

# The Hart

Harthill with Woodall Parish Council Newsletter

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**Ian Lloyd**

Parish Council Chairman



Welcome to the latest issue of The Hart.  
We hope that you find it useful and informative.



As we start to count down to Christmas there are lots of festive activities to take part in, even a visit from Santa himself.

Construction of the new tots play area is scheduled to be completed by 4th December, providing the weather continues to be mild.

The Hart magazine is put together by the clerk to the Parish Council. We always welcome any feedback, interesting articles or new ideas, so please get in touch with either me or Caroline, our Parish Clerk, if there is anything you'd like to raise. Parish Council contact details are on page 5.



## SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO TOWN! HARTHILL

Santa enjoyed his visits to Harthill over the last couple of years, he wants to come back and see us all again this year!

To celebrate the illumination of the Village,  
Santa will be touring once again.

Be in your gardens and streets to see him, then meet us at  
the Woodyard/Leisure Centre for food, drink and music!

**More information to follow...**

**Sunday 4th December from 3pm**

**BEER - MULLED WINE-COFFEE-  
FOOD-STALLS-VILLAGE VOICES-  
BRASS BAND- JUNIOR VOICES**

**ORGANISED BY HARTHILL CARNIVAL SOCIETY**

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### PLATINUM JUBILEE CORNER

To Commemorate Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee

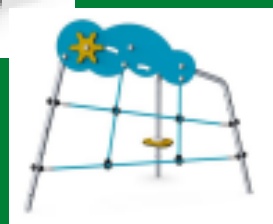
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By the time this Newsletter lands on your doormat the new tots play area should be nearing completion, providing the weather stays mild and relatively dry.

What better Christmas present for the youngest members of our Parish.

We hope to tie in a short opening ceremony with Santa's arrival at the Leisure Centre.

Please keep an eye on Facebook and we will give an update just in case we are delayed for any reason.



Did you know, there has never been a Boxing Day in the village that hasn't seen Harthill Morris perform since the side's inception in 1976? Harthill Morris will be dancing on Boxing Day at the Blue Bell and at the Beehive. Please keep an eye out for timings and come along and enjoy this wonderful tradition.



## Harthill Carnival Society

### URGENT APPEAL



Whilst this year's Carnival was a great success, we have had to absorb significant increases in costs.

As a result, this has greatly reduced the societies funds and so we are appealing for support in any of the following ways to ensure we can stage next year's Carnival & Show:

- Are you a business or know of any businesses who are able to help support us with fencing, traffic management, insurance, toilet hire.
- Do you own or work for a company who have funding available to support community projects/events, to whom we can apply.
- Are you someone who is familiar with grant application processes and can help support us in applying for funding.
- Do you have a business which would like to book a stall at Harthill Carnival 2023 (Saturday 8th July). Stall prices start from £20.

If you are able to help on any of these areas, then please contact us by e-mailing at [harthillcarnivalsociety@gmail.com](mailto:harthillcarnivalsociety@gmail.com).

Our focus has now turned to the Christmas festivities which will soon be upon us. In addition to illuminating the village with the annual Christmas Lights, we are working with Harthill Well Dressing Group and All Hallows Church to put on a day of festivities on Sunday 4th December. Following the Christmas Tree festival and the Well dressing ceremony in Church, Santa will be touring around the village on his sleigh, leaving Firvale at 3.30 pm and traveling the normal carnival parade route, and arriving at the Leisure Centre around 4 pm to 4.15 pm.

From 3 pm at the Leisure Centre there will be a selection of stalls, fairground ride, along with food and drink offerings. Maltby Brass Band, Harthill Village Voices and Harthill Junior Voices will be performing to get everyone into the Christmas spirit. Please do come out and support this event, as all proceeds will go towards being able to stage Harthill Carnival 2023. Please keep up to date on the Harthill Carnival Facebook and Twitter pages.

