

DORE to DOOR

DORE VILLAGE SOCIETY

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Sign of the times

The appearance of a new flower bed 8 weeks ago on the land in front of Whirlow Gardens raised a few eyebrows - did it fit, where was the money coming from? The answer was soon apparent. The Council had sold advertising space to a commercial sponsor.

For some time the Council has been running a modest, almost discreet, environmental partnership, where in return for contributing to maintenance costs companies can advertise themselves. You may have seen notices on flower beds and roundabouts. Like all modest schemes there has been little objection, but now things seem to be going further.

Concern about the new sign at Whirlow has centred on the visual change it creates from a rural to urban landscape, on how the flower bed is out of scale with the site, on the design and sheer size of the notice, and that it points people coming into the city down Whirlowdale Road not into Dore etc etc. But most importantly has the Council cottoned onto a new way of raising money, and will our public land become festooned with advertising boards as in some other countries.

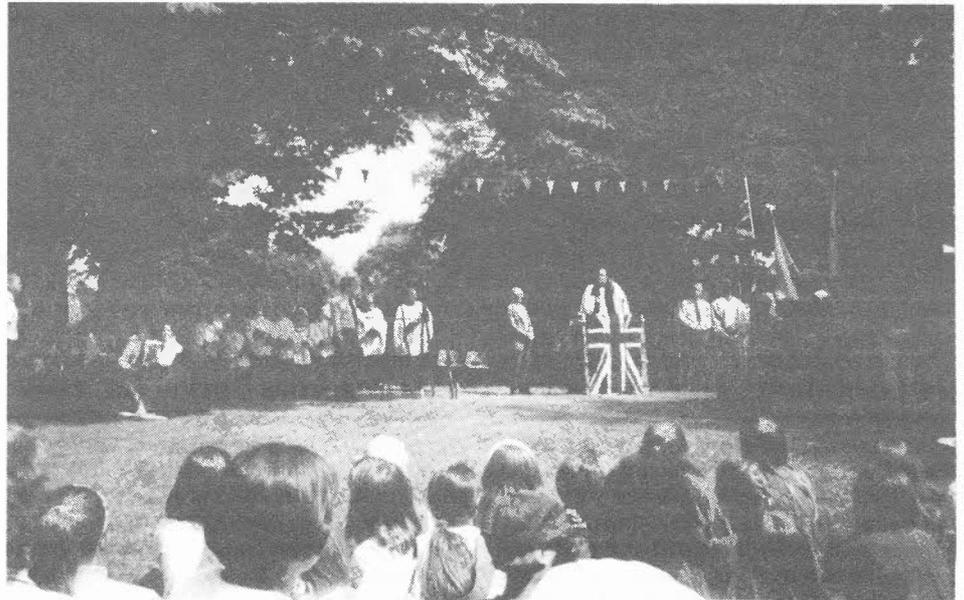
The Dore Village Society has written to the Council on the matter and been told that it applied for and gave itself planning permission. Nobody in Dore appears to have been aware of any planning application - indeed was it publicised? What happens now if other firms seek similar agreements? By what criteria will they be judged?

Most people seem to feel the proliferation of advertisements is damaging the quality of our urban and rural landscapes. So what now?

The Society is pressing the Council again on the appropriateness of such signs and the proper planning process. But if we really want to stop the rot then people in Dore must themselves take up the issue with the Council's Recreation Dept at Meersbrook Park, S8 9FL tel 500500 and our local councillors - Colin Ross, and David Heslop c/o the Town Hall, Pinstone Street, S1.

News in Brief

Devonshire Arms - people have used the cut-through from the High Street to Devonshire Terrace for many years, but it had never been recorded as a public right of way. Given sufficient years and popular demand, applications for designation can be made. Following an approach to the Council, we understand the brewery are considering the issue of agreeing a realigned right of way. Either way we understand it is their intention to provide a new access footpath in place of the old one, for use on a permissive basis.



The Well Dressing Service on the village green with Rev David Williams.

Deadline for Winter

Diary Events

Monday

7th November 1994

Ring 369025 or write to the editor

Dore Show

The Bakewell Show it is not, but we can promise a larger display of people's endeavours than they can, ranging from flower arranging to homemade jam, from paintings to craft exhibits. Add a brass band, morris dancing, a well dressing demonstration and numerous side stalls and you have the recipe for Dore Show on Saturday 10th September.

This is the stuff that villages are made of, so come along and enjoy yourselves, admire the efforts of others, or better still enter into the spirit of things and try your own hand at entering.

The show will occupy both the Old School and Methodist Halls and as for last year the top end of Savage Lane will be closed to traffic from 1.30pm to 5pm in the interests of road safety.

The halls will open to receive exhibits from 9am to 10.30am on the morning of the show. Entries for the flower arranging classes must however be notified by the previous evening. Full details of the rules and regulations and entry forms for the flower arranging classes are available from Greens' on Causewayhead Road.

1994 Scout Gala

"What a marvellous day."

"Best Gala ever."

"The whole family has thoroughly enjoyed themselves."

Just some of the comments passed to me after the Gala. It's these, coupled with the fact that we raised over £4,000 towards the upkeep of the local Scout and Guide units, that makes all the hard work worthwhile.

My thanks go out to the people of Dore for supporting us in such a marvellous way.

Some of you may have noticed that we appear to have found the magical formula for ensuring that we have good weather. You will recall that weather was poor in 1992 and 1993. This year of course could not have been better. Many of us went home in the evening with quite a good tan. What is the formula? In 1992 and 1993 we tried to sell ice cream and failed. This year we decided against ice cream. The answer is simple, no ice cream means good weather. Let's see what next year brings.

You may not realise that to put on the Gala takes the help and commitment of over 100 people. Most of these are drawn from the parents of the Scouts and Guides. Others have been helping for years because they enjoy it. I would like to take this opportunity of thanking all those people for their help and support without which we would not have Gala.

Next year sees the 40th Anniversary of Gala. The committee have already met and I can assure you that we will endeavour to provide "something special" to mark the occasion. Watch this space for further announcements.

Alan Robinson

Chairman Dore Gala Committee



Some of the exceptionally large gala crowd besiege the book stall.

Abbeydale Hall

This year Sheffield College's Abbeydale Hall Centre is again offering a range of language courses for business or recreation, and courses in craft work, horticulture, floristry, drawing, keep fit, assertiveness, writing, archaeology and dance. Full details are available in the Sheffield College "Choices" brochure. The enrolment date for college courses is Monday 12th September from 10am to 7.30 pm.

On the same site the Workers' Educational Association (WEA) is offering a host of courses including ones covering gardening, appreciation of music, philosophy, natural history, literature, geology, british country houses, abbeys & cathedrals, calligraphy, and even an introduction to veneers, marquetry and inlay. Enrolment for these courses is from 2pm on Wednesday 14 September.

For further details on all the courses at Abbeydale Hall contact Ian Horsfield or Jonathan Higgins on 620244.

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Visitors from Darley Dale

A warm and sunny evening on 11 July welcomed members of Darley Dale Village Society to Dore. The group of 25 led by Chairman Lewis Jackson met on the Village Green to be given a tour around the village conducted by E. C. Bownes and R. Newsam.

The group started by looking at the well dressing and were then shown some of the older buildings around the green including the Old School. On to the church where they were shown around by Trevor Marshall; there was a great deal of interest in the different types of roof construction, and the smallpox graves in the church yard.

The group then walked along Church Lane and Drury Lane to Townhead Road where time was spent looking at Cromwell Cottages and the Recreation ground. It continued to Devonshire Terrace Road to see the tableau by the horse trough and then down to Vicarage Lane with the walk ending on the Green.

In all it was an interesting evening which encompassed not only the older buildings in Dore but also several of the ancient greens and lesser known corners. Members of Darley Dale Society were genuinely surprised at how much Dore had to offer.



