

# DORE to DOOR

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## Seasons Greetings

The committee of the Dore Village Society would like to take this opportunity to send an early seasons's greetings to all members of the society and readers of DORE to DOOR, wherever you might be.

## Community Constable

Many of you will have already met or seen Wayne Alloway our new community constable. It would be hard to miss his 6' 6" frame! Wayne is based at the section station on Totley Brook Road where he can be reached on Tel: 296 3681, with an answer machine when he is not on duty. His area covers Dore, Ringinglow and the area out to Surprise View.

Wayne has already introduced the idea of a local police surgery in Dore. The next will be held on Wednesday 26 November between 5pm & 7pm at the Old School on Savage Lane. Wayne is keen to get to know people in the area, so please go along simply to say hello, raise any particular problems you have, or to pass on any useful local information.

## News in brief

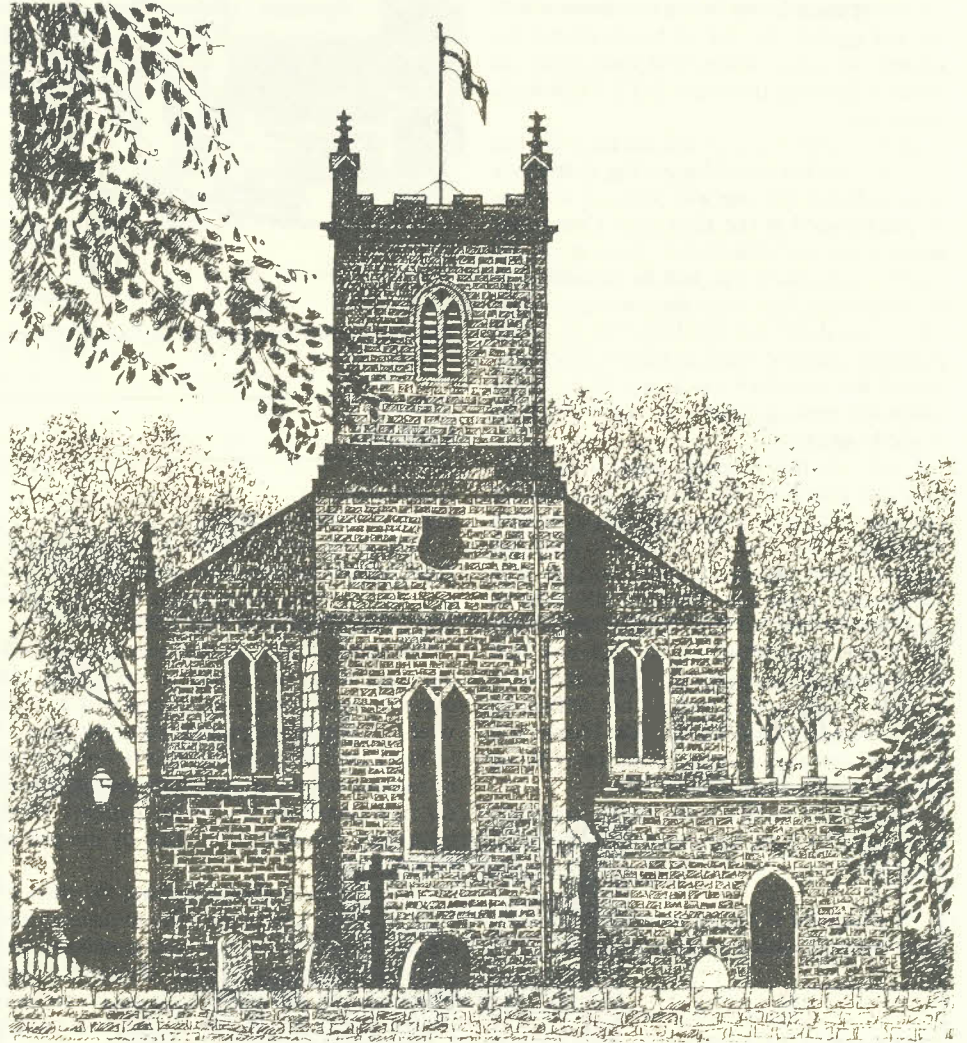
**Penrose & Rietberg's shop** and adjacent businesses on Abbeydale Road South, suffered flood damage twice in a fortnight at the end of the summer when storm drains on Dore Road became blocked and the road collapsed. The business remains committed to the site and has now reopened having been completely refurbished and stocked with a new collection of wallpapers and fabrics etc.

**The Town Hall** will be open again to the public from 10.30am to 4.30pm on Friday 21st and Saturday 22nd November, following the success of the Centenary Celebrations Open Days in May. There will be a display of archive material and records relating to the Town Hall. Silver from the Council's collection and the Lord Mayor's Celebration Robes will also be on show. Light refreshments will be available.

**Crime** in South Yorkshire has fallen by 10% according to the latest Home Office figures against a 5% rise nationally. This includes a 13% drop in car crime, and 10.6% in burglaries.

**Bradfield Historical Society** has produced a third volume of *Bygones of Bradfield* containing more local history information from the last 125 years. Copies priced £3.50 are available from Mr M Nunn, Tel 233 7463

**Following complaints** by local residents, the Council required the removal of two temporary floodlights from the Tigers Rugby ground on Dore Moor.



*Christ Church Dore 1997, by Brian Edwards. This drawing was commissioned by friends as a gift to mark the wedding of Lisa and Dave Rhodes in June.*

## Charity concert

The John Wade Singers will be giving a concert at St. John's Church, Abbeydale, on December 5th and 6th, at 7.30pm. Tickets will be £4.50 £3.50 (concessions), and for more details you can ring 0114 236 0820, or 01246 415778.

The programme will include *Hiawatha's Wedding Feast* by Coleridge-Taylor, two scenes from Russian operas by Mussorsky and Tchaikovsky and a selection of arias and choruses from *The Magic Flute* by Mozart. The conductor will be John Wade and the organist Paul Green.

Proceeds from the concert will be in aid of two local charities: The Stillborn and Neonatal Deaths Society (SANDS) and The Arachnoiditis Trust Counselling Service (Chronic Pain).

## Totley Library

It was communities that originally gave birth to public libraries, and in these days of restricted council funding, libraries are once again forced to turn to their local communities for support. Raising the profile of libraries is part of the battle, and during National Libraries Week at the beginning of November Totley library held a number of special events and hosted a visit from our local MP.

Currently no council funds are available for new books and these can only be purchased by local fund raising. The library welcomes donations of childrens and adult books in good condition, with those not needed locally being passed on to Hallamshire Hospital. Cash donations are also welcomed, with funds raised currently being financially matched by the Totley Residents Association.

**INSIDE:** The 11th Duke of Devonshire; Farming notes; Planning; The Wildlife Garden; Jean recalls; News in Brief; Water economy; £1 liners; Mountain Rescue; Counting Sheep

## Devonshire Terrace Road

You will have seen the notices about a one way system recently put up on this road, following the 3 articles in our previous editions. This was your chance to put your views to the Highway Department. Eric Wilson from the Department tells me that he has received just THREE LETTERS. This is surprising considering the furious debates both for and against that we've heard around the village all year. "More heat than light" as Andrew Bownes (previous DVS Chairman), would say.

Of the 3 letters, 2 objected and the other had no objections but asked for waiting restrictions to be included. The one way proposal will now be put forward at the Highways Committee meeting on 2nd December. As regards the waiting restrictions, this will be monitored by the Highways Dept over the coming months. Mr. Wilson didn't feel that Dore was an area of commuter parking which is treated differently, but did feel that there was a case for a 2 hours maximum parking scheme, to which residents would be exempt.

I feel sure that residents have ideas rather than just grumbles. We've been told that the opening of TESCO's has reduced car parking outside the Coop, and I would like to think that people have changed their selfish and thoughtless ways too. There is still time to send your views to Eric Wilson, Highways and Traffic Dept.(Planning) 2, Carbrook Hall Road Sheffield. It would be very useful to us to have a copy posted through our Office, up the staircase at the Old School. Please add whether you would agree to the letter being published in our next issue.

We all have to live with traffic problems nowadays. At least lets share some possible remedies.

*Gillian Farnsworth*

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*The centre of Dore before today's traffic problems*

## Letters

Dear Sir

Practice Survey results.

First of all, may we take this opportunity to thank all our patients who made time to take part in our survey; the response was very good and we are grateful for your help.

The survey results showed that 91% of Dore patients were in favour of retaining the appointments system. At Carterknowle, 64% were in favour of keeping the drop-in system.

The Travel Clinic option was ticked by 51% of patients and we are currently setting this up for injections and advice for patients when travelling; this will be in place by the end of October.

The practice is always looking for ways of improving the service we offer to patients and we are pleased to receive your comments and suggestions at any time. However, any changes that we make have to be for the benefit of the practice as a whole and within the resources made available to us by the Health Authority; we will continue to offer you the best service we possibly can within these constraints.

*Dr. Ruck & Partners  
Carterknowle & Dore Medical Practice*

Dear Sir

Something very strange seems to be happening in Dore - the spawning and consequent proliferation of large 4 wheel drive monsters! Our already clogged village highways are being further choked by these lumbering monsters, whilst their owners drop into the local shops for a loaf or a packet of fags. I am reliably informed by younger members of my family that these vehicles are now the 'in-thing' - how slavishly people will follow fashion whilst totally ignoring any effect on the local population. The original purpose of these vehicles was of course, for use on farms or open land, NOT in suburban streets.

Lets hope the next fashion fad to take over will either be minis - or better still - bicycles!!!

Meantime, pedestrians must flee for their lives on their approach, and folk like me, who have to drive a small car for health reasons, will continue to search, often without success -

for a parking place, whilst these large horrors take up an enormous space, scattering everything in their path whilst belching out large noxious emissions.

