Welcome to the latest issue of The Hart. We hope that there is something in it for everyone and that you find it both useful and informative. We are well into the New Year, and I hope that you will take advantage of the many events and activities that will taking place, in and around Harthill with Woodall, in the coming months. We always welcome any feedback or new ideas so please get in touch with either myself, or Caroline our Parish Clerk, if there is anything you’d like to raise. Contact details are on page 1.

Ian Lloyd, Parish Council Chairman

Harthill Workbench One Year On

Harthill Workbench is a not for profit community group aimed at people who have an interest in woodwork and similar pastimes. We are located in the grounds of Harthill Leisure Centre, Woodall Lane, S26 7YQ. Membership is available to people living not only in Harthill, but also surrounding villages. Everyone is welcome, irrespective of age, gender or ability.

The workshop is fully equipped with all tools which may be needed, including wood turning lathe, table saws, bandsaws, and a full range of hand tools.

Our current opening times are

Monday and Wednesday 10am to 2pm and 6pm to 9pm
Friday 10am to 2pm • Saturday and Sunday 2pm to 6pm.
Other times may be available by special arrangement.

A year’s membership normally costs £36, with a session charge of £4. This includes all consumables such as screws, glue, polishes etc. We do have a selection of good quality hardwoods which are available to buy by members at very good prices.

We are very happy to teach woodworking skills to novices or leave you to get on with your project if you don’t need help.

April marks our First Anniversary and we will again be holding an OPEN DAY to celebrate the event on Saturday 27th April from 10am to 4pm. Come and see our beautiful shed, see demonstrations of what our equipment can do, and give it a try yourself. We’ll have a sale of goods made in the shed, free tea, coffee and biscuits. Anyone who joins on the day can do so for just £30 for the year and this price also applies to anyone who joined at last year’s Open Day and wants to renew. We hope to see you there.

In the meantime, drop in any time we are open for a chat .... the kettle is always on.

Dave Tingle
Secretary,
Harthill Workbench
Paul Ferguson, Chief Inspector, South Yorkshire Police

South Yorkshire Police are aware of intentions for exploratory drilling for shale gas (fracking as it is commonly known) in our area. I write to share what I know of the current position with residents.

Ineos (the company involved here) have planning permission for developing a site at Harthill. The local planning board has refused to grant permission for the proposed site in Woodsetts. Ineos have now commenced proceedings to appeal the local decision. A decision for Woodsetts will be made in the coming months.

We understand that this is an emotive subject for many. The role of the police in such scenarios is challenging. Our role is to uphold the law and to balance the competing rights between groups: for the company to exercise its rights to develop an authorised business interest and the rights of the public to voice their opinions. The public have the right to peaceful protest. Peaceful protest is a part of living in a democratic society. Ineos’ right to develop the area within the constraints of the planning permission granted is equally valid.

In other parts of the country, fracking activities have led to tensions and public protests. To help to ensure that the policing operation, if required, for our area achieves the right balance, we seek to reach out to talk to all interested parties. This allows us to hear thoughts, concerns and understand others’ plans so that we can plan accordingly.

In this context, I would like to share what I currently understand from Ineos. I am advised that Ineos do not expect to undertake any construction work in the Harthill area until April at the earliest. This is later in the year than had been indicated. My colleagues and I have met with representatives from Harthill and Woodsetts to discuss these events and we will continue to welcome opportunities to meet and to talk.

To help with communications, you can register with our free information service – Alerts. Visit www.syalerts.co.uk, it only takes a couple of minutes. You can receive regular and relevant updates for your community. There is a specific interest group, “Fracking” for you to select if you are particularly interested in this issue.

I would like to thank your Parish Council for this opportunity to provide an update in The Hart.

Paul Ferguson, Chief Inspector South Yorkshire Police

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**Warning! Auto Crime Advice:**

The transmitters, which are being used by criminals can be used to interrupt signals from car keys fobs, meaning unwary motorists believe their cars to be secure. The ‘Transmitters’ are used to intercept the signal sent out by your fob which ordinarily locks the doors. Once this is done, the unsuspecting motorist walks away thinking the vehicle is locked, but in fact it is NOT. The criminal then freely accesses the insecure vehicle and leaves no trace of damage behind.

