

Stargazers Panto a Sell-Out!

Stargazers Drama Group presented its family pantomime 'Rapunzel' in the Church Hall in February 2023. For the first time in the Group's history every seat was sold for all five performances. This year the script was written by brother and sister team Morgan Bennett and Jess Buxton and they shared the job of directing the show, which was brimful of songs, dancing, magic and old jokes.

Stargazers is proud to be deeply rooted in our local communities, drawing its performers, stage crew, production team and script writers from nearby.



The Group is already starting to plan for next year's show, so anyone who would like to be involved in any way should contact Ray on 01332 882 200. There are no age limits and no experience is required.

In Memory of Marjorie Meakin

11th Mar 1924 to 22nd Dec 2023

'Madge' as she was known passed away at Smalley Hall aged 98 on 22nd December. She lived in Horsley Woodhouse all her life, at Harper Cottages, Main Street until she married. After leaving the village school she worked at Godbers Shop, Peony's now. She married her childhood sweetheart, Arthur Meakin who lived at the Knife & Steel Public House in 1945 and they moved to Carrfields known in those days as Fairfields.

She had daughter Pam and three years later a son John. Five granddaughters Cathy and Lindy, and Justine, Vanessa and Kelly; seven great grandchildren Bethan and Annie, Erin, Leo and Robyn, and Ellie and Jack.

They were steward and stewardess of Horsley Woodhouse Working Men's Club in the sixties, now the Co-op. After their retirement, they enjoyed their garden, holidays especially Scotland and were great babysitters!

Madge and Arthur celebrated their Diamond Wedding Anniversary in 2005, very thrilled to receive a congratulations card from Queen Elizabeth II. Sadly, Arthur passed away in 2011, Madge continued to live at Carrfields until ill health led to her to move to Smalley Hall Care Home.

She will be sadly missed by all her family but leaves us with a lifetime of Happy Memories.

Pam Durose, John Meakin and all the family



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 submitted will be reviewed and approved by the Parish Council. Unfortunately we cannot advertise businesses or print personal letters.

Publishing Deadlines:

20th May – Jun/Jul 2023 and 17th July – Aug/Sep 2023

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

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

Kings Charles III Coronation



Plans for the Coronation Garden/Street Party on **Sunday 7th May** are progressing well and over 140 applications for invitations have been received to date. Requests for invitations can still be made until the end of March or until the maximum capacity has been reached, which will be similar to the Queens Jubilee at around 160. See contact details at the end of the article for requests.

As the Coronation Party is at the beginning of May, the Street Party is very much dependent on the weather, so we have made provision of booking the rooms in the Church Hall, just in case. Could people attending, who have not already done so, please either provide me with contact details or look out for posters so that you are aware of a possible change in venue as soon as the weather situation is known.

I would like to send a big thank you to the main sponsors Horsley Woodhouse Parish Council and Derbyshire County Councillor's Trevor Ainsworth and Richard Illiffe for their funding support.

We will be holding a raffle on the day to raise additional funding, so please support us by buying tickets on the day, cash only please.

I would also like to send a big thanks to around 40 people in the community who have offered to volunteer prior to and on the day with activities.

We have received to date over 10 offers from folk to make or bring desserts to share at the Party, any further sweet donations such as cakes, cup cakes, trifles etc. preferably with a Royal / Coronation theme, would be most appreciated.

Keith and Terrina Girling, 88 Main Street, kgirling@btconnect.com

Local Bus Consultation

A proposal for a more sustainable Local Bus Service has been submitted to the Bus Service Improvement Team at Derbyshire County Council. Work is continuing on a more detailed update to the proposal, which is based on a Demand Response Bus Service, fundamentally different to the Fixed Route service which we have all known for decades.

Most of us demand convenience, flexibility and comfort in our travel requirements nowadays, which along with online shopping etc. is resulting in a major decline in bus passenger users. This has meant rural bus services such as ours becoming increasingly unsustainable and as seen recently resulted in reductions in services, mainly affecting those people who do not have a travel choice.

Demand Response Bus Services have been introduced by other councils around the country with some success, but needs the willingness of all major stakeholders, being the Council, bus operators and bus passengers to accept change is necessary. One bit of progress is that Derbyshire have appointed a Project Leader to consider the Demand Response Transport needs.

The first of a number of meetings by the wider stakeholder group, to discuss Derbyshire Bus Service Improvement Plans is scheduled for the 30th March by which time the local Forum involved in the consultation should have submitted the update to the proposal. Please contact me for information or look for updates in the Wudhus News.

Keith Girling, kgirling@btconnect.com

Local Clubs, Community Groups & Societies

Horsley Woodhouse & Smalley Royal British Legion



Continuing the story of village servicemen who came safely home from the 1939-45 war and lived out their lives in Horsley Woodhouse, we remember Henry Ling.

It must be remembered that all these are based on anecdotal accounts of events passed on by the subject, usually in the convivial surroundings of the Jolly Colliers and for some reason on a Thursday night when the ex-service men seemed to gather and reminisce of those days when the nation was fighting for its very existence.

