are travelling out of England that you can do so within the existing rules of that country.

Please stay safe and enjoy the holiday season.

If you have any issues that you wish to discuss or need help with, please contact me

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Scouts, Cubs, Beavers & Explorers

1st Sitwell took part in this year's Scarecrow Hunt - great fun was had by all , until unfortunately it

got wrecked by some people on the Recreation Ground. The police have pictures and will be following up as this is not the first incident.

We have been up to the Scout Hut this month and planted some plants in the garden boxes.





Teamwork, challenges and skills for life are very important at 1st Sitwell, to help improve on this we were looking for some new pioneering poles. Lucky for us a Kirk Hallam Scout Group were unable to use their old pioneering poles anymore due to re-landscaping of

the community premise gardens, where they run from. They asked if someone wanted them,

thankfully NRA Roofing & Flooring Services Ltd (based in Ilkeston) were able to deliver the poles to our Hut. Many thanks for their support.

Wow. Big thanks to Adrian Dawson from Scaffnet Services Ltd who did a great job with our new BBQ drum. Now where are the marshmallows.



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Our Scouts went camping this month – it was great to see them having fun. They had great fires and cooked on them too.

Ignis Explorers

Ignis Explorers were one of the last sections to camp before the lockdowns and the first section based from our Hut to camp again, tents now drying. Great fun was had by all, many thanks to the leaders for planning, doing the risk assessment and of course taking part.

Ready for the next one!

Ignis Explorers had a prom to finish the year off. The leaders and Explorers got dressed up and had non-



alcoholic cocktails - they tasted really good and great fun was had by all.



Why not ask to become a leader and join the adventure of scouting: Email - gsl@1stsitwellscoutgroup.co.uk

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Pat's Garden Party

Saturday 11th September 2.00 pm onwards 96 Main Street, Horsley Woodhouse, DE7 6AU

Garden party at Pat Dickinson's Afternoon teas, tombola, raffle, Bric-a-brac, cake stall

Covid-19 and weather permitting