These relatively low-powered interceptors can have a range of approximately 80 metres leaving these ideal for car parks. This problem has become more prevalent within the Rotherham District and is a growing feature of vehicle crime. The only sure way to know your car is locked is to CHECK MANUALLY. If you are close enough to the vehicle, you can also hear the central locking clunk into place. In addition to this, make sure that nothing of value is left inside.

Please help us to help you and ensure your car is locked and secure before leaving it unattended.

Please share this information with others, thanks.

Dane Plant PCSO 8003
South Yorkshire Police
Maltby Police Station
www.southyorks.police.uk

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**!!The Mystery of Spens Field!!**

We are so lucky to have a large area of well-kept grassland close to the centre of our village. Its name belies its function. It is not a field. In fact, the grass is mown regularly throughout the year at a cost to the residents of Harthill, thus enhancing it as a leisure space.

Its use is varied, ranging from children playing ball games, cyclists using the BMX track, ramblers meeting on the Woodyard car park and setting off on their walks, children using the play area, residents resting on the benches, and finally dog walkers.

Who are the mysterious dog walkers who don’t clear up their dog’s mess? Do you know who they are? Have you seen them? Are you one of them?

Responsible dog walkers always take their poo bags with them but unfortunately not all are being responsible. Dogs are being allowed to foul the area and their mess is being left in the grass. Thus, other users are frequently coming across piles of dog mess. Not a good situation! Remember it is not a field. It is an area of mown grass and a recreation area. Our children play on it. Would these dog owners leave dog poo in their own lawn? Hopefully not.

At the entrances to Spens Field are dog poo bins for the disposal of dog mess and there are signs requesting that dog walkers pick up dog mess. Please pay a little more attention to the signage and consider other users who really don’t want to spend their leisure time dodging dog poo.

As spring approaches and we are all spending more time outdoors, perhaps we could make more of an effort to keep this leisure area clean and free from mess so that everyone can enjoy this lovely open space.
Memorial Benches at The Ponds

In earlier issues of The Hart we outlined plans to replace the current badly worn wooden benches at the ponds with new durable weather-proof benches, and to place some newly located benches so visitors can sit for a while and enjoy the views. The Parish Council offered the opportunity to purchase a bench as a memorial to a relative or loved one.

There are still benches available. They can be purchased at a cost of £400, plus the cost of a suitable plaque. This amount can be shared between two people wishing to put memorial plaques on a bench. The new benches will be in selected locations around the ponds, under licence from Canal and River Trust. Please contact Caroline, the Parish Clerk if interested.

Allotment Skips

The Parish Council has once again booked allotment site skips for plot holders to have a pre-season clear out. These used to be staggered over three weeks but this year all three sites (Thorpe Road, Doctor Lane and Firvale) will have a skip arriving on Friday 5th April and it will stay for one week or until full, this is to give allotment holders more time and to allow for inclement weather.

Please note that these skips are for allotment holders only.

We mentioned in the last issue of The Hart about Parish Council plans to establish four walks around Harthill Ponds. A map has been produced and this will give details of the different colour coded routes.

The four new colour coded walks around the Ponds will soon be up and running. We are hoping they will be complete and ready for the start of the 2019 walking season. It will be a wonderful new addition to the leisure facilities in our village.

The map is complete and is just waiting for its frame to be ready. It will be installed near the car park at the Ponds. The timber is ordered and will shortly be with the Harthill Workbench group who are routing out the bands and colouring them to match the map.

A hole borer has been sourced and a team of ramblers have volunteered to install the waymarkers. However, there are 29 waymarkers to do so it will be quite an undertaking! The holes have to be made and then the posts will be set in concrete.

The work is planned for Thursday 21st March and any help would be greatly appreciated. Just go down to the Ponds, join in and help in any way you feel able.

Thank you in anticipation.

