

# Wudhus News

DECEMBER 2018 / JANUARY 2019 HORSLEY WOODHOUSE PC

## World War One Remembrance

On Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November the village of Horsley Woodhouse unveiled a truly stunning piece of art as their memorial to remember the Great wars and all those who served their country.

The 10ft by 5ft forged steel and laser cut sculpture was designed and **fabricated by Stephen Oldknow of Little Eaton**

**Smithy and painted by BA Kelf** paint sprayers of Horsley Woodhouse. It depicts images from the wars with poppies, nurses, horse drawn ambulance and a spitfire on a barbed wire background.



This commemorative sculpture was **commissioned by Horsley Woodhouse Parish Council (HWPC)** and was officially unveiled by **Don Barham chair of the local British Legion** at 2.00 pm, ahead of



Remembrance Sunday. Supporting Don with the unveiling was **Libby**

**Rice (Year 5)** who also won the competition for the best poppy which were displayed at the event.



The event started with a **vintage singer, Becky Crookes**, followed by words of remembrance from our guest of honour, Don Barham who was accompanied by the British Legion Standard Bearer and introduced by **Cllr Karen Seals (HWPC Chair)**.

Songs and poetry were then performed by the students of





Horsley Woodhouse Primary School, who spoke and sang so confidently, it completed a truly moving event and we would like to thank them all for their participation.

Samantha McGuinness from the Parish Council said "We're really pleased that this beautiful and powerful work of art will have pride of place at the centre of the village and the opening service was an emotional time

for all our residents, old and young. We welcomed everyone to join in remembering the great sacrifice and see this overwhelming representation of the wars for the first time on Friday." Even as the rain started to fall the turnout from the village was great and all ages came together in memory of all who served and those who did not return.



Afterwards the British Legion welcomed people to join them for refreshments and song with Becky Crookes.

Remembrance activities continued on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> November, as the Parish Council and 1st Sitwell Scout Group worked together to join in the 'Beacon of Light' activities across the country. Cllr Seals lit the Horsley Woodhouse beacon which glowed against the dark skies. A century after the guns fell silent, in commemoration



and remembrance of the many millions who were killed or came home dreadfully wounded, 1000's of Beacons of Light were lit at 7.00 pm on the 11<sup>th</sup> November throughout the UK. The beacon was created and installed by Cllr Ian Ratcliffe (HWPC) and looked a formidable structure on the Sitwell Recreation Ground. The turnout was great, again people of all ages coming together to remember, following the morning's Remembrance Service which started at St Susanna's Church with a procession to the war memorial at Sitwell Recreation Ground at 11.00 am.



**Special thanks** to the Scouts who served refreshments at the Scout Hut after both the service and the lighting of the beacon. Stephen Till (1st Sitwell Scouts Explorers Leader), Louise Bratby (1st Sitwell Beaver Colony) for making the spectacular poppy cake and Cllr I Ratcliffe for the Beacon.

Cllr S McGuinness (Horsley Woodhouse Parish Council)



Stephen Oldknow (Little Eaton Smithy) and Brian Kelf (BA Kelf)



Standard Bearer Terry Whittaker, who also travelled to France and Belgium in August with Don Barham to represent the HW British Legion. He performed brilliantly in temperatures of 34-38 C in several parades including the big one on 8<sup>th</sup> August in Ypres where 1100 standards took part.



The Royal British Legion members would like to say thank you to the Horsley Woodhouse Parish Council members for their splendid initiative in commissioning the memorial sculpture now fixed to the Millennium wall. Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2018 was a memorable occasion. A lot of hard work took place behind the scenes. The sculpture will remind us of the sacrifice those Wudhus men made both in 1914-1918 and 21 years later 1939 a 1945.

We will Remember Them

Well done everyone.

## Odyssey of an engine - Part 2

### Continuing the story of R-R Merlin No. 118239

So now, in the early 1980's, the wartime Merlin engine in question was housed in Ben Gregory's garage following its recovery from Valley Farm, Heage; but just how had this engine found its way onto the farm in the first place?