We would like to thank Harthill Craft Butchers and Harthill Fruit & Veg for kindly providing the 'Win your Christmas Dinner' prize for the Christmas raffle, which will have been drawn when this goes to print.

Thanks also go to John Gunby, who continues to support us in purchasing, organising and helping with the required lights and equipment for illuminating the village at Christmas, and also to those businesses, houses and organisations who have very kindly allowed us to plug into their electric supplies.

We encourage households to illuminate their properties and gardens in any which way they can in order to add to the overall village light display.


Planning for the Carnival 2023 is already well underway, and we hope that we are in a position to run a normal Carnival, funds permitting! More information will be published in the spring edition of the Hart.

Finally, the Carnival Society would not exist without the commitment and support of all those involved, whether it be through being on the committee or helping at various times throughout the year, and so as Chairman, I would like to personally thank each and everyone of you for all of your efforts.

We hope you all have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

*Best Wishes*  
*Paul Brookes*  
*Chairman*  
*Harthill Carnival Society*



 You can keep up to date on our Facebook Page  
[www.facebook.com/harthillcarnivalsociety](https://www.facebook.com/harthillcarnivalsociety)

## Harthill Well Dressing Group - Christmas News

Our 2015 Christmas  
Well Dressing



Each year our past well dressings go out into the community over the Christmas period. To Schools, Nursing Homes, Libraries, Doctor's Surgeries, Peregrine Centre, Harthill and Thorpe Salvin Church.

On Sunday 4th December at 3 pm, will be the blessing of this year's Christmas Well Dressing. It will be blessed by Gary Schofield, Priest in charge of Harthill Parish Church.

Harthill Primary School children and Harthill voices will be there to sing for us. Musicians from Harthill Morris and friends will accompany the carols sung at the blessing. Afterwards, hot toddy and fruit juice will be served, along with Mince pies provided by the Leisure Centre. There will be Christmas biscuits for the children. The opening lasts about 45 minutes.

After the blessing the well dressing will be placed in the well at the bottom of Doctor Lane, for the Christmas period.

Father Christmas will be passing the church and through the village after the blessing, so look out for him.

The Day will be full of festive activities, the church will be holding the Christmas Tree Festival which will be open during the day.

Come along and join in the Christmas activities around the village.





## HARTHILL AND DISTRICT GARDEN ASSOCIATION

Don't know about you, but to me it just seems two minutes since we were almost singed in the hottest summer on record! Now we have just had pumpkin and witches time and bonfires and fireworks!

Our gardens are showing signs of going to bed for the winter - even though, as I write, mine is still flowering like mad and I have recently picked the last runner beans! We are already planning for flowers next Spring and looking forward to the new growing year.

We are also looking forward to the festive season with the very popular Christmas Flowers workshop that will be held in the Village Hall on 3rd December - a complete sell-out, as for so many of us it is the special beginning to Christmas. It is a lovely community in Harthill having so many special events marking Christmas and many other amazing events during the year, we really enjoy being part of that community.

We want to thank all the folks who have supported and joined with us in our events over the last couple of years when we, like so many, have had to adjust and carry on despite the obstacles that have had to be overcome.

Now looking forward to next year. We have dates for your 2023 diaries and will start some planning early next year. Some things will be the same as before and some will have changed and once the details have been sorted out, we will let you know in plenty of time.

So the dates are:

- Saturday 24th June 2023 - Village Garden Trail.**
- Sunday 17th September 2023 - Autumn Show Event**
- Saturday 2nd December 2023 - Christmas Flowers**



Anyone who would like to think about opening their garden for the Village Garden Trail next year (I know that is a long way off!) please get in touch with Marcella on 01909 770102 and let her know - she will be delighted to hear from you. Of course, there will be more information about this in the spring.