Harthill with Woodall Allotment and Gardens Committee

All Hallows Church

Dear Friends

I’m taking on, along with thousands of others, the world-famous London Marathon on 28th April 2019. I have never entered a full marathon before so it will be a big challenge. A 26 miles and 385 yards challenge to be precise.

To be honest ... I’m not sure I’m up to running that far. My knee’s been playing up and I’m not able to run more than 8 miles at the moment but hoping it sorts itself out soon. The challenge of completing it, even if fully fit, is why I’m running for the Children’s Society- because it helps children in this country who are facing difficult, almost impossible challenges each and every day.

I’ve chosen The Children’s Society because it is a UK charity behind the Christingle Services. It cares for vulnerable children and young people who desperately need support in our region and have nowhere left to turn, helping those who feel scared, unloved and unable to cope because of child sexual exploitation, domestic violence, substance misuse, mental and emotional health problems, or homelessness.

I’d like to complete the course in 4 1/2 hours. Realistically just getting round would be an achievement. Let’s show children who are sad that we are on their side. With your sponsorship, encouragement, help and support, I will try my very best and together we can make a real and positive difference.

You can sponsor me on the link below or follow me on Facebook on how my trainings going.

https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/fundraiser-display/showROFundraiserPage?userUrl=GarySchofield6&pageUrl=1

Blessings, Reverend Gary

Church of England Electoral Roll

Every six years, the Church of England asks parishes to create a new Electoral Roll from scratch. We need to complete our new roll by March of this year and that means everyone needs to fill in a new form. Electoral roll forms are available in church or from Felicity Dorrington. Our APCM will be held on Wednesday March 20th at 7.30pm at Harthill.

Muscle Wanted!

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Ash Wednesday -     9th March 2019     12.00pm Noon     Harthill Parish Church
Midday prayers and   11th March 2019     7.00pm            Blessed William RC Church
Ashing              Kiveton
Lent 2019 -         18th March 2019     7.00pm            Wales Kiveton Chapel
Meeing as an ecumenical    25th March 2019 7.00pm           Thirle Salvin Church
mission partnership to study the Beatitudes
Please take up the 6th April 2019 7.00pm Harthill Parish Church
hospitality offered by each church and make every effort to attend.
Cluster Lent Lunch   9th March 2019 12.00noon - 1.30pm All Harthill Schoolsroom
Please let Margaret Lovely know if you plan to attend 01909773291
in aid of Anna Simms ministering at a woman’s prison in Peru.
Cluster Mother’s Day Family Service 3rd March 2019 11.00am Wales Parish Church
Anita Simms Visit To tell us about her work with English-speaking women prisoners 7th April 2019 9.45am Harthill Parish Church
Palm Cross - Sheffield Half Marathon 4th April 2019 8.30am Rev Gary will be giving out Palm Cross blessing canes at the beginning, along the way and at the end.
Good Friday Service 19th April 2019 2.00pm Harthill Parish Church
Easter Sunday Service 21st April 2019 10.45am Harthill Parish Church
Cluster Ascension Day Service 30th May 2019 7.30pm Harthill Parish Church
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Diocesan Prayer

Bishop Pete has launched a new strategy for our diocese, to see a diocese that is Renewed, Released and Rejuvenated. To support this vision, he is inviting people to join a prayer community. The invitation is to make a six-year commitment to pray for 5 minutes every day until 2025.

To sign up, please go to www.sheffdio.org/pray2025. Alternatively, take a bookmark and pray the Diocesan prayer that is printed on it.

Reverend Gary Schofield

The Vicarage, Manor Road, Waxy, Sheffield S26 5PD
T: 01909 771111 ● gary.schofield@sheffield.anglican.org
are approaching the end of another very successful year and we will be holding our Annual Meeting with a quiz on the 19th March. An exciting programme has been planned for the forthcoming year; more information about next year’s speakers will be available on our website from April.

At our Christmas Party in December, the Dinnington Resource Centre served us up a delicious carvery and we were then entertained by a singer. WI members and their guests enjoyed dancing to many songs that we recognised from our younger days.

