



**1st Sitwell
Scout Group**

Bonfire & Fireworks

**Saturday 4th November
Sitwell Rec. Horsley Woodhouse**

**Adults £2 in advance or £2.50 on the Gate
Kids Free with paying Adult**

BBQ Mushy Peas Bar Music

**Gates open 6.30pm
Bonfire Lit 7pm
Fireworks 7.45ish**

Squirrels BEAVERS cubs SCOUTS EXPLORERS

Local Clubs, Community Groups & Societies



Horsley Woodhouse & Smalley Royal British Legion

The branch continues to meet on the first Monday of the month unless it is a Bank Holiday.

Following our appeal for new members to enable the branch to remain open, we are pleased to say you have responded in magnificent fashion and currently 14 new members have registered. Thanks for your support, this enables us to resist any pressure from HQ London to amalgamate with the nearby town branches.

Horsley Woodhouse and Smalley has a long history, formed after the First World War it played a major role in village events, running the carnival for many years and was a backer of the very successful carnival band, which was well known at many events in the East Midlands. Today our main community role, apart from Remembrance time, is to maintain the Memorial Hall and keep it available for use by the community. Now 67 years old this "Vic Hallam" type building is a tribute to the quality product of the Langley Mill firm. We have to spend increasing amounts of money on its maintenance, but where else could you hire a room for £20.

One of our original members, the late Jimmy Daniels who was Poppy organiser for many years, served on the Northwest frontier (Afghanistan) between 1899 and 1906, we still display his Poppy certificate in the Hall. Older residents will remember him, sitting outside his front door knitting. He lived opposite the village school.

If you would still like to become a member, it's not too late:

The cost is £18 per year, and you can register via telephone or online:

Ring 0800 3077 773 and advise you wish to join as a new member to the **Horsley Woodhouse branch, No. BR 0038**; or register online via <https://selfservice.britishlegion.org.uk/> and click on 'Not a member – Join today'. Fill in your personal details on the first page, click continue and then make sure you enter the branch code on the following page - **Horsley Woodhouse branch, No. BR 0038**.

Being a member doesn't sign you up for anything, you can even decline any promotional material. All it means is that it enables the HW British Legion Branch to remain and the Hall be available for villagers to use. Hope you can help and again a huge thank you to those that have already donated.

Don Barham Honourable Secretary, Horsley Woodhouse and Smalley Royal British Legion

St Susanna's 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.

Horsley Woodhouse Walking Schedule



Amber Valley
Borough Council



Date	Meeting Place	Walk Route	Distance (miles)
4 th Oct	Straws Bridge car park DE7 5FG	Nutbrook Canal	3.0
11 th Oct	Mapperley Reservoir DE7 6BT	Reservoir and Mapperley	3.25
18 th Oct	Denby Village car park DE5 8PH	Denby and Dumbles Lane	2.5
25 th Oct	Denby Pottery	Pottery to Denby Village/ Return	2.75
1 st Nov	Kilburn car park DE56 0LX	Rawson Green and Park Hall	3.0
8 th Nov	Denby Pottery	Lumb Farm and Greenway	3.0
15 th Nov	Kilburn car park	Denby Bottles	2.25
22 nd Nov	Denby Pottery	Marehay and Street Lane Circular	2.75
29 th Nov	ShIPLEY Park car park DE75 7DZ	One of Various Walks	3.0
6 th Dec	Village Inn Marehay DE5 8JF	Marehay /Greenway (Christmas Dinner)	2.25

Contacts: Gordon McNeil: 07740 243 825

Meeting time 9.45 am

Richard Noble: 07533 830 187

Horsley Woodhouse Ladies Group

Meet on the first Thursday of the month at the British Legion Hall at 7.15 pm.

Thursday 5th October - Paul and Barbara Barras, an amusing talk about days gone by -
A step back in time!

Thursday 2nd November - Demonstration of flowers and arrangements for Christmas.

Thursday 2nd December - Christmas Meal, details to be announced.

No meeting in January

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

Christmas Hampers - Community Request

This is the fourth year Horsley Woodhouse and local Communities are looking to donate Christmas Hampers to the NHS Staff on wards at the Royal Derby Hospital.

The first year was to all those in the Covid wards working in terrible circumstances, the second year to the Coronary and Elderly wards. The last three years contributions from you have all been outstanding, but last year was exceptional, accumulating eight large hampers that were donated to eight separate wards, to much appreciated staff who had to work over the Christmas and New Year period.

Anyway, collections for the fourth year started the beginning of September and will continue up to a few days before Christmas 2023, allowing time for the Hospital to distribute to the wards.