Henry told me that on the day when he returned home and announced that he had joined the Royal Navy he received a stinging slap round the ear from his father. He said this with a twinkle in his eye, but one gathered, his Dad was not well pleased. Reporting to Portsmouth he was initiated into the art of slinging your hammock, amidst much hilarity he finally succeeded and spent a surprisingly comfortable first night in the Senior Service.

He served on several ships but on the day of the event which follows, he was on a destroyer as part of the Mediterranean fleet escorting a convoy of merchantmen heading for the besieged island of Malta. They had been under constant air attacks soon after leaving Gibraltar. At this point the reader should note that soon after hostilities broke out, the German cargo ship Altmarck (which was being used as a prison ship for Allied seamen, mainly British men who had been picked up by the roaming German pocket battleships after sinking their ships in the North Atlantic and transferred at sea to the Altmarck), was intercepted by the British destroyer Cossack and the prisoners released.

The skipper was one Captain Vian and was a big boost for propaganda which cheered the nation up, also it helped Vian's promotion prospects as you will see.

Back to the Mediterranean and a sister ship of Henry's was hit by a Stuka dive bomber and began to list; at this point Henry said we were stunned to hear, "stop engines, stand by to pick up survivors, we would be sitting ducks for the circling Stuka's. Nets over the stern and all available hands to pull in survivors". Henry said this big brawny stoker was next to me and grabbed this oil coated survivor shouting, "come on my bonny lad lets have you on board". The oil coated figure said "I'm not your bonny lad I'm Rear Admiral Vian. The stoker said, "I nearly threw the B***** back".

Henry went on to have the unique experience of being torpedoed twice in one day, surviving both incidents. He came home safely, worked at Denby Pottery and indulged his passion for gardening, being well known for his beautiful chrysanthemums.

Don Barham Honourable Secretary
Horsley Woodhouse and Smalley Royal British Legion

Horsley Woodhouse Walking Schedule



Date	Meeting Place	Walk Route	Distance (miles)
5 th Apr	Denby Pottery	Lumb Farm/Greenway	2.75
12 th Apr	Smalley car park, Dobholes Lane DE76 6EN	Smalley Dam/Woods/Sitwell	3
19 th Apr	Kilburn car park DE56 0LX	High Bluebell Woods (Bluebells)	3.25
26 th Apr	Stanley Working Men's Club DE7 6FY	Stanley Common (Bluebells in Bloom)	3
3 rd May	Morley Hayes lay-by DE7 6DG	Brackley Gate/Breadsall Golf Club	3.5
10 th May	Morley Church car park DE7 6DE	Church Lane, Moses Lane/Greenway Broomfield Hall	2.75
17 th May	Lidl car park Langley Mill NG16 4HY	Erewash/Nottingham Canal	3
24 th May	Straws Bridge DE7 5FG	Nutbrook Trail	3
31 st May	Denby Pottery	Denby Pottery to Denby village and back	2.5

Contacts: Gordon McNeil: 07740 243 825
Richard Noble: 07533 830 187

Meeting time 9.45 am

Horsley Woodhouse Ladies Group

Horsley Woodhouse Ladies Group meet on the first Thursday of each month at 7.15 pm in the British Legion Hall.

April 6th - The speaker to be confirmed

May 4th - Demonstration by Heather of willow weaving

Everyone Welcome, for more details contact Pat Dickinson 01332 880 858

Church Hall Bookings - please note that bookings and queries for the HW Church Hall can be directed to Janet via the booking line 01332 506 739.

Keeping you in touch with Cllr Trevor Ainsworth

Transport Issues

The Derbyshire Connect Access to Health Service. This provides a door-to-door service to health related appointments e.g. doctors, hospital, dentists etc. All passengers are charged a fare dependent on the mileage travelled but the cost is lower than equivalent taxi fares. This service is operated by Ashbourne Community Transport under contract to the County Council. **For more details on the service and to book a journey please call 01335 342 951.**

The Derbyshire Connect Weekly shopping bus service. This provides a once-a-week shopping trip from every community in the county including Horsley Woodhouse, to a local town centre and or supermarket to enable people to shop etc. for a couple of hours before returning passengers back to their home. Passengers with a Gold Card travel for free on this service with other passengers being charged a fare. In the Horsley Woodhouse area this service is provided by Derbyshire Community Transport under contract to the County Council. **For more details on the service and to book a journey please call 01773 746 652.**

Start your career in Health & Social Care

Are you, or someone you know, looking to start a career in health and social care?

Meet our adult care team at this year's Joined Up Care Careers

Derbyshire information events to talk about our vacancies on:

- Tuesday 14th March at Chesterfield College, Infirmary Road, S41 7NG. 10 am - 2 pm
- Wednesday 15th March at Derby College Roundhouse, Roundhouse Road, DE24 8JE. 10 am - 2 pm.