*A Dore-ite*

Dear Sir

I am enclosing a short report' for inclusion in the next publication of Dore-to-Door. It was prompted as a follow up to the item 'Right-to-roam' in the Autumn edition.

IT'S A DOG'S LIFE' - at least on the Recreation Ground. They can run free, - leave their excreta all over the place and chase children and balls. Not a Poop Scoop in sight!

Are not young children allowed to run free? Not if they value their health. I took a five year old and his eight year old brother into the Rec recently. The five year old was immediately chased by a dog snapping at his heels. A little later when we tried to play ball, a large dog ran off with it. I daren't let them run on the grass because of dog poo'.

Who do we consider first/most important - children or dogs? Two other families in the Rec. At the same time, were in total agreement, and sympathy with my view.

*Margaret Mycroft*

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## Planning

Hedgerow Regulations ( S1 No. 1160) came into force in June this year. This is the culmination of great public concern over many years at the disappearance of ancient hedges to roadmaking, house building and intensive agriculture.

A recent planning proposal gave me the chance to ask for protection for the hedge above 107 Bushey Wood Road along a public footpath. 5 varieties of woody species have been identified and 3 other criteria were fulfilled - one being a parallel hedge. The path is much used by school children and walkers and will shortly have building works either side of it.

Of the 10 trees marked to be retained on the Nov, 96 map of Bushey Wood Road/Kings Croft, only 7 now have TPOs on them. I was told that 2 sycamores were in poor condition and the 3rd tree was rooted in a wall. The open orchard, beloved of tree climbers and apple scrumpers is also to go, or at least be no longer a wild corner, when 5 houses are built.

The "Knowle Green" site now being developed at Townhead Road, has also had further recommendations concerning hedges and trees, Keith Nissen (Tree Dept) has suggested layering the hawthorns to the left of the entrance and/or stiffening with new holly and yew. Also a leaning Corsican pine is to be removed before houses are erected. Otherwise the layout of retained trees and houses keeps to the plan.

We have written concerning an extension to a Listed Building, namely one of the Cromwell cottages. The materials and design have now been amended. To have lost the "Corner Shop"

still seems strange but it has been fascinating to see the original stonework revealed and a cosy wall to wrap round the site. In the same way watching the high wall being rebuilt behind 18, Townhead has been a delight. It was becoming dangerous to the owners and inhabitants of the barracks. We had a master builder in our midst - 4 times Yorkshire champion dry stonewaller!

Two lengthy cases to which we were objectors, have come to their conclusion after site visits and Planning Committee decisions. In both cases the plans were passed with conditions:

97/0383P Demolition of bungalow 15, Blacka Moor Road, Erection of 2 two storey houses.

97/0639p Use of land as an outdoor riding /training arena and erection of stables (retrospective) Kirkwold Townhead Road.

The former gives a worrying precedent for similar mostly bungalow roads and estates in Dore (e.g. Overdale Gardens, Rushley Close Middlefield Close)

Of the latter, conditions for approval included a new fence to be erected on the boundary of the Green Belt, tree and shrub planting to the South of the stable and hedge planting on Southern and Western boundaries. The Planning Committee shared our concerns over the prominent appearance from Baslow Road, Strawberry Lea and Blacka Moor.

Another proposal discussed at Planning Committee concerned floodlights at Dore Moor Tigers Rugby Ground 97/0016P. Another retrospective proposal, as the lights were already in place. As with the Blacka Moor Road proposal, there was a petition from neighbours and a spirited band of objectors, The outcome was that the additional temporary

floodlights must come down and an Enforcement notice was put in place.

Finally I was asked to write concerning the Vicarage Lane/Cavendish Avenue footpath. This used at one time to be resurfaced with gravel by the Duke of Devonshire's men; more recently by Sheffield Corporation. The level of the ground at the moment (particularly on the upper stretch behind the doctor's surgery), is such that the tree roots are exposed making walking and pram pushing dangerous. Resurfacing has been requested,

*Gillian Farnsworth*

## Just a trim please!

The weather this summer seems to have allowed trees, bushes and shrubs to put on a good bit of growth. Catching up the lost ground of 1995 and 1996 perhaps? Pavement and footpath users have noticed this particularly where overhanging branches from gardens cause heads to be ducked and deviations to be taken to avoid a swipe across the face. Some garden trees have grown so much that street lights are now completely obscured. Some of the Neighbourhood Watch and other notices are also lost in the greenery.

Now that the trees and plants have just about finished growing for this year, it's time to get out the secateurs and saws and remove the obstructions to footpaths, pavements, notices and lamps.

Not all of the trees are on private property but it's unlikely that the City Council will mind much if we also trim any low foliage of trees in the roadside borders which are also causing problems.

Let's leave the bigger branches to them.

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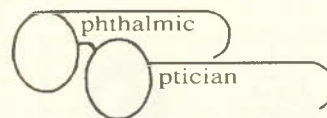
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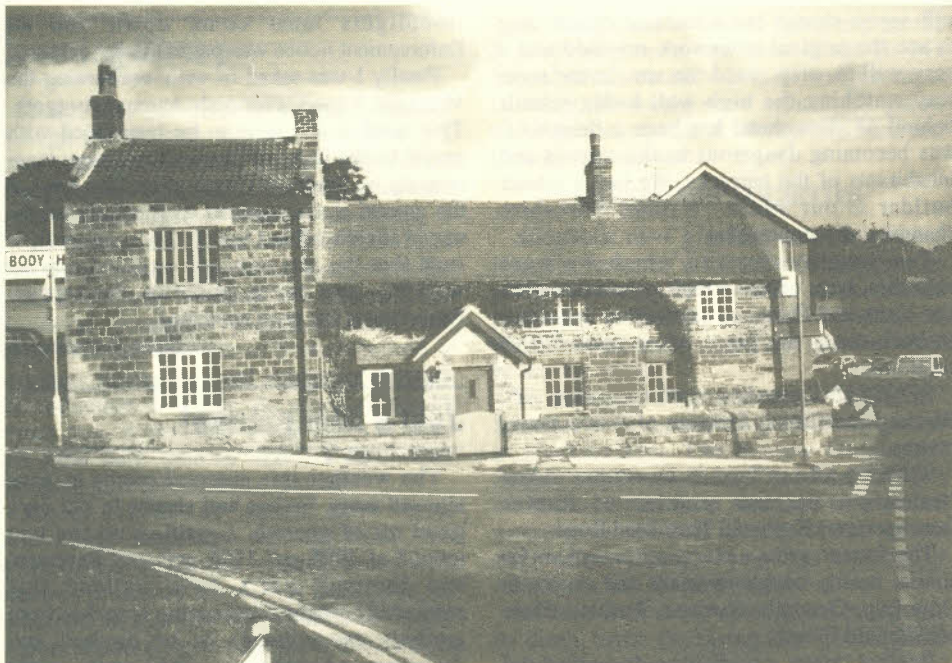
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## Thou flowering water

"They show our gratitude, for water from the wells, for streams that rise on purple moors", so run the lines of the Eyam Well Dressing Hymn sung at our own Well Dressing service to give thanks for continuing supply of water. But don't we take it all for granted? Especially this year when there have been few water supply difficulties. It's easy to forget that the main problem remains.

Water consumption has risen substantially; by about 70% in the last 30 years, and continues to rise. This is largely due to greater domestic demand caused by the wider use of kitchen appliances and of hoses for gardens and car washing. In recent years the rainfall levels have been below the long term average;

in 1995 and 1996 only 87% of the expected amount fell.

These two factors mean that ground water levels have not been replenished. The well-publicised leakage from the distribution pipes has only made matters worse and all the water companies now have substantial pipe repair or replacement programmes.

All this points to the need for the growth in consumption to be reversed or, at the very least, halted. Other countries have done it so why can't we?

There are two simple messages. Firstly, we should not be buying new equipment and appliances which are wasteful. Secondly, those which we have already should be used as effectively as possible.

Let's have some facts. Older toilet designs use to 14 litres of water per flush, whereas modern systems use only seven litres - a 50% reduction. So, if we ever have to replace a toilet, let's make sure that it's an efficient one. Even with the older designs, it is possible to reduce consumption either by fitting an adjustable ballcock (about £3 and an easy DIY job) and setting the water level to the minimum for satisfactory operation, or part filling the toilet cistern with water filled containers.

It has been well publicised that washing machines are most water efficient when fully loaded. When buying a new machine, ask for water consumption information. The best current machines use about 55 litres for the standard cotton wash compared to 90 litres or more for poor designs. All the new models have the consumption figure shown on the Energy Rating sticker on the front.

Don't accept second best!

Very much the same applies to dish washers. The most efficient current machines use about 12 litres - almost half the amount used by the worst. A normal electric shower uses 8-10 litres for a three minute shower; a pump shower can use almost 50 litres in the same time.

Now, what about those hoses? Is it really necessary to use tap water, which has been

fully cleaned and treated, on the garden? Most lawns should not need watering, even during a dry spell, if they are not cut too short. Grass is hardy stuff. If the weather is dry, raising the cutters on the mower will result in a cover of longer grass that reduces water evaporation from the ground.

In our area, about 40 cubic metres (nearly 9000 gallons) of rain falls on each house roof each year. Ours for the taking? If we need to use water on the garden, why not set up our own supply by installing a butt to collect water from one of the roof drain pipes? That's been good gardening practice for long enough. The collected water has no chemicals in it and is better for garden use.

Now is the time to start collecting the winter rain ready for next year. Green's in the village can supply the equipment needed for the installation.