Anyone with any recent experience of a particular ward who would like to nominate them to receive a Christmas hamper please contact me using the details below. The exception to this being Macmillan, as they only accept monetary donations and the Children's Wards, who get inundated with presents and gifts. There are numerous other wards all of whom are worthy causes but often don't get the same recognition.



The hampers contain cakes, boxes of chocolate, biscuits, savouries, sweets, soft drinks, jellies, Christmas crackers etc. please take note, items must have long 'Use by Dates' preferably early New Year; **no alcohol or items that have to be heated please.** I understand it is a difficult time with all the cost-of-living issues currently, but if anyone wishes to contribute with funds or food, however small, I'm sure the ward staff will appreciate it. Please contact us, details below:

Keith & Terrina Girling, 88 Main Street, HW. E: kgirling@btconnect.com

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

If you would like to put forward any details to be included in the next edition of the Wudhus News, please contact Tania Pells (Editor) at 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 Nov – Dec 2023/Jan 2024 & 20th Jan – Feb/Mar 2024

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.

Litter Picking - Bin Bag Brigade!

All residents are welcome. Bring your own gloves. We provide bags. Events usually take around 45 to 90 minutes. We collect in open and rural areas so as not to compete with the work of parish wardens.

Typical areas covered are Lady Lea Lane, Woodhouse Road, Tants Meadow, Horsley Road, Bywell Lane, Lower Kilburn lay-by, the playing field behind Arthur Medical and Pit Fields footpath.



- **Friday 6th October, 10.00 am - Horsley Woodhouse Co-op**
- **Friday 3rd November, 10.00 am - Kilburn Church Street car park**
- **Friday 1st December, 10.00 am - Horsley Woodhouse Co-op**

These litter picking events are organised by the local Labour Party to benefit the community and have been running for around three years. If you're interested in joining us occasionally, or want to know more about us please do get in touch with via email on hedley.nichols@yahoo.com or call 07723 071 984.

PLEASE NOTE: Litter picking will be cancelled if heavy rain is forecast.

Book Club@Peony's

Reading books is one of the most pleasurable ways to spend your free time, so at Peony we have set up our own Book Exchange. We hope this will be a great way to share our love of reading and discover exciting new books. We also hope children will take the opportunity to choose a book for themselves and start to build a lifelong love of reading.

Book swaps are also a great way to support and improve literacy levels within the community. All books are donated by people from the community, once you have chosen a book, feel free to return it when you have finished, we also welcome people to bring other books which they no longer want or would like to pass on.

Pop into Peony to use our Exchange we hope everyone can enjoy this free service and find some new exciting reading. We already have a well stocked shelf, ready for you to enjoy, we hope to see you very soon.

If you have any books you would like to donate please feel free to hand them to a member of our team.



Hello from your Borough Councillors

As this is our first update in the Wudhus News we would like to take the opportunity to thank everyone in Horsley Woodhouse who voted in the local elections in May and to say how pleased we are to have been elected as your borough councillors representing Smalley, Shipley & Horsley Woodhouse.

What is the borough council responsible for:

Amber Valley Borough Council (AVBC) are responsible for refuse collection and recycling, housing and the Local Plan, planning applications, environmental health and leisure centres. Derbyshire County Council (DCC) are responsible for education, highways, libraries and social care.

One of the first things that became an issue during the election was the threat of closure for Belper Leisure Centre. Many residents told us of their concern at losing the centre. The Green group has been working hard lobbying AVBC to ensure a way was found to keep the centre open.

A significant number of people have expressed concerns over speeding through the village and we have been speaking with the local police. The speed indicators have proved a popular addition and we understand the HW Parish Council and the police are working to see Community Speedwatch in Horsley Woodhouse again soon.

As autumn arrives and many of us are clearing our gardens or looking ahead to Guy Fawkes night, just a reminder to look for hedgehogs in any bonfires. Lift the base of the heap with a stick or broom and shine a torch into the centre to check. Always light on one side, to allow any creatures inside an escape route.

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HW Community Association - AGM

The HWCA held their AGM on 6th September 2023 and was well attended. The purpose of the meeting is to hold committee elections and to review the activities and events held from September 2022 to August 2023 which included litter picking, bulb planting, the music night and carnival. Feedback was positive from members of the public, 'Friends of' HWCA and committee members, especially about the music night. We also received some comments on how to improve for next year, and we have taken those on board and will consider how we can act on these.

Elections: Liam Higgins moved from Vice Chair to Chair and Glynn Wilton has stepped into the role of Vice Chair. Liam would like to thank members, 'Friends of' and all the volunteers who contribute and support the HWCA activities; also, a thank you to Tania Pells for her efforts as Chair since 2017 and role as Vice Chair prior to this.