In January David Ellis gave a very interesting talk, with a slide show about his trek to the Denali mountain range with his son. He also showed us some of the equipment that they had to take with them to protect them against the sub-zero temperature. It was certainly an adventure that very few of us would want to undertake and it wasn’t a leisurely Sunday afternoon stroll in the sunshine!

Further information about our speakers for the coming year will be on our website. If you have ever wanted some flowers and shrubs outside but do not want to tend flower beds, containers could be your answer. Our April speaker will be telling us the best way to use containers when gardening.

In May some of the members may be getting themselves into positions that they have not explored before as Alison will be informing us of her job as a yoga teacher and she will be demonstrating some of the techniques that we may like to try also.

Many of us may have visited Eyam in the Peak District and may know something about the story of the plague. At our July meeting entitled ‘The Plague Doctor’ we will discover more about the deadly disease that killed so many people between 1665 and 1666.

New members are always welcome at our meetings which start at 7.15 pm on the third Tuesday of each month in the Village Hall. The cost for visitors is £3 and they are welcome to come along to three meetings before it is hoped that they will become members by paying the annual subscription of £42. The meeting starts with a speaker and after the tea break, with biscuits and often with homemade goodies, the business part of the meeting takes place. The meeting usually concludes at about 9.45 pm.


Baby Boomers 55+ are struggling to downsize in semi-retirement and Millennials don’t or can’t afford to move into your home.

If you’re over 55+, are you trying to work out the perfect time to downsize, re-organise your space and re-purpose your lifestyle?

Home is not really a place. It's a RELATIONSHIP between a person & their space. Our memories are transferred onto objects & environments around us so that the architecture of our homes, becomes the architecture of our minds. This can explain why downsizing is so emotionally fraught, expensive and full of organisational challenges.

Most houses aren’t designed with aging in mind and age-readiness is probably the last thing on the minds of the mid 30’s early 40’s homeowner. However, the intergenerational trends in property are forcing this younger generation to seriously future-proof their homes and budget for home modifications if it is going to be the FOREVER HOME.

If you want to explore how you can future-proof your most valuable asset, please talk to me: Ellie LaCrosse, Managing Director of Maison Frais Ltd., Tel 07840 701 995

’T Maison Frais- With You As Life Changes’
Harthill Netball Club

Harthill Netball Club enter 2019 with continued growth and development. The Club now run 3 teams. Two sides continue to play regular competitive Netball in the Chesterfield League, based at Killamarsh and Staveley on Thursday evenings. Our newest team plays in Worksop on Monday evenings. This addition has been an excellent innovation that has worked on so many levels. Members busy on a Thursday now have chance to play regular Netball, new members can try match experience, we can cater for our growing numbers at training, and players can just have an extra game if they wish. Our thanks to our Captains and Vice Captains who put in time and effort to organise our teams.

It is with particular pleasure to also announce that one of our players is developing her experience and taking one of the England Netball Coaching Courses and Awards to add to our coaching team. Good luck Carolynn Waller!

Netball, as a sport, is also entering into a very exciting year with the Netball World Cup taking place in Liverpool in July. Some of our ladies are going to watch and pick up a few tips! We also had a fantastic opportunity to do this first hand recently. Whilst attending a Netball Awards night in Sheffield the club was incredibly lucky to win the opportunity to have England player Sasha Corbin sit with us. She proved to be brilliant company, very willing to chat and is living proof that you don’t have to be 6ft tall to be successful. We will be cheering even harder when you get on court Sasha!

Coaching sessions continue on Wednesday evenings. Winter training at Clowne Sports Centre 8 - 9 p.m. will take place until the end of March when we return to our Harthill Village based court and a slightly later time of 8.30 p.m. - 9.30 p.m. Anyone (aged 15 and above) welcome to come and join in. Sessions cost £3 (but your first one is free!)

Please look out for our Summer Anniversary Tournament date which will be announced soon and will mark our 6th Year.