Do you have a water meter? Only about 8% of households in the UK have a meter but the percentage in Dore is probably much higher. Many residents have realised that major cost savings can be made when charged on a consumption basis. Regular reading of the meter, to work out the water use, can give an idea where most of the water is being used and also give an immediate indication of the effect of water conservation measures.

So it's really down to each one of us to make a small contribution to dealing with the problem. Reducing the amount of water used allows water companies to concentrate effort and finances on reducing leakage in the distribution pipes instead of having to think about the construction of more reservoirs, boreholes and major water transfer projects. More of nature's water can be allowed to flow down the rivers, some of which look a pretty sad sight at times. Going back to the lines of the hymn, let's show our gratitude in a very practical way.

*Roger Millican*

**"There are only three types of drivers - those that go too slow, those that go too fast, and oneself."**

## Reservoir Walks

As part of the policy to encourage greater public access to its land, Yorkshire Water has produced a series of Walks Packs. Each pack contains about eight leaflets, each describing a walk near one or more reservoirs. The leaflets are well produced and give details of suitable public transport, car parking, the route itself and some of the features encountered during the walk. An easily read map is also included.

The "North Peak" pack covers the area closest to Dore, from Redmires/Rivelin in the south to Digley near Holmfirth in the north. The walks range from 3 miles to just under 5 miles in length, but two of the walks can be joined to produce another of 9 miles.

The walk sampled, Broomhead/More Hall near Bolsterstone, provided a hour and a half of excellent views over the two reservoirs and the dale carrying Ewden Beck. Guide posts are placed where necessary with steps and small bridges over streams making for easy walking. Boots or strong shoes are needed.

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For information 'phone Mary Watson. 0114 - 236-5666.

## Gilbert & Sullivan

Precisely how it happened is unknown. Some say that a group of friends from Dore were sitting around a log fire one Wednesday tea-time, wondering how to occupy themselves until 'Sportsnight with Coleman'. A beetle drive, origami and another evening train spotting at Dore and Totley Station all failed to excite the imagination. Then someone suggested "Why don't we form an operatic group?"

What is certain is that in 1970, Dore Gilbert and Sullivan Society was born. The Society grew quickly enough to stage its first full-scale production, 'HMS Pinafore', in 1972 and in the quarter century since that first show it has continued to prosper. The main annual Production, which takes place just after Easter each year, now runs for a full week and various concerts are put on in addition. The Society organises many social events also - from theatre trips to barn dances to greyhound racing evenings.

For many years, productions were staged at King Egbert school. Although the society has




*The Corner Shop in the 50s, mecca for village children over the decades. Compare this picture with that on the facing page. Some of the shops history was detailed in an article published in our Summer 97 edition.*

now outgrown this venue - since the early 1980's the Sheffield University Drama Studio has been used - it has remained loyal to its roots in the village. Rehearsals still take place in the Church Hall, Townhead Road, each Wednesday evening from the beginning of September from 7.30 to 10.00pm.

At present the Society is working towards a production of 'Princess Ida' next April. This

will complete its second cycle of all the Gilbert & Sullivan operettas (except, for those who know G & S, 'The Grand Duke'!). New performing members are always welcome and can simply come along to the Wednesday rehearsals. Otherwise more information can be obtained from the Chairman, John Marsden (tel. 245 9985) or the secretary, Jim Laurie (tel. 236 4951).



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## The Earls and Dukes of Devonshire

*The fifteenth and final part of a series of articles.*

### The 11th Duke of Devonshire.

Second son of the Tenth Duke of Devonshire, Lord Andrew Robert Buxton Cavendish was born on 2 January 1920 at 20 Arlington Street, London W1, the home of his maternal grandfather and now part of the Ritz. He was educated at Eton and Trinity College, Cambridge. By the time that fate placed him in the line of succession he was a young married man. His elder brother, William Lord Hartington and heir to the dukedom, died in action in 1944 and there were no children from his marriage to Kathleen Kennedy.

Naturally, it had been William who had grown up with his future more or less mapped out. Andrew had hoped to be free to pursue a career in publishing after the war, once describing this interest as 'a nice mix of judgement and gambling'.

In April 1941 he had married Deborah Vivian Freeman-Mitford, the youngest daughter of the Second Baron Redesdale. The wedding took place at the church of St. Bartholomew the Great in Smithfield. As Lieutenant Lord Andrew Cavendish, the groom was serving with the Coldstream Guards and in the early part of their marriage the couple travelled together wherever he was posted. After the birth of their first daughter, Emma, in 1943, Deborah stayed behind and made their family home at 'The Rookery' at Ashford in the Water. In August 1944 Andrew, now a captain, took part in action in Italy during which he won the MC for gallantry in battle. He rose to the rank of major, albeit briefly, before leaving the army.

His son and heir, Peregrine-nicknamed 'Sto'- was born in 1944 and a second daughter, Sophie, in 1957.

In the intervening years, Lord Andrew had

twice attempted unsuccessfully to secure a seat in Parliament, standing as Conservative candidate for the Labour stronghold of Chesterfield in the general elections of 1945 and 1950.

### SAVING CHATSWORTH

Within months of the second defeat all outside interests suddenly had to be put to one side. In November, while on business in Australia, he received news of the unexpected death of his father at the early age of fifty two. The blow of close bereavement came with the knowledge that overnight he had inherited a dukedom burdened with a pressing debt of almost £5 million in death duties.

Andrew reflects that two factors were to save the day. Firstly, he was young. Secondly, he had what he describes as wonderful legal and financial advisers. 'If they had panicked,' he says with conviction, 'all would have been lost.' This modest statement, however, does not tell the full story. More is revealed in the words of a very close observer, the Duchess of Devonshire in her book *The House-A Portrait of Chatsworth*: 'Although he' (Andrew) 'had advice from many people, it was he alone who had to decide the best way of raising the millions of pounds which the law demanded. The responsibility for this decision was a heavy one and he was preoccupied by it for years. He pondered and considered the means by which the money could be raised which would have the least bad effect on the collections, the estate and succeeding generations of his family. Chatsworth was always at the centre of his thoughts and his plans'.

Attempts to reduce the debt by legal action failed. Total valuation of Cavendish assets was agreed with the Inland Revenue at £5.9 million and it became obvious that possessions would have to be disposed of; interest was accumulating at £1,000 per day. Sentiment backed up the decision that all efforts should be made to keep Chatsworth intact. This would clearly have to be at the expense of other properties and first to be sold were lands in Derbyshire and an agricultural estate in Scotland. In the Peak the loss of property was considerable, notably in Buxton and Peak Forest. Still intact within the estate are Edensor, Pilsley, a large part of Beeley and significant holdings at Baslow.

A poignant sacrifice was made in 1959 when, several years after the idea was first proposed by Andrew, the government accepted Hardwick Hall as another instalment against the remaining debt. The property has always been close to Cavendish hearts, having been built and occupied by Bess of Hardwick, mother of the first Earl of Devonshire. Hardwick, its contents and parkland were transferred by the government to the National Trust. In a separate deal the Treasury had already agreed to accept possessions valued at more than £1,200,000 in lieu of duties. This entailed the sale of ten major works of art from the Chatsworth collections.

Not until 17 May 1967 was the last pound of duty paid. It still remained for a deficit to be cleared on the Trustee's income account, from which estate income had been borrowed to meet interest payments on the debt. This settlement took a further seven years.

By this time, the total Cavendish acreage had been reduced by a third and management of the Derbyshire estates was now centralised at Chatsworth, to be run as a business with a

necessary eye to profit. Today the trustees of the Chatsworth Settlement own 35,000 acres in Derbyshire-containing 450 dwellings-and 30,000 acres at Bolton Abbey in North Yorkshire. Lismore Castle and 8,000 acres in Waterford, inherited by Andrew in 1944 upon the death of his uncle, Lord Charles Cavendish, are held by the Lismore Trust within the Chatsworth Settlement. Andrew owns only a house in London in his own right.

### A STATELY HOME

In the late 1950's an important change came about at Chatsworth House. Since 1947, Andrew and his family had lived at Edensor House but about ten years later the decision was made, not without some reservations, to move into Chatsworth. Its future was to be as a stately home open to the public and it was correctly predicted that a resident ducal family would draw visitors. In any case, the days of countless low-paid servants were over and it was impossible for the great mansion of 175 rooms and 17 staircases to become a home in its entirety. Preparations for the move took a year and a half and the family moved into their newly prepared private quarters in the autumn of 1959.

Even after clearing the great debt it became necessary to sell further works of art to offset the losses of running Chatsworth. Then in 1975, the introduction of Capital Transfer Tax eroded the advantages of the existing trust settlement and radical administrative measures had to be planned.

Therefore a unique, independent charitable trust was set up, with the approval of the Treasury, for the long term preservation of Chatsworth and its essential contents for the public benefit.

In 1981 upon establishment of this, the Chatsworth House Trust, the Duke of Devonshire became a sub-tenant of the House, paying a full market rent for his family's accommodation.

In April of that year a painting from the Chatsworth collection, Poussin's Holy Family, realised £1,650,000 at auction. The sale of rare books followed and the total proceeds went into endowing the Trust to enable the House to stay open to the public. In July 1984 the Trust benefited from a sale of seventy-one Old Master drawings which realised £21 million at Christie's, then a world record auction figure and three times the expected sum.

Maintenance costs for the House and Estate depend on income from the Trust in addition to visitors' entrance fees and special events. All such revenues vital but nothing is allowed to spoil the special country atmosphere of Chatsworth. Annual Angling and Country Fairs are firmly established whilst local organisations benefit in turn from such events as coffee mornings held in the Painted Hall. The House itself is now open to visitors on more days than ever before.