If you wish to view the feedback and full list of committee members, please review the minutes in the HW Parish Council Notice Boards around the village. Committee member contact details and a full list of 'Friends of' are also available via the HWCA website www.hwca.org.uk/

Save the Date: Music Night 19th July 2024 and Carnival 20th July 2024

Keeping you in touch with Cllr Trevor Ainsworth

For the love of trees

If you've planted a tree in Derbyshire since June 2021, did you know that you can record it as part of a project to plant a million trees across the county by 2030? It's all part of efforts to help boost the environment and tackle the effects of climate change. To date more than 312,700 trees have been recorded on our online map, which is great news!

If you go to <https://milliontrees.co.uk/> you can add any trees you have planted, tap any of the pins placed on the map and you can share details of the story behind your tree too.

We're asking for support to help clear snow

We know summer isn't over yet but we're turning our attention to colder weather - could you help clear snow and ice from Derbyshire's roads this winter? We'd like to hear from residents and groups interested in taking part in our **snow warden scheme**. We're calling for farmers with ploughing or gritting equipment to work as contractors to supplement work carried out by our own gritting teams and help keep roads safe and on the move when the bad weather hits.

Travel

A major countywide £1 million repair programme targeting 124 residential roads starts on Wednesday 6th September 2023. Using a process called micro-asphalt, a liquid mix of stone, cement and bitumen, which seals the road, preventing any further

damage and repairs existing potholes. The process can be carried out in cooler weather conditions and is ideal preparation to protect roads before the arrival of the colder, winter weather. Several roads locally are receiving this treatment - The Walk, Belper Road (Hilltop Lane).

A new bus-only Wayfarer ticket was introduced in April. These can be used on any bus journey across all bus operators within Derbyshire. The one-day version is available as a paper ticket or to load onto a smartcard via an app. A seven-day version has recently been added to the options available with a further monthly Wayfarer being explored. Visit Derbyshire County Council website for further details.

Join the Sing Viva Derbyshire Carers' Choir

Are you a carer who has a passion for singing? If so, the Sing Viva Derbyshire Carers' Choir could be for you. The choir meets once a month in person at Derby University or you can join in online via Zoom. No previous singing experience needed, just have a go and meet other carers too. **To join, please email Hattie Coupe at hattie@sinfoniaviva.co.uk**

Neighbourhood Watch news
Does your watch need a bit of a lift? Or perhaps you could benefit from a recruitment drive? We are opening up the Community Grants Fund for applications towards the end of this year,

paying out in February 2024.

We'll announce the opening up of grants through our newsletter and through the alert system. **To find out more about the grants and how they are allocated, see our website Community Grants Fund | Neighbourhood Watch Network (ourwatch.org.uk)**

Derbyshire County Council have approved

plans to spend up to £200,000 to put automatic number plate recognition technology (ANPR) in place at each of our nine recycling centres. DCC provide household waste recycling centres for Derbyshire residents only. Introducing ANPR will help to identify anyone from outside the county trying to use the sites.

We've also given the go-ahead to a public consultation to ask your views about:

- supporting local businesses and sole traders by allowing them to dispose of commercial waste at a limited number of the recycling centres for a reasonable charge
- reducing the number of hours or days the centres are open
- charging residents to dispose of tyres and asbestos
- adopting the government definition of DIY waste which can be disposed of at recycling centres for free.

If you have any issues that you think I can assist with, please contact me.

Cllr Trevor Ainsworth
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Arthur Medical Centre

Flu and Covid Vaccinations

There have recently been some developments in relation to Covid vaccination across Derbyshire. The majority of practices across the county were initially unable to confirm participation in the upcoming Covid vaccination campaign as it was felt that the proposal from NHS England was not feasible to deliver at practice level. I am pleased to confirm however that following further discussion with NHS England, Arthur Medical Centre and our partner practices in the Belper Primary Care Network (PCN) **have now confirmed that we WILL be providing Flu and Covid jabs.**

We can also confirm that we will not be using Babington Hospital for this campaign, and these vaccinations **will be provided to our patients directly from our practice site in Horsley Woodhouse from the end of September.** Appointments will soon be available to book to receive your Covid and/or Flu vaccinations here at the Practice and invitations will be sent to eligible patients in the very near future. We are pleased that we are able to offer this important service to our patients from our Practice site and we encourage eligible patients to book available slots promptly, to ensure you are protected as early in the season as possible.

DNA (Did Not Attend)

Over the month of August, **76 patients did not attend their appointments** and did not give notice of cancellation. This represents up to **19 hours of patient contact time across the month.** Whilst this is still higher than we would like, it is a marked improvement on previous months where the average has been around 23 to 24 hours. We would like to thank those patients who have let us know they are unable to keep their appointments, thus allowing us to offer these to other patients. We are continuing to strive to improve our internal processes whilst working with patients to continue to reduce this loss of clinical time.

