THE WUDHUS NEWS

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1st Sitwell - Scouting Taster Day

Leaders, helpers and friends of 1st Sitwell Scout Group came together to run a "Scouting Taster Day" last month to promote scouting and to get new members into the re-opened Scout group.

The Group put on many activities during the day from wax modelling, making a compass, pyrography, cake decorating, face painting, making woggles and key rings to mini caving, kayaking, cycling and backwoods cooking to name a few.

The local MP Nigel Mills also presented the Queens portrait, the Scouts Patron to the Scout Group.

The venue for this event was at the recently



George Wilcox kayaking supervised by Simon Waterfall

re-opened 1st Sitwell HQ in Horsley Woodhouse, Derbyshire. The group is open to the surrounding areas from Heanor, Shipley Park, Marlpool, Smalley, and of course Horsley Woodhouse.



Group leaders and Cubs with Nigel Mills MP presenting the Queens portrait (The Scouts Patron) to Alice Last a sixer in the Cub Pack.

Anyone wanting more information on how to join the Scouting movement or become an adult leader/helper should visit www.1stsitwellscoutgroup.co.uk.

Ian Britton, CSL, 1st Sitwell Cub Pack

After four weeks from being open the Beaver Section is now full but we are taking names for the waiting list. However Cubs and Scouts still have a few places remaining.

Section times are as follows:

Beaver Scouts (6-8 years) Thu - 6.00-7.00 pm Cubs Scouts (8-10 ½ years) Wed - 6:30-8.00 pm Scouts (10 ½-14 years) Mon - 7.00-8:30 pm



Just completing the mini caving (Black Hole) are Kingsley & Braydon Swan

Horsley Woodhouse Walking Group



May 2014

Wed 7th May (10.00 am – 11.45 am) - High Wood Bluebell Walk 3 miles, meet at Kilburn car park at 10.00 am. *Those needing transport to meet at the Working Men's Club at 9.45 am.*

Wed 14th May (9.45 am – 11.30 am) – Crab House and Denby 2.75 miles, meet at Horsley Woodhouse Working Men's Club.

Wed 21st **May** (10.00 am – midday) – Shipley Country Park 2.5 miles, meet at Shipley Country Park Visitor Centre at 10.00. *Those needing transport to meet at the Working Men's Club at 9.45 am.*

Wed 28th May (9.45 am – 11.30 am) – Gypsy Brook Round 2.5 miles, meet at Horsley Woodhouse Working Men's Club. *This is a buggy friendly walk*.

For more information, contact Tor or Debbie on 01283 563 348 or Simon Harrison (walk leader) on 01332 780 450.

Horsley Woodhouse Primary School

Did you know that your local village school has a <u>Salvation Army Recycling</u>

<u>Bank</u> for clothes and shoes situated just inside the school gates?

It is available for **ALL** to use during term time.

Please support your village school and the Salvation Army!

Many thanks

June 2014

Wed 4th Jun (9.45 am – midday) – Erewash Canal 3 miles, meet at Horsley Woodhouse Working Men's Club. *Those needing transport to meet at the Working Men's Club at 9.45 am. This is a buggy friendly walk.*

Wed 11th Jun (9.45 am – 11.15 am) – Horsley & Golf Club 2 miles, meet at Horsley Woodhouse Working Men's Club.

Wed 18th Jun (10.00 am – midday) – Shipley Country Park 2.5 miles, meet at Shipley Country Park Visitor Centre at 10.00. *Those needing transport to meet at the Working Men's Club at 9.45 am.*

Wed 25th Jun (10.00 am – midday) – Morley & Brackley Gate 3.5 miles, to go by car to Morley Retreat. Circular walk going out to Breadsall Priory Golf Course and returning to the Retreat for lunch. Bookings required for the lunch – contact Owen on 01332 780 682.