Private visitors regularly include members of the royal family and prominent guests from overseas. The late Rose Kennedy, mother to

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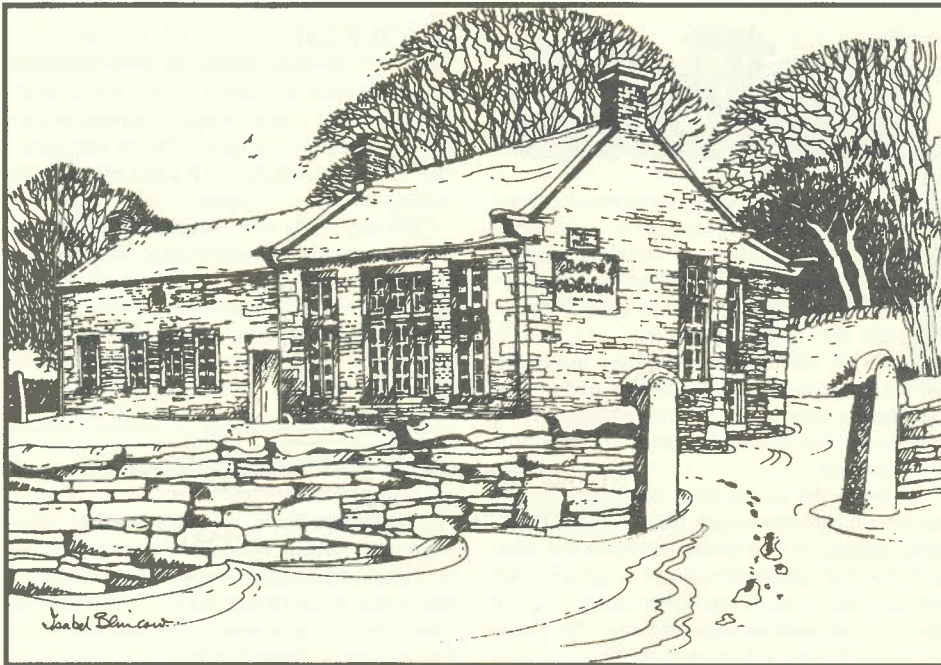
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*Dore Village Society Christmas card for 1997, which reflects the Society's recent move into a room at the Old School. Packs of the cards are available from Greens on Causeway Head Road and Valerie of Dore on the High Street.*

Kathleen Marchioness of Hartington, was a particularly welcome guest well into her eighties. Her son, John F Kennedy, stayed here when he visited the grave of his sister Kathleen at Edensor. The Duke was present at both his presidential inauguration and his funeral. Senator Edward Kennedy maintains the link between the two families as an occasional guest of the Devonshires.

#### GARDENING AND COMMERCE

From their earliest times here, the Duke and Duchess have enjoyed planning improvements to the gardens together. One early venture was the planting of a serpentine beech hedge to enclose the bust of the Bachelor Duke. In 1962 a yew maze, designed by Comptroller Dennis Fisher, was planted on the former site of Paxton's Great Conservatory. An uncompromisingly 20th-century conservatory was erected in 1970; it contains three controlled climates - tropical, Mediterranean and temperate - and produces exotic fruits.

As for the House, Andrew made an early decision to replace the plate glass windows of the south front with small bevelled panes for a more pleasing effect, though all choice of interior design and re-arrangements have been left to Deborah with his blessing. To anyone who reads her book on the House it is clear that this has been a labour of love and her personal involvement has been total. She also has a free hand in farming matters, having become a top breeder and judge of certain breeds of poultry, cattle and ponies, notably Haflingers.

Deborah confesses to a passion for commerce' and has established a shop in the Orangery, restaurant in the former Carriage House and a shop at Pilsley. This latter utilises the old Shire Horse stud complex, of which the remaining buildings have been converted and let to various artists and craftspeople.

Meanwhile Chatsworth House has once more become a collector's showplace. Pursuing his own preferences, Andrew has added considerably to the library as well as purchasing and commissioning works from living artists. Additions include family

portraits by Lucien Freud, sculptures by Angela Conner, and Samuel Palmer water colours. The mineral collection started by Georgiana, wife of the Fifth Duke, has also been expanded.

Racing is one of Andrew's lifelong loves. He bought his first racehorses in 1948 and adopted the pale yellow silks - properly described as 'straw' - used by the first Duke of Devonshire. The First Duke chose these colours when this form of identification was first introduced; they are the oldest registered colours still in use.

#### MOVING WITH THE TIMES

Andrew also inherited the traditional Devonshire interest in politics but other demands on his time have denied him a more active political life. He originally took his seat in the House of Lords as a Conservative and in 1956 gave his maiden speech on the subject of Suez - a brave choice, he feels, at a time when that name was inseparable from the word crisis'. Under Macmillan and, subsequently, Douglas-Home, he served as Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State in the Commonwealth Relations from 1960 to 1962, then as Minister of State in the Commonwealth Relations Office until 1964. He also acted as Minister for Colonial Affairs between 1963 and 1964. Since that time he has had no political office, though his views received a public airing in 1982 when he joined the Social Democrats as a staunch David Owen man'.

Today the Duke sits on the cross-benches of the House, describing himself as a 'middle woodsman' and pleased to be 'unwhippable'. Whilst he now spends most of his time at Chatsworth he always attends debates in which he has an interest.

Outside politics, Andrew has held a wide variety of positions. Locally these have included serving as Mayor of Buxton (1952-54) Vice-Lieutenant of Derbyshire (1957-87) and a long period as President of the Sheffield Branch of the Coldstream Association. He continues as National Vice-President of the Coldstream Association, but otherwise his one

remaining role is the Presidency of the National Society for Deaf Children.

#### FAMILY AND COMMUNITY

As for the succession to the dukedom, this is assured for the foreseeable future. In 1967 Peregrine Lord Hartington married Amanda Heywood-Lonsdale and their first child, William Lord Burlington, was born in 1969. The Duke and Duchess now have eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

The estate community which centres on the Devonshires consists of some 750 people, of whom about 150 are deeply appreciated working staff. Staff care is wide-ranging, from the provision of social facilities to good family housing and a guaranteed estate home for life on retirement.

In May 1994 the Chatsworth community and large numbers of local people shared in one of the highlights of recent years - the 300th anniversary of the creation of the Devonshire Dukedom. Over 3,000 guests shared in the celebrations.

So much for the past and the present but Chatsworth also has to look ahead. Thoughts are already beginning to turn towards the millennium celebrations, which will coincide with Andrew's golden jubilee as Duke of Devonshire and his own 80th birthday. Not that he takes anything for granted. After very patiently reviewing his life to date, he shared this confidence: I remind myself every morning and every evening that I am one of the luckiest people in the world,' And the emphasis, he stressed, is on the word remind'.

History will return the compliment, reminding future generations how lucky it was for Chatsworth to have had the Eleventh Duke of Devonshire at its seat.

*Julie Bunting*

*The articles in this series, complete with illustrations and a foreword by his grace the Duke of Devonshire, have now been published in the Derbyshire Heritage Series. Copies are available from the author price £4.34 inc p&p. Please write enclosing a cheque to Mrs J Bunting, Goss Hall, Ashover, Chesterfield, S45 0JN.*



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## Farming notes

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When the mass panic started in March last year the government decided to take all animals over 30 months old out of the human food chain. For male animals there's been a system of cattle identification documents operating for several years now. This was introduced to administer the EU subsidy system, but the CID's were used to measure the age of the animal under the BSE scheme. As only the males had CID's the females age is assessed by their teeth. The tables give ages as follows; 2 broad teeth, 21 months; 4 broad teeth, 27 months; 6 broad teeth, 33 months 8 broad teeth, 43 months So any female animal with more than 4 adult teeth has to be slaughtered under the government OTMS scheme and the carcass burnt. For males the age is taken from the CID.

This is an incredible waste of good food costing the taxpayers around £600 million in the first year alone. There isn't a cow keeper in the country who doesn't believe the whole thing is a media scare exacerbated by incompetent government handling of the situation. The government appointed expert, Prof Patterson recently said he considered the chances of a CJD epidemic from BSE infected meat to be infinitesimal, but it never got reported beyond the inside pages.

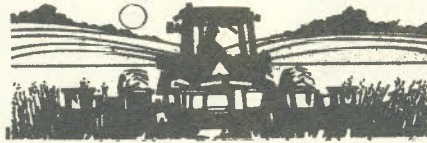
To try to identify every bovine in the country MAFF have introduced a cattle passport which involves registering every calf at birth and every time it changes hands. The idea is that every time you buy a joint of beef it should be possible to trace it's complete history.

One immediate problem is the actual identification of the animal. We already have a national system of ear tags. Each farm has a herd number and that's followed by the cow number printed on a UK tag. Each tag is registered and no duplicates are issued. It sounds OK but cows are brilliant at getting tags out. I don't know how they do it but they do. To try and fool them, from next year all animals are to be double tagged within 30 days of birth. At least all this should be doing the tagging companies some good.

The whole thing's a typical case of bureaucracy trying to solve a problem by increasing the amount of bureaucracy required. And the number of bureaucrats. Farmers have always been required to keep animal movement records for use in tracing disease outbreaks. Pigling Bland was asked for his licence (his movement licence) in Beatrix Potter's story written nearly 100 years ago.

Up to now we've always used our island status to maintain a disease free national herd and stamp out any outbreaks, which are almost always imported, as fast as possible, rather than worry about every single animal movement, 99% of which have no health implications whatsoever.

The really crazy thing is that at the same



time all this is going on, the government are preparing to abolish the quarantine regulations for animals, mostly pet dogs and cats, entering the country and rely on vaccination and yet another tagging system to keep rabies out. In the past we were always told that at the moment we could guarantee the country is rabies free, but as soon as we go onto a vaccination system we have it permanently in the country but are relying on drugs to keep it under control.