Further information can be obtained by contacting Jody - 07773708713 or Chris - 07743223913

Harthill with Woodall In Bloom

Last year brought great success for Harthill with Woodall in the Yorkshire in Bloom competition as we not only won a Gold Award in the Large Village category but were also sole winners of the discretionary Small Communities Award.

We could not have achieved this without the help and support of countless people in the Parish and beyond. The support of volunteers, local businesses and community organisations during the last couple of years has been especially vital as it helped us to improve the green spaces in our Parish.

We have taken the decision not to enter the competition this year. It takes considerable organisation and administration and it was felt that this could be directed towards other projects in the coming season. The same budget will be made available to the In-Bloom group, who will continue to work with the Parish Council and volunteers to make our villages as attractive and appealing as possible.

One project that we are planning in 2019 is to enhance our Parish with the addition of some hanging baskets. The plan is to have 20 of these on the new street lights in the conservation area on Union Street.

Another project that we wanted to undertake was to improve the border on Festival Verge, particularly the stone edging. With no expertise in this area amongst our committee, we put out an appeal for help and were very grateful when one of our Parishioners, John Kaye, came forward and volunteered. John has made a great job improving the edging and we would like to say a huge thank you for this.

Purchase and maintenance of the baskets will be an additional cost, so we are once again hoping to raise funds via sponsorship from businesses, community groups and individuals to help towards these costs. We will acknowledge sponsors with plaques in prominent places, and all sponsors will be listed in The Hart, on our website, in our Annual Report and in our e-bulletin so the wider community will be able to appreciate contributions.

If you would like to sponsor us this year, however large or small, please contact our Parish Clerk, Caroline Havenhand, on 01709 528823 or by e-mail.

Harthill Tea day and Social Club

With spring just around the corner Harthill Tea Day Club is busy arranging summer events. These include meals and outings out, along with our very enjoyable Tea Days, which make for a very happy and vibrant club. Membership and friendships continue to grow and laughter and enjoyment are our key words.

By the end of March, we would like to have a list of volunteers who can be called upon to come and work in our KITCHEN to prepare the buffet lunch of sandwiches and cakes etc, which are served at each Tea Day. With the holiday season coming up we are sometimes left very short staffed and in much need of help. If you think you may be able to help please ring SUE on 772778 or CHRISTINE on 773893 or come along to one of our Tea Days - held in the Village Hall every fortnight and meet the volunteers. New members are always welcome. Your first visit is free and £4 thereafter.

Thank You from the Carnival Society

We would like to take this opportunity to say a big thank you to Dez Holmes and Nick Woodward. For those of you who know Dez and Nick, you will know they are both partial to the odd beverage or two and can be often found in the local hostleries! It was proposed to them to embark on Dry January, a challenge we didn’t think they would take up. However, and credit to them both, not only did they take up the challenge, they also decided to raise some money at the same time. Bluebell Wood, British Legion and Harthill Carnival Society were the chosen benefactors. We are delighted to say that they both successfully completed the challenge, enjoying a well-earned pint on February 1st! In the process they have raised in excess of £1 100 (monies still coming in) and this will be shared out amongst the beneficiaries in due course.

Paul Brookes
Deputy Chairman
Harthill Carnival 2019 will take place on Saturday 13th July

We are delighted to have secured the ‘Frumptarn Guggenband’, who will lead this year’s carnival parade. Inspired by the unique blending of brass and percussion which echoes across Germany, Frumptarn have helped to bring this distinctive, exciting music to the UK, and so we are really excited that they will be performing here in Harthill. Following the parade, they will also be performing in the ‘Village Green’ area.

The theme for this year’s carnival parade is space, in celebration of the 50th anniversary of the Apollo 11 mission. We want to make the parade bigger and better each year, and so we would like to encourage any individuals, groups or organisations to get involved. You do not need to have a tractor and trailer, you can simply walk, cycle, drive or any other imaginative way you wish, the more the merrier. Please let us know if you would like to be involved in the parade by e-mailing us at harthillcarnivalsociety@gmail.com or contacting any of the society members directly. Equally we would love to see the village streets lined with as many people as possible watching the parade, so if you are not taking part in the parade, then please do come out on the streets and support those in it, by creating a fantastic atmosphere!!