Finally, all that is left for me to do in this last article of 2022 is to wish you all a very Happy Christmas and a great growing, gardening and enjoying time in 2023

**Jenny Shimwell**



## Harthill Memories and History Society

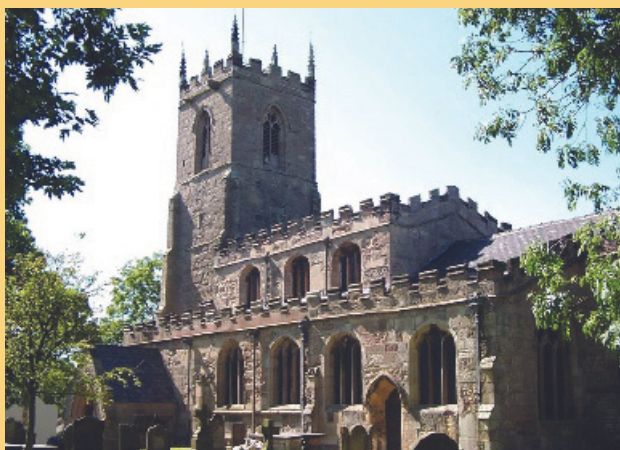
We will be holding the next meeting of our Society in Harthill Village Hall Lounge on Tuesday, 24th January 2023, 2 pm

All are welcome.



Harthill Memories and History Society  
Wishes you all  
A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

## All Hallows Church



Dear Friends,

One of my favourite things at this seasonal time of year is decorating the Christmas tree. I hang my lights and baubles with the help of family and friends. The Christmas music is playing, and we enjoy a glass of port and a mince pie. It makes a home feel more like Christmas.

This Christmas, there's another kind of decorating that we ought to plan for. Christians celebrate the birth of the Lord Jesus Christ and how that shows God's love. Maybe we ought to be decorating our lives with things that reflect God's love to others.

Decorating our lives with kindness? Just think of how much it will mean to your family, your friends, and other people to whom you will show kindness in the coming days. A kind word, a helpful action, a nice note - all of these are ways your life can be decorated with kindness. You can also decorate your life with generosity. The Christmas season is a good time to show generosity toward others. Donating food to the food bank or to buying a toy for other children who might not have as much as we do, or maybe even just giving something to someone without expecting any gift in return.

When we decorate our lives with kindness and generosity then we will truly discover what Christmas is really all about.

### Christmas Services at All Hallows Church Harthill

**Thursday 15th December 7 pm**

**Carol Service Harthill Church**

**Saturday 24th December 5.30 pm**

**Christingle Service Harthill Church**  
(Services at Thorpe Salvin Church 10 pm and Wales Parish Church 11.30 pm).

**Sunday 25th December 10 am**

**Christmas Day Service at Harthill Church**

With best wishes and prayers,

**Reverend Gary Schofield**

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## Harthill Reservoir Upgrade - Latest News - Community Drop in Event



On Tuesday 8th November we held our community drop in event at Harthill Village Hall. It was great to have the opportunity to meet so many people and to hear your thoughts. Nearly 70 members of the community attended who were able to speak to our representatives from Canal & River Trust and Kier, our contractor.

Construction is now underway as we are on site getting ready to start the main construction works and undertaking an archaeological investigation.

We anticipate that our construction works will be complete by Autumn 2023. Keep an eye out for information signs around the reservoir and latest updates will be posted on Canal & River Trust's website: [www.canalrivertrust.org.uk/harthill](http://www.canalrivertrust.org.uk/harthill)

If you couldn't make it to the drop in event, don't hesitate to contact our team with any enquiries by email: [harthill@canalrivertrust.org.uk](mailto:harthill@canalrivertrust.org.uk) or freephone: 0800 028 8141.

You can also contact Tess Smith. Tess is the community's main contact point for Kier, our contractor. Her email is [tess.smith@kier.co.uk](mailto:tess.smith@kier.co.uk) and her mobile number is 07731 987 228.

**Canal & River Trust**

## Harthill Tea Day & Social Club



This year has been a very busy and enjoyable one. Our members have enjoyed days out to places such as Bridlington and Melton Mowbray and also lots of in-house activities for our not so mobile members.