Early clues were noted in the form of “characteristic rotational scouring marks” on the engine casing to the rear of what would have been the reduction gear assembly; these are almost certainly due to corresponding effects of a crash/crash landing where the aircraft pitched forward crushing the propeller in towards the engine casing, hence the scouring marks. The engine was presumably “written off” and at some point (possibly in late 1945 or in the next year or so) arrived at Bowmer & Kirkland's yard at Heage, a location known to be involved in the dismantling operations described by the previous articles. As this would be in the later stages of these operations, it may be that it was “put to one side” as a damaged engine, possibly seen as not being worth the effort of stripping down at that point. Our best theory on subsequent events is that the engine was probably dumped and covered over in a nearby “off-site” location as part of clearing up works after the cessation of engine dismantling/salvage operations. Anecdotal evidence suggests that smaller components were dumped in opencast coal workings, so this theory does make sense; the Merlin was buried on land now forming part of Valley Farm. Whatever the case, the Merlin was now in Ben's garage and would stay there for about 16 years, moved around from time to time as necessary. We often said that it would be good if we could find somewhere appropriate where the engine could be put on display for others to see, the question was where exactly?

Finally, fate took a hand. In mid-December 1996, I went on a business trip to Trier in Germany travelling with Clive Hillcoat, a director of a Lincolnshire based concrete repair company whom I knew from previous work dealings. As we were flying out, I decided to wear a tie with an aircraft motif (a First World War SE5a as it happened). Clive and I chatted during the flight and at some point in the conversation he remarked on my tie, asking if I was interested in aviation; of course it was not long before I mentioned the Merlin and how we still had not found a suitable place for it. When we returned from Germany, Christmas was upon us and, as it tends to, time sped on into the new year.

Lima Sector Ops.  
Room Museum –  
plotting table



Events faded in my mind until the phone rang one evening at home, it was Clive, asking whether “that Merlin engine is still in your mate's garage?”. I confirmed that it was and Clive went on to explain that he lived at Ashby-de-la-Launde and was friendly with a (then) Flight Sergeant Dave Curry stationed just down the road at RAF Digby (between Lincoln and Sleaford). Clive described how Dave was the driving force behind a museum being established at Digby in the restored wartime Lima Sector Operations Room Bunker; the museum was nearing completion but there was a problem, one of the side rooms needed a suitable centre piece. In spite of best efforts, Dave was struggling to find the right item, so, Clive concluded, “I thought of your Merlin

engine". Perfect, during the next day or two I called Flight Sergeant Curry and sent him photographs of the engine; he was delighted, it was just the sort of thing he had been looking for. It all came together, Clive had suitable transport with a tail lift and he also had sandblasting equipment at his company's works; he would be happy to collect the engine, sandblast clean it and deliver it to Dave Curry at RAF Digby, just the job for all concerned. And so it was that, on a Sunday morning in mid-July 1997, Rolls-Royce Merlin engine No. 118239, left Derby by road, en route for Lincolnshire, for the second time in its history, some 54 years after its original journey in that direction.

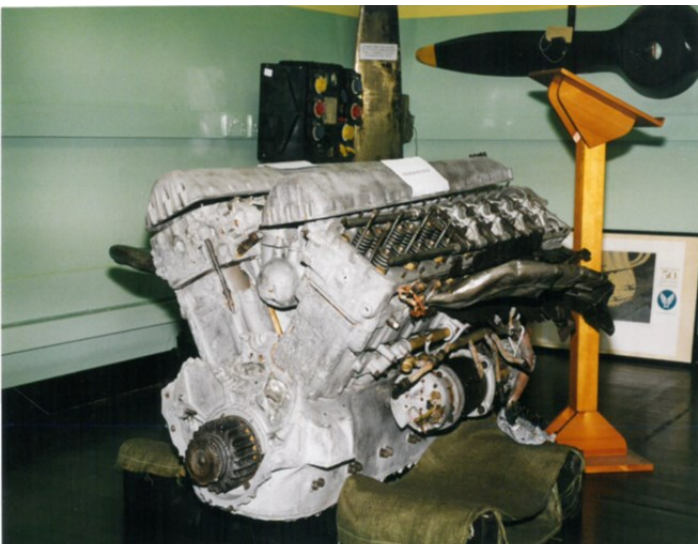
After a light sandblasting at Clive's company, the engine finally reached RAF Digby where Fight Sergeant Curry and his team of volunteers manoeuvred it into the museum and its central location in a room dedicated to Bomber Command (thereby achieving a nice balance as RAF Digby was predominantly a fighter base). At the time Dave Curry reported that the Merlin had "gone through the door on its side with half an inch to spare". So, as we had always wished, the engine was finally on display in an appropriate setting for others to see; its arrival at Digby began an association that endures to date.



Back to Lincolnshire and a new home - RAF Digby

The museum is a credit to Dave Curry, all who gave of their time at the outset and all those who continue to ensure that it is maintained to a high standard. We have visited on a number of occasions over the years and have always been made very welcome. One notable visit was that of Saturday the 12<sup>th</sup> June 2004, for the annual museum/veteran's reunion. The day was marked, amongst other

things, by a Battle of Britain Memorial Flight Lancaster and Spitfire flypast. Two thoroughbreds in close formation, above, the Avro Lancaster "Shining Sword" of Bomber Command, tucked in below the peerless Spitfire; three passes in all, five Merlins releasing that reassuring, defiant growl into the Lincolnshire skies and in the museum below, a single Merlin that, after more than 50 years, had found its way back to its spiritual home of "Bomber County" by way of Heage, a hole in the ground and two lads with a "barmy notion", ten quid and a borrowed tractor.



Centrepiece, Merlin engine 118239 back in "Bomber County"

Epilogue:

July 2018 sees the 21st anniversary of Merlin engine 118239's incorporation in the Lima Sector Operations Room Museum at RAF Digby. The museum is open to the public every Sunday from the first week in May to the first week in October. No booking is required, just arrive at the sports ground car park opposite the main gate ready for an 11 o'clock start.

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David Curry has now retired from the RAF, he achieved the rank of Warrant Officer and is an MBE; we salute him for both his long forces service and dedication to the museum.

# Odyssey of an engine - Part 2 cont....

My stepson Adam joined the RAF in 2001, training and serving in a "Signals/Intelligence role" – his first posting after training? you've guessed it, RAF Digby!, clearly fate wanted to extend and strengthen the connection.

Almost 150,000 Merlin engines were produced in all at a wartime unit cost of around £2,000, plus £350 per propeller. The 27 litre V12 aero-engine configuration was maintained throughout. The Merlin 22 developed 1435 hp at 3,000 rpm + 16 psi boost from its supercharger. Many Merlins passed through Horsley Woodhouse during the dismantling/salvage operations described in previous articles.

RAF Bomber Command carried the fight to the heart of Nazi Germany for the duration of WW2 sustaining total losses of 55,573. Fighter Command lost some 3,690 airmen and combined Coastal Command and Ferry/Transport operations record 10,990 losses making a total loss of some 70,253.



**This article is dedicated to the memory of Sergeant Cecil Bardill, Flight Engineer, RAF and the rest of the crew of Avro Lancaster JB150 , 'S' Sugar, lost during a raid to Berlin on the night of 31st August/1st September 1943 and also to Roy Harris and Bob Yates, RAF Digby veterans sadly departed: Per Ardua ad Astra, R.I.P.**

Mick Barham  
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Two thoroughbreds, 5 Merlins with their unmistakable defiant growl

**THE STARGAZERS,  
THE EX WOODHOUSE PLAYERS  
DAVID HAND AND KEITH STALEY  
AND GUEST SINGERS LORNA AND JUDE  
PRESENT**

**WINTER WUDUSLAND**

**A THOROUGHLY CHRISTMASSY SHOW**

**7<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 7.00 – 10.00 PM**

**£4 ADULTS, £2 CHILDREN**

**(INC. MULLED WINE, WARM DRINKS AND NIBBLES)**

**AT HORSLEY WOODHOUSE CHURCH HALL**

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**TICKETS FROM SHEILA 07803 158 235,  
ROBERT CRESSWELL OR IAN RATCLIFFE**

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**PROFITS TO THE METHODIST CHAPEL, THE CHURCH HALL,  
THE STARGAZERS AND AGE UK DERBY AND DERBYSHIRE**

Horsley Woodhouse Parish Church

# Christmas



# Concert



## Carols & Festive Music

featuring Marlpool URC Theatre Co.

## in the Church Hall

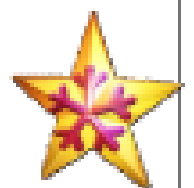
## Wed 12th Dec 7.15pm

### Warm Mince Pies!!

### Entrance £5.00



All proceeds to Church Funds





## Councillor Kevin BATTERY – Keeping you Updated

Amber Valley Borough Council's Garden Waste Service will commence from Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2019 and finish on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2019. The service will remain at last year's price of £40. New customers who wish to receive the service will need to purchase a bin, unless they already own one, which costs an extra £20, which will be delivered to your property. In the last five years residents have helped the Council collect over 21,000 tonnes of garden waste. The waste collected is turned into compost which is then re-used instead of being disposed in a landfill site, which benefits the environment. To put that into perspective, one tonne of waste weighs the equivalent of a small/medium sized car. Thank you for supporting this service. If you wish to subscribe to the Garden Waste Service, payment can be completed online, by calling 01773 841 440 or by making payment at the Ripley Town Centre Office.

Fly-tipping continues to blight communities and costs the Council tens of thousands of pounds to clean up. Even if the Council cannot prove who actually physically fly-tipped an item, they can prosecute for breach of Duty of Care under the Environmental Protection Act. Recently a man was fined £1,300 for this offence at Langley Mill, where he had taken money to

dispose of property which was subsequently fly-tipped. What we are seeing at the moment is fridge-freezers being left outside houses, hoping the scrap dealer will come along and remove them. As they contain CFC gases, some dealers are cutting out the metal of interest, then disposing of the fridge freezer illegally. Please note that, as the householder, you remain fully responsible for the disposal of the fridge-freezer and could be prosecuted if it ends up fly-tipped. Also, fridge freezers can be disposed of, legally, at Loscoe Re-cycling Centre. Make sure you obtain a waste transfer note and receipt of payment when you ask someone to dispose of waste on your behalf, otherwise you could end up facing a hefty fine.

The Green Belt Review has been completed by the independent company DLP Planning Ltd. The document is now available to view on Amber Valley Borough Council's website, it is listed as Local Plan Submission 2018 Examination Library, document AV/38 and will be taken into consideration by the Council as part of the overall Local Plan process.

Derbyshire County Council's Budget next year is forecast at £517m, with a savings target of £70m still to be achieved over the next five years. It's therefore important we get your views before setting next year's budget

on where to prioritise spending. We are facing greater demand on adult social care and services for vulnerable children, inflation and meeting the National Living Wage. But it's only right we look at how we make every pound work as effectively and efficiently as we can. As well as asking residents about our services, we are also asking about council tax.

A rise in council tax of 3.99% would consist of 2% to fund adult care services and the remaining 1.99% could be used to fund other council priorities including children's services. For a band B property, that equates to an extra 76p per week or £40 per year.

Alternatively, a rise of 4.99% would consist of 2% to fund adult care services and the remaining 2.99% could be used to fund all other council priorities (including children's services) this equates to 95p per week or £49 per year on band B properties.

Please take a few minutes to complete our budget consultation survey on the Derbyshire County Council website, [www.derbyshire.gov.uk/budget](http://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/budget) as your views matter, please have your say. A paper copy of the questionnaire is available at public libraries.

**If there is an issue I can help you with, please contact me on 01332 781 092 or [kevin.battery@derbyshire.gov.uk](mailto:kevin.battery@derbyshire.gov.uk).**

The Safer Neighbourhood Team provides up to date information on twitter @HeanorRuralSN and you can email the team on [ripley.neighbourhoods@derbyshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:ripley.neighbourhoods@derbyshire.pnn.police.uk)

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

## Horsley Woodhouse Parish Council

### Report from the October & November Parish Council meetings:

#### October

- A member of the public expressed his concerns relating to Amber Valley Borough Council's proposed new Local Plan, a review is taking place to highlight any Green Belt areas which would be suitable to have the Green Belt status removed.
- Broomfield College students have been asked to design a planting scheme for the area opposite the Doctors.
- The unveiling of the poppy memorial will take place on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November at 2.00 pm. Tea and coffee will be served in the British Legion afterwards.
- The Audit for 2018 has been completed and the Notice of Conclusion of audit and certified AGAR sections 1, 2 & 3 have been placed on the notice board in the village.
- The British Legion poppies will be put on the lamp posts on the 27<sup>th</sup> October 2018.

#### November

- The Parish Clerk will contact Futures Homes to ask if residents can park outside the garages that are not being used on Fairfield Road.
- Cllr Buttery explained that Amber Valley have commissioned a company to review the Green Belt in Amber Valley to help with the development of the Local Plan. Once this has been received and considered Amber Valley will put out the Local Plan for consultation in February/March 2019.
- Students from Broomfield College are working on planting schemes for the land opposite the Doctors.
- Cllr McGuinness reported that all the arrangements are in place for the unveiling of the poppy memorial which will take place on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2018.
- A local wildlife expert will give advice of where to place the Owl boxes in the village.

### Recreation Matters

#### **Horeston Recreation Ground:**

October - The dog bin on the Horeston Recreation Ground is to be repaired.

November - The dog bin on the Horeston Recreation Ground has been repaired, however if this is damaged again, **dog owners can use the litter bin to dispose of any dog waste.**

#### **Sitwell Recreation Ground:**

##### October

- A Beacon is to be lit on 11<sup>th</sup> November 2018 at 7.00 pm as part of the WWI Remembrance activities.
- The monthly play inspections have been carried out on the Sitwell Recreation Ground.

##### November

Goal posts are to be ordered which will be installed on the Sitwell Recreation Ground.

**Planning – November:**

**AVA/2018/0368** - Residential development for the construction of two detached dwellings  
Land off Main Street, Horsley Woodhouse

The Parish Council object to the above application:

- The driveway is not wide enough for two vehicles to pass safely
- Visibility is poor when vehicles are exiting the development
- The road is private and already provides access for 12 dwellings and is not suitable or safe for additional vehicles.
- The application cannot provide a safe and suitable access.

**AVA/2018/0985** - Re-siting of Horeston Recreation Ground – noted

**PDR/2018/0048** - Change of use from shop (A1) to cafe (A3) including minor building alterations to form disabled wc and re-arrangement of ground floor layout to suit new use  
122 Main Street Horsley Woodhouse Ilkeston Derbyshire DE7 6AW – No objections

**Enforcement Notice – The Crescent ENF/2018/0293**

Members noted that Amber Valley have inspected the development, four dwellings have been built the two paddocks at the back have been cleared just of vegetation there was no breach of planning control at the time of the visit and no start had been made to a further dwelling.

**The Christmas ‘View from a Pavement’ competition is take place again this year (see page 15 for details).**

**Parish Council Contact Details:**

- Cllr K Seals (Chairman) – 01332 881 983
- Cllr S McGuinness (Vice Chairman) –  
07790 849 000
- Cllr A Nathan – 07790 730 610
- Cllr I Ratcliffe – 01332 781 872
- Cllr S Till – 01332 881 739
- Cllr J Whitmore – 01332 880 203
  
- Mrs K Richardson (Parish Clerk) –  
013332 883 404 or

Email:

[horsleywoodhouseparishcouncil@aol.com](mailto:horsleywoodhouseparishcouncil@aol.com)

**Parish Council meetings:**

The next two meetings will be held on **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2018 at 7.00 pm in the British Legion Hall.**  
*(January meeting TBC)*

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

## Local clubs, community groups and societies



### Jog Derbyshire

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

### Orchard Group

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

### Whist Drive

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

### Scouts, Cubs and Beavers at the Sitwell Recreation Ground

**Scouts** (10 ½-14 years)

Monday – 7.00 - 8:30 pm

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

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

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



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

M: 07847 207 756

E: [gsl@1stsitwellscoutgroup.co.uk](mailto:gsl@1stsitwellscoutgroup.co.uk)



## Over 60's Club - at the British Legion Hall

The Club continues to meet on alternate Tuesday in the Legion Hall at 2.00 pm.

Summer outings over and members look forward to their Christmas Lunch at Eckington Community Centre.

For our final meeting of the year in December we have our buffet and entertainment which rounds off 2018.

Don Barham, Hon Secretary

## Chair Based Exercise in the Church Hall

**Thursday weekly. 10.00 until 11.30 am. £4.00**

Why not come along and join in, have fun and socialise. This local activity helps to improve strength, balance and co-ordination. It's standing or seated exercise in good company served up with a free cuppa and a sweet treat. People of all ages who would like to join in please come along and you are guaranteed a warm welcome. Our locally raised instructor, Di represents Age UK and provides a light-hearted weekly exercise session with humour, care and understanding.

**Any queries please call 07919 116 585 or  
07837 277 252**

## Camera Club

Forthcoming meetings at

The Old Oak Pub

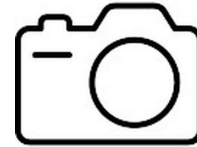
**11<sup>th</sup> December 2018**

**8<sup>th</sup> January 2019**

**12<sup>th</sup> February 2019**

at 7.30 pm

Come along and join in



## Horsley Woodhouse and Smalley Royal British Legion

Branch continues to meet on the first Monday of the month at 7.30 pm in the Legion Hall.

The Remembrance period was as always very busy and members attended both the 10.00 hours service at the Anglican Church and the evening service at the Methodist Church.

They took part in the Homage, wreath laying and delivered the "Kohima Epitaph" on each occasion.

This November brought to an end the period commemorating 100 hundred years since the events of 1914-1918 and public awareness seems to have grown with the passing years.

We face the future with some uncertainty at Horsley Woodhouse, our numbers are dwindling and the pressure to amalgamate with Heanor or Belper increases. If the Branch closes the village will lose the use of the Legion Hall, as without



doubt the land will be sold by H.Q. and built on. Anyone can join the Legion and for £17 per year its good value and may help to keep this village asset available to the public.

Don Barham Hon Sec.  
Horsley Woodhouse and Smalley Royal British Legion

## Horsley Woodhouse Walking Group



### December

**Wed 5<sup>th</sup> Dec 9.45 to 11.30 am** – Breadsall and Great Northern Railway (2.75 miles), meet at the Meteor Centre at 9.45 am.

**Wed 12<sup>th</sup> Dec 9.45 to 11.30 am** – Marehay and Street Lane (2.75 miles), meet at Denby Pottery car park at 9.45 am.

**Wed 19<sup>th</sup> Dec 9.45 to 11.30 am** – Darley Abbey (2.75 miles), meet at Chester Green car park at 9.45 am.

**Wed 26<sup>th</sup> Dec** – no walk today, Merry Christmas.

### January

**Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan** – **NO WALK**

**Wed 9<sup>th</sup> Jan** – Taking the bus to Ripley/Greenway back (3 miles), meet at Denby Pottery at 9.45 am.

**Wed 16<sup>th</sup> Jan** – Nutbrook Canal (3 miles) meet at Straws Bridge at 9.45 am.

**Wed 23<sup>rd</sup> Jan** – Kilburn and Denby Bottles (2.5 miles), meet at Kilburn car park, Church Street at 9.45 am.

**Wed 30<sup>th</sup> Jan** – Denby Pottery to Park Hall (3.25 miles), meet at Denby Pottery at 9.45 am.

### **For more information contact:**

Amanda Gowing 01773 841 428  
Phil Brown 07854 132 612  
Gordon McNeil 07740 243 825  
Owen Marshall 07800 542 689



## Horsley & Coxbench WI

Meeting every second Monday of the month for activities at **7.15 pm at the Old Oak Pub.**

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December** – Join Christine Clarke for 'Guitar playing with a Christmas flavour'.

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> January** – all 2019 programme details to be confirmed at the December meeting.

Visitors and new members always welcome. Contact S Meynell on 01332 880 561 or email [shirleymeynell@btinternet.com](mailto:shirleymeynell@btinternet.com).

## Horsley Woodhouse Ladies Group

We meet in the British Legion Hall on the first Thursday of each month.

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Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December, 7.15 pm - Demonstration and make your own flower arrangement for Christmas.

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There will be no meeting in January.

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Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> February, 7.15 pm - A talk and demonstration on hairdressing by a member of the ladies group.

For more details contact Pat Dickinson on 01332 880 858



Horsley Woodhouse Parish Council

## Christmas Decoration Competition



Could you win the 'most Festive' house in Horsley Woodhouse?



Judging will be done by the Parish Council close to Christmas



Get festive and good luck!



## **Horsley Woodhouse Church Hall**

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

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

**Call Sheila on 07803 158 235**

and she will be pleased to help you

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

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

Please email Tania Pells (Editor) at [editorwudhusnews@gmail.com](mailto:editorwudhusnews@gmail.com)

**Publishing Deadlines:**

February/March 2019 – 20<sup>th</sup> January 2019 and April/May 2019 -  
20<sup>th</sup> March 2019

*All articles and information submitted will be reviewed by the Parish Council  
before it can be approved and included.*





## HELP for HEROES at CHRISTMAS TIME



**December 15<sup>th</sup> ..... 1.00 pm until 4.00 pm**

**HORSLEY WOODHOUSE CHURCH HALL, MAIN STREET, DE7 6AT**

Robert Cresswell, a lifelong member of our Village is an official Help for Heroes Fundraiser. With the help and backing of his partner Gill they are both working hard to make a huge success of this Day.



### **The attractions so far are:-**

Music from the Human Jukebox  
Raffle and Tombola



### **A host of Stalls including:-**

Handcrafted Christmas Decorations and Gifts, Books, Cards  
Laser Art, Homemade Cakes, "Something from Nothing",  
Assorted Hampers, Toys, Felting and Wreaths, Bric - a - Brac,  
Christmas Knitting

### **The impressive Raffle consists so far of:-**

Afternoon Tea for Two (Horsley Lodge), Lunch for Two (Morley Hayes), £30 Lunch Vouchers (The Bulls Head), A Family Craft Pass (Denby Pottery), 3x Pairs of tickets to Roller World, £30 Voucher for a Doggy Wash and Blow Dry, Wine and Chocs from the Co-op, a limited edition Oleg Meerkat, Wine, Hamper, Stargazers Dick Whittington Panto Tickets.

**Tea, Coffee and Cold Drinks together with Mince Pies, Cakes and Biscuits will be for sale the whole time.**

**In this important Centenary Year, please come along and support this occasion for our Service Personnel who have never hesitated to support all of us.**

# St Susanna's Parish Church

## December 2018

2<sup>nd</sup> at 3.30 pm – Service of Dedication of the new church furniture in memory of Simon Harrison. All are warmly invited.  
 9<sup>th</sup> at 3.30 pm – Holy Communion  
 16<sup>th</sup> at 3.30 pm – Carol Service  
 23<sup>rd</sup> at 3.30 pm – Evensong  
 24<sup>th</sup> at 3.30 pm (Christmas Eve) Crib Service  
 25<sup>th</sup> at 10.30 am (Christmas Day) Holy Communion  
 30<sup>th</sup> at 10.00 – Group Service of Holy Communion at St. Luke's, Loscoe (No service at St. Susanna's)

## January 2019

6<sup>th</sup> at 3.30 pm – Evensong  
 13<sup>th</sup> at 3.30 pm – Holy Communion  
 20<sup>th</sup> at 3.30 pm – Evensong  
 27<sup>th</sup> at 3.30 pm – Evensong

*(Details for January not confirmed at time of print)*

### Date for your Diary:

**New Year Quiz on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2019** in the Church Hall at 7.30pm. £2 per person.

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### **Events and activities at the Church Hall - weekly programme:**

Date	Activity	Contact details
Monday	7.00 to 8.15 pm Line Dancing	Megan 01159 326 217
Tuesday	10.30 to 11.30 am Yoga	Anita 01332 842 070
	5.00 to 9.30 pm United Response Disco	Michelle 07891 759 907
Thursday	10.00 to 11.30 am Chair Based Exercise & 5.30 & 7.30 pm Slimming World	Diane 07919 116 585  Tracy 07821 616 372
	10.30 to 11.30 am Zumba classes	Cathy 07963 738 137

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

## Dates for your Diary, some future functions at the Church Hall



**Winter Wudusland.** Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December. A thoroughly Christmassy Show. Please see article on page 7.

**Help for the Heroes at Christmas Time.** Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> December. 1.00 pm til 4.00pm. Please see article on page 17 for more details.



### The Hanson's Valuation Day

November 23<sup>rd</sup> dawned dark, damp, misty and very, very cold. Not the sort of day for leaving the warmth of a cosy living room, but people did exactly that! There was some disappointment as Charles Hanson was regrettably and unavoidably unable to attend, but the day was saved by one of his experienced team of valuers, Vanessa. Very soon a happy queue had formed in the Meeting Room, having been supplied with tea, coffee, cakes and biscuits and Vanessa started her very busy day. Soup and rolls were served in The Sitwell Room at lunchtime and visitors were also kept busy around the various stalls and displays in there too. Vanessa worked hard until all the contents of the various bags, cases and parcels had been examined and an estimate put on their value. Some people left their items to be sold at future auction sales and others decided to keep their possessions.

The day was very well attended and enjoyed by both the visitors and helpers. Well done Age UK for organising another successful "first" for our Church Hall and Horsley Woodhouse.



# Horsley Woodhouse Methodist Church

## SERVICES

### December 2018

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> – Advent Sunday - Service at 6.00 pm led by Mr David Gent

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup>

10.30 am – Café Church. Call in for a coffee/tea. Opportunity to make Christmas Cards if wanted

6.00 pm – Service led by Revd Kenneth Cupit

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup>

10.30 am – Christingle & Gift Service led by Mrs Jayne Watson. Come and bring the family. (Monetary gifts for the Air Ambulance)

6.00 pm – Carol Service led by members of our congregation.

You will be most welcome.

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Service with Holy Communion at 6.00 pm led by Revd John Malnutt

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Day - Service at 9.30 am. A united Service at Kilburn Methodist Church

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> – Service at 6.00 pm led by Revd Robert Foster

### January 2019

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> at 6.00 pm – Service led by Revd Kate McClelland

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup>

10.30 am – Café Church

6.00 pm – Service led by Revd Peter Willis

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> at 6.00 pm – Covenant Service with Holy Communion led by Revd John Malnutt

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> at 6.00 pm – Service led by Mr Keith Bryan

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**The Beetle Drive** raised £130 for our Church funds. Grateful thanks to those who participated.

**Harvest Weekend** - Grateful thanks to all who helped and supported our Harvest Services and Supper. The Gifts and Goods were gratefully received by the Padley Centre.

**Certificates** - In October two of our members, Barbara and Pam, received certificates from Valley CIDS acknowledging 10 years helping Sue (from Valley CIDS) with the Discovery Zone (Bible based stories and craft, plus games and prayer-time etc.) at Horsley Woodhouse Primary School - after school on a Monday.

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## Horsley Woodhouse Methodist Church cont...

### Dates for your Diary

**Carols & Buffet - Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December at 7.00 pm.** Free Admission. Donations for our Church funds. Bring & Share Buffet. Raffle. Come and sing your favourite carols. Entertainment. All are welcome to join with us.



**Bible Study - re-starting on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> January at 2.30 pm** led by Revd John Malnutt. All are welcome to join with us.

### Dick Whittington: the Pantomime

The Stargazers Drama Group are well into their rehearsals for the family panto to be performed in Horsley Woodhouse Church Hall in February. There will be evening performances at 7.15 pm from Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> February till Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2019, and afternoon matinees at 3.00 pm on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> and Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2019. Tickets are £5.00, and £3.00 for children and concessions. Tickets can be bought from any cast member or by visiting our rehearsals at the Kilburn Welfare on any Monday evening 7.00 pm to 9.00 pm, or on the door on performance day. If you have any difficulty getting tickets ring Ray on 01332 882 200 and he'll put you in touch with a cast member near you.



**A VERY MERRY  
CHRISTMAS  
and Happy New Year!**

**Thank you to all the people who contribute  
articles, deliver the Wudhus News  
and all the readers.**



## Scouts, Cubs, Beavers & Explorers

Thanks to Matt McGuinness, Skip, Stephen Till and Kev Harrison for taking teams to the **Kinder Challenge 2018**. All three of our teams completed in good time. 1st Sitwell Scouts had three teams this year and the Explorer unit had one.

The Kinder Extreme is approximately 30 km and the Kinder Challenge is around 16 km. The Extreme is aimed at older Scouts, Explorer Scouts, Guides and members of the Scout Network. It is a challenge of map reading and stamina in this exciting and rugged area of the Peak District. Times vary between three and eight hours.



On the first rainy day for many years, the 2018 event had nearly 300 competitors compete across the two events - a full complement of 40 teams in the Challenge and 26 in the Extreme. The weather this year stressed the importance of the clothing and equipment that are used.

Fastest time in the Challenge was 2 hrs 14 mins achieved by the 12th Halifax Sea Scouts and fastest time in the Extreme was 3 hrs 41 mins by Endurance ESU.

### Cubs

The Cubs had a sleepover last month and of course Halloween was on the programme - spooky biscuits and strange monsters at the sleepover, and some sleep too!



The Cubs do many activities during the year and in the winter they go air rifle shooting. Some of the Cubs are scarily good shots!



Please note we are full in the Beaver section and the Scout section however, we do have a few places in the Cubs section. **If you wish to join the Cubs why not contact me on [cubs@1stsitwellscoutgroup.co.uk](mailto:cubs@1stsitwellscoutgroup.co.uk).**

If you would like to join please contact the unit via the Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/IgnisExplorers/>

# Scouts, Cubs, Beavers & Explorers cont....

Great to get the young people to present 25 years' of service to a leader, **well done Beverley Hodgkinson.**

## Beavers

Beaver Scouts have been busy again with a walk around Shipley Country Park and badge work. They also did the International Badge for food tasting – yummy!



## Explorers

Big thanks to the Ignis Explorers for their help in tidying up after the bonfire event, setting up and running the event needs a lot of people, so does cleaning up afterwards - again thanks for the young people's support.



Thanks to the Explorers and older Scouts who assisted on the outside clean-up after the bonfire event. As a thank you pizza's were on hand to help the young people – and adult helpers too.



Without this help after the event we wouldn't be able to run the bonfire event each year.



Just wanted to say a massive thanks to everyone who helped at the bonfire this year, we literally could not have pulled that off without everyone's help.



Thanks for everything, thanks for building our biggest hottest bonfire, thanks to everyone who worked on the food stall and the drink stall, everyone who worked on the hectic gate. Thanks to everyone who helped set up the tents, who served drinks, who helped pack away, who helped organise, patrol and who did the First Aid. Thanks for buying and prepping everything, thanks for setting up and letting off the fireworks, and thanks for sorting all the money out, the paperwork, and everyone who fetched, carried, and supported the event.

And can all the parents and carers pass on a big thanks to all the Cubs and Beavers who did a brilliant job stepping up and helping us out beyond the call of duty, and the Scouts and Explorers who took part in a very long day and night as we really needed them, and relied on them, and they really did us proud this year.



# Remembrance Sunday & Beacon of Light

Scouts, Cubs, Beavers & Explorers cont....



The Remembrance Sunday parade in Horsley Woodhouse was well attended, thanks for your support. #1stsitwellscouts

The Beacon of Light was lit in Horsley Woodhouse, followed by refreshments at the Scout Hut. Thanks for your support.