Village Green

Now in its 3rd year, we are looking to improve this area each year. The stage in the village green area, will this year have a schedule of music throughout the afternoon. Kick starting the entertainment will be the Frumptarn Guggenband and we will close with a 1-hour live Ibiza style chill out DJ set from around 4pm. As well as live music, there will be a variety of food offerings along with a Gin & Prosecco bar, making it the perfect area to chill out and enjoy the food and drink on offer.

We have been overwhelmed by the response to this year’s Saturday night event in the marquee, which has sold out already!! Following on from the very positive feedback we had last year, we are really looking forward to welcoming back, ‘Jungle Lion’. We have booked a bigger marquee to allow for extra capacity, which has also sold out. We do have a waiting list, so please let us know on the above e-mail address, if you would like to be added to the list, should any tickets get returned.

This year we will also be staging an event on the Friday night in the marquee. We have been asked a number of times if we will put on a Hoe Down, as the carnival has done many times over the past years. Tickets will be going on sale very soon along with details of how you can earn money back on the Hoe Down ticket sales, for your organisation /club /group /society etc. To register your interest in tickets, please contact Neill Radford on 07971 081318 or via e-mail, neillradford@hotmail.co.uk

We will have a full 2019 Carnival update in the summer edition of The Hart, so please look out for that sometime in June.

In the meantime, enjoy the lighter days ahead...

Paul Brookes
Deputy Chairman

Rotherham Community Dementia Workshops

Nearly 4000 people have Dementia across Rotherham Borough. There is increasing reliance upon family and friends for support. Home Instead Senior Care is now establishing Free Rotherham Community Dementia Workshops. This is part of our commitment to help end social isolation and improve the lives of older local people.

The Workshops are designed for anyone supporting loved ones or friends with dementia. They are friendly, informal, pithy and practical and last just an hour.

A copy of our free guide for those caring for a loved one ‘Helping Families Cope’ is available to any attendees who would like one. There is also always plenty of time made available for questions and follow up.

We are currently seeking to work with organisations and social groups across the Borough who can help us bring the benefits of the workshops to the largest possible number of local people. If you feel it may be helpful in any way, please just let either myself or Antoinette know.

The topics covered include:
• About Alzheimer’s and other dementias - some background facts and the main symptoms
• Some common types of dementia explained including those affecting older and younger people
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• Understanding behaviours and unmet needs
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Importantly we can learn from the experiences of others and use that knowledge, personal details are not discussed, and confidentiality is always maintained.

If you would like to attend a Rotherham Community Dementia Workshops or if your organisation or group is interested in hosting one or otherwise engaging in one please contact Antoinette on 01709 837170 or email her on Antoinette.Bingham@homeinstead.co.uk

Rotherham Friendship Lunches: Todwick

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We also link with network partners so lunch friends can find out about other services or community groups available e.g. as regards dementia or other health matter. Venues are accessible to wheelchairs and local Care Home staff often bring residents along which is marvellous.

The events cost £7.00 each. Early booking is advised. The next planned date at The Red Lion are is Mon. 25th March 2019 – Entertainment from Carl Peters, 12.00 pm – 3.00 pm. Booking is direct with the Red Lion number on 01909 771 654 or email 7933@greeneking.co.uk

If you experience any problems with booking or have any other queries please contact Alison Walsh at Home instead Senior Care Rotherham on 01709 837170 or email her at Al.Walsh@homeinstead.co.uk See facebook @homeinsteadrotherham for ongoing local event details.

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Spring is almost upon us – a season where we look forward to a new year and look back at what we achieved in the last one. Gardening is a prime example of this – we are looking to order seeds and maybe plant up already for the coming season. HDGA are just the same and we are really looking forward to getting going on planning our events for 2019.