Brownies Maypole Dancing at the 94 Gala.

Dore Gala

At last a warm, dry day without the strong winds that have cursed this event for the last few years.

Coconuts sit in their stands in gale force winds and a scout has not yet been blown off the ducking stool. But for the Dore Village Society, exhibiting photographs and selling publications can be a difficult proposition. 1993 was the year of the downpours, when the ingenuity of the Committee was tested to the limits and long forgotten Guiding skills came to the fore. Large sheets of polythene and many yards of rope came between the elements and disaster.

Gala 1994 was opened by Syd Crowson and the event was enjoyed in beautiful sunshine. There were several new stalls and a succession of events in the central arena. The dog show proved most entertaining, with a DVS Committee member's errant black and white hound sheepishly sitting on the front row, picking up tips for possible entry next year!

Many stopped to examine the old photographs displayed by the Village Society. Each year our exhibition is more comprehensive. The old maps were also stimulating talking points with local buildings being identified on enclosure plans from the 1820s.

The evening sheep roast attracted a large number of people. The Well Dressing service on the Village Green was enhanced by glorious weather. The Reverend David Williams led a lively, enjoyable service which had something for all ages. The opening three cheers by all present, as a reminder to the residents of the Village that something big was happening, was an imaginative innovation. Cream teas at the Methodist church or teas provided by the Church completed a lovely weekend. Dore, pleasingly festooned with bunting by the Venture Scouts, looked at its best. The well dressings, attractively designed and colourful were admired by many.

We all have much to thank the Scout and Guide movements for in the organisation of these Community enhancing functions.

Liz Bownes

Planning

Dore Moor Nurseries — a planning application for the erection of a large building for retail sales and plant display has recently been submitted. The application also includes a large increase in the covered growing area using large plastic tunnel structures, similar to those already in place on the site. There is concern that the development will create a large retail sales facility at this prominent location close to the edge of the Peak District and that further development of this site will be visually intrusive and blur the boundary between the urban and rural environments.

Can you help

S.W.Area Sitting Service is a charity working in the S.W. of Sheffield supporting those caring for an elderly person at home. Our volunteers sit for a morning or afternoon or evening a week to enable carers to have a much needed break and to provide companionship for the cared for.

More volunteers who can give this 1/2 day a week commitment are needed. Training is provided and full travelling expenses are paid. If you think you could help, contact Janet or Gill at 237 London Road, S2 4NF or tel 508194.

The Horsecatch Group is formed of members of the public who, whether horse owners or not, have a genuine interest in the welfare and safety of all horses. Run by volunteers, funded by donations and with no membership fee, their aim is to protect and hopefully prevent theft and damage to horses

and ponies. If you would like to help or register a horse with the group please contact Debbie Hill on 367806.

Autumn Toads

Toads Autumn Production is "THERE GOES THE BRIDE" a comedy by Ray Cooney and John Chapman. I know people cry at weddings, but you will cry with laughter at the "goings-on" in the Westerby household on the morning of Judy's wedding.

Why not cheer yourself up on a miserable November evening by going along to St John's Church Hall and having a good laugh. Wednesday to Saturday 23rd to 26th November 1994 at 7.30pm. Tickets are £2 or £1.50 for children and Senior Citizens — phone Kate Reynolds 366891.

Abbeydale Park Tennis Club

Abbeydale Park Tennis Club is situated in one of the most attractive areas of Sheffield being totally surrounded by trees and situated in a corner of The Abbeydale Park Sports club. It is a club that has everything that a member could wish for.

Courtwise it has recently replaced two of its shale courts with an all weather surface and resurfaced three courts with 'Plexipave' acrylic surface. Just over three years ago it constructed a Tennis Hall to house two carpeted indoor courts.

It has teams, of varying standards in the Men's, Ladies', Mixed and Junior Divisions of the Sheffield and District L.T.A. leagues in

the summer and in the Sheffield and District L.T.A. Trust winter leagues.

John Gladden is the club's full time professional and his assistants are available for individual or group coaching with multi-sport coaching during holiday periods which include such sports as Badminton, Squash, Hockey, Swimming, etc. Junior squad coaching is also carried out every weekday after school and on Saturday mornings.

Abbeydale Park Tennis Club is the home of the Abbeydale School of Tennis which caters for adults and juniors from beginners to coaching the British No 1 U14 junior David Sherwood.

Social Tennis sessions are on Tuesday evenings and Sunday afternoons during the summer and on Tuesday evenings on the indoor courts during the winter.

The Sports Club's bar, restaurant and other facilities are also available to tennis members. The membership list is (surprisingly) still open and forms may be obtained from their reception desk in the tennis pavilion or by a telephone call on Sheffield 361938.

Historic Society

Hallamshire Historic Building Society meetings are held at the Quaker Meeting House, St James Street near the Cathedral, starting at 7.30pm. Non members are welcome for a small charge. The autumn programme is:

5 Sept - Glimpses of Eyam Village

3 Oct - The Georgian Group

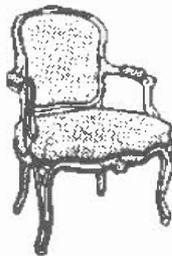
7 Nov - Dronfield, the town that got away.

For more details on meetings, excursions and membership contact the Hon. Secretary Mr J Allan on 364811.

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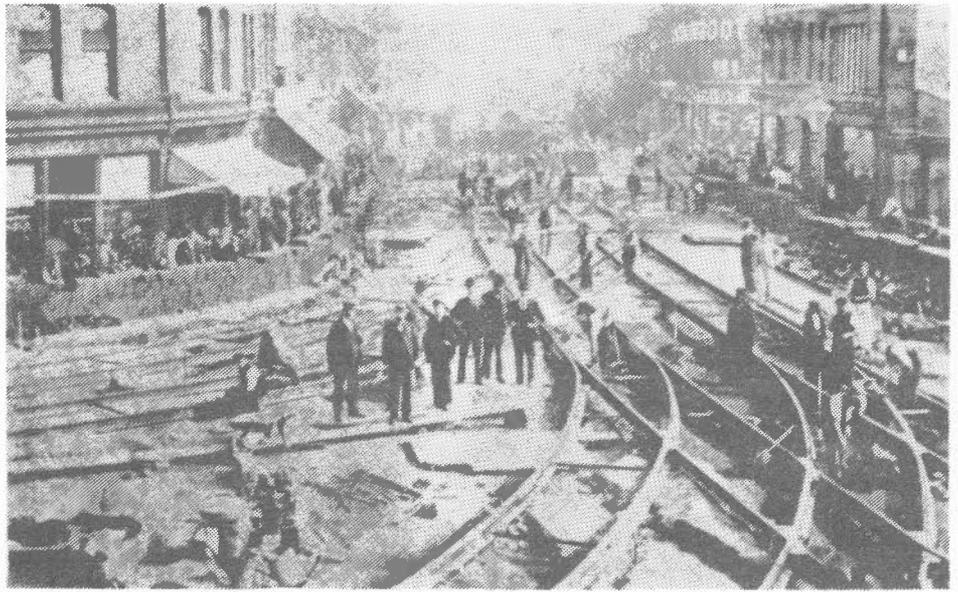
The story of what has now come to be called The Old School goes back to the eighteenth century. Between 1720 and 1764 various sums of money (trivial by present day values) and land were given by the Reverend Turie, the duke of Devonshire, and others mainly to pay a school master for the edification of the children of Dore. Included with these gifts were some small amounts for supplying bread for the poor.

The Dore Enclosure Act of 1809 provided for the lands to be vested in trustees to provide an income for the school master. Part of the land was used to erect the present school buildings in 1821 which at that time included a house for the school master. It was during this period that Richard Furness undertook that office, although it does not appear to have limited his extra-mural activities which according to the late vicar Gibson included those of overseer, architect, scribe, lawyer, doctor, singer, painter, poet and surveyor.