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.

Registrar GPs

Arthur Medical Centre is proud to be a training practice, supporting the development and training of future Primary Care GP's. GP Registrars are assigned to training practices for a period of placement and are rotated round a variety of practices and hospital departments to give them a broad experience of the NHS.

In August, we welcomed **Dr Mahmoud Ali, Dr Stacey Walklett** and **Dr Israel Abia** to our Practice. We look forward to working with our Registrars in the coming months.

Practice Statistics

As of 1st September 2023, Arthur Medical Centre has **9,127 patients registered with the Practice.**

Over the month of August, Arthur Medical Centre has:

- handled **5,063 incoming telephone calls** (an average of 230 calls handled per working day). This compares to **4,346 calls** over the same period last year – an increase of 16.5%
- provided **3,184 patient appointments** in total across the last four weeks (an average of 159 per working day)

- Of these appointments, **1,779 were face-to-face appointments** (an average of 89 per working day and around 53% of the total)

Patient Feedback Meeting

As part of our continuing work to improve our accessibility and our communications, we held our first open online patient meeting in June via Zoom, where patients of the Practice attended and received some insight into the running of the Practice. Patients were welcomed to ask general questions related to the services offered by the Practice, to members of the Partnership and Practice Management team and to members of our Patient Participation Group (PPG).

The meeting was a success and feedback received has been very positive and helpful. **We are now planning the next patient meeting for a date in October**, where we intend to introduce some of the members of our team and give insight into the day-to-day services available from the Practice. Dates for this meeting will be confirmed and will be advertised on the Practice Website at <https://www.arthurmedicalcentre.co.uk/> in the near future.

Understandably, this meeting will not be a suitable forum to raise queries or issues relating to individual clinical matters, or to complaints specific to individual patients and these would be best addressed in a clinical appointment, or by referring to the Practice Business Manager. 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, the most effective way of being heard and receiving an appropriate response is to submit this in writing for the attention of Azeem Climie, Practice Business Manager.** If you have more general feedback or a complaint regarding national policies related to Primary Care or NHS services, these may be best raised with your MP.

The Arthur Medical Centre Team




OPEN GARDEN - Thank You



 Many thanks to everyone who helped to set up and came to support the charities
 


 benefitting from the National Garden Scheme (NGS) Open Day. We had a lovely fine
 


 afternoon in the middle of a spell of very changeable weather, with 103 people visiting.
 


 The afternoon began with a surprise visit from Hildegard
 


 Wiesehofer, the NGS County Organiser who presented
 


 me with an engraved hand fork to mark the 20th opening
 


 of 9 Main Street for the National Garden Scheme. The
 


 NGS donates to Marie Curie, Macmillan, Hospice UK and
 


 Horatio's Gardens among other charities concerned with
 


 care, gardens and nursing. The takings this year from
 


 entry and plant sales for NGS was £572.
 


 As usual, the team of fund raisers for Derbyshire Childrens Holiday Centre provided
 


 refreshments and were very pleased to make £266 from the afternoon. All round, a
 


 successful day.
 


Alison Napier






“RAMBLING” THROUGH TIME

(A serialised alternative history of Horsley Woodhouse)

Part 13. Village Traditions and Tradespeople

After the village activities of the summer, we are now once more approaching the golden days of Autumn. We meet at Cross End, which is the junction of “Far” Fairfield Road where Peony Gift & Kitchen, (previously the Flower Shop) is situated at the junction with Main Street. Opposite Peony’s is a small lane which gives access to houses and the fields beyond. This completes the “cross roads” (Cross End), known as St Anton’s Cross in earlier days. This area used to be quite a gathering place for village life. St Anton was considered to be the protector of cattle and other farm animals which were blessed during festivals of swineherds and butchers etc., many years ago. Maybe the close proximity of a butcher’s premises nearby gave rise to the name for this meeting place and junction.

Uknown Bus Company - nr the present fish and chip shop, Main St.



Also close to Peony’s there were premises from where a local Bus Service operated. The interesting story here is that when petrol rationing was introduced in WW2, this bus had a large bag fitted to the roof and it was filled with gas from a tap high on the wall of the Peony building. A bag full of gas was sufficient to travel to Derby and back again. A journey not without its share of safety concerns one would imagine!