Looking back over 2018 we are amazed on what that year brought for us. The Garden Trail in June was lovely – great weather and lots of great things organised in the village. We then had a very successful show in September, despite the hot dry summer making us all worry whether there would be any produce to be exhibited. We needn’t have worried – the intrepid gardeners and exhibitors did us proud despite all the difficulties, it was a wonderful display.

The last event that HDGA sponsored was the Christmas Flowers at the beginning of December held in the Village Hall. This is becoming more and more popular and some wonderful wreaths and arrangements were made. We all had such fun and a great start to the festive season. Thank you so much to Marcella Baker and her team of wonderful people who make these events happen.

We have dates for your diary for this year’s events – the GARDEN TRAIL 22ND June 2019 – if you would like to join in this lovely event by opening your garden please get in touch with Marcella (770102) or Maryon Hewitt (773105) and we would love to include you – all the Garden Hosts have a great time!

Our main event is of course the Annual 3-day Show, which we have moved, on advice from the judges, to a weekend later than normal so as not to clash with the Harrogate Show. So, these dates are 20th 21st and 22nd September 2019. We are hoping again to make this a successful show in September, despite the hot dry summer making us all worry whether there would be any produce to be exhibited. We needn’t have worried – the intrepid gardeners and exhibitors did us proud despite all the difficulties, it was a wonderful display.

So please help us to make this a special event and start to plan your planting and growing for the Show but also to enjoy, as we all do, the joys of being outside and the satisfaction of growing something beautiful or delicious.

We look forward to seeing everyone this year as always and there will be cake!!

Happy Gardening New Year

Jenny Shimwell

Many Secateurs Make Light Work

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A volunteer has come forward to plant up and tend the two hay baskets on the wall which are now much more accessible and can be seen to their best advantage.

Thanks must go to the members of the team for all their hard work.

Approximately 40 volunteers look after the beds and gardens, keeping our villages looking attractive and cared for throughout the year. If you have an hour or two to spare and would like to join the volunteers please contact Caroline, the Parish Clerk.

Harthill with Woodall
Allotment and Gardens Committee

Harthill Well Dressing Group

Our Christmas Well Dressing opening was held in the church on Saturday 8th of December, on the same day as the Christmas Tree Festival opening.

The day was very well attended and the group would like to thank everyone who came along to support us.

At Christmas they go out into the community and beyond and give enormous pleasure to all who receive them.

Our Future Plans

We are to hold a spring coffee morning in the Village Hall Lounge on the 6th April at 10am to 12 noon. Come along and join us. Look out for posters around the village nearer the date giving further details.

We will be making a Summer Well Dressing as usual and the opening will be on Monday 8th of July at 7pm, at the bottom of Doctor Lane.

Our next Well Dressing meeting will be on Wednesday 13th March at 10am in the Leisure Centre. It usually lasts about an hour. If you would like to join us, new members are always welcome. We meet throughout the year in the Church school room or the Leisure Centre. If you are interested in joining us, please contact Barbara Gunby on 01909 771328 or Anne Lloyd on 01909 773942. You would be made most welcome.

Red, White, Blue, Yellow and Black! Boxing Day 2018!

Three Shires Ladies and Harthill Morris Men held some shared practice nights last year and continued to learn dances from each other’s traditions, with members from both teams dancing together. We danced these dances successfully at Kelham Island Christmas market and of course at the Beehive on Boxing Day.

We hope to carry on with this and learn more dances to perform together.

Boxing Day dancing very nearly didn’t happen for Three Shires, with our lead musician becoming ill at the last minute. Fortunately, we manged to persuade our good friend Les Ellis to come out of retirement to be an excellent substitute!

Our next dance out will be our May Day tour on 5th May with Harthill Morris. This year we are going to Cromford in the morning and Crich in the afternoon. Let’s hope the sun shines!