Apply for job vacancies, meet employers, take part in application and interview skills workshops, find out about apprenticeships and more. The events are open to anyone aged over 16.

Trees and Forestry Management

Derbyshire County Council have bolstered the members of staff within the tree planting team as the season for planting is in full swing. We have a Million Trees officer, **who is leading the project to plant a million trees in Derbyshire by 2030.** This will help to achieve our target of reducing emissions generated by the county council to net zero by 2032 or sooner. It will also help the rest of Derbyshire reduce carbon emissions generated within the county to net zero by 2050 or sooner.

We have also appointed three tree inspectors to survey, manage and develop the county's tree stock. This includes safety inspections and recommending remedial work. The majority of this work is along the highways, but it also includes rights of way and country parks. The three

new officers all have slightly different skills and knowledge sets which will make an excellent team, with a wide experience with Forestry England, an ecological consultancy as an arboriculturist/ecologist and the final member has 25 years' experience in arboriculture.

We have a further officer who is responsible for the management and restoration of woodlands throughout Derbyshire in response to ash dieback - a serious fungal disease affecting ash trees of all ages and now widespread in the UK. This officer is also leading on bringing our woodland estate back into active management and has a background in forestry which initially focussed on monitoring and managing invasive non-native tree pests and diseases, before moving into the management of small, sensitive woodland sites.

Environment Matters

Did you know grants of up to £1,500 are available to help Derbyshire residents retrain and learn new skills suited to low carbon technology? More than 60 Derbyshire residents have already benefitted from our Green Entrepreneurs Scholarship Scheme including a plumber and heating engineer from Chesterfield applied for a grant and was awarded £1,250 to cover the cost of two courses to learn how to safely install heat pumps.

Potholes

The winter period is always our busiest time for pothole repairs due to the 'freeze thaw' weather conditions which damage the road surface. **Our latest figures show that we repaired 2,820 potholes in the week beginning 19th February 2023 and a total of repairs completed since January this year is 19,660.**

Most pothole repairs are reported to DCC by the Highway Inspectors who patrol the County Highways. The frequency of our inspections depends on the traffic volume. For example, 'A' roads are checked on a monthly basis, smaller rural roads on an annual basis. That does not stop you reporting Potholes or highways defects either direct to me or inputting them on the portal on DCCs website www.derbyshire.gov.uk/home.aspx and press the 'report a road fault' tab.

Trevor Ainsworth

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QUIZ!
NIGHT

Friday
26th May

7:30pm
In the Church Hall

£2 per person

**Feel free to bring your
own drinks & nibbles**

Horsley Woodhouse Parish Council

Meetings of Horsley Woodhouse Parish Council – February and March 2023

February

- Members agreed to donate £1,000 towards the activities planned by Horsley Woodhouse Community Association for 2023.
- Cllr Till confirmed he had removed the graffiti off the climbing frame and sign at Horeston Recreation Ground.
- Cllr Ainsworth informed Derbyshire County Council are looking at options for a one stop shop for eco grants and pop-up stores for information.

March

- Members agreed to donate £750 to the Coronation Big Lunch event.
- Cllrs Till, Davidson and James will be attempting to repair the bus shelter on Church Lane off Stainsby Avenue.
- The Parish Council are awaiting an installation date to be confirmed for the Speed Indicator Device.
- **This year's Annual Parish Meeting will be on Tuesday 9th May at 7.00 pm. All Horsley Woodhouse residents are welcome to attend.**
- Cllr Davidson will be expressing his disappointment at the latest response from Derbyshire County Council regarding the bus service improvement plan and continues to seek improving the bus service through Horsley Woodhouse.

Planning - February

Our Ref: AVA/2022/0982

Proposal: Two-storey rear extension

Development Type: Householder

Location: 5 Wood Lane, Horsley Woodhouse, Ilkeston, Derbyshire, DE7 6BN

No objections.

Our Ref: AVA/2023/0058

Proposal: Two-storey extension to rear of property and single-storey side extension to form garage

Development Type: Householder

Location: 1 Horeston Cottages, Main Street, Horsley Woodhouse, Ilkeston Derbyshire, DE7 6AX.

No objections.

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 Miller – 01332 882 918
 - Cllr S Till – 01332 881 739
 - Cllr J Whitmore – 01332 880 203
 - Cllr I Davidson – 07342 672 775

Mrs Hayley Varty (Parish Clerk) – 07854 535 958

Email: horsleywoodhouseparishcouncil@aol.com

Dates of next Parish Council meetings:

The next meetings will be held on

Tue 4th April 2023 at 7.00 pm

Tue 9th May 2023 at 6.30 pm

& Annual Meeting at 7.00 pm
at the British Legion Hall.

If you wish to raise any issues, please get in touch with your local Parish Councillor or the Parish Clerk.

Horsley Woodhouse Parish Council

Planning - February cont...

Our Ref: AVA/2023/0052

Proposal: Extend existing vehicle access

Development Type: Householder

Location: 84 Main Street, Horsley Woodhouse, Ilkeston, Derbyshire, DE7 6AU

No objections.