The trustees continued to administer the school although in later years the local authority began to take a hand. In the final period the costs of running the school were met largely from public funds. During the 1960s it became increasingly obvious that a more substantial school would be necessary. In 1965 the school moved to its present location and the premises became available for other activities. A considerable amount was spent on refurbishing the building which remains in more or less the same form today. Some land is still held by the trustees notably the playing field off Townhead Road.

Contrary to some popular misconceptions, the school was never a Church school. Some people have even thought that it belonged to the Church. These misapprehensions have probably been due to the fact that the vicar for the time being has always been a trustee - in the recent past there was a period when the vicar was the only trustee.

The trust is at present governed by a scheme of the Charity Commission dated 29 April 1987. Under this scheme the trustees comprise the vicar, who is an ex officio



Chaos on Sheffield's streets as the first tram tracks are laid. And we think we have got problems with Supertram!

trustee, and four co-optative trustees who are at present Bessie Colley (Chair), Richard Farnsworth, Hazel Hoffman and myself. The trustees have reasonably wide powers for administering the assets of the trust, but the current policy is to give priority to the maintenance of the Old School as a resource for the people of Dore.

The buildings are now very fully used for a variety of purposes from the Nursery School to the Guides, from the Sunday School to the Old People's Lunch Club. Pat Lavender (phone 620238) is caretaker and deals with all bookings. The trustees' endeavour to remain responsive to the views of Dore people and any relevant matters can be addressed to the secretary, Richard Farnsworth.

Julian P. Young

News in brief

At long last a new bus shelter has been erected on Devonshire Terrace Road, replacing the previous vandalised eyesore. We still need a waste bin in the vicinity, but what an improvement!

Have you noticed

Have you noticed how most new residential developments are of four bedroomed detached houses. I cannot decide if this is because everyone wants four bedroomed houses or whether they provide the highest capital return for builders on a given amount of land. What they do not create is a balanced community in miniature, with no options for newly married couples or senior citizens. Fortunately most builders are more imaginative in layout and design variations than in the past, but we seem to have lost regional style variations and local materials. Surely we can do better.

Wimpey are building - you've guessed it, four bedroomed houses off Ashfurlong Road. In talking to council officials about the new road name - Ashfurlong Park, I discovered that one criteria for its selection was the ease with which it could be found by emergency services. Which brings me to house numbers. How visible is your house number, especially after dark? From time to time we all try to find somewhere by house numbers, guided up the street by those we can see. If the driver of an ambulance, police car or fire engine is delayed for just a few moments, by the need to search for numbers, that could cost a life. Figures need to be large enough, about 4" in height, and somewhere well lit and obvious. Come to think of it, how I wonder do our postmen & women find some letterboxes!

Finally the hot weather has left me fuming. Perhaps it is because I have walked more, or had the car windows open, but I have been acutely aware of traffic fumes. Buses seem by far the worst culprits - thanks be to deregulation - but heavy lorries, vans and some cars play their part. As a social observation it is amazing how people will drive vehicles knowing they are leaving a blue cloud behind, yet would no doubt cry blue murder if you covered their home with diesel smoke. If you see a smoky vehicle do something. If it is commercial note the registration and company name and then report them on 0532 833589. Remember it's your life they are shortening.

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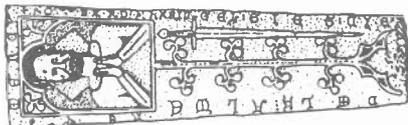
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Local archaeological sites

Established in 1974 the South Yorkshire Sites and Monuments Record (SMR) is a database of all known archaeological and historic sites and finds within the four districts of Barnsley, Doncaster, Rotherham and Sheffield. Information on over 5000 sites is held in paper and computerised form, with each being plotted on map overlays at a scale of 1:10 000.

Sites of all forms and periods are represented, examples of which include mesolithic flint scatters; Iron age and Romano — British cropmark sites; earthworks; standing buildings (ranging in date from the medieval period to this century) and industrial sites including mills, quarries and factories. Each site or find is allocated its own individual number, (PIN) and usually has associated back up material in the form of photographs, reports and scale drawings.



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In 1988 the SMR database was computerised, having previously been held as a basic card index. This has resulted in greater ease of access to the records and the ability to conduct searches of the database on a variety of fields. Searches may be made, for example, on specific site types, eg hillforts; by period, district or simply individual PIN number.

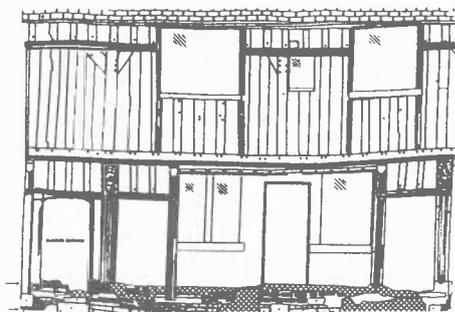
In November 1990 the D.o.E. document Planning Policy Guidance note 16 (PPG 16) 'Archaeology and Planning' was published. This guidance note explains central government policy on archaeology and planning. It recognises that archaeological remains represent a finite and non-renewable resource and, therefore, the need to preserve significant remains in situ.

Now, as a result of this document, in all cases where development is likely to have a major impact on archaeological remains, an evaluation to assess the nature and quality of these remains will take place before planning permission is granted. By monitoring all the planning applications which are submitted to Barnsley, Doncaster, Rotherham and Sheffield the staff of the SMR are able to advise on sites which are likely to be of archaeological significance at the earliest stage of the planning process.

In order to ensure that comprehensive and up-to-date information can be given, new records are constantly being added to the SMR and existing ones enhanced.

Information is collected from a variety of sources including: reports from recent archaeological evaluations and surveys, district museums, regional journals and targeted research by SMR staff. We are always pleased to receive information from the public relating to archaeological and historic sites or finds.

There is no charge for consultation of the SMR by bona fide researchers, though anyone seeking information will be asked to fill in and sign a form stating the nature of their enquiry. This is to ensure that access to information will not have an adverse effect on



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News in Brief

Abbeyle Garden Company Ltd - Early in January this new company started trading at the bottom of Dore Road. Set up to develop the garden business to suit the people of Dore and district, the aims of the company are; to offer top quality plants for home and garden which will give hours of pleasure; to offer a range of garden products and accessories of better quality than offered elsewhere; and above all a personal service.

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The Tunnel Top Walkers take a break to admire Totley Tunnel East signal box.

Totley Tunnel Walk

On a bright and sunny morning, virtually unheard of for a recent bank holiday, a mixed but curious group gathered at Dore Station. The Tunnel Top Walkers and Jody the dog had come to follow the master plan of our leader, John Baker, to catch the train to Grindleford and return on foot over the Tops. British Rail rapidly put this into reverse by cancelling our train, so we quickly decided to go back to front and walk to Grindleford and hopefully catch a train back.

The chairman of the Dore Village Society arrived hot foot from a holiday in China in shorts and T shirt, and with such confidence in the weather we all striped off a layer of clothes. As we walked off along Abbeydale Road the crocodile that developed would not have impressed any self respecting primary school, stretching as it did over 300 yards. We bunched up later on Totley Brook Road where John explained the background to the impressive Victorian split houses and fine gable-ends before everyone crossed the footbridge to look at Totley Tunnel East Signal box.

At the end of Totley Brook Road we crossed the stream at the point where it was rerouted to allow the railway to have the best line and then set off towards the Cricketers pub along Penny Lane. since our timing was in reverse, the pub was shut so two thirsty walkers popped into John Clarkes dairy for a pint of milk and memories of schooldays. Along the lane you can see the vast area of earthworks which are the spoil heaps for the tunnel debris.