In October it was the clubs 71st birthday. As part of our celebrations a hot meal was brought in, which was delicious, our local baker kindly made us a huge fruit cake, which was amazing, and a local lady came and entertained us. We all sang along and had a very happy and carefree afternoon. In November a lady from National Energy Action is to attend on two consecutive tea days to give us all information on how to cope with the rising energy costs. On these tea days we will be having pie and peas and a delicious salad tea. In December we shall all party at our Christmas lunch in Mansfield, our aim is to provide companionship enjoyment and friendship to all our members, if you would like to join us, please just come along. We meet every alternate Wednesday in Harthill Village Hall, 3 pm - 5.30 pm. We restart on the 11th January, for further information please call Sue on 01909 772778

May we take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from us all



# HARTHILL

LEISURE CENTRE

## Harthill Leisure Centre - Located At the side of Car Park, Spens Field, Harthill.

Even though it is darker, there are still lots of activity at the Leisure Centre thanks to our state of the art floodlights. Five-a-side football play in the evening - there are slots available, we have facilities for after match showers.

High Intensity Training takes place on Thursday and also Saturday morning, see Stacey HIT on Facebook for more details or call in for a trial session.

Workbench members are busy making Christmas gifts - still room for more members to join them and still time for that last minute gift.

Santa is coming to Harthill on Sunday 4th December starting his journey around the village at 3 pm. He is certain to visit the Leisure Centre to listen to Harthill Village Voices, the brass band and to tuck into hot food and toddy all arranged by Harthill Carnival - come along to the Centre for a lovely start to the festive season.

For details and bookings contact  
**Neill 07971081318 or Lesley 07890410778**



## Notice of Meeting

The next ordinary meeting of the Parish Council  
will be held on 6th December 2022 at Harthill Village Hall at 7pm.

The Agenda for this meeting will be on the Parish Council website by the Thursday preceding the meeting  
or by request from the Clerk

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### Clerk to the Council Caroline Havenhand

My working days are  
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and Wednesday  
10 am until 12 noon

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## HARTHILL'S HERO OF THE BATTLE OF JUTLAND LEADING SEAMAN JAMES HORACE WAINSCOAT CGM (1892 - 1916)

Laid to rest in Harthill graveyard in 1916 was a hero of the Battle of Jutland, the largest sea battle of WW1 involving 250 British and German ships and approximately 100,000 men. It took place over two days from 31st May - 1st June 1916.

Leading Seaman, James Horace Wainscoat of the Royal Navy was born in Harthill and stood over 6ft tall.

James joined the Royal Navy on 7th June 1909 as a 16-year-old boy and saw service on HMS Ganges (Shore Establishment), HMS Caesar, HMS Illustrious, HMS Prince of Wales, HMS Excellent, HMS Victory and HMS Southampton.

In 1911, aged just 17, James was awarded a bronze 'Sea Gallantry Medal' by the Board of Trade. It was presented to him at Buckingham Palace by King George V for 'rendering meritorious service at the wreck of the SS Delhi'. The Delhi had run aground at night off the coast of Morocco during heavy seas and James was part of a group of seamen from HMS Prince of Wales that attempted to rescue the passengers.

Passengers onboard the Delhi included Alexander Duff, 1st Duke of Fife, his wife the Princess Royal, Princess Louise of Wales and their daughter's, Princess Alexandra and Princess Maud, who were taken to the shore soaking wet and bare footed by the seamen after their lifeboat capsized.

The Princess Royal carried away a small case containing her jewels and tiara but lost it when the lifeboat overturned. Princess Alexandra was struck on the head by an oar, but was held above water until some seamen waded into the water to rescue her.

### World War 1

In 1916 at the age of 23 James was a Leading Seaman serving on board HMS Southampton and took part in the largest sea battle of WW1.

During the ferocious Battle of Jutland, James was a Gun Layer on HMS Southampton. He was instructed to find the range of the German ship, 'Frauenlob' at night which the Southampton had already hit with a torpedo. The report says..

"Leading Seaman