Our Ref: AVA/2023/0073

Proposal: Single storey side extension, garage Conversion including raising of existing flat roof and rear 1st Floor infill extension and associated landscaping works.

Development Type: Householder

Location: 182 Main Street, Horsley Woodhouse, Ilkeston, Derbyshire, DE7 6AX

No objections.

Planning - March

Our Ref: AVA/2023/0156

Proposal: Proposed Front porch with glass roof and proposed single storey rear/ side extension with flat roof and proposed lantern light.

Development Type: Householder

Location: Nuella, Golden Valley, Horsley Woodhouse, Ilkeston, Derbyshire, DE7 6BA

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 Cemetery

The Parish Cemetery is a burial place for the loved ones of all village families. It is also St Susanna's Churchyard and as such a consecrated space to be respected.

It is disappointing therefore that a few people have chosen to use it as a dog exercise area allowing their pets to run through the graves.

Responsible owners are of course welcome to bring their dogs to the cemetery provided they are kept on a lead at all times. However, the Horsley Woodhouse Parochial Church Council (PCC) requests that **no dogs are permitted to run freely in the cemetery** out of respect for all village families whose loved ones are interred in this holy ground.



“RAMBLING” THROUGH TIME

(A serialised alternative history of Horsley Woodhouse)

PART 11. The Bethel Chapel and the Methodist Church

Hello again, as we start our next Ramble from exactly the same place as the last one, using our imagination, look to the left of where the Club Row used to stand. Cast your eyes to the left of the building and imagine a pathway or “jitty”, as these small footpaths between buildings etc. were known. This one led to fields at the back of the Club Row, passing near a wood yard on its way to a Primitive Methodist Chapel, known as The Bethel Chapel. It would be situated approximately where the entrance to Meadow Close is now. You will notice on the photo the date stone above the door. This stone was saved and now features on the Millennium Wall for posterity. Children went to weekly Temperance Meetings. There was “a Scribe” and a “Worthy Arcon” and other officials. These characters were all children and were watched over by an adult. There were prayers and a meeting where the Worthy Arcon was the chairperson and order was called by banging a small hammer on the desk. The more confident individuals would perform “contributions” which consisted of suitable songs, poems or short stories etc. Importantly The Pledge was signed to declare total abstinence from the demon alcohol! Cast iron will power must have been vital to resist the temptations of the four pubs in the village, all within easy walking distance! Intemperance was generally discouraged, maybe where the old saying “moderation in all things” originated?



Let's retrace our footsteps back onto Main Street again and turn right. A few yards on the right stands the Village Store, it has been a general store for many years, but in its early days it was an early form of a Chemist's. Large bottles filled with brightly coloured liquid were displayed in the window and inside there were banks of wooden drawers containing all manner of pills and potions to hopefully cure ills. A little further down on the left we see the Jolly Colliers. When mentioned in the previous Rambles it was one of the four village pubs, but in recent years it has been converted into dwellings. We stay on the left and arrive at the fine, brick constructed Methodist Church. If we step back in time to the planning and construction of this building in the mid 1800's, we are re-introduced to more of the familiar hard times in our Village and beyond - the “Hungry Forties”. Many were unemployed due to the lack of jobs which was the knock-on effect of the Potato Famine in Ireland and the unpopular Corn Laws. There was little or no help. Consequently, there were serious financial problems for many. Are we now seeing history repeating itself as we are again in the throes of discontent, rising prices, taxation, hardship and poverty. Is there a strange sense of Déjà vu in all of this? There was the impact of increased prices as the Church rate was increased from £4/annum to £17.19.1/2d/annum. A tythe was imposed upon the people of Horsley Woodhouse by the Vicar of Horsley, which was appealed against and lost. The villagers had to annually pay the following monies - for every fleece of wool twopence ha'penny, every cow and calf

twopence ha'penny, every mare and foal 4d, every message house 8d, every cottage 7d, every hive of bees 2d, three eggs for a cockerel, two eggs for a hen, three eggs for a drake and two eggs for a duck. Geese and pigs among other things were also chargeable. The Vicar must have been a busy, but well fed individual. As a result of these frugal times there were many riots in the county, although there were none recorded in our Village.

Despite these years of extreme poverty, the Central Methodist Church was built and opened on September 24th, 1848. Fifty odd years later in 1904 the Sunday School building was erected next door as a fine extension to the original building. Over the years this building has been used for many occasions including local stage presentations, the seasonal fundraising events for the Methodists, and until recently it has accommodated the Pre-School Play Group. This practically sized building has a lovely traditional feel about it and provides an excellent venue for the Methodist Café Church and the seasonal fundraising functions. There is always a superb welcome at these events from the warm-hearted organisers who work so hard to provide a close and supportive community spirit to all who attend these friendly village events.