Rabies in the wild is most commonly spread by foxes, and foxes are now becoming an urban animal. It will be interesting to see what sort of a scare the papers can whip up when we get the first death from rabies caught from a fox infected from an imported dog. The purge on urban foxes will make the anti-hunting campaign look pretty pathetic.

But of course it won't happen because the vaccination system is 100% foolproof!

## Have you noticed?

The Council notices about making Devonshire Terrace one-way have now gone. How much longer I wonder before anything actually happens. In the meantime cars continue to park on the pavements, or opposite each other, making life difficult and dangerous for everyone. Talking of parking, why does everyone pull up to the shops on Causeway Head Road facing inwards and then back out into the oncoming traffic?

Outside the shops us pedestrians must take our lives in our hands everytime we cross the road.

Just recently I was caught by another hazard - a run-away electric invalid chair. Does one have to pass a test to drive one of these?

Since the summer things seem to have gone quiet at the secure unit on Limb Lane, well outside at least. I suppose if it was a real prison there would be a hooter if someone escaped. We just have to find out later. I understand the Council have been looking for a new unit manager, advertising in 'The Big Issue' (as sold by the homeless) of all places. A reassuring use of our money!

*Doremouse*

## Scout Post

Once again the local Scout Groups are taking part in the Scout Christmas Post scheme. Special stamps will be on sale locally from 29 November until 18 December, the last posting date for Christmas.

Greeting cards only can be sent under the scheme to all of Sheffield, Rotherham, Dronfield and Chesterfield, as well as some outlying areas (see leaflets for details). There is also a "Santa Line" for youngsters who would like to write to him, including their name and address.

## Abbeyle Sports

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## Jean recalls

The present Ash House was erected in 1915 by solicitor Reginald Webster, on the site of an earlier building, which I believe was a farmhouse. I understand that his father had lived in the earlier building.

In 1936, a compulsory purchase order was placed on the house and surrounding area. The house was taken over by the Sheffield Education Committee and used as a residential school for children with Rheumatic fever. It opened as a school in the early 1940's and closed in 1959/60.

It was then taken over by Social Services for use as a home for elderly ladies and in late 1970 an extension was added. It finally closed in March 1993 and was sold by the Council in December 1993.

Ernest Bingham, who lived in Cromwell Cottage on Townhead Road with his parents, Bernard and Tillie, worked as a gardener at Ash House for many years. He met his wife, Lily there. She was I believe, matron of the home.

When the flats on Causeway Head Road were built, Ernest and his wife moved from Cromwell Cottage to a flat, but sadly Lily died soon afterwards. Ernest had a hip operation which was not a total success, as he had to wear a built up shoe afterwards, though he still managed to walk to the seat at the bottom of Cliffside.

Mention has been made in a previous edition of 'Dore to Door' about Ash House Lane and it's title, Workhouse Lane. The name was changed in 1950. I have been told that there was a workhouse on the lane at one time but I can find no reference in an Illustrated

Guide to Sheffield' published in the 1880's. My sister has a different theory. She thinks that when Mr. Webster got into financial difficulties, a local wag renamed the Lane. I have heard that there was another name before it was known as Workhouse Lane, but no-one can tell me what it was.

My thanks to Susan Turner of the Bod on Limb Lane for the information she has given me.

By the way I wonder why her home is called 'The Bod'. I remember her late father, Harry Slater-Truswell speculating as to where this originated, but I do not think he ever came to a satisfactory conclusion.

Many older people will remember Harry. He worked as a carpenter for The Green Brother's and when they retired, for my cousin Charles Edward Cook. Harry was a keen footballer in his youth and never lost interest in the game all his life. Susan's family have lived at The Bod for at least three generations.

The Lodge at Ash House was occupied by a family called Robson when I was a child, and during the 50's and 60', by John Stolland, who worked, if memory serves me right, for the Parks Department. He was a keen member of the Fellowship of the Services and belonged to the now defunct Dore Mess, as did many ex-service men from the first and second World Wars.

Jean Dean

## Hearing Dogs

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The opportunity to enjoy so-called high-risk' sports is a major attraction for visitors to the Peak District, but once in a while something goes wrong. If the mishap occurs off the beaten track the emergency services are quite likely to summon the Edale Mountain Rescue Team (EMRT).

The beginnings of organised mountain rescue were influenced by an incident in the Peak District when in 1928 a badly injured man was brought down from Laddow Rocks. Due to the fact that he had to be carried on a farm gate as a makeshift stretcher, he later had to have a leg amputated.

This case led to the formation of the Mountain Rescue Council.

Progress took another leap forward during the war when the Dark Peak moors became the scene of military training as well as the graveyard of many aircraft. The RAF set up a search and rescue unit at Harpur Hill, Buxton, whilst civilian mountain rescue largely relied on local people. One man capable of coordinating rescue work was an experienced hillwalker named Fred Heardman, landlord of the Nag's Head Inn at Edale and later to become a member of the Peak Park Planning Board and coordinator of the Warden service.

In 1955 a rescue post was established at the Nag's Head, later moved to the Warden Service base at Fieldhead. Since that time four out of six EMRT team leaders have been full-time Park Rangers. A review of mountain rescue services in the Peak followed a tragedy in 1964 when three participants of the Four Inns Walk lost their way and perished on Bleaklow. It had taken two days to locate two of the victims, all of whom died of exposure.

Within months the Peak District Mountain Rescue Organisation was formed to tighten up and improve operations. Of the original nineteen teams, EMRT is today one of seven.

Over the years very many people have had cause to be grateful to the team, a dedicated group of 60 unpaid but highly trained volunteers from many walks of life. They are



*The Dore Moor Inn around the turn of the century. See the picture on the front of our Autumn 97 issue.*

on call 24 hours a day, 365 days of the year. Statistically, their busiest days are Sundays, closely followed by Saturdays, in high summer. Although nowadays it might be a parascender or a mountain biker needing help, almost half the incidents involve walkers and the most common injury is to the lower leg. Many searches concern missing people and this is one of the reasons why the search dog units regularly travel long distances around the country.

### HAGGIS AND CUSTARD

The 1997 EMRT handbook devoted a special article to the Search and Rescue Dog Association (SARDA). Under the direction of its handler a single search dog can work a search area quicker and more effectively than several humans over whom it has a natural advantage in darkness and bad weather conditions. The Edale team has four search dogs; one of the dogs, Haggis, was voted the best novice dog of 1996.

It costs £10,000 per year to maintain the team's equipment and to run their two ambulances, a sum almost entirely raised by donations. Mountain rescue in this country receives only minimal funding from public sources and - in answer to a frequently-asked question - is not eligible for a hand-out from Camelot. The ambulances, a Land-Rover and a Ford Transit - known fondly as the Custard Bus' because of its colour - were donated by Severn Trent Water and British Telecom.

However, the Transit is almost due for retirement and a replacement of any flavour would be gratefully received. The vehicles are on standby at all times and are often seen well outside the core operational area associated with the Peak Park, supporting the emergency services and other rescue teams.

EMRT members provide their own equipment at a cost of up to £1,000 each, and last year attended 71 incidents. The handbook gives details but no names are mentioned - fortunately for the naked lady who broke her leg while dancing on a stone circle at the Summer Solstice! Team members even became television stars for an episode of 'Peak Practice', but by winter-time were out assisting the police motorists stranded by severe snowstorms. An earlier supposed emergency summoned members to a creaking gate. Three walkers had each opened and shut the gate in turn and the sound was mistaken from a

distance as six blasts on a whistle - the Alpine Rescue Signal.

In recent weeks the team was called out following reports of a crashed plane at Margery Hill but nothing was found. In spite of more sensible theories, the national press suggested that rescuers had been called out to the Peak's ghost bomber'.

That so many of the real incidents did not end in tragedy is clearly due to a dedicated and skilled team which gives services without payment of any kind. Their new handbook complete with a plastic 'wallet' card giving emergency advice - an essential item for all outdoor enthusiasts, costs £1,50 and can be obtained from Adrian Bacon, 19 Park Hall Avenue, Somersall, Chesterfield.

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*Julie Bunting*

## Dore Playground

One of the key findings from last years survey of opinion on the future of Dore Recreation Ground was the need to separate the interests of children and dogs! The only practical way to do this seems to be by fencing off the children's play area. At the same time the existing facilities for play are woefully inadequate.

Following through the original survey, we are keen to form a Dore Playground Action Group, with the aim of improving the children's play area, as part of a wider recreation ground improvement project. The core age range to cater for seems to be 2-6 years, but with facilities for older children as well, such as open swings and a basketball net/board. Other groups in Sheffield have raised the necessary funds for improvements and it is hoped we can do the same and draw on the money contributed towards the recreation ground as a condition of the planning approval for development on Knowle Green.

What we need now are ideas and support. If you are interested in this development and would like to voice your support, please contact Samantha Porter on 262 0385 or Jackie Butcher on 262 1293.

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It is our hope that over the next 2 to 3 years we will have completed the task of totally refurbishing the whole school. All classrooms will have been repainted, have curtains or blinds, carpets (where appropriate) and so on.

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Four years ago we had about 760 pupils - now we have 1060. This year we had more applications for admissions than places available. We can take up to 193 in any year group. In the recent past the school has been relatively empty but now we are approaching our limit. In common with many other local schools we have between 10-23% ethnic minority pupils, and therefore have a rich ethnic and social mix making us a truly comprehensive school. We are enabling pupils from a wide range of backgrounds to learn to mix and relate positively to others.

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## Book Reviews

When did you last take your children for a walk? We know it is good for them and us, but it is such a battle. A new book *Derbyshire walks with children* might well be the answer. Published by Sigma Leisure and written by a keen local walker William Parke, the book sets out 24 circular walks ranging from 1 to 6 miles. Each has been selected and written with children in mind. Along with guidance for the walk and excellent sketch maps, there is a commentary pointing out information of interest, and questions that can be asked. The result are walks which can really prove interesting to children, and adults alike for that matter.