Full details can be found of all the walks on the Arthur Medical Centre web site www.arthurmedicalcentre.co.uk/info.aspx?p=12

Come and enjoy a traditional afternoon

"VINTAGE TEA"

on Saturday 7th June
in the Church Hall
starting at 2.30 pm until 5.00 pm
£5 per person

(Tickets are available from the Flower Shop or contact Janet on 01332 881 521)

Horsley Woodhouse Community Association

Jack Clark, has formally retired from his role as Treasurer of the Horsley Woodhouse Community Association, with Claire Hague taking over. He will not be leaving fully though as he will still be attending meetings when he can, and will remain helping in an advisory role.

The Committee bought Jack a picture with an inscription on it, and it was presented to him at our February meeting, much to Jack's surprise!!

He has worked tirelessly for the good of the Carnival and the Association going above and beyond his duties and without him the new committee would have found it very difficult to move forward.

I personally and all the Committee Members would like to thank him for all his help over the years and hopefully in the future to make the Carnival a success for the whole Village to enjoy.



Jack Clark receiving his gift from Karen Seals (Chair), Vanessa Feeney (Secretary) and Claire Hague (Treasurer)

We'll done Jack! Karen Seals, HWCA Chair

Community Ball

You still have a couple of weeks to sort out your best outfit for the Horsley Woodhouse Community Ball. Based on a 007 theme there will be a cocktail bar, fun casino, live music and dancing. More information is available on the Horsley Woodhouse Facebook page about the bands.

This will truly be a night to remember. That is... if you have your tickets! There is not long to go so if you haven't already got yours, then you had better hurry! Tickets are on sale from the School office, the Flower Shop and the Post Office. Many thanks to Margot, Sue and Mrs Cornfield for their help in selling tickets. Huge thanks also to the amazing ladies of the PTFA who handmade every single ticket!

If the ball has sold out by the time this goes to press then, sorry you missed out. If you already have your tickets, than you can look forward to a fantastic party in the village on Fri 16th May!

Sam McGuinness

'We Will Remember Them'

Horsley Woodhouse Servicemen who have no known grave:

Walter was born in 1881 to parents Joseph and Mary Hall, his birthplace is given as Morley Moor, Derbyshire.

33 years old at the outbreak of the First World War, his service record shows that he enlisted at Ilkeston and served with the 1st Battalion South Staffordshire Regiment as a Private, Service No. 18228. I do not have details confirming when Walter joined the army although he may well have been "in from the start" or enlisted during the first year or so.

The 1st Battalion had been in Pietermaritzburg, South Africa prior to Britain's declaration of war on Germany on the 4th August 1914. They duly embarked at Capetown on the 27th August and landed at Southampton on the 19th September 1914, joining the 22nd Brigade of the 7th Division, moving to Lyndhurst (Hampshire). The Battalion were mobilised for war and shipped ultimately to Zeebrugge (Belgium) in October 1914. They would stay on the Western Front until late 1917 when they were deployed to Italy to aid the Italian resistance against Austria-Hungarian forces. The Battalion's war was to finish in Italy on the 14th November 1918 west of Udine.

The 1st Battalion South Staffordshire Regiment saw much action on the Western Front including the 1st Battle of Ypres (1914), Neuve Chapelle, Aubers Ridge, Festubert, 2nd Givenchy and Loos in 1915 before being transferred to the 91st Brigade of the 7th Division. They were certainly involved in the 1916 Battles of the Somme including the Battle of Albert, Bazentin/High Wood, Delville Wood, Guillemont and the River Ancre. Walter may well have experienced most if not all of these actions and battles.

In 1917, following the German fall back to the Hindenburg Line and the Arras/Vimy offensive, the South Staffordshires faced "Passchendaele", a name that was to become synonymous with mud, misery, endurance and futility. After a successful June 1917 British attack on the Messines/Wytschaete ridge lying to the south of the Ypres Salient, General Haig saw the chance of a major British breakthrough in

Flanders, his main objective being to take the slightly higher ground between Westroosbeke and Broodseinde before winter arrived. This sector included the village of Passchendaele some 5 to 6 miles east of Ypres. The offensive would eventually become known as Third Ypres. The attack opened on the 31st July 1917 and proceeded in a number of phases beginning with the Battle of Pilckem Ridge and ending with the 2nd Battle of Passchendaele in October/November 1917. Passchendaele itself finally fell to the troops of the





Tyne Cot, Memorial to the Missing

After the initial attacks, much of Third Ypres was fought in atrocious conditions of mud as the Ypres Salient became a morass due to two weeks of heavy rain on ground already almost devoid of any real drainage as a result of constant artillery shelling churning up land that was only just above sea level in many places.