A short climb took us out of the valley and on to the tops with splendid views of Sheffield. The distinctive pepperpot ventilation shafts form a line over the moor which we followed towards Longshaw Lodge and country park. a secluded and attractive path down through the woods brought us to the Grindleford cafe. This is an unexpected treat for the uninitiated like myself and we all indulged ourselves with roast pork sandwiches several inches thick and a pint or two of real ale. B.R. did not do the dirty on us twice and the train arrived on time to take us back through the tunnel. It was a pleasant end to an interesting walk which I recommend to everyone.

Rob Gee

Totley Tunnel Centenary

The centenary of the opening of Totley Tunnel created considerable local interest, with projects in schools, well attended talks and special events. It also provided a theme for this years well dressing and prompted some people to dive into their attics in search of historic material.

Letter

Dear sir

Please find enclosed photographs showing the construction of the entrance to the Totley Tunnel on the Totley side. The contract for this job was awarded to my great grandfather a Mr Robert Hancock - he is one of the 4 men stood on the raised base of the steam crane wearing a bowler hat. He undertook building work and ran the farm on which I still live; much the same as my father, my brother and I do today.

Other notable work he completed in the area include "Moorcroft" on Sheephill Road and "Lengs"? Lodge at Sandygate (with the circular tower).

M Hancock. Sheephill Farm.



Construction of the Totley Tunnel East entrance. See letter and centre feature in our last edition.

Dore Village Society Annual General Meeting

The meeting took place on 25 May 1994 at the Old Village School and was attended by around 100 people.

The meeting was chaired by Syd Hoffman, one of the founder members and now President of the Society.

Following approval of the minutes of the 1993 AGM the Chairman's written report was presented and accepted.

The Treasurer's report was presented by Mrs. C. Veal who particularly drew the healthy financial position of the Society to the attention of the meeting.

In response to a question on the use of accumulated reserves Mrs. Veal stated that the Committee had four objectives for investment.

- Reprint of "From Dore to Dore" the book of local walks
- Dore Heritage Project
- Recreation ground improvements
- Reserve in the event of planning or other complex issues requiring funds for professional advice.

The following were elected to the Committee for the year 1994/95.

A. C. Bownes (Chairman), J. R. Baker, E. C. Bownes, G. Farnsworth, M. Hennessey, S. Ross and C. Veal (Treasurer).

Letter

Like my neighbours and myself, readers may have been interested to know the future of the old metal dustbins with which we were left when issued with wheeled bins.

I wrote to the Director of Cleansing Services in March and subsequently received a hand-written memo, signed apparently "S. Nichols, Technical Officer", as follows:-

"Please feel free to dispose of your old metal bin yourself. We have given the job to a private scrap dealer who is not collecting the bins as fast as we would like." (At our expense, of course!)

I just hope residents do not turn them into garden incinerators - we get smoked out often enough as it is!

G. Smedley

Dore Male Voice Choir

The choir has scheduled a number of concerts for the autumn. Each will start at 7pm and are open to everyone. John Kenyon will conduct all except the Hathersage concert which will be conducted by David Rogers. The choir is also entering the Biddulph Festival on 1st October. Details are:

30 Sept - Endcliffe Methodist Church. Guest artists Stephen Ash & Gwen Nimmo.

8 Oct - Greenhill Methodist Church.

29 Oct - Hathersage. Guest artist Marie Louise Aitken.

12 Nov - Firth Hall. Guest artist Keith Swallow.

More about the choir in the next issue, but if you would like to join or need more information on the concerts ring Mike Kay on 660215.

New CPRE leaflets

Starry Starry Night addresses the issue of light pollution and reflects the concerns of CPRE and astronomers about the intrusive nature of street and other outdoor lighting (residents near Abbeydale know only too well what they mean - Ed). The leaflet highlights the importance of protecting dark skies, both as part of the character of rural areas and for scientific purposes. The leaflet includes an action list with points such as pressing for planning policies on lighting and promotion of downward-directed lighting.

The second leaflet "**Ponds**" highlights the important role of ponds for wildlife and as

part of the English rural landscape. It describes the rate of pond loss and sets out an agenda for future action.

The leaflets are free. Just send a large stamped addressed envelope to: CPRE, 22 Endcliffe Crescent, Sheffield S10 3EF.

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A La Carte

Variety is the spice of life, and it is the same with cooking. One of the surest routes to variety is to use recipes involving items in season, rather than the same well tried menus. At this time of year the marrow family of vegetables are at their peak and courgettes in particular are in ready supply. This is a particularly tasty recipe for using courgettes, equally suitable for the family or visitors.

Ingredients:

1 1/2 lb courgettes, sliced;

3oz smoked streaky bacon, chopped;

1 medium onion, sliced;

3 eggs & 1/2 pint milk;

1/2 tsp dried marjoram; 4 oz English Cheddar grated.

Method:

Blanch courgettes in boiling water for 2 minutes, drain & cool. Cook in microwave with 4 tbsp water for 5 minutes stirring once, then strain & cool.

Place bacon and onion in non-stick pan, and cook for 5 mins stirring occasionally. Transfer to microwave dish and cook for a further 5 min still stirring occasionally.

Lightly grease a large ovenproof dish and place cooked courgettes, bacon and onions in it.

Beat together eggs, milk and herbs. Stir in 3 oz of the cheese and pour over the courgettes. Sprinkle with remaining cheese.

Finally bake at 180 degrees centigrade (Mark 4) for 55 minutes or until set.

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Dore Show 1994 - Saturday 10th September

Class List

Vegetable and Fruit Section

- 1 6 pods of runner beans
- 2 3 onions, dressed
- 3 1 cabbage, any variety
- 4 1 vegetable marrow
- 5 1 lettuce
- 6 6 tomatoes on a plate
- 7 Any other vegetable
- 8 4 dessert apples
- 9 4 cooking apples
- 10 1 cucumber
- 11 4 beetroot
- 12 4 white potatoes
- 13 4 red potatoes
- 14 A tray of mixed vegetables including salad
- 15 The heaviest marrow

Flower Section

- 16 5 dahlias, cactus variety
- 17 5 dahlias, decorative variety
- 18 A vase of mixed dahlias arranged to effect
- 19 3 gladioli
- 20 3 chrysanthemums, incurved or reflexed (same variety)
- 21 A vase of spray chrysanthemums
- 22 6 roses, any container
- 23 A vase of hardy perennial flowers
- 24 1 foliage plant in a pot (max size 6")
- 25 1 flowering plant in a pot (max size 6")
- 26 A vase of annuals
- 27 A vase of heathers

Floral Art Section

Maximum height 3 feet

- 28 "September Symphony". An exhibit of fresh foliage with or without wood. Space allowed 2'3"
- 29 "Summer Wedding". An exhibit for a table using natural plant material. Space allowed 2'3"
- 30 "My Favourite Container". An exhibit featuring garden plant material. Space allowed 2'3"
- 31 "Sunday Best". A decorated hat using any natural plant material.

Entry forms for these classes, are available from Greens shop on Causeway Head Road and should be returned to the shop or the Show Committee (address overleaf) by 5pm on Friday the 9th September.

Domestic Section

- 32 4 butterfly buns
- 33 4 afternoon-tea Scones with fruit *
- 34 A Dundee Cake [see below]
- 35 A Victoria Sandwich [see below]
- 36 A Savoury Cheese & Tomato Flan
- 37 An apple pie on a plate
- 38 A plate of 6 biscuits
- 39 A loaf of brown bread
- 40 A jar of raspberry jam
- 41 A jar of stone fruit jam
- 42 A jar of marmalade
- 43 A decorated cake - decorations only to be judged

Recipes and notes

* with white flour

Class 34 Dundee Cake recipe:

7" tin, 1/2lb plain flower, 1tsp baking powder pinch of salt, 3 hens eggs, 6oz butter or margarine 6oz soft brown sugar, 6oz each of sultanas and currants, 2oz peel, 1oz cherries, pinch of spice, 1tbsp milk and 1oz almonds for the top.