If you are interested in the countryside, history, and fresh air, this book will encourage the most reluctant walker and provide an new insight to familiar locations for the keen walkers amongst us. An ideal Christmas present to us parents. Price £6.95 from all good book shops.

Sheffield can seem a big amorphous city, a place to travel through or work in. But if you know where to stop and look you'll find it full of the intriguing sights, from statues to plaques, from monstrosities to hidden beauty.

Nobody knows Sheffield better than Edward Vickers, and his new book *The Unseen the Unsightly and the Amusing in Sheffield*, provides just the guide we all need. Drawing on his years of research and local knowledge the author has put together 136 pages of pictures and commentary with an eye for detail, history and human interest. From the smallpox graves in Dore Churchyard to Patent Sewer Gas Lamps, from sculptures to police boxes.

This is a book anyone would enjoy dipping into and at £9.95 from most bookshops, would make an excellent stocking filler. By the way, did you know that while the

Reverend Frank Parker of Dore was preaching in the early 19th century two dogs entered the church and started fighting.

Instead of having them put out he is reputed to have exclaimed, 'Bet the black un'll win!'

Those of you who have heard one of her talks will know how much history Marjorie Dunn has at her fingertips, her enthusiasm for the subject and her ability to tell a tale. In her new book *The Reluctant Traveller* she sets out to write a sequel to her first novel *The T'alli Stone* which we reviewed in an earlier issue.

Set in early Victorian Sheffield, Australia and North America between 1817 and 1845, and while answering outstanding questions from the first book, the story stands in its own right as it unfolds against a well researched background. The hero, if we can call him such, faces religious hostility and misunderstanding as he tries to put right the mistakes of his youth and struggles to reveal his past to an unsuspecting son. How does it end? To find out you'll have to spend £6.95 for this book published by Hallamshire Press.

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## The wildlife garden

The changing colours of autumnal leaves may well send the photographers amongst us rushing for our cameras to record this annual spectacle, but for many gardeners it heralds one of their most hated tasks - namely the collection and disposal of fallen leaves. We all realize that railway companies need to remove leaves from their tracks to ensure that trains run on time, but is it actually necessary to remove leaves from our gardens for any reason other than an aesthetic one?

Children may appreciate kicking piles of leaves around, but such leaf accumulations can be disastrous for lawns, as not only will they cut out the light directly, many of the leaves will turn to a putrid mush during the winter months effectively killing the living turf. Similarly, small garden ponds should be protected from accumulating large amounts of leaf debris as the decomposition of this may lead to the loss of oxygen in the lower levels. A net stretched over the pond supported by sticks (high enough to allow animals to get in and out) is a simple way to stop this happening. So is there an alternative to simply consigning leaves to the 'wheelie-bin' or November bonfires?

Usually, due to the constraints of space, it is only the larger gardens that have the room to compost leaves, allowing each year's accumulation to sit in slowly decomposing heaps. As it requires up to seven years for soil fungi to turn leaves into leaf-mould, a lot of patience is also required. A number of gardeners have told me that leaves can be composted much more quickly by placing them dry in black plastic bags, sealed and left

for a year or so - a similar technique to that used to breakdown tough plant material.

Although for gardeners falling leaves may cause a lot of extra work, for the many insects that rely on tree leaves for food this event can be disastrous. Two of our native butterflies, the Purple Emperor and the White Admiral, have developed an ingenious way to overcome the problem of tumbling earthwards when the tree sheds its leaves. Larvae of both species will bind the edges of leaves together around them with silk and tie this 'house' securely to a branch, thus providing them with a winter refuge. Seven species of British butterflies will spend the winter as adults usually staying in hollow trees, cold outhouses or sheds. However, Comma butterflies will spend the winter entirely exposed, hibernating on branches or amongst dead leaves, whilst Brimstones will hide in evergreen bushes. The roof inside my shed provides space for hibernating Red Admiral butterflies and a hoard of delicate lace-wings and less welcome blue-bottles which in turn give the resident spiders an opportune feast.

Rock and wood piles provide secure winter residences for Queen bumblebees, whilst in the larger holes huddles of frogs and newts will hibernate quite readily. Of our larger animals hedgehogs are perhaps the best known example of a hibernating mammal and although some will make their winter homes amongst the roots of old trees, many will curl up in piles of leaves. Such animals are at risk of being killed or injured when these leaf piles are burnt during autumn. By moving the leaves into a new position before they are burnt you can easily check for hedgehogs or better still burn the leaves in spring when the warm weather returns.

So, in the wildlife garden it is not only important to provide food during the year but also to leave suitable places for the animals to survive the winter. It is also important not to disturb them once they have started to hibernate either by physically moving them or increasing the temperature of their surroundings prematurely (in a greenhouse for instance).

Plants too may require some protection with delicate perennials having to be brought inside. More hardy potted plants can be sunk into the garden soil to protect the root-ball from freezing or with large pots 'bubble-wrapping' is very effective. Leaving the old dead (but not diseased) plant-stalks or leaf-rossettes covering the growing points will protect low-growing perennials from the cold.

This will also enable ladybirds and this year's 'froglets' to find a hiding place amongst the leaves or down any hollow stems. Some gardeners recommend leaving dead plant-stalks in place during the winter months because of the interest they provide through their movement, but on a more practical basis knap-weed, teasel and lavender seed heads if left, will encourage charms of tinkling goldfinches into the garden - a far more colourful sight than any brown plant-stalks, however much they may sway.

*Observe which way the hedge-hog builds  
her nest,*

*To front the north or south, or east or west;  
For if 'tis true that common people say,  
The wind will blow the contrary way.*

(from *Poor Robin's Almanack*, 1733)

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## Abbeydale Hamlet

A personal note from Janet Peatman, former curator.

Since the Abbeydale Industrial Hamlet and Shepherd Wheel were closed down by the City Council on April 1st 1997, talks, discussions and arguments have been raging in the background between various bodies trying to get the sites under a Trust and open again. It is evident to me that there are enormous problems in trying to arrive at an all-party agreement, and the obvious moral of this whole sad story is that Abbeydale and Shepherd Wheel should never have been closed in the first place. They should have been kept open on a skeleton staffing arrangement and talks set afoot meantime to place the sites in the hands of a Trust. However the deed was done and we must now try to pick up the pieces.

### WHICH TRUST

After 6 months of negotiations we still do not know which Trust is to take over the running of the sites. ASWAT, a body set up to protect Abbeydale and Shepherd Wheel, should, in my opinion, be the front runner. But the City Council has other ideas, and ASWAT has been persistently undermined by ill-informed reports from their own chief officers. The Council therefore wishes to put Abbeydale and Shepherd Wheel under a renamed Kelham Island Trust.

This would be fine if the Kelham Island Trust were in a position to run three sites. The truth is that they are struggling to run one site and certainly do not have the resources to add two Listed ancient monuments to their problems. They have insufficient staff and no apparent extra financial resources to do the job with. Of the 9 staff at Kelham Island, 7 are full-time employees of the City Council. It is therefore obvious that the Kelham Trust is dependent to a very large extent on City Council funding. While this is the case, how can the City Council argue that Kelham Island is being successfully run by a private Trust? If they are happy to call this, then why can they not fund the staffing of Abbeydale in a similar way and allow a Trust to raise the funding for development work.

Since Abbeydale has the misfortune to be in the ownership of the City Council, we are powerless to do anything. We can only make suggestions and try to influence decisions. But that is not easy when our own elected members will not listen to us.

A third Trust being considered by the City Council is the Rural Buildings Preservation Trust (RBPT). This a Trust operated from Cumbria, consisting of former employees of a Northern Housing Association. Their remit is, in the main, to purchase rural buildings, do them up and then re-sell them, having used Government grants to do the repair work and selling them apparently at cost as a public service to replenish the nations housing stock. Looking at their portfolio, one would have to conclude that they have never done anything like look after a site like Abbeydale, nor do they consider it part of their task to get involved in opening such a site to the public. At a meeting at Abbeydale with their representative, it became quite evident that their intention is to take out a 125 year lease on Abbeydale, raise the necessary money for



*Shepherds Wheel awaiting its fate as part of the debate over the future of Abbeydale Hamlet.*

the repairs that may be required by taking out a loan, and then recharging the interest on that loan as rent to the ultimate site operator. This site operator would be one of the Sheffield Trusts (probably Kelham Island Trust), and they would have to take out a lease from RBPT and pay the rent thus incurred.

I am throwing this information out into the public arena so that people like you, the readers of Dore to Door, can consider this scenario. Do you, to whom Abbeydale belongs as the people of Sheffield, believe that Sheffield should have to offer a 125 lease to an outside body like the RBPT and then rent it back from them? It is your site; it was given to you in trust by the J.G Graves Trust in 1935, and Sheffield City Council were your custodians committed to looking after the site on your behalf in perpetuity.

Fortunately we have a great ally in Professor Francis Evans, Professor of the History of Technology at Hallam University until his very recent retirement. He has made great strides in persuading the City Council not to rush into this decision. They were on the verge of signing and sealing, and had already drawn up the legal document for the RBPT to take over. But along with the chairman of ASWAT, Professor Evans visited the Town Hall to request that at least some further thought be given to this matter.

Since then, another Trust has appeared on the scene, the Industrial Trust. This is a new section of the National Trust, which is endeavouring to look into the conservation, repair, general well-being and, most importantly, the opening of industrial archaeology sites to the public. This is with the express aim of preserving them, interpreting them, and allowing the public to enjoy and learn from these precious remnants of our industrial past. They are currently looking into the possibility of taking Wortley Top Forge on board. Would this not be a better way forward for the long-term future of Abbeydale than the headlong rush into the arms of a glorified Housing Association?