Before we draw this Ramble to a close, attention must be drawn to another, this time unlikely place of worship. If we quickly turn right by Peony (Far Fairfield), which is a little further down Main Street and walk approximately 20 yards and look to the right, we see a small white cottage. It stands proud at the end of a row of houses. This used to be yet another Chapel. It hasn't been used as such in living memory, so nothing is known about it. It is now a house.

Let's meet for our next Ramble back on the Main Road at the British Legion. Meanwhile enjoy the beginning of the long-awaited warmer Spring weather.

Sheila Cullen

What's on - events and village news

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



Website: www.horsleywoodhouseparishcouncil.org.uk

HW Facebook page: www.facebook.com/horsleywoodhouse/

You can also view current and past Wudhus News editions in colour from 2013:

<https://www.horsleywoodhouseparishcouncil.org.uk/about-1>

Arthur Medical Centre

Primary Care (including GP Practices) has continued to experience far greater levels of patient demand for appointments than at this time last year. Arthur Medical Centre is no exception and has experienced a noticeable increase in patient contact and requests for appointments. The result of such high levels of patient demand obviously has an impact on GP appointments and subsequently there are currently times when it is difficult to get a GP appointment. This is further impacted by factors such as staff sickness absence at a time when locum staff are in high demand and subsequently short supply.

The practice team work very hard indeed to accommodate as many patient requests as we safely can in each working day. When appointments for the day are full, and we cannot safely conduct further numbers of appointments, we will refer you to NHS 111. NHS 111 are equipped to assess your needs and direct you to the right place to get appropriate care and help, therefore for the sake of your wellbeing, please do refer to them if you are asked to do so.

In many instances, a GP appointment is not always the best solution for illnesses. Often another solution, such as a referral to a pharmacist or a First Contact Physiotherapist is a more appropriate route for you to get the right care for your problem. If the Practice team offers a referral to another appropriate service, please do accept this.

Practice Statistics

As of 1st March, Arthur Medical Centre has **9,081 patients registered with the Practice**. This is an increase of 71 patients since the same point last year. Over the month of February 2023, Arthur Medical Centre has:

- handled **4,805 incoming telephone calls** (an average of 240 calls handled per working day). This compares to **4,133 calls** over the same period last year – an increase of 16.25%
- provided **3,819 patient appointments** in total (an average of 191 per working day)
- Of these appointments, **2,093 were face-to-face appointments** (an average of 105 per working day and around 53% of the total)

122 patients did not attend their appointments and did not give notice of cancellation, which would have allowed us to offer these appointments to other patients who needed to access a clinician. This represents up to **30 hours of patient contact time across the month**.

Practice appointments are a precious resource especially given current pressures and patients can be frustrated when trying to book GP and Nurse appointments. Please help us to help you and others by notifying the practice if you are unable to attend your appointment to allow us to offer the time to other patients.

All the staff at Arthur Medical Centre strive to deliver an exceptional level of care to each and every patient, and we do so within the parameters of available resources and funding. If you have feedback or a complaint regarding your experience as a patient of the Practice please submit this in writing for the attention of the Practice Manager. If you have feedback or a complaint regarding national policies related to Primary Care or NHS services these may be best raised with your MP.

Thank you for your ongoing support whilst we hope to continue offering the best care possible.

The Arthur Medical Centre team

Richardson's School Foundation

In 1712 **John & Samuel Richardson** established the Foundation to provide a schoolhouse, pay a schoolmaster, and make quarterly payments to pupils to attend the school.

The Richardson brothers, in 1712 conveyed to William Woolley and others, a dwelling in Horsley Woodhouse and several closes of land, on trust that William Woolley would, in return, purchase a piece of land and build a schoolhouse. A yearly salary of £10 would be paid to a schoolmaster for teaching 12 poor boys to read, write and cast accounts (arithmetic). The boys would receive 8d (3.5p) each per week, paid quarterly, for every week they attended school. The residue of the rental income from the conveyed property would be divided as follows: one third to the schoolmaster and two thirds amongst the 12 poor scholars. Seven of these poor scholars were to be from Smalley and the other five from Heanor and Horsley Woodhouse.



A schoolhouse and dwelling house (for the schoolmaster) under the same roof was built in 1721. The scholars at this time received 9d (4p) per week for books and clothes.

New trustees were appointed in 1826 and John Radford Jnr. was appointed actuary. By this time the rental income had increased, and the schoolmaster was paid an annual salary of £35, of which £6 was for teaching a Sunday School. Attending the Sunday

School were 16 boys from Smalley, seven from Heanor and five from Horsley Woodhouse.

Over time the Foundation has evolved and the property from which it derived its income has been sold. The money raised from the sale is invested and today the income from these investments provides the Foundation's resources.

Over the years the Foundation's scope and remit has been fashioned and ordered first by the Ministry for Education and in more recent times by the Charity Commissioners. The Foundation now provides an annual grant to the Richardson Foundation School in Smalley and also awards grants to students from Smalley and Horsley Woodhouse going on to Higher Education.

The Foundation is administered by a board of Governors representing the various areas covered by the Foundation.