Classes 35 Victoria Sandwich recipe:

Weight of two hens eggs in margarine or butter, sugar and white self-raising flour, pinch of salt and a little water, baked in two 6-7" tins, sandwiched together with jam and sprinkled with caster sugar.

Class 37 Apple pie notes:

White short crust pastry, on a plate not exceeding 10" diameter.

Wine Section

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- 44 A bottle of home made wine, dry red
- 45 A bottle of home made wine, sweet red
- 46 A bottle of home made wine, dry white
- 47 A bottle of home made wine, sweet white

Textile Craft Section

- 48 A hand knitted adult garment
- 49 Tapestry or embroidery from a kit or chart
- 50 A personally created embroidery or tapestry
- 51 A dressed doll
- 52 A soft toy

Visual Arts Section

- 53 A water colour painting
- 54 A painting in any other medium or mixed media
- 55 A drawing any medium
- 56 Black & White photograph 7"x5"min
- 57 Colour photograph of a portrait or landscape 7"x5"min
- 58 A piece of pottery or ceramic form
- 59 A craft exhibit in wood
- 60 A craft exhibit in any other material
- 61 A decoupage

Junior Section (up to age 14)

- 62 A vegetable animal
 - 63 A painting or drawing of any subject (age up to 5)
 - 64 A painting or drawing of a zoo animal (age 5 to 8)
 - 65 A collage or montage (age 9 to 11)
 - 66 A painting or drawing of a still life (age 12 to 14)
 - 67 A miniature garden on a dinner plate (age up to 11)
 - 68 An arrangement of flowers in an egg cup
 - 69 A craft exhibit (age up to 8)
 - 70 A craft exhibit (age 9 to 11)
 - 71 A craft exhibit (age 12 to 14)
 - 72 3 decorated buns or biscuits
- All entries must be childrens own work and to show their age.
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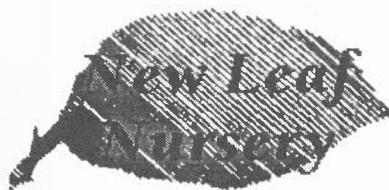
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Dore Rail crash

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At 1.42pm the express from Sheffield to Birmingham & Bristol was passing through the station when the second of its two engines fouled the points and was derailed onto its side. The driver and fireman were thrown clear and fortunately escaped serious injury. Several coaches were also derailed but stayed upright and none of the passengers were hurt.

Although the derailed engine was not obstructing the down line, it had ripped up a rail which was, and a Nottingham to Sheffield train was due. Fortunately the quick thinking local signalman changed the down line signals to danger and the fireman of the first engine ran along the line to place fog signals (small charges detonated by a train's wheels), on the track.

The Nottingham train eventually stopped 250 yards short of the wreckage, prompting headlines such as "Locomotive Overturned at Dore", "Double Disaster Narrowly Averted", and "Sheffield Train's Marvellous Escape"! It was a fortunate escape, even then damage was such that the line remained closed for several days.

For those with an interest in railways past, Dore Junction restaurant & pub has an interesting collection of paintings and photographs on display on its walls.

Mortgages, Wills and Indentures

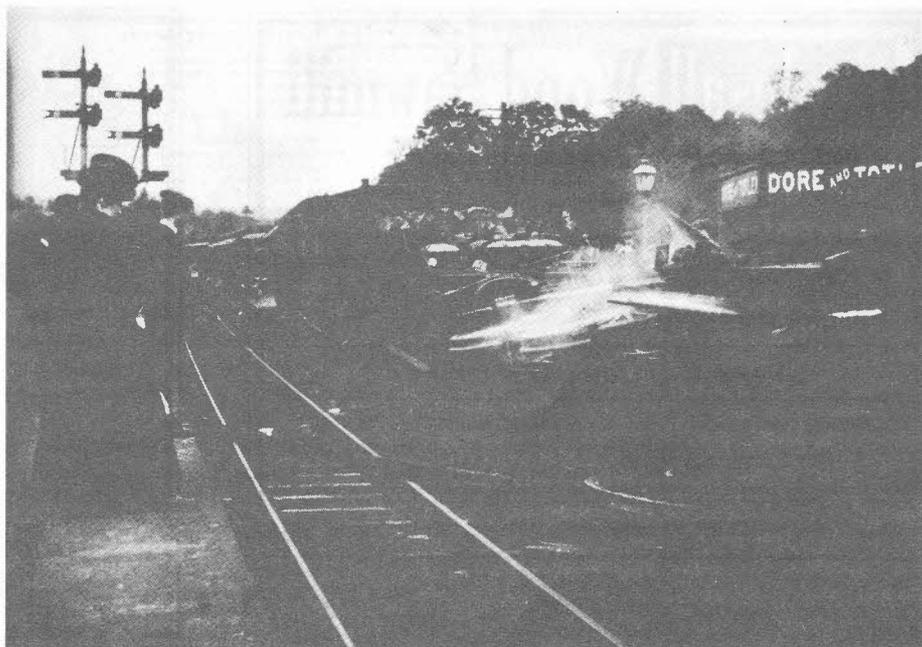
A local historian's treasure trove.

Recently one of our readers agreed to purchase some small outbuildings from a neighbour. Little did he expect that this decision would release a fascinating collection of archive material providing over 200 years of local history in an impressive array of documents.

The houses and land concerned are situated beyond Cromwell Cottages on Townhead Road and are linked to the rise and fall of Knowle Green, which stood on the now derelict site at the junction with Newfield Lane and in front of the 'Great Wall' of Dore.

The documents consist of wills, mortgage bonds, extracts from the enclosure award, conveyances and indentures. The latter are the most aesthetically pleasing documents, being of parchment, sealed and approximately 62 x 50 cms in size. Indentures were agreements made between parties, when the document was cut in a pronounced jagged fashion, so that authenticity was proved by the sections of the agreement fitting together.

The earliest indenture is the agreement for the sale of a piece of land called Upper Croft by Adam Soresby of Chesterfield to Samuel Linley of Bradway for £67. This took place in 1740, at this time there is mention of 'premises'. In 1788 Samuel passed the freehold to his son Robert. Three years later Robert Unwin, shoemaker, purchased the land for £100. It is known that in 1782 a Robert Unwin and his wife Elizabeth had built one of the cottages opposite the Hare and Hounds car park. The date stone on the wall has the



Dore and Totley Station after the 1907 crash. Note the rail across the down line.

letters R, U and E arranged in triangular form. These cottages in Savage Lane were also recorded as Cobblers Row in the census of 1871.

The next important transaction was in 1820, when James Wagstaffe of Ringinglow, innkeeper, was 'held and firmly bound' to Thomas Gregory of Brampton in a mortgage bond. The total amount of £1,400 was to be repaid at the rate of £700 of 'lawful English money' with interest of £5 per £100 per annum. Wagstaffe was the landlord of the Dore Moor Inn. This was the time of the enclosure of the common land around Dore and allotments were being made. The inn had an adjoining brewhouse, stable, shed and garden. These had all been built by Wagstaffe. His allotment included several pieces of land including part of Dore Moor.

Wagstaffe died in 1825 and by the time of the Duke of Devonshire's enclosure map of 1827, the area in question on Townhead Road was owned and tenanted by Peter Flint. The Duke's map shows only one house on the land, the small cottage, now the end of a short terrace, side onto the road. Information on the development of the site and the link with Knowle Green will appear in our winter edition.

We are grateful for the access to and use of the original documents as source material for these articles.

Badminton Club — Silver Jubilee

In 1969 the Abbeyle Park Badminton Club (APBC) was formed as a section of the Abbeyle Park Covered Sports Club in an 'Air Hall' on the site of the present Badminton Hall.

The objectives of the club were, and still remain, to provide facilities for, promote and encourage the game of Badminton.

To celebrate the 25th year of the Club, we have designated the 1994/95 season, starting in September, our 'Silver Jubilee' season.