Walter Hall was killed on the 6th October 1917 two days after the Battle of Broodseinde and just before the next phase of Third Ypres, the Battle of Poelcapelle (9th October 1917). I have no details of the actual location or circumstances of his death; Walter became one of around 90,000 men posted as missing during "Passchendaele" part of a total of around 250,000 British casualties sustained during the four and a half month campaign. Once hit, many of the killed or wounded sank deep into the liquid mud of the Salient, never to be seen again. Walter Hall is commemorated on the walls of the memorial to the missing located within Tyne Cot British Military Cemetery (CWGC) sited just below the Passchendaele Ridge. The memorial has some 35,000 names in addition to the 55,000 recorded on the Menin



Cap Badge – South Staffordshire Regiment

Gate in Ypres. Tyne Cot cemetery incorporates the remains of three German blockhouses and is the largest British Military Cemetery anywhere in the World. The cemetery name is said to have originated from "Tyne Cottages" or "Tyne Cotts", the name given to a group of German blockhouses either by the Northumberland Fusiliers or and possibly more likely, by British military map makers as the structures reminded them of cottages along the river Tyne.

1917 closed with no clear end in sight. The British Army endured and fought on until, in a period of some 100 days in 1918, it finally brought the war on the Western Front to an end.

The Passchendaele offensive remains controversial, it has been commented on extensively down the vears:

"as soon as I saw that name on the map with its connotation of passion and all that goes with it, I realised that this nonsense could not possibly come to fruition in any other place, I knew instantly what was about to happen" (English Officer);

"a campaign where for some four and a half months two sides fought for a low ridge possession of which could not confer victory on either side" (Philip Warner -Passchendaele);

"I died in Hell, they called it Passchendaele" (Siegfried Sassoon – Memorial Tablet);

"Good God, did we really ask men to fight in this" (Lancelot Kiggell, Haig's Chief of Staff);

"The Canadians pressed home their effort and in a chill and steadily worsening drizzle finally took the sad little huddle of pillboxes and shell-holes that had once been the village of Passchendaele. Third Ypres was over". (Lyn MacDonald – They Called it Passchendaele).

Mick Barham (copyright)

Local clubs, community groups and societies

Jog Derbyshire - New Group

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.

Scouts, Cubs and Beavers

Beaver Scouts (6-8 years) Thursday - 6.00 - 7.00 pmCubs Scouts (8-10½ years) Wednesday - 6:30-8.00 pmScouts (10 ½-14 years) Monday - 7.00 - 8:30 pm

Please contact Ian Britton, CSL, 1st Sitwell Cub Pack on:

Mob: 07847 207 756

E-mail: cubs@1stsitwellscoutgroup.co.uk
Web: www.1stsitwellscoutgroup.co.uk

Orchard Group

We meet every fortnight at The Orchard Centre on Tuesdays 2.00 to 4.00 pm. Please contact Peggy Parry for more details on 01332 883 240.

British Legion

The Branch continues to meet usually on the first Monday in the month at the Memorial Hall, however due to the May Bank Holiday the next meeting will be on 12th May at 7.30 pm.

We are hoping to have a visit from Chris Black the Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire County Secretary who hopefully will have some news on the future of the Memorial Hall and obviously the branch. Meanwhile planning goes ahead for commemorating the 100th anniversary of the First World War.

The following are now firm dates for events taking place in the Legion Hall later this year:

- Wed 2nd Jul at 7.15 pm A talk on 'The loss of H.M.S. Coventry in The Falklands campaign' by a former crew member and survivor Every one welcome.
- Wed 6th Aug at 7.15 pm A talk by Michael Barham 'Never such innocence, The Western Front 1914-1918' Open to all.
- Wed 27th Aug at 7.00 pm A social evening members and friends only, buffet and entertainment.
- Thu 18th Sep at 7.15 pm A talk by Nick Hopkins 'Smalley Boys in the Great War' Open to all.