Peter White

“THE GETTING TO KNOW YOU CAFÉ”

As there were no offers to continue with the Café, the decision has regrettably been made to wind up its operation. After much consideration the monies will be donated to: -

- a) Joan O’Connor’s Craft Groups. The reason for this is because the Café started out in a very small way as a companionable meeting place for a few people to enjoy a cuppa, chat and to bring along their crafts. Over time it became a popular fortnightly event and diversified into many other activities, including free stalls for people to sell their crafts to raise cash for favourite charities, or to plough the proceeds back into their own favourite crafting hobbies. Hopefully this will enable Joan and her ladies to continue to enjoy their crafting activities in the village.
- b) The other recipient will be the HW Community Association. The reason for this decision is that the Association and its endeavours reaches out to the whole of the Horsley Woodhouse population for those who choose to take part in or attend their events. For example, the ever-popular Carnival, Music in the Park, Litter Picking and numerous other activities.

Many happy times were enjoyed at the Café and the memories will be cherished. Good wishes and thank you to all who supported, performed and attended. Karen, Wendy and Sheila

Horsley Woodhouse Primary School – Governor Roles



Could your skills and expertise as a governor at our wonderful school benefit our fantastic children? We are a small, friendly village school at the heart of the community of Horsley Woodhouse and we are looking for additional capacity in our governing board. We are a friendly, welcoming team who pride ourselves on providing an excellent educational experience for all our children through a varied and rich curriculum.

The governing board is chaired by Steve Bramley and the headteacher is Parmjit Atwal. If you are interested, we would love to hear from you on 01332 880 403 or via email at info@horsleywoodhouse.derbyshire.sch.uk. The school is proud to be a part of Embark Federation, a Derbyshire-based federation of 15 schools. For further information see our website www.horsleywoodhouseprimary.co.uk/.

You do not need to have a child who currently attends the school or any experience of an educational setting. A commitment to our school community, and the capacity to attend school for meetings (about six times per year) and events is essential.



Please do get in touch if you wish to express your interest, if you feel that your skills would positively contribute to our ‘Love learning, love life’ ethos. Visits to the school are welcomed – please call to make an appointment.

Keeping the villages connected.... Kilburn and Holbrook

Free to attend!

Kilburn Community Day

Saturday 22nd April | 11 am - 3 pm

Kilburn Village Hall and Church Street "Bottom" Park

- * Live Demonstrations
- * Facepainting
- * Childrens Teddy & Book Raffle
- * Tombola
- * Refreshments and cake
- * Have-a-go carnival games for the whole family

An interactive, family oriented day to celebrate all that Kilburn has to offer, and working with local organisations to help Kilburn residents feel safe when at home and out and about.

Follow our Facebook page - [Kilburn Community Association](#)



Derbyshire Fire & Rescue Service

Chatterbox Café

COXBENCH HALL
RESIDENTIAL
CARE HOME



We meet at Holbrook Moor Methodist Church, Moorside Lane, Holbrook, DE56 0TW at 7.30 pm

Monday 17th April - Welcome to Spring - Justin Harrison.

Justin has a stall on Burton market and will be giving us suggestions of what to plant for Spring with plants for sale.

May to September - Garden visits, to be arranged. Contact: celia24c@gmail.com for more information

All are welcome, no membership required, £4 per meeting and a cup of tea & biscuit is included.

Look at our Facebook page. Further details ring 01773 824 446

Squirrels, Beavers, Cubs, Scouts & Explorers

Great to meet the new Group within our district, 1st Marlpool and Heanor Cubs came to 1st Sitwell HQ for a game of Beetle Drive, have a hot dog, do some campfire songs and of course make new friends. A great time was had by all.



Big thanks to Nikki our old Treasurer, she has stepped down and we would like to say a big thank you for her support. We really appreciate it. Picture shows a Cub and a Beaver Scout saying, "Thanks & Best Wishes from everyone at 1st Sitwell Scout Group". Good news though, as she will remain on our support group. Also big thanks to Jonathan for taking the Treasurer role on too.

If you would like to join the adult side of the group as a leader, help out at sessions or be part of the support group, please PM me of Facebook or see a leader.



Wow Half Term done – didn't that go quick!

All sections are back this week, the image (right) shows just before the break we had two more Squirrel leaders invested. We hope with more to follow.

Sitwell is getting brighter. We have two new lights at the back of our hut so all



our sections can work safely in that area and two smaller ones on the side so we can fill the bin before going home. Many thanks for the support group for fundraising and "the Bell Pub" in Smalley for their donation towards the lighting. We would also like to thank R&A Electrical Contractors for their work on this project. 😊

Beavers went to Heanor Fire station mid-March – they had great fun learning about fire safety and looking around the fire engine, plus help wet the nearby field too.

Many thanks to the crew for all their support.