To date we have organised the following events —

— Silver Jubilee Celebration Dinner — 29th April, 1995

This will be our major opportunity to mark our 25th season and intend to invite all current and past members and committee members. If you know anybody that is an ex-member of the club, please ask them to contact me, Gavin Johns, the chairman on Sheffield 368057.

— Abbeyle Park Jubilee Challenge Tournament — 24/25 Sept 1994

This tournament will involve teams of 2 men and 2 women from Sheffield and District League badminton clubs playing in 2 pools (one feathers, one plastics) for new trophies donated by the club to mark our Silver Jubilee. I hope this tournament will become an annual event.

Our beginners club night on Friday evenings, which we started last summer, is now firmly established with the emphasis being on having a good time. We can accommodate more players and this is probably the only club night in the city of its kind. The perfect chance to introduce yourself to this most social of games and the best courts around.

Mondays and Wednesdays see social play of a higher standard, and Tuesdays team standard, all around 7.30 pm.

The Junior section is strengthening, with a club session Friday teatime during school term time 5-7 pm and Saturday mornings from 9.00 am. We are also running sets of coaching sessions from time to time in order to improve skills and hopefully produce the team players of the future.

As well as entering some 16 teams in local and Yorkshire leagues we also have our own handicap tournament and host Sheffield & District Association contests, some County matches and have a programme of "off court" events ie. dinners/discos/quiz nights.

Anyone who would like to visit and sample any of the delights listed above is welcome to contact me on 363046 for further details. Go on! Give it a whirl. It keeps you fit and it's loads of fun.

John Smith

FEW Update

'FEW' (Friends of Ecclesall Woods), is now fairly well established and is taking steps to ensure its long-term future by drafting rules relating to its continuation, by holding an AGM and by electing officers and a committee. Our first AGM will be held in Holy Trinity Church Hall (Grove Road on Millhouses Lane) at 7.30 pm on Thursday, September 29th.

To make the evening as interesting as possible, we intend to produce a number of poster displays. These will show photographs of the footpath repair teams in action, material relating to the official opening of the Woods to the public by Princess Mary in 1928 and a large scale 1893 Ordnance Survey Map which covers most of the woods.

With some trepidation, the committee is also planning a barbecue in the woods for members and their families during the early evening (5 to 7pm) on Saturday 3rd September. There will be someone posted at the junction of Abbey Lane and Whirlowdale Road to show you where to go. There will be no charge but bring your own sausages, steaks etc. In order to increase your appetite and well-being, you are invited to help tidy up our most recent section of pathway by removing the larger stones whilst waiting to be fed!

Sheffield Wildlife Action Partnership (SWAP) is organising a sponsored walk based on our Woods on Sunday September 11th. The shorter circuit (3-4 miles) will closely follow the outline of the Woods. The longer one includes the shorter but branches off up Limb valley to Rivelin Road and back (7-8 miles). If you wish to take part in the walk

and raise money for SWAP, please contact the Hon. Secretary.

About a dozen members took part in a Visitor Survey on the mornings of June 14th and June 18th. In addition to recording the number of visitors entering the woods at various points, we asked them how far they had travelled to reach the woods and how often they came. The great majority of visitors are local, from within one or two miles). However there are interesting exceptions. One visitor had run about 14 miles to reach the woods. He could still be on his way.

*Harold Rawson Acting Hon Secretary.
Telephone 366245*

Book Reviews

The General Cemetery off Cemetery Road is one of Sheffield's unique Victorian sights. A new guide published by the Friends of the General Cemetery contains details and information to enable the casual visitor to take themselves on a hour long tour of the major parts of the site. It is available from the Friends, 223 Cemetery Road, S11 8FQ at a cost of 30p + postage. There are also regular guided walks around the cemetery, taking place at 2pm on the first Sunday of every month, meeting at the Cemetery Avenue Gates.

Ancient Woodlands — In 1992 Sheffield hosted a major, national conference on 'Ancient Woodlands: Thier Archaeology and Ecology — a coincidence of interest.' The proceedings of the conference are now published by the 'Landscape Conservation Forum' and are available from the City

Museum, Weston park, Sheffield, S10 2TP for £4.95 plus £1.00 postage and packing.

This is a must for all those concerned about the future and management of our ancient woodlands; or who are simply curious about the history and wildlife of woods. Chapters include contributions from national authorities and include coverage of Ecclesall Woods; charcoal production in this area; the origins of Medieval Woodland; historical evidence and the ecology of ancient woodlands.

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The Earls and Dukes of Devonshire

The second in a series of articles:

William, Second Earl of Devonshire, 1590-1628

William Cavendish, oldest surviving son and namesake of the First Earl of Devonshire, was cast in a very different mould to his cautious and frugal father. But the younger William was also the first-born grandson of Bess of Hardwick and therein lay a clue to his self-willed, even self-indulgent, character.

The Cavendish matriarch was closely concerned with the upbringing of this future heir to her estates and was a figure of undoubted influence during her remaining lifetime, the first eighteen years of William's life.

Yet, just as Bess had found her authority challenged by her oldest son, Henry, so her second son William — to whom the estates eventually passed — met with a similar problem. It was on the question of marriage that young William, almost out of his teens now, rebelled. With his inheritance, gilded by a knighthood received two years earlier, he could not have expected a love match nor even much of a say in his choice of bride. Certainly the regularisation of his liaison with a lady of his grandmother's household, some years his senior, was out of the question.

The tender years of his prospective bride gave the youth extra cause to stand up to his father, for Christian Bruce was only twelve years old. William, even held his ground when King James I strongly backed this wealthy match as a returned favour to the girl's father, Lord Kinloss. The king personally contributed to her £10,000 dowry.

Eventually young Sir William capitulated: it was essential for an aspiring courtier to retain royal favour. Furthermore a blind eye towards his mistress was promised whilst his child bride grew up. In practice the groom was free to pursue the pleasures of Court to the full. Historian John Pearson in 'Stags and Serpents' describes him as 'the contemporary ideal of a presentable young aristocrat', equipped with all the social graces acquired through an expensive education, coupled with a chivalrous, dashing air and an eye for fashion.

Aimless as this lifestyle was — and Cavendish, furthermore, lived in reckless extravagance — it did have the singular advantage of introducing him to far wider schools of thought than he would have encountered outside the capital. He had the good fortune to make a close friend for life of Thomas Hobbes. An Oxford graduate and classics scholar, Hobbes was only a couple of years the elder yet found in Cavendish a keen pupil in philosophical matters. In 1610 the two young men toured France, Germany and Italy, an invaluable experience for them both. The dandy came home an accomplished linguist and the scholar returned to prepare to make his mark as a philosopher.

In 1618 when his father was created Earl of Devonshire, the younger William became Lord Cavendish. The following year, jointly with his father, he served as Lord Lieutenant of Derbyshire, having already completed his first spell as MP for the county. His first son,



1st enrolment to 125th Sheffield (1st Dore) Guides July 1954. Picture sent in by Hilda Jay.

another William, had been born in 1617, to be followed three years later by a brother, Charles.

By now Governor of the Bermudas Company, Cavendish enjoyed a large income. He was assisted in financial matters by his friend Hobbes in the role of secretary. In 1623 differing interests within the Company brought two factions into dispute: Cavendish stood at the head of one, the Earl of Warwick at the other. A heated argument between the two men took them to the brink of a duel and resulted in Cavendish being reprimanded for issuing intense personal insults against the Earl.

Lord Cavendish lived in splendid style, with expense no object, in Bishopsgate. He continued to be a leading figure at Court after Charles I came to the throne and was a guest at the king's marriage to Henrietta Maria in 1625. Upon the death of the First Earl of Devonshire the following year, Cavendish inherited the title and a seat in the House of Lords.

For some years he had maintained a lavish lifestyle only by borrowing against his future inheritance. With this wealth released into his profligate hands, it was too soon apparent that he had severely drained even the ample Cavendish resources. In the year after his father's death the new Earl was forced to introduce a bill in the House of Lords to enable him to sell land from his entailed estates.

More personal damage was beyond redemption; in June of the following year, 1628, the Second Earl of Devonshire died at Bishopsgate 'of excessive indulgence in good living'. His body was brought back to Derby All Saints Church, now the Cathedral, for burial.

The widowed Countess Christian was left with enormous debts and nearly thirty lawsuits. Yet, demonstrating a Scottish shrewdness and a gift for financial budgeting, she devoted herself to protecting her children's inheritance — the Third Earl was aged only eleven when his father died. Severe economies pruned the servants, disposed of some land and ended all social spending. Even Thomas Hobbes was suspended. When finances permitted he was reinstated as tutor to the young Earl, who at

the age of twenty-one took over Chatsworth House and the wealth once so closely threatened by his late father.

Julie Bunting

125th Sheffield Guides

The 125th Sheffield (1st DORE) Guides are this year celebrating their 40th Anniversary. In 1954 Hilda Jay formed the Guide Company and it was officially registered in August 1954. This was in fact the re-registration of the Company because it was first formed in 1929 and registered on April 24th 1930. It was suspended during the war years, the exact date of which we are uncertain but it was probably 1943.

During those early years, the Grant sisters took it in turn to be the Guide Captains. They were called Jean, Alison, Bidy (Mary) and Pamela. As each one got married she was succeeded by another sister. They were followed by Madeline Reid, Joan Neill, Margaret Stead and Mrs Kemp, who was the wife of Rev. Kemp, the Vicar at that time.

Then followed a gap of about 10 years until Hilda Jay started up the Guide Company again in 1954. She was Captain until 1961, when her husband's job took the family to live in America for some time. Joyce Faris took over from Hilda from 1961 to 1963, when she gave up to form a Ranger Unit. Beryl Bradford became the leader from 1963 until 1967, when she became District Commissioner. In 1967 Judith Jackson (nee Cropper) took over and she was Guide Captain until 1989, a total of 22 years, which is by far the longest service of any of the leaders. Following her was Helen Bedford from 1989 to 1991 and then Lynn Tasker became, and still is, the Guide Guider.

On September 24th 1994, we are having a party to celebrate 40 years of the re-registration of the 125th Guides. Judith Jackson and I have sent out over 400 invitations to "old" Guides and with those who are able to attend, are looking forward to an afternoon of chatter and reminiscing.

*Pamela Butterworth
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Oxfam in Dore

Look out for Sheffield Oxfam Campaigns stall at the Dore Show on September 10! Oxfam is now a household name, perhaps best known for its work in providing emergency relief such as during the Bosnian conflict, and now in Rwanda, but the volunteers staffing the stall at Dore aim to present not only Oxfam's role in emergency situations, but also the very important local development projects in agriculture, water, education and health that Oxfam funds in over 70 countries around the world. Of course there is an ever growing need for money for these projects and the Sheffield Campaigns office is always busy organising collections in the city centre, at supermarkets and concerts to raise money. Sheffield people have been extremely generous and have helped us to raise over £5000 this year.

Oxfam in Sheffield also gives talks to schools and any interested groups. The office organises publicity for fundraising events, the most recent of these being a sponsored bike ride for Rwanda by Sheffield student Claire Smith. We also organised a memorial evening in Dore recently, to commemorate the work of veteran Sheffield Oxfam fundraiser, Horace Bacon. Horace raised more than £100,000 by collecting donations from houses in Dore and Totley. Sadly, Horace Bacon died last year, aged 101.

Our next major event is Oxfam Week which runs from 24 September to 2 October. This is Oxfam's biggest nationwide fundraising effort. During this week house to house collectors deliver donations envelopes to homes in their area — last year 25,000

collectors raised £1 million. This year we hope to do even better and we are currently recruiting those all important collectors. We need 300 to cover the Sheffield area. If you can spare about 3 hours during Oxfam Week to delivering and the donations envelopes to houses in your street, please contact us at the Campaigns Office on 693307.

Oxfam also supports fair trade policies, which ensure that the producers of tea, coffee, handicrafts and many other products imported from the countries of the south receive a fair price for their goods and are therefore able to make a profit which can be invested in training, equipment and new initiatives. The filter coffee, Cafedirect which is sold in the Dore Deli and most major supermarkets is fairly traded coffee, promoted by Oxfam and of course the handicrafts, tea, honey, nuts and chocolate sold in Oxfam shops are fairly traded too.

If you would like more information about Oxfam and its work, please feel free to drop in at the Campaigns office at 281-283 Fulwood Road (above the Oxfam Shop in Broomhill) or telephone us on 683307. And do come and visit us at our stall on September 10.

Acorn Playgroup

Acorn playgroup is celebrating its 21st birthday with a party on Saturday October 15th. It will be held at the church hall on Totley Brook Road between 2-4pm complete with a special cake kindly donated by Totley Coffee Shoppe.

There will be the usual playgroup activities and anyone connected with the playgroup, children - past and present- and their parents

are welcome to come and join in the fun.

Acorn Playgroup began as Dore and Totley United Reformed Church Playgroup in October 1973, set up by the late Marjorie Thacker. It was featured in "Mother" magazine in June 1986, as a winner of a national competition to find the playgroup of the year. 60 children and 33 mums went on a specially hired double-decker bus to the Grosvenor hotel for a party and to receive their prize from Susan Hampshire.

Acorn Playgroup has expanded and changed over the years, but still provides a friendly and caring environment where children can learn and develop confidence.

Local books

Julie Bunting, author of our series on the Earls and Dukes of Devonshire, has published a number of books on the surrounding area:

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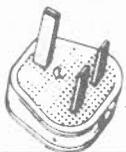
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No longer cricket

Alas it appears that the old cricket field in Townhead Road is not in use this season. It was at one time the centre of village activity, as illustrated in the Parish magazine of June 1895:-

"On Whit Monday the Dore and Totley Day and Sunday Schools will unite at 2 pm in the Dore Schools, from thence march to the Church for a short service; then the schools will parade the village, singing at intervals on the way to the cricket field, to join in games, etc., etc. Tea will be provided for the children in the Dore Church School at 4.30 pm. If fine, games may be resumed in the cricket field until dusk."

These Whitsuntide events were a regular feature of village life at the turn of the century. We have little documentary evidence, with the exception of team photographs, of leagues, success rates, characters, etc., for the earlier years of cricket in Dore. Can you help?

AGM's Health Report

Following the Village Society's Annual General Meeting held in the old Village School there were speakers on the subject of the future of health services in this part of the city.

The publication by Sheffield Health Authority of its purchasing strategy in April had caused a great deal of local concern over public access to vital services, in particular the threat to Accident and Emergency and associated services at the Hallamshire Hospital.

The meeting was chaired by Colin Ross, newly elected Liberal Democrat councillor for the Dore Ward. The speakers were:-

Nick Payne: Acting Director of Public Health.

Janet Kells: Direct of Planning — Sheffield Health Authority.

Chris Linacre: Deputy Chief Executive, Central Sheffield University Hospitals Trust.

David Smith: Business Manager of Accident and Emergency Dept, Central Sheffield University Hospitals Trust.

Neil McKay: Chief Executive, Northern General Hospital Trust.

Each of the speakers presented a case for 20 minutes giving a comprehensive view of the options, statistics and ways of making the proposed savings of £20 million required by Sheffield Health Authority. There was a large audience of approximately 100 present. Following the presentations, Colin Ross invited questions from the floor. These included the following:-

• "You only talk of savings from buildings. Are the staff going to be fewer?"

• "The South of Sheffield has the highest number of dementia cases in Sheffield. So why are Nether Edge patients being moved out to Beighton or Northern General?"

• "It's all very well saying you can drive a patient to hospital but there's a chance of your passenger dying beside you on a long journey"



Dore Junior Cricket Club 1950

• "What would I do in the middle of the night for a child with croup?"

• "I understand that in neurosurgery there will be one department. Won't this mean that critical cases on life support will be ferried back and forth across the city?"

• "Could we go to Chesterfield Infirmary in an emergency?"

• "For accident and emergency, the GPs don't want one site, the MPs don't want one site and the public don't want one site. So what interest will they take in our views?"

• "What special facilities will you have for dental care and mental handicap?"

• "Trauma patients sent to Northern General are at present sent back to the Hallamshire"

• "I understand the need for continual nursing care but how? Are we going to be means tested as to whether we're eligible or whether we should go into a private nursing home as in the recent Leeds case?"

• "Care in the community isn't very apparent at the moment and in some cases non-existent. Neither is it costed. How is it going to be paid for?"

The discussion and replies ranged over wide areas but the main concerns in the audience were the confusion of semantics "What is the difference between an accident, emergency and minor injuries?" and anxiety over the possible closure of the Royal Hallamshire Accident and Emergency Department. The fact that few in the audience knew which hospital was open tonight was balanced by the unease at the present unsatisfactory system. When asked to vote on the various options, the overwhelming vote was for none of the six options suggested by the speakers.

The vote of the meeting was for option 7 — keep both Accident and Emergency Departments of Royal Hallamshire and Northern General open!

The meeting closed at 10.10 pm.

The consultation period has now ended and we must wait several months for the outcome. Whether all the publicity and public debate amounted to effective consultation with Health Service customers — ie us — is doubtful! Ed

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Whirlow Farm Fayre

Come along to this year's Farm Fayre between 10.00am - 5.00pm on Sunday, 18th September and enjoy yourselves whilst helping to raise money for disadvantaged and disabled Sheffield children. There are lots of attractions all day with free circus and puppet shows, an Ideal Home Marquee and Trade Stands. New this year is a Wild and Tame Marquee showing otters, snakes, spiders and giant centipedes which all enjoy gentle handling from children! There is also a pet show so bring along your small pets (in an escape proof container) and join in the fun. There will also be bouncy castles, children's rides, a rodeo bull, quad cars, sideshows and lots of free entertainment with bands, dancers and displays of farm animals.

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Visitors involve themselves with various tasks in the day-to-day running of the farm and have the chance to observe and handle a wider range of animals - the farm is also home to a pony, goats, rabbits, turkeys, ducks, geese and chickens.

Many of the children who visit the farm don't get a holiday and for them it is often their first taste of independence and gives them first hand experience of dealing with animals.

All the money raised at the Farm Fayre

will go directly to helping Sheffield's disadvantaged children and adults.

The Dreaded Red Eye

During our working day we see literally hundreds of customers photographs, one of the most common problems seems to be "red eye" in the subject. This is caused by light from the flash being reflected off the retina at the back of the eye, and of course this problem is more pronounced in children (the most common subject) with them having larger pupils which allows more light to be reflected back and therefore increases the chances of red eye.

This problem is made worse by modern compact cameras which place the flash too close to the lens in order to reduce the overall size of the camera. Compact camera manufacturers have over the last several years tried various methods to try to overcome this problem, none can claim to be 100% successful. This is why they call such cameras "red eye reducers" as opposed to "red eye eliminators".

Once you know what causes this problem you can take a few steps to reduce the chances of it happening in the first instance. If you are taking photographs indoors during the day you stand with your back towards any windows because when your subject looks towards you their pupil size will reduce because of the light coming in through the window; try to take your photograph when your subject is involved in some sort of activity; turn as many lights on in the room as possible to increase the overall illumination.

The best method is to move the flash away from the camera but with most modern compacts they are fixed, and finally as a last resort you could bring any special photographs along to my studio and I can retouch them out.

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Dore Playschool

Dore Playschool started life over 25 years ago as a creche for mothers attending the Christ Church midweek service. Since then we have continued to offer 3-5 year olds the opportunity to learn, share, co-operate and explore the challenges of their widening world. However Pre-school education has changed a great deal in the last few years and people are much more aware of Nursery Education now. The introduction of the Children Act has increased peoples awareness of Childcare facilities and the need for a secure, happy, stable environment before a child enters fulltime education. Groups initially had to re-register even if they were already well established. Playschool premises were inspected and assessed and guidelines were issued to bring them into line with the Children Act.

In our case the Rev. D. Williams has been most supportive throughout the inspection period. As we all know, the Church hall is used by many organisations. We now all benefit from the superb, safe facilities provided for the community in the centre of Dore Village.

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- 3 **Totley Show.** Totley Rise Methodist Church Hall. 2pm-3.30pm.
10 **Jumble Sale.** Dore & Totley United Reformed Church. 11am - 12.30.
10 **Dore Show.** Old School & Methodist Church Halls. 2pm-4.30pm.
12 **Councillors' Surgery.** Totley Library 5.30pm-7pm.
14 **Life in the Thirties.** Mrs E Smith. Dore(E)TG, Old School 7.45pm.
17 **Family Ramble.** Dore Church Social Committee. See Parish Magazine for details.
17 **Barn Dance.** + Pea & pie supper. St John's Church Hall, Abbeydale 7.30pm. Tickets 360696.
18 **Whirlow Hall Farm Fayre** 10am-5pm. See article.
24 **40th Anniversary party.** 125th Guides, Church Hall. 2.30 onwards.
24 **Scout Social.** Dinner & cabaret. Tickets 369237.
24-25 **Badminton Tournament.** Abbeydale Park Jubilee Challenge. See article.
24-2 Oct **Oxfam Week**
29 **FEW AGM.** Holy Trinity Church Hall, Millhouses Lane 7.30pm.

OCTOBER

- 8 **Side by Side in Cabaret.** Paul Coopland and Frank Hammond + supper. St John's Church 7pm. Tickets 360696.
11 **Autumn Concert.** Manchester Comedia including Ian Buckle as pianist. Dore & Totley Community Arts Group 7.30pm. King Egbert School. Tickets 366212.11

- 11 **Dancing for fun - Barn Dance.** Dore Church Social Committee. Church Hall Townhead Road 8pm-11pm. All welcome. Tel 365274.
12 **Memories of the Q.A.s-2nd Edition.** Mrs M Thomas. Dore(E)TG, Old School 7.45pm.
13 **RNLI Lunch & xmas demonstrations.** Abbeydale Sports Club. 12noon-3.30. Tickets 368970.
14 **Coffee Evening & Bazaar.** 125th Dore Guides. Church Hall, 7pm-9pm.
19 **Councillors' Surgery.** Totley Library 5.30pm-7pm.
26-29 **"Just the ticket".** Comedy by John Waterhouse. Dore & Totley United Reformed Church Dramatic Society, Church Hall, 7.30pm. Tickets 364440.

NOVEMBER

- 3 **RNLI Coffee Morning.** Beauchief Hotel 10am-12noon. Tickets 368970.
5 **Bazaar.** Red Cross Society. Dore Old School 10am-12noon. Refreshments. Entry 20p.
5 **Annual Bonfire.** 267 Wyvern Venture Unit. 7pm, Parkers Lane.
9 **Return to the river Kwai.** Mr M Naylor. Dore(E)TG, Old School 7.45pm.
11 **Coffee Morning.** & Bring and Buy sale. Abbeydale Hall Wildlife Garden. 10am onwards.
12 **Xmas Fair.** Dore & Totley United Reformed Church. 10am - 14-2 Dec **Art Exhibition.** By Mrs Fearn. Totley Library.
16 **Councillors' Surgery.** Totley Library 5.30pm-7pm
16 **Peak Wilderness Photography.** Bob Beighton. CPRE event, Firth Hall, University of Sheffield 7.30pm. Tickets on the door
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