Cross End was a well-used meeting place, and it hosted the men playing marbles on Good Fridays. There was also the tradition of village folk walking down to Little Eaton on a Good Friday to visit the annual Tickle Cock Fair. I assume that this would be one of the very few days holiday from work in those days and much effort would be made to make these times happy and memorable, but in a very modest, local fashion. The village in the olden days would be busy with pedestrians on weekdays and also on Sundays with people going to and from the well-attended services at the Church and Chapels. We must remember that there was little or no transport apart from horse drawn traffic, much of which would be used for delivering goods. This hive of activity was enhanced by a large variety of shops and traders which ensured that most of the modest needs of the residents were well catered for.

As mentioned earlier some of the goods were delivered by the tradesmen including a baker and a butcher. Eggs and milk were also delivered daily. A greengrocer came from Derby, but no doubt a good percentage of his trade was lost to residents who had their own productive gardens. They would be able to live seasonally, plus jamming, pickling and preserving much of their excess produce would help to subsidise their meals during the winter months too. A couple of men came from Heanor to sell men’s clothes. A fishmonger visited on a Friday, and the story goes that when he went to his next stop in Kilburn, there were no herrings left. Wudhus became known as “Herring City”, probably because herrings were snapped up quickly as they were the cheapest fish. There were a surprising number of shops too. Many of these were incorporated into the owner’s living accommodation which again would lend a certain familiarity and family tradition within the village. Most of them were run from a room at the front of the houses, close to the pavement. There was a milliner, a wool shop, shops which sold sweets, hairdressers, a cobbler, a couple of chip shops, a watch maker and ice cream cornets could be bought for a ha’penny each. The chemist’s sported a colourful display of large



coloured bottles in his window and sold pills and potions to cure many ills. There was a tailor's, a corn merchant, a coal yard and even a funeral director in the Old Chapel on Far Fairfield Road. A pony and trap could be hired and of course the blacksmiths was a necessity, as was the Dr's in the house next to the Church and opposite there, was of course the original Co-op shop.

There was a "Knocker Up" who would tap on bedroom windows, hammer on doors or make any other necessary disturbance to get people up in a morning to go to work. This was all for the princely sum of 3d a week. Hawkers and pedlars were regular visitors. Among these was a door-to-door pikelet seller and an ironmonger. A man used to turn up with a gramophone which he transported in a pram. The gramophone was wound up and he used to entertain by dancing to the music. It was rumoured that this fellow had unusually tiny feet. A tinker mended pans and Gypsies sold pegs and lace and no doubt told fortunes too, if requested. An interesting sight would be the man on a bike who would run a sharpening service using a grinding wheel attached to the handlebars. This was run by placing a dynamo onto the rim of the back wheel of the bike which he would prop up clear of the ground. He would then pedal like fury to spin the grinding wheel and sharpen knives and scissors etc. There was an annual Wakes Day at The Old Oak and a pot seller used to sit at the side of the road and sell his wares together with other people selling lemonade and sweets. The men from the Sick and Divide Club also had their walk up the village with a band and have their dinner in the Club Row after a Church service. There was even a travelling theatre group in the 1930's. A tent was erected in the field by The Old Oak. There are houses there now. A stand of tiered seats and a stage was built. It was nicknamed "The Blood Tub" and for its day it had some pretty fearsome presentations, one of which was a melodramatic offering called "Maria Martin and the Red Barn"! With all

this activity and the generous number of pubs, there must have been some busy times for the Policemen who resided in the two Police houses.

In these earlier years the annual Carnival was held on Horeston Recreation. There was a Miners Welfare Hut approximately where the Medical Centre now stands. This all served the village well until the Carnival as we now know it was resurrected again and was held annually on the Sitwell Recreation at the opposite end of the village. There was also a Carnival band called "The Woodhouse

Imperials" who used to practice on Horeston Rec and they attended many Carnivals in the county. The uniform was black skirts for the women and black trousers for the men teamed up with gold shirts and blouses with black buttons, and black and white hats were also worn, very smart! Torchlight processions took place with lights fixed to the shoulders, with the necessary batteries secreted about the person of the band members. On a virtuous note, two sisters sold Bibles etc. and gave lessons on religion from a caravan sited close by.

The village would be a busy place, full of families the majority of which would be longstanding residents. They had and still have a reputation for being very supportive of each other, both in good times and bad, help would always be at hand. This community spirit must have been cemented by the fact that trades, shops, suppliers, social events and entertainments were largely if not



Carnival band takes a bow
 This photograph of Hordley Woodhouse Imperial's Carnival band, taken around 1937, has been sent in by Eric Lancashire, of Main Street, Hordley Woodhouse, is secretary of the Hordley Woodhouse Community Association, which organises the annual carnival since it was first directed in 1937. He would like to know if any readers can name some of the band members. He believes the mascot, the little boy at the front, is Johnny Barker. He would also be interested to know where the picture was taken and on what occasion. He said: "I remember as a kid the carnivals being held in the Thirties to raise money for the infirmary in Hordley. When the war came, the carnival was dissolved. After the war, the British Legion ran it for a few years but couldn't make it pay, so it packed up again until 1957. Hordley Woodhouse no longer has a band, but for the past three years we have organised the carnival band ourselves. There will be nine Hordley bands taking part this year."