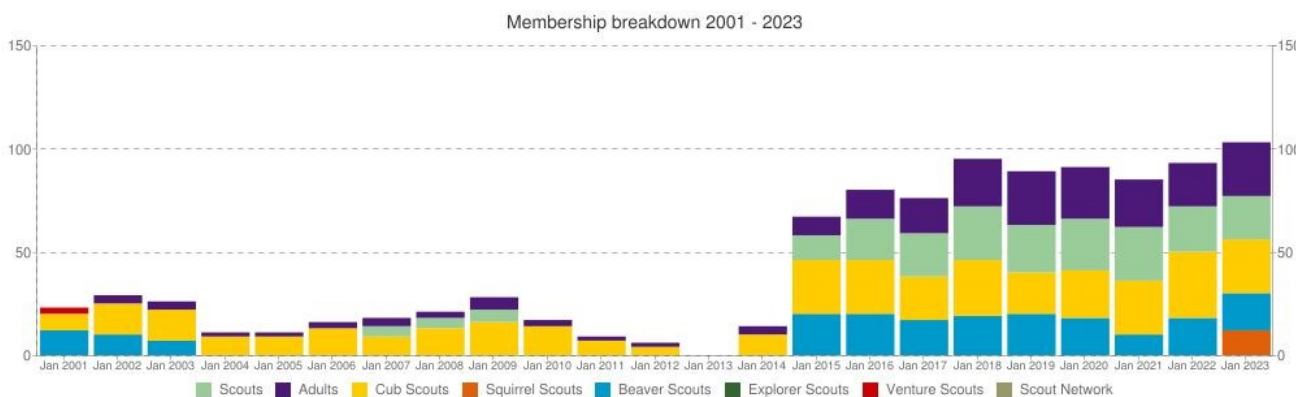
Wow we have done it – our first Squirrel Challenge badge completed in March and handed out. Well done Squirrels in gaining the ‘All About Adventure’ challenge badge and the ‘Be Active Activity’ badge, of course thanks to the leaders for their support too.



Happy Founders Day and Thinking Day! Every year on 22nd February we take some time to commemorate the history of Scouts and thank those who make it possible. Celebrating the birthday of our founder, Robert Baden-Powell (born in 1857) and wife to Olave Baden-Powell, founder of Guiding. A big thanks to all the incredible adult volunteers in the Group for all the great work they have done to keep scouting going during the last year! #FoundersDay

Well, the census for this year is complete, it hasn't been 100% confirmed but they are correct, and we have grown again. 😊

From the data image you can see that with leaders we have 103 members at 1st Sitwell. If you add the explorers, then we have 124 members using the hut every week. Note this is our 10th year since we re-opened all the sections at 1st Sitwell Scout group. The issue now is that we have a waiting list for all sections; we will be working on this but what a difference. Remember we first re-opened the group with only the Cub section in September 2013 and re-opened the Beaver colony and Scout troop in February 2014, and now Squirrels.



Many thanks to the leaders, the support group and parents for doing the role for free because without their help we wouldn't be where we are today and doing the best scouting adventure we can do at Sitwell.

Hope you can see us as part of the local community, but we can't stop here. We still need your support during the year, helping taking camp equipment to and from campsite, first aid, cooking on a section night and of course we do need help at our fundraising events like our annual bonfire event, carnival and of course our Easter Egg Hunt too.



C-c-cold night under canvas

They're made of sterner stuff in Horsley Woodhouse! Scouts and Explorers from the 1st Sitwell Scout Group braved the recent bitter weather to participate in the 'Chilly Challenge'. 1st Sitwell Scouts went to Spitewinter Campsite in Chesterfield and Ignis Explorers (also based at 1st Sitwell HQ in Horsley Woodhouse) went to Drumhill Campsite in Little Eaton in sub-zero temperatures and camped in tents for one night in January. The event is open for all Scouts and Explorers within Derbyshire. They wrapped up well and completed the challenge! Scout officials congratulated the participants (including leaders) for a fantastic effort.



Horsley Woodhouse Methodist Church

SERVICES

April

Palm Sunday, 2nd April. Service at 6.00 pm – Revd David Leese.

Good Friday, 7th April. Meditation at 11 am – Margaret Barker.

Easter Sunday, 9th April. Café Church at 10.30 am.

Service with Holy Communion at 6.00 pm – Revd Ann Anderson.

Sunday, 16th April. Service at 6.00 pm – Mr Keith Bryan.

Sunday, 23rd April. Service at 6.00 pm – Revd Stephen Pratt.

Sunday, 30th April. Easter Offering Thanksgiving Service at 4.00 pm.

at Marehay Methodist Church. This is a Circuit Service – **No** Service here on this Sunday.

May

Sunday, 7th May. Service at 6.00 pm – Revd Helen Penfold.

Sunday, 14th May. Café Church at 10.30 am.

Service with Holy Communion at 6.00 pm – Revd Stephen Pratt.

Sunday, 21st May. Service at 6.00 pm – Mr Keith Bryan.

Sunday, 28th May. Pentecost Service at 6.00 pm – Revd Julian Penfold.