If you are interested in dancing with us or playing in the band please get in touch. We meet on Tuesdays in Harthill Village Hall at 7.30pm. (The 3rd Tuesday of the month at Todwick Village Hall).

http://threesomeclog.org.uk/ Tel: Lesley 01909 770129 harthilltrain@hotmail.com

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Preparations for the 2019 cricket season are currently just starting with the season around 2 months away. The 1st team will be aiming to improve on last season’s 4th placed finish, the 2nd’s to bounce back from relegation to Division 6 and the Sunday team to consolidate in Division 2 (North) after promotion last season.

Indoor winter nets are being held weekly at Sheffield United Cricket Club, between Brinsworth and Tinsley, on Tuesday’s at 8pm – ALL WELCOME.

At the Annual General Meeting held at the Beehive on 20th January, Chris Page (1st XI), Arran Brooks (2nd XI) and Matt Nundy (Sunday XI) were voted in as the captains for the forthcoming season.

Down on the cricket ground, we have had the wicket “dressed” over the winter and as the weather improves the groundsmen - Howard Whiston, Alan Page and Antony Widdison - will spend 10’s of hours preparing the whole playing area for the forthcoming season. Significant work will also take place to generally tidy-up the ground, including hedge cutting and re-covering the Heras fence that saves us hours looking for balls. This is in addition to the internal work required to ensure the pavilion is ready for 20th April after it has been scarcely used since September.

We have new kit for the forthcoming season and it is currently at the printers having the village logo added, and also that of our sponsors The Beehive – a “mock-up” of the new shirt is below. A huge thanks from everyone at Harthill Cricket Club to Emma, Dave and James from The Beehive for being our main shirt sponsors.

In order to raise funds, the Cricket Club has been running a 49-club for over 15 years. Choose an available number and if your number matches the bonus ball for the Saturday lottery you win £20. Each number is just £4.33 per month.

For any further information please contact Andrew Rossington on 07841 377 213 or andrew.rossington@gmail.com

### Early Season Home Fixtures

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Try Sailing in Harthill

Why not Try Sailing for free at Harthill Reservoir? Rotherham Sailing Club is a small friendly club located at Harthill Reservoir.

If you would like to give sailing a go, Rotherham Sailing Club are offering free Try Sailing sessions when you can sail with one of their qualified instructors. The Try Sailing sessions are being held on the first Sunday of each month from April to October between 10.00am – 2.00pm. If you want to go along on any other Sunday then club members will be happy to show you around and can tell you more about the club and how to get started. For enquiries about the free Try Sailing sessions you can email: TrySailing@rotherhamsailingclub.org.uk

Sailing is a fun and a great sport for getting fit and being out on the water. One of the great things about sailing is that it is accessible to people of all ages.

Keep a look out also for the Sailing Club’s Open Day.

Winter Swim Season Has Finally Arrived At Harthill

There have been loads of articles recently in the media stating that open water swimming is great for your physical and mental health, so why does every dog walker and passer-by think we are mad? Must be the fact we still swim when there is ice around the reservoir.

Because of the mild weather, it’s taken a while this year for the temperature to drop, but the Yorkshire Outdoor Swimmers winter swim season is now in full swing.

Now that the temperature has fallen, we can start doing our ice miles. These must be completed in water less than 5 degrees and without a wetsuit. Our first ice miler of 2019 was Adam Cook. He made his 40-minute swim in 4.6C water look simple, even taking time to confirm that he was OK and talk to the safety boat crew on his way round. Adam is only the 285th person in the world to complete an ice mile, so it’s no mean feat. We are very much a safety-first club and an ice mile takes months of training, acclimatising to the cold water & medical tests.

The reservoir will start warming up soon and we will start welcoming back our fair-weather swimmers. Why not come along in the spring & give open water swimming a go. We are at the Rotherham Sailing Clubhouse every Saturday afternoon and during the summer we are also there on a Tuesday evening.

Jamie Sims
www.yorkshireoutdoorswimmers.com

Business Hub

At this year’s carnival we are planning to have a business hub area on the field. The idea of this, is to highlight and share information on the many businesses which operate in Harthill, many of which people may not be aware exist. If you are one of those village businesses and are interested in having a stand in the hub, then please e-mail

harthillcarnivalsociety@gmail.com

with your contact and business details.