“RAMBLING” THROUGH TIME cont....

social events and entertainments were largely if not exclusively local, making village life simple, secure, contented and extremely connected. Although life was very different in those days and it took a lot of energy, hard work and effort to live, along with a large measure of hardship, the close-knit community spirit must have been a true joy.

For the last stage on this Ramble, we walk down Far Fairfield Road, past the junction with Clement Road and onto the left-hand bend into the Crescent. This road was earlier known as Back Lane. On our right we see an attractive and sympathetically preserved stone building. It's now a house, but many years ago it was a public house called The Knife and Steel, which eventually closed. This winding, narrow road was originally part of the main thoroughfare through the village. In more recent years a new pub was built on the main road opposite the old Butcher's shop. This replacement was called The New Inn but was later re-named after the original Knife and Steel, as legislation stated that an Inn was classified as being allowed to take in paying travellers and visitors overnight. Sadly, the second Knife and Steel has also now closed, as has the Butcher's shop which these two pubs were probably named after.



We end our penultimate Ramble at the top of The Crescent. Time has marched on since the heady days of this area being the hub of local trades and supplies and most of the shops are long since gone, comfortingly the village is still very easily recognisable. Although its “way of life” has transformed at quite a remarkable rate, as is the case with most other populated areas. Although changed somewhat, Horsley Woodhouse thankfully seems to have retained a good measure of its identity and character as a village.

Onwards into the Winter towards our Christmas issue when we will again meet here at the top of The Crescent for the final stage of our Ramblings.

Sheila Cullen

Derbyshire County Council - Mobile libraries

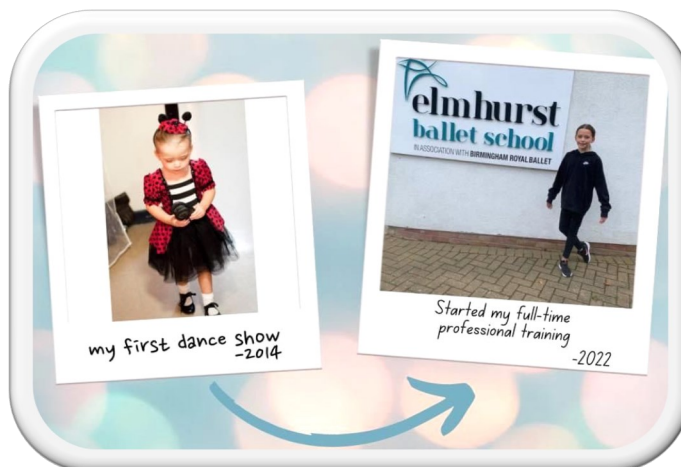
There are two mobile libraries based at Buxton and Long Eaton, serving around 150 communities across the county where there is no library building. These places are visited once every four weeks.

The mobile libraries have a lift if you use a wheelchair or have mobility problems. For further information call **01629 533444**, or email ask.library@derbyshire.gov.uk

Horsley Woodhouse	Main Street was Post Office at layby	Friday	13 th October 2023 10 th November 2023	11.10 am	midday
Horsley Woodhouse	Fairfield Road	Friday	13 th October 2023 10 th November 2023	12.05 pm	12.30 pm

Congratulations to a young and talented HW Dancer

We would like you to join us to celebrate the success of a young Derbyshire girl of 11 whom attended Horsley Primary School and was selected to board at Elmhurst Ballet School full time in September 2022. Maise Woodall has finished her first year with exceptional marks, after being a dedicated dancer from 18 months old. Maisie, who is from Horsley Woodhouse, attended JL Dance Academy in Ripley. She entered her very first competition at the age of three, winning gold.



Auditions were held globally and only 400 students were shortlisted onto the final stages of the audition to be given a chance of securing a prestigious place at Elmhurst Ballet School which is very exclusive, only taking roughly 20 students in a year. Elmhurst possesses state-of-the-art training facilities and has a close relationship with Birmingham Royal Ballet. Notable alumni of Elmhurst Ballet School include Dame Merle Park, Thomas Forster, Tanja Liedtke and the School Patron is Queen Camilla.



David Woodall

Auditions for "Snow White the Panto"

Stargazers Drama Group is holding auditions for actors, singers, dancers, acrobats, conjurers and comedians ready for its next pantomime production. No experience is necessary and there are no age



restrictions. Come and have some fun at Horsley Woodhouse Church Hall on **Monday 9th October from 7.00 pm** to start your journey towards the performances in February 2024.