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Please note:

**Sunday
Services
revert to 6.00
pm in April**

COLIN SHAW Colin, one of our loyal members, passed peacefully away on 2nd February.

'Safe in the arms of Jesus'. His Funeral/Thanksgiving Service took place at Kilburn Baptist Church on Monday 6th March at 12 noon, followed by Cremation. Friends were invited to meet here at the Methodist Church in Horsley Woodhouse, after the Service at Kilburn, for light refreshments.

Colin will be greatly missed by many people.

THANKS Phyllis thanks everybody for their cards, messages, prayers, flowers, and support over the last weeks. It's meant a great deal to her.

COFFEE MORNING for 'Christian Aid'. **Saturday 20th May from 10 am to 12 noon.**

Changes to Voting

From 4th May 2023, voters in England will need to show photo ID to vote at polling stations in some elections. This will apply to:

- Local elections
- Police and Crime Commissioner elections
- UK parliamentary by-elections
- Recall petitions

From October 2023 it will also apply to UK General elections. **For more info**

visit www.electoralcommission.org.uk

If you don't have accepted photo ID, you can apply for a free voter ID document, which is known as a Voter Authority Certificate.

You **will NOT** be able to vote in the May elections unless you take photo ID to the Polling Station.

You can use the following as proof:

- A Passport
- A Driving Licence
- A Blue Badge
- Older Person's Bus Pass
- Disabled Person's Bus Pass
- Identity Card - proof of age & defence



United Benefice of the Denby Group of Churches St Susanna's Church Horsley Woodhouse

Church Services - April to June 2023

April

Sunday 9th 6.30 pm Easter Day
Holy Communion

Sunday 23rd 6.30 pm Evensong

May

Sunday 14th 6.30 pm
Holy Communion

Sunday 28th 6.30 pm
Pentecost Evensong

June

Sunday 11th 6.30 pm
Holy Communion

Sunday 25th 6.30 pm Evensong

Mothering Sunday Charity Coffee Morning

St Susanna's annual Mothering Sunday Coffee Morning was held in the Church Hall on 19th March. Last year we raised funds to support mothers and children in the Ukraine in the days following the Russian invasion of that country. This year we raised over £120 to go to the Disasters Emergency Committee's programme supporting families in Turkey and Syria facing homelessness and hunger in the aftermath of the major earthquakes. Many thanks to those who supported this event and gave so generously.



St Susanna's Church and You

St Susanna's Church has been a significant part of the community of Horsley Woodhouse for more than 150 years. To enable us to continue as a place of prayer, worship, learning, friendship, celebration, ritual, and remembrance we need the support of you all in our local community.

St Susanna's is currently run, maintained, and financed by a very small group of parishioners.

The Church of England does not provide any funding or expertise for the upkeep or maintenance of its churches. If you would like to offer your support to the ongoing work of St Susanna's by offering practical skills, administration skills or financial support, or if you have ideas of how you would like to see the church develop in your community, please get in touch with the Priest In Charge, Revd Tracy Robinson denbygroup.tracy@gmail.com or 01332 880 284.

Please do join us at our services of worship on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month at 6:30 pm, and look out for notices about fundraising, social and other events.

Horsley Woodhouse Community Association Events – 2023

Event	Date
Litter Pick <i>(as part of the Great British Spring Clean 2023 Keep Britain Tidy)</i>	1 st April 11 am –12 meet at the Co-op 2 nd April 11 am –12 meet at Sitwell Recreation Ground
Music Night	14 th July 6 – 9.30 pm Sitwell Recreation
45 th Carnival & Parade	15 th July 12 – 5 pm Sitwell Recreation Ground <i>*Parade starts 12 noon at the Doctors</i>
Bulb Planting	October/November

Book a stall

Bookings are open for stall holders including traders, crafters and community/charity groups please access our website for more details and online booking

www.hwca.org.uk/trader-booking

Volunteer

If you are interested in helping with any of these events, please do get in touch secretary@hwca.org.uk

Keep up to date

Watch this space for more details or visit our Carnival Facebook page

www.facebook.com/HorsleyWoodhouseCarnival

ONE BAG BIG DIFFERENCE

HW Community Litter Pick

Sat 1st April 2022 at 11.00
Co-op, Main Street, DE7 6AX
and/or
Sun 2nd April 2022 at 11.00
Sitwell Recreation Ground,
DE7 6PZ

Just turn up.
Gloves, litter pickers and bin bags will be supplied

Great British Spring Clean
17 March – 2 April 2023
#LitterHereos



HORSLEY WOODHOUSE

45TH

CARNIVAL

Saturday 15th July 2023 12pm-5pm

Parade • Music • Bouncy Castle • Dog Show
Tug of War • Steam Engine • Fancy Dress
Craft Tent • Bar and Food Stalls • Ice Cream
Fun Fair • Vintage Vehicles • Pony Rides
Sitwell Recreation Ground, DE7 6PZ



www.hwca.org.uk

Keep up to date with Carnival News all year round
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