We can only wait and see what happens next. Certainly, I am of the opinion that Sheffield City Council do want to save Abbeydale and get it open to the public again; but they do not want to be responsible for it financially, they do not want to have to take

any Risk on board concerning the site for the long-term future: and, what is worse, they do not seem to have a clue how to go about getting it open. However, news broke yesterday (October 28th) that they have just voted £30,000 as a lifeline to help Abbeydale. But don't hold your breath! At the same time, they announced a likelihood of 200 redundancies; and what is more, it would not be new money because they already reckon they are spending £20,000 to keep Abbeydale mothballed.

What I have said re Abbeydale, obtains for Shepherd Wheel as well; only City Council have forgotten all about the existence of Shepherd Wheel, and it is never even given a mention in any of the planning and deliberations.

Thank you, Dore to Door Editor, and thank you readership, for giving me the opportunity to air my views. I am not to be accused of sour grapes. But I do think that this whole sorry matter deserves a public debate, and that the local Sheffield should have their say about the future of their most important assets.

*Janet Peatman*



*Queen Victoria, in the shape of a Stage Right puppet, lends her support to the campaign to save Abbeydale, assisted by local MP Richard Allen.*

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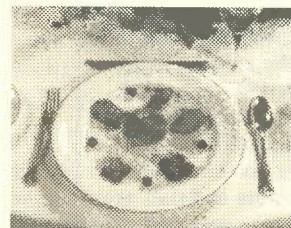


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## Autumn Meeting

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With a shortage of rain still in the news, this summer we have had only 80% of the average rainfall, the autumn talk to the Dore Village Society by Bob Sellars from Yorkshire Water was topical indeed. The audience were treated to a general history of the water industry and an outline of the company's current role. There were facts galore from 18th century pipes made from ash and elm, to the use of 'Hippos'.

Afterwards a wide ranging question and answer session showed the range of interest people have, from conservation, through metering, to costs! It was also confirmed that the company is putting more resources into combating leaks. Their free hot line is 0800 573 553. However, in Dore some leaks turn out to be new springs. And yes, our water does come from both Redmires and Rivelin treatment centres.

The next Dore Village Society public meeting will be towards the end of February, when we hope to have a speaker from the National Trust.

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## Hallamshire Heritage

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## Sheffield Christmas 1946

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Apparently a Christmas rail exodus started early and continued throughout Christmas Eve. The idea being that it was cheaper to spend the holiday in a hotel than to stay at home. The price of a good sized turkey would pay the hotel bill of a man and his wife for 2 or 3 days!

It would be a quiet Christmas day, a football match at Bramall Lane was the only public entertainment in the City. The cinemas and theatres were closed. Even worse still licensee's weren't too hopeful that beer supplies would last through the holiday.

A spokesman for the Ministry of Food said that 86,400 of the 123,200 turkeys ordered would be delivered to wholesalers on Christmas Eve and that it was unlikely that any more would be delivered as they were so frozen that they couldn't be thawed in time for Christmas. 100,000 cases of Australian canned fruit had been unloaded at Avonmore Docks on the 28 November. The bread and bacon rations would probably have to be cut in the coming months.

The good news is that you would have been in line for 5d worth of meat for nothing in the week commencing 12 January 1947 as a result of the people of the Argentine wishing to send a gift to Great Britain as a token of friendship.

On the entertainment scene you could have gone to see the tap dancing nurses and staff of Firvale Institution (work house - now part of the Northern General site) and wearing costumes they made themselves. The concert would be repeated on New Years Day when the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress would attend. Some Christmas cheer in the form of

an assurance from the Central Electricity Board that there would be no cuts on Christmas Day. On the radio you could have taken your choice from Mrs Mopp's Christmas Party at 10.45, the Kings broadcast to the empire at 3pm. At 6.30 Jack and the Beanstalk and at 9.10 Arthur Askey's Christmas Party. On the Light programme you got Wilfred Pickles playing Santa Claus followed by Grand Hotel and Variety Bandbox and at 6.45 Dick Barton Special Agent, and when the cinema reopened you had a choice of Old Mother Riley's Ghost. The pantomime was Aladdin, at the Lyceum, (strangely enough it is this years panto). Happy Days Eh?

Ron Clayton

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## Dore Heritage Collection

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Now that the collection has a permanent home we are keen to collect and display items and artifacts which illustrate aspects of our history and the way people lived in the past. Please remember us when you are looking through old albums or clearing out the attic. Examples of items we seek are: Old tools; domestic and kitchen utensils; old maps; deeds; photographs; newspaper cuttings; business records; postcards etc.

If you have any items that you would be prepared to lend for copying or to donate to the collection, please speak to any member of the Dore Village Society Committee.

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## Did you know...

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That Sheffield is the only city in the world that has an Iron Age Hill Fort within its boundaries. Wincobank Hillfort is a defensive enclosure of just over 2.5 acres in area built to dominate the Lower Don Valley. The site was probably occupied earlier than the Iron Age and would have been reoccupied to oppose the Roman advance, marked by their fortress at Templeborough on the outskirts of Rotherham. The hillfort is on the summit of Wincobank Hill whose Western slopes possess the remnants of ancient oak woodlands. From the summit of Wincobank Hill you can enjoy some fascinating views and note the many changes in the Don Valley area.

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## Eyam plague

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We are all familiar with this well told story of human courage and tragedy, but for several years now the source of infection and the details of the tale have been open to challenge. Indeed, once the Victorian melodrama is stripped away, many of the circumstances are open to question, while the disease itself could well have been any number of those broadly attributed with the title plague during the middle ages.

Now Eyam resident Dr Brian Robinson, wants to exhume the remains of some of the victims to establish whether they died of another disease such as the measles. His idea is not popular locally, but then without the plague would Eyam be such a popular tourist attraction today?

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## Stop Press

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Dear Sir

Illegal tipping appears to be on the increase in Dore. During the last few weeks a large pile of builder's rubbish appeared on Ash House Lane at the entrance to the lower football pitches, which included a cream coloured bathroom suite. More recently another pile of similar builder's rubbish, mainly in bags, has been tipped at the side of the building on the larger sports ground at the corner of Ash House Lane and Hathersage Road. The offending vehicle's tyre marks can clearly be seen.

This sort of irresponsible behaviour has a habit of snowballing unless checked, and I would ask anyone who is having building work or alterations carried out to make sure, as far as possible, that any rubbish will be taken by the builder to an official site.

Incidentally, anyone who has recently had their cream bathroom suite replaced may like to inspect the pile of rubbish on Ash House Lane, and if it proves to be theirs a letter to the City Council Cleansing Department supplying the builder's name would be a step in the right direction. Fly tipping is illegal, detrimental to the environment, and can be a danger to children and animals.

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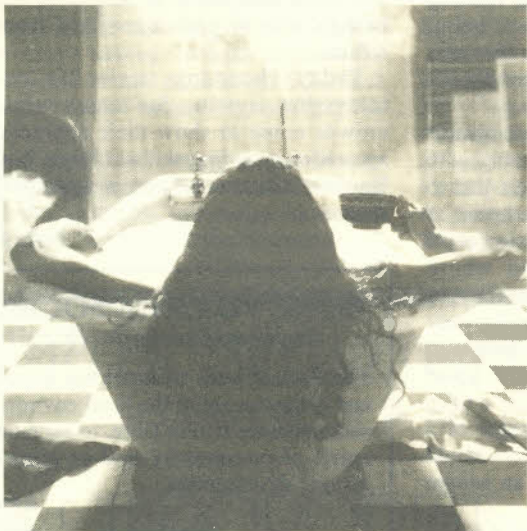
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The moors and uplands of the Peak have been home to large numbers of sheep since the extensive sheep farming activities of the medieval monastic granges. After the Reformation, the Church maintained a pecuniary interest in wool production through the collection of tythes. A typical reference comes from Wirksworth where tythes of wool and lamb were paid in kind if a parishioner had more than five lambs or fleeces'.

Three breeds of sheep have been particularly associated with the Peak. The White-faced Woodland, a hardy breed with impressive curved horns, has been kept for hundreds of years in the Woodlands Valley region. According to Glover's Derbyshire Gazetteer of 1829, clippings from the lambs went into hat making, whilst the long tails of rams were shorn separately for sale to carpet makers. Although the Woodland could be fattened to produce a decent mutton, the breed gradually lost popularity but has been saved from extinction by a few Peakland farmers living close to its native moors.

Back in 1830 two Woodland sheep demonstrated remarkable homing instincts, having been sent to auction from Rowlee Farm, near Hope and taken to new surroundings in Kent, from where they soon went missing. Somehow the homesick pair journeyed more than 200 miles to return to their familiar moors. Their loyalty and fame allowed them to live out their natural lives in the Peak. When they died, their heads were mounted and hung in Hope church. They survive still but are now on permanent display in the Boyd Dawkins Room at Buxton Museum and Art Gallery.

Prior to the land enclosures, high limestone areas extending into Staffordshire were widely grazed by Old Limestone sheep, a big and bony, course woolled animal which did not fatten readily. It was rarely kept after the early 19th century and is now extinct.

The Gritstone breed is an ancient cross between the Woodland and the Limestone. Formerly known as Dale o' Goyt after its original locality, the Gritstone was re-named in 1906 when breed standards were laid down by the newly formed Derbyshire Gritstone Sheep Breeders Society. Both sexes of the Gritstone are polled (hornless) with black or grey faces. A hardy and wiry hill sheep, they still graze the heather and coarse grasses of the High Peak moorland.