Let Ray have any questions on 01332 882 200.

Horsley Woodhouse Parish Council

Derbyshire Connect provides transport to shopping destinations for people unable to use conventional buses because of age, disability or because they live in areas where public transport is limited. Under this scheme, they also provide door-to-door transport for health appointments. This service is called Derbyshire Connect Active Travel.

Booking line T: 0115 930 9134 (9.00 am to 3.00 pm Monday to Friday)
or E: enquiries@erewashct.com

During the summer break the Parish Council received reports a tree had split and fallen blocking a pathway and damaging a fence at Horeston Recreation Ground. After consulting a tree surgeon the advice was unfortunately to fell the tree due to safety issues, which has now been completed.

Over the summer holidays we received reports of damage to playground equipment at Horeston Recreation Ground which have been reported to the police. Thank you to Cllr S Till for removing the damaged swing and offering to repair it once parts have received. Also, a thank you to Cllr L Higgins for repairing the bench.

We have been notified of a damaged bin at Sitwell Recreation Ground and are in the process of replacing this.

HW Parish Council are looking for help to reduce speeding in the village by volunteering in our Speedwatch



sessions. The sessions involve operating a speed gun within the village and working with the Police. Training and equipment to be provided. **If interested please contact Cllr Julie Whitmore on 01332 880 203.**

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

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

Horsley Woodhouse Parish Council cont.....

Parish Council Contact Details:

- Cllr K Seals (Chairman) – 01332 881 983
- Cllr J Whitmore (Vice Chairman) – 01332 880 203
 - Cllr I Davidson – 07342 672 775
 - Cllr A James – 07811 384 858
- Cllr M McGuinness – 07794 946 241
- Cllr S McGuinness – 07790 849 000
 - Cllr A Miller – 01332 882 918
 - Cllr S Till – 01332 881 739
 - Cllr L Higgins – 01332 883 228

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
3rd October and 7th November, 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.

Bus Forum

The local Bus Forum continues to have meetings with the Bus Service Improvement Planning team at Derbyshire County Council with reference to the concerns raised by commuters in all the communities surrounding the parishes around HW.

Derbyshire County Council received £47m to support their Improvement plan, one of the main aims of which is to increase bus passenger usage.

The first version of their plan included a Bus User Satisfaction level of over 90% across the whole of Derbyshire, which we advised them does not represent the commuter feedback we receive from people locally.

It is important we continue to advise them of the feelings of people locally so would request you continue to feedback your concerns through to me, via the link below, which we will continue to raise with them.

We believe a far wider assessment of the level of satisfaction of the Bus Services locally is required so we are considering conducting a Customer Survey in the local communities with as many of you as possible. Please let me know if you support this proposal, using the email below, further details of which we will then include in the next Wudhus and Kilburn News.

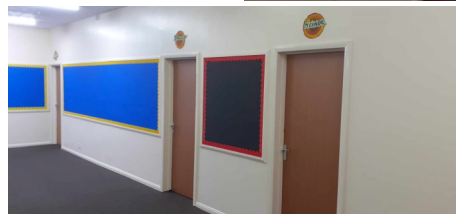
Keith Girling E: kgirling@btconnect.com

Squirrels, Beavers, Cubs, Scouts & Explorers

The group has been busy during the holiday break. The Hut has been painted, thanks to the money raised via events like the Easter Hunt, Carnival and of course Bonfire night. We have painted the Hut's main hall, hallway and outside, even the doors have had a varnish. Thanks to Julia for setting up this activity.



The notice boards are underway thanks for Keo.



Big "Thank You" to everyone who helped with the safety up-grade at the side of the Hut and also to the up-grade to our main entrance of the Hut, it will make a big different. Many thanks to Aggrecom for their support for supplying and putting down recycled tarmac. Also, many thanks and Andy Bore for helping to make this happen.



Wow the Squirrels at 1st Sitwell are now 1 year old. To celebrate we had a party and made hats, decorate cakes and of course had some party food. Many thanks to Fiona for the great Squirrel cake.