We are also planning to visit Alrewas during the summer - date and details to be announced shortly. Don Barham Hon. Sec.

Ladies Group

The **March 2014** meeting was in two parts, firstly the AGM the main areas being covered by a number of the Committee Members, the second was a quiz held by Cynthia Millhouse which was enjoyed by all, especially the new members who attended.

3rd April 2014 - Guest Speaker was Barbara Broadbent from the Horsley Woodhouse Old Vicarage, who spoke about Sozein the Churches Ministry of Healing Trust Charity. The Ladies Group thank Barbara for her time and we made a donation to support their good works.

Next Two Meetings:

Thu 1st **May 2014** at 7.15 pm in the British Legion. Guest speaker will be John Searston who will be talking about all aspects of gardening, including flowers and vegetables during the summer.

Thu 5th June 2014 at 7.15 pm in the British Legion. Guest speaker will be Barbara Daykin MBE who is doing a return visit to speak on other aspects of her life. We really enjoyed her last visit and we expect this one to be as entertaining.

All new members are welcome.

Terrina Girling, Committee Member

Horsley Woodhouse Over 60's Club

The Club continues to meet on alternate Tuesdays at the Royal British Legion Hall in the village. Members enjoy a game of cards, dominoes, bingo or if they prefer just a cup of tea and a chat.

We look forward to the first outing of 2014 which is a visit to the multi award winning Bury Market on 14th May. Bury's award winning market is noted for its wide array of locally grown and world foods and has won numerous awards for its food offer, notably BBC Radio 4's Food and Farming "Best Food Market".

The Market has an abundance of cafes and takeaways, so there's sure to be something to suit everyone's taste; continental platters, toasted sandwiches, full English breakfasts, British fish and chips, not forgetting the local delicacy of Bury black pudding hot or cold with lashings of mustard or piccalilli. The Market Hall houses the usual variety of stalls and you'll find something to suit your pallet here, like locally produced Morecambe Bay potted shrimps, succulent steaks sourced from Lancashire farms or produce brought straight to the Market from local estates.

Coach departs 9.00 am with various pick up points through Woodhouse and Smalley. Return approx. 3.30 pm from Bury. Club Members £8, non-members £10 and a £5 deposit required on booking, which is non-refundable. A real bargain day out with only a few seats left. Please contact Cilla or Don.

The June outing will be on Wed 11th June to The Moorlands Carvery, Owler Bar near Sheffield.

On previous visits we have been made welcome and enjoyed the meal provided. Again contact Cilla or Don. 01332 881 379

Remember these outings are open to non-members and all are very welcome.

Don Barham Hon. Sec.

Whist Drive

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

Horsley Woodhouse Parish Council

Public Participation and Engagement

Post code for Church Street - At the March 2014 meeting two members of the public attended to discuss the new post code on Church Street. The Parish Clerk (Kay Richardson) reported that the post code which is used presently needed to be given to Amber Valley, who will then arrange for the new code to be issued. Names plates have been ordered, however, it will be around three months before the name plate is erected.

At the April 2014 meeting correspondence was received from Mr J Ricardo (Amber Valley) who advised he had contacted residents of Church Lane, as two people oppose the idea of having a change of post code and name of road, this cannot move forward. However, clearer signage is now being looked into.

Hedge around Horeston Recreation Ground - Cllr Buttery confirmed that the hedge is not blocking the view or obstructing the lighting, it is the trees on the grass verge and therefore the responsibility of Derbyshire County Council.

World War One Poppies - Cllr McGuinness has confirmed with the local farmers that poppies will not cause harm to livestock. The poppy seeds are available from Cllr McGuinness for distribution around the village, it was noted that the poppies would germinate quicker if planted in turned over soil.

Aggressive Shetland pony - Golden Valley – issued raised by K Vallance. Lynn Taylor at Derbyshire County Council reported that this pony has now been rehomed.

Land by the Millennium Wall - Mrs H Pope has volunteered to tidy up and plant some flowers in the area by the Millennium Wall. The Parish Clerk to write to Mrs Pope thanking her for her kind suggestions and are very happy for her to carry out this work.

<u>Special Dispensation for Cllr Lancashire</u> - Members agreed that Cllr Lancashire be given six months dispensation to be given time to recover after his recent operation.

<u>Co-option of New Members to the Parish Council</u> - At the March 2014 meeting it was agreed the Parish Clerk would contact Amber Valley regarding the co-option of new councillors and put the procedures in place. At the April 2014 Members agreed that Mr I Ratcliffe and Mr S Harrison will be co-opted to the Council. Mr Ratcliffe and Mr Harrison signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office for Parish Council.

Recreation Matters

Sitwell Recreation Ground - Parish Clerk reported Play & Leisure have moved the roundabout and all the other modifications will be carried out shortly. At the April 2014 meeting the Parish Clerk advised contact with Play & Leisure would be made to confirm when the modifications will be carried out.

At the March 2014 meeting Cllr Crowder and Cllr Seals agreed to inspect the damaged tree on the recreation ground and inform the Parish Clerk if it requires a contractor to carry out any work. At the April 2014 meeting it was reported that the dangerous branches had been cut back and made safe on the Sitwell Recreation Ground.

Recreation Grounds - At the March 2014 meeting Members agreed to look at other recreation ground notice boards owned by other Parish Council's. At the April 2014 meeting Cllr McGuinness reported that she will look at what is required on the notice boards and contact the Parish Clerk who will obtain a quotation for two boards for **both the Recreation Grounds**. Parish notice boards to be put on the agenda for next meeting.

<u>Police Matters</u> - Regular, monthly crime reports are given by the Heanor Safer Neighbourhoods Team via PCSO Vicky Hill.

<u>Footpaths</u> - All the footpaths in the Parish are monitored by our Footpaths Officers Mr and Mrs Vallance. Thanks to both for continuing this service.

Planning

Reference: AVA/2014/0046 - Golden Valley Farm Golden Valley, Horsley Woodhouse, Ilkeston, Derbyshire, DE7 6BA

Proposal: Two storey side extension to create bedroom suite with garage and TV room below, plus oak framed side extension to replace existing, following removal of store /cattle / shed.

Outcome: No objections

Letter received from Amber Valley ref - Golden Valley Farm, Golden Valley confirming that footpath 11 has never been formally diverted and remains on its original alignment.

The new stile at Golden Valley Farm is too high for the majority of people using this footpath; this has been reported to Derbyshire County Council, who will inspect it shortly.

<u>Horsley Woodhouse Community Association</u> - A request for a donation towards the Carnival was made. Cllr Seals and Cllr McGuinness declared an interest in this item and did not participate in discussions. The Members agreed that £400 be donated to this year's carnival.

Action on outstanding issues:

Scout Hut Lease - Parish Clerk to ensure that parking regulations are included in the lease; only the scout leaders and members that have a disability and need to park near to the Scout Hut are allowed to park on the recreation ground. The rent payable will be £5 per year.

Parish Council Contact Details:

- ◆ Cllr E Lancashire MBE (Chairman) 01332 881 566
- ◆ Cllr C Crowder (Vice Chairman) 01332 781 955
- ♦ Cllr K Seals 01332 881 983
- ♦ Cllr S McGuinness 01332 880 240
- ♦ Mrs K Richardson (Parish Clerk) 01332 883 404 or horsleywoodhouseparishcouncil@aol.com

Date of next meeting – AGM Tue 6th May 2014 at 7.00 pm in the Church Hall. All members of the public are welcome to observe the meeting and raise any issues.

Request for Community Support

The Wudhus News would like to say a big thank you to all the villagers who volunteer to help distribute it. To ensure that the people within their neighbourhood are getting a copy the village needs your support. Could you spare 30 minutes once every two months to help deliver the Wudhus News in your street?

We are looking for two people to distribute this community newsletter in the following areas:

- ♦ Hollies Farm Drive (11 copies)
- ♦ 17 to 79 Fairfield Road (36 copies)

If you can help please contact Tania Pells (Editor) by email editorwudhusnews@gmail.com

St Susanna's Parish Church

<u>May 2014</u>	<u>June 2014</u>
Sun 4 th at 6.30 pm – Evening Prayer	Sun 1 st at 6.30 pm – Evening Prayer
Sun 11 th at 6.30 pm – Holy Communion	Sun 8 th at 6.30 pm – Holy Communion
Sun 18 th at 6.30 pm – Evening Prayer	Sun 15 th at 6.30 pm – Evening Prayer
Sun 25 th at 10.30 am – Morning Prayer	Sun 22 nd at 10.30 am – Morning Prayer
	Sun 29 th at 10.15 am – Holy Communion at St Clement's,
	Horsley

Events and activities at the Church Hall

Currently the weekly programme of activities open to the public in the Church Hall is:

- ♦ Monday 19.00 to 20.00 Line Dancing (contact Megan on 0115 9326 217)
- Tuesday Tae-Kwon-do 18.30 to 20.30 (contact Shirley on 07790 812 468 or 01332 880 865)
- ◆ Thursday Boogie Babies (dance class for toddlers) 10.00 to 11.00 (contact Lucy on 07870 198 046)
- ♦ The Over 55's Keep Fit class which has been run on a Wednesday 13.30 to 14.30 may resume if sufficient people are interested.

Anyone interested in booking the Hall for a party or other celebration or for regular meetings of their club or society may contact Andrew Shaw (Churchwarden, St Susanna's Church) on 01332 883 124 or 07790 012 606.

Dates for your diary:

The next Quiz Night is to be held in the Church Hall on Fri 9th May at 7.15 pm, £8 per team of four. Tea and coffee will be served - you are welcome to bring your own nibbles! ALL WELCOME!

60th Birthday Bash – Come along and celebrate with Vicar Christopher Holden on Fri 2nd May at 7.30 pm – 10.00 pm at Horsley Woodhouse Church Hall. Help him celebrate his birthday and raise funds for The Lymphoma Association.

Horsley Woodhouse Methodist Church

SERVICES Ministers:

Revd Judi Smart - Tel: 01332 781 296

May 2014

Sun 4^{th} at 6.15 pm - Service led by Revd David Blanchflower Sun 11^{th} at 6.15 pm - Service led by Revd Kenneth Cupit Sun 18^{th}

at 10.30 am - Service led by Mrs Geraldine Stamp at 6.15 pm - Service with Holy Communion led by Revd Judi Smart Sun 25th at 6.15 pm - Service led by Mrs Janet Picken

June 2014 – (List of Preachers not available at this time)

Sun 1st at 6.15 pm - Service
Sun 8th - Pentecost - at 6.15 pm - Service
Sun 15th - *Trinity Sunday (Father's Day)*at 10.30 am - Service
at 6.15 pm - Service
Sun 22nd at 6.15 pm - Service
Sun 29th at 6.15 pm - Service

Dates for your diary:

COFFEE MORNING for *Christian Aid* on Sat 17th May from 10.00 am to 12 noon - *Stalls, Tombola & Raffle.*

BIBLE STUDY We hold a Bible Study, led by Revd Judi Smart, once a month on a Thursday afternoon at 3.00 pm. It is usually on the last Thursday of the month but this can vary. Anyone is welcome to come but please check the dates with Phyllis (Tel: 01332 880 083) beforehand.

HORSLEY WOODHOUSE PARISH COUNCIL

VACANCY FOR 5 PARISH COUNCILLORS

Horsley Woodhouse Parish Council will be co-opting five Parish Councillors.

Anyone who wishes to be considered please send a letter/email giving your details and why you would like to become a Parish Councillor to:

horsleywoodhouseparishcouncil@aol.com

Mrs K Richardson, 10 Horsley Road, Kilburn, Belper, Derbyshire DE56 ONE

1st Sitwell Scout Group adds two more sections

Cadbury World Visit

47 members of the 1st Sitwell Scout Group went to Cadbury's world last month. The bus collected the group members on Church Lane and took them for a tour around the Cadbury's factory.

The kids where shown the history of Cadbury's but also how chocolate is made. We also had samples while walking around the site and finished at the chocolate factory shop – I got my own kids Easter eggs there too!!



Time went very fast and we just made it back in time for the Cubs and Scouts sleepover also on that night.

Many thanks to Little's bus company who supplied the bus and of course Cadburys World, great fun was had by all.

Big sleepover

On the 1st March 22 kids from the Cub and Scout sections had a big sleepover at the Scouts HQ. Big thanks to the leaders for their time, without them the kids can't do scouting. The kids had a great time playing on the WII, Xboxes, fire lighting, table tennis and of course the egg game.

Wow what a turn around

Next time more Sleep!

The re-opened Beaver Section which opened on the 6th February this year is now full. The Beaver section was closed in 2003 due to no leaders but now reopened and we now have 20 kids.

The HQ is only big enough for 20 Beavers so we have already made that target but it does has a



waiting list. We still need more Beaver leaders and if you wish to help out please contact the group.

The other two Sections Cubs and Scouts have a few spaces and again if you wish to join please contact the group via the website www.1stsitwellscoutgroup.co.uk.

Scouts Did a Walk

Scouts walked around Carsington Water on the 5th April. The Scout troop were joined by other Scout troops from the Ripley and Heanor district in which 1st Sitwell are part off.

It was a very successful and enjoyable event. Feet ached by the end of the day and all of our Scouts made it round the circuit. There were a few bases like map reading & first aid around the circuit for the

Scouts to complete before moving on. It wasn't a race so everyone could stop and take in the views from around the water.

The Scout section will be joining the Cubs in May 2014 for a Camp at Oaks in Charnwood and one more in July 2014. We have a few spare places in both the Scout troop and the Cub pack so if you wish to join please contact the group.

Trip to Ilkeston Football Club

The Scouts, Cubs and Beavers from 1st Sitwell Scout group visited Ilkeston Football Club last month to watch their first live football match.

When the re-opened Section asked the kids of the group who had seen a live football match the amount of kids who responded that said they hadn't was a surprise. Therefore, Ilkeston Football Club



along with the clubs function rooms invited the Scout group to see a live match and try the food that the function rooms had to offer.

Sadly the first planed match had to be cancelled due to a water log pitch, however when the game was rescheduled the kids who did attend had a great time. Many thanks to the Football Club and the chip cobs etc. in the function rooms supplied too.

Request for Community Support

Four Cub Scouts have just completed their Animal Carer Badge. The Cubs had to look after their pets for a short period and then show how to care for them. One Cub brought her family dog in and showed the other kids how to take care of him and about taking the dog out for a walk or two each day.

Of course this leads on to the dog mess around the Scout Hut and the driveway up to the Scout Hut. Only last month two leaders spend 3 ½ hours cleaning the floor at the HQ after one Section's kids brought in dog mess on to the carpet. This is 3 ½ hours that could have been spent with their own family or planning and improving the Scouting experience to the local kids in the community.

The Group would like to ask people to pick up their dog mess and put the bag in the bin located at the entrance to Sitwell Recreation Ground, and not in the hedge, on the park or on the drive way up to the park. Dog fouling is not only unpleasant, it is dangerous. The biggest threat to public health from dog excrement is toxocariasis.



Please also note it is the responsibility of the dog owner

or the person in charge of the dog to clear up any dog foul left by their dog. If you fail to clean up after your dog you can be issued with a Fixed Penalty Notice, or if the case goes to court a fine of up to £1,000. So please support your community, have fun but Bag it & Bin it! – thanks. Ian Britton,



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 editor:wudhusnews@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.

The next edition is due out at the beginning of July 2014 and will cover July 2014 only. The following edition will cover August and September 2014 and will be distributed for the beginning of August.

Publishing Deadlines: July — 20th Jun 2014 and **Aug/Sep – 20th Jul 2014.** Unfortunately any information received after the deadline will not be included but may go forward to the next edition.

Many thanks Tania Pells.