In the mid-18th century small flocks of Portland sheep were kept for the tables of a few Derbyshire gentle men who considered its mutton, a great delicacy. Around the end of the century, Merino sheep were being imported into Britain. In 1810 the Duke of Devonshire added Merino rams to his High Peak tenants' flocks with a view to improving the quality and quantity of their wool. According to a memorial in St. Helen's church, Darley Dale, Christopher Bower, with his father-in-law John Bunting, was the first in the area to cross Merino with the native Woodland breed of sheep'.

Sir Joseph Banks used to run sheep on the Scarsdale moors but sent them to his Lincolnshire estate when he wanted them fattening. He would serve meat to his guests under the description of Derbyshire bone and Lincolnshire mutton'.

### SHEPHERDS' SOCIETIES

Shepherds have a special place in country lore, for instance a tuft of wool used to be placed in a shepherd's coffin to denote his profession so that his irregular attendance at church would not be called into question when he met his Maker.

In the late 18th century, Shepherds' Societies were formed in the Peak by groups of flockmasters. The Baslow Shepherds' Society was founded in 1772 at John Savage's on Baslow Moor Side. Members held annual meetings on 7th July to enquire and inform each other of any sheep that are lost or wanting by any Member of this Society'.

In those days sheep stealing was punishable by death, hence the saying that 'you might as well be hung for a sheep as a lamb'. In 1693 a sheep was stolen from Greenfields Farm, Youlgreave. Four Alport people were found guilty of the crime - Robert and Elizabeth Tompson their brother William and his wife. All four paid for their mutton and suet at the end of a rope. Later cases of sheep stealing resulted in several death sentences being passed at Derby Assizes. Although a few men were reprieved, John Dent was hanged for the offence on 14th August 1796.

Another Shepherds' Society was established at Hayfield in 1790 and worked closely with the Saltersbrook branch. All members had to mark their own animals and a description of every mark was published in the society's smit book'. Meetings were held where shepherds brought in and mutually exchanged stray sheep. A shepherd who discovered a stray in his flock looked after it until bringing it to be restored to its rightful owner upon reimbursement for upkeep. The society's rules laid down that any pinder - the keeper of a pinfold, where strays were impounded - would be paid for his trouble in returning an animal to its owner.

The High Peak was well represented in the Society, including the Liberties of Woodlands and Derwent, Hathersage, Highlow, Kinder, Hayfield, Hope, Edale, Castleton, Peak Forest and Wardlow - which covered Litton, Eyam, Foolow, Monsal Dale and lands owned by the Duke of Devonshire.

Shepherds' meetings took place in July and November, those of our local Liberties having been held at Edale, the Snake Inn on the Ashopton-Glossop road and an inn which used to stand at Saltersbrook. It was so important for members to attend their respective meetings that absence was subject to a two-shilling fine. Each member paid three shillings which included his or her dinner.

A report in the *High Peak News* of 16th November 1946 noted that there was quite a Wild West tang about the recent annual meeting of the shepherds and flockmasters of Edale, held in the Church Hotel. There was much talk of round-ups and branding; of the stray sheep found during the annual round-up for shearing and dipping, and reference to brands which had been used for over 100 years.

Certain outdoor events on the shepherds' calendar have become popular visitor attractions. In early June a large crowd gathers at the annual sheep washing at Ashford-in-the-Water, which takes place beside the picturesque Sheepwash Bridge on the river Wye.

Late summer and early autumn bring the Sheepdog Trials. On the whole the dogs are in complete control of their charges, but back 1933 one sheep made the news after returning from the Hope Valley Sheepdog Trials. Mr Stanley Sidebotham of Rushup Edge was driving his flock along the new road towards Winnats when one animal had an attack of an affliction, nick-named 'Turn-in-the-head' and took flight. It found refuge in a bungalow, where it walked into a bedroom and made itself very comfortable on the bed. Mr Sidebotham had no idea where it had gone until he heard the shrill screams of the lady of the house. The sheep seemed better for its rest and was soon on its way again.

The annual dinner and award ceremony of the Hope Valley Sheepdog Trials Association was suspended during the war. At its revival in November 1946 the NFU spokesman mentioned that application had been made for well earned extra rations for the dogs - they at least show some return for their work, which was more than could be said of some human beings who already benefited from extra rations.

Today sheepdog trials are essential television viewing for many, while huge crowds come to show their appreciation of age-old shepherding skills at Hope, Longshaw, Hayfield, Chatsworth and various agricultural shows.

*Julie Bunting*

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Totley library displays:

- 10 Nov-22 Nov Sheffield Bahai Community
- 24 Nov-29 Nov Friends of the Botanical Garden
- 1 Dec -20 Dec Photographic exhibition by Mr Burkett
- 5 Jan-10 Jan Whizz Kids Playgroup
- 22 Nov - 6 Jan Castleton Christmas Lights

### NOVEMBER

- 15 **Christmas Fair.** Dore & Totley U.R.C. Church Hall, Totley Brook Road. 10am to 12.30pm.
- 15 **Annual Concert.** Dore Male Voice Choir. Firth Hall, Sheffield University. Details Tel: 235 4367
- 17 **History of S Yorkshire Waterways.** Talk by Christine Richardson for S.Y. Industrial History Society. Kelham Island Museum, 7.30pm.
- 21&22 **Town Hall Open Days.** See News in Brief.
- 25 **Music Train** with Hair of the Dog from Sheffield 7.18pm but collecting at Dore. Refreshments & more music at Edale then 9.25pm return journey. More details on (01663) 746377.
- 26 **Police Surgery.** Old School, 5.00pm - 7.00pm
- 26-29 **Mystery at Greenfingers.** T.O.A.D.S. Autumn production, St John's Church Hall, 7.30pm, Tickets from 236 6891.
- 29 **Christmas Fayre.** K.E.S.A. Wessex Hall, King Egbert School, 10am to 4pm.
- 29 **Table Top Sale.** Totley Library (tables £5 contribution to book fund) Tel: 236 3067

### DECEMBER

- 5 & 6 **Charity Concert.** John Wade Singers. St John's Church Hall, 7.30pm See article. Tickets 236 0820
- 6 **Christmas Concert** Dore Male Voice Choir. St Cuthbert's Church, Firvale. Details Tel: 235 4367
- 8 **Councillors Surgery (LD).** Totley Library, 6.00-7.00.
- 9 **Bateman, Barrows & Romano Britons.** Talk by Dr H Jones for Hunter Archaeological Society, Arts Tower, University of Sheffield, 7.30pm. Non members welcome
- 11 **Christmas Concert** Dore Male Voice Choir. In Aid of Guide Dogs & Kidney Research. Dore Parish Church,

- 12 **Carol Concert.** By Totley Primary School children. 10.30am Free refreshments
- 13 **Christmas Concert** Dore Male Voice Choir as for the 11th.
- 13-14 **Christmas Fayre.** Abbeydale Hamlet. 10.00am to 6.00pm.
- 13 **Bring & Buy** (Mulled Wine & Mince Pies). Transport 17, 4 The Grove, Totley 7.00pm.
- 14 **Train Rides.** Annual Santa's Special Event, Model railway, Ecclesall Woods. 11am to 4pm.
- 15 **Pub Sign Design.** Talk by Mr R Flint for Hallamshire Historic Building Society, Quaker Meeting House, St James Street 7.30pm Everyone welcome
- 15 **Design of Helve & Hand Hammers.** Talk by Dr J McQuaid for S.Y. Industrial History Society. Kelham Island Museum, 7.30pm.
- 16 **Music Train** Christmas special with Coal Aston Carollers from Sheffield 7.18pm but collecting at Dore.

### JANUARY

- 12 **Councillors Surgery (LD).** Totley Library, 6.00-7.00.
- 13 **Maps in Traditional Societies.** Talk by Mr M Lewis for Hunter Archaeological Society, Arts Tower, University of Sheffield, 7.30pm. Non members welcome
- 14 **China.** Talk by Mrs B Speakman, for Dore(E)T.G. Old School 7.30pm. Visitors welcome.
- 19 **Technology of the Country House.** Talk by Marilyn Palmer for S.Y. Industrial History Society. Kelham Island Museum, 7.30pm.
- 26 **Councillors Surgery (C).** Totley Library, 5.30-6.30.
- 27 **Music Train** with the Tanklements from Sheffield 7.18pm but collecting at Dore. See 25 November above.

### FEBRUARY

- 2 **English Heritage Listing.** Talk by Mr R Hawkins for Hallamshire Historic Building Society, Quaker Meeting House, St James Street 7.30pm Everyone welcome
- 9 **Councillors Surgery (LD).** Totley Library, 6.00-7.00.
- 10 **Pigs, Graves & the Body.** Talk by Dr M Parker-Pearson for Hunter Archaeological Society, Arts Tower, University of Sheffield, 7.30pm. Non members welcome.
- 11 **The Criminal Justice System** Talk by Mrs O Habershon, for Dore(E)T.G. Old School 7.30pm. Visitors welcome

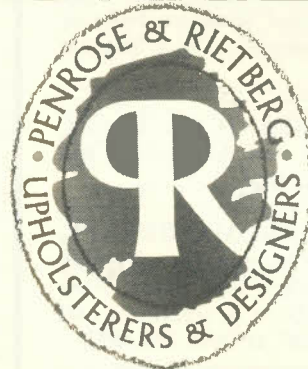
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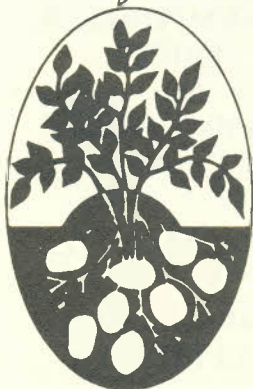
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