Horsley Woodhouse Methodist Church

SERVICES

October 2023

Sunday 1st at 6.00 pm – Service with Holy Communion led by Revd David Lees

Sunday 8th

10.30 am – Café Church

6.00 pm – Service led by Revd Tim Simms

Sunday 15th

10.45 am - Circuit Service – ‘All Age Worship’ at Belper Central Methodist Church

6.00 pm – ‘Songs of Praise’

Sunday 22nd at 6.00 pm – Service led by Revd Helen Penfold

Sunday, 29th at 6.00 pm – Service led by Revd Julian Penfold

November 2023

Sunday 5th at 2.30 pm – Service with Holy Communion led by Revd Tim Simms

Sunday 12th

10.30 am – Café Church

2.30 pm – Remembrance Service led by Mr Keith Bryan

Sunday 19th at 2.30 pm – Service led by Revd

Sunday 26th at 2.30 pm – Revd Janet Rossall

Contact:

Revd Tim Simms -
Tel: 01773 750 659

Mrs Phyllis Shaw -
Tel: 01332 880 083

WELCOME SERVICE On Thursday 31st August at West Hallam Methodist Church, we attended a Service to welcome Revd Tim Simms and his wife, Pauline, to our Circuit, and to Tim as our Minister.



HARVEST FESTIVAL We thank all those who supported us in whatever way for our Harvest Festival. All the fruit and vegetables, and all the goods received, went to the Padley Centre in Derby.

BIBLE STUDY at 2.00 pm on Friday 13th October, led by Revd Tim Simms. *Romans chapter 1 from verse 18. All are welcome to join us. (Also, on Friday 10th November).*

PLEASE NOTE: From November this year, through till March inclusive, our Services will be at 2.30 pm.



Quiz Night
Fri 20th Oct

In the Church Hall
7.30pm – £2 per person
Feel free to bring your own drinks and nibbles.
All Welcome

St Susanna's Church and Denby Group of Churches

Thank you to all who took part in our recent Quiz Sheet – "A Fishy Tale".

We raised £90 for Church Funds and the quiz winnings were re-donated.

The answer sheet is available to view in the Old Oak and also from myself.

Look out for the next Quiz Sheet – "Towns and Cities" to be launched at the next Quiz Evening on 20th October.

Many thanks, Lesley Larman

Menopause Café – Community Request

"We want the whole world talking about the menopause...at a Menopause Café people, often strangers, gather to eat cake, drink tea, and discuss menopause"

www.menopausecafe.net

Would you be interested in helping to plan and organise a Menopause Café event for our local community? It would be wonderful to have an opportunity to talk about what has been a taboo subject for far too long, and to see that we are not alone. If you would like to explore possibilities for a Menopause Cafe, please text, phone or email:

Tracy 07935 713 535 denbygroup.tracy@gmail.com

or Carol 07709 166 655

St Susanna's Church Services October & November

Main Street, Horsley Woodhouse

Everyone most welcome

Sunday 8th October, *4:00pm

Harvest Festival Songs of Praise

Sunday 22nd October, *4:00pm

Service of Holy Communion

Sunday 12th November, 10:00am



Remembrance Sunday Service

Sunday 26th November, *4:00pm

Service of Holy Communion

**Please note the change in our usual service times*

Priest-in-Charge: Reverend Tracy Robinson

01332 880 284

denbygroup.tracy@gmail.com

*To enquire about a Christening/Baptism or Wedding at St Susanna's, contact Rev Tracy
To enquire about booking the Church Hall for an event, please contact Janet 01332 881 521*

The Patronal Flower Festival was held on 11th to 14th August with Songs of Praise on Sunday 13th August. Celebrating St Susanna's and the Anglican heroines.

Displays in the church included an exhibition on the history of St Susanna's Church, artwork from the pupils of HW Primary School, and memorabilia of the HW Friendly Society. This event was very well supported and enjoyed by all who attended.

We are looking for an Administrator for the Denby Group of Churches

Would you be interested in doing administration work flexibly from home, paid for 3-4 hours per week? This would be with Rev Tracy Robinson and the five churches of the Denby Group – St Clement's Horsley, St Mary's Denby, St Susanna's Horsley Woodhouse, St Luke's Loscoe, St James's Codnor. **Tasks would include:**

- Bookings and administration associated with Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals, and managing an online Life Events diary
- Administration of fees concerned with Life Events
- Organising service rotas
- Updating church communications and social media
- Other administration tasks as defined in a working agreement

If you would like further information or to express an interest in the role, please contact Tracy Robinson (Priest in Charge): 01332 880 284 or denbygroup.tracy@gmail.com

St Susanna's Parish Church

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Sunday 8th October

at 4.00 pm

Songs of Praise

followed by refreshments

**Come along and
see the beautifully
decorated Church
and sing all of your
favourite Harvest
Hymns**



Pat's Garden Party

A huge thank you to everyone who attended and especially thank you to everyone who helped, man the stalls, served the teas, donated to raffle and tombola. The weather was especially kind to us and we all enjoyed an afternoon in the garden in the sunshine. We raised over £400 towards the upkeep of our beautiful village church St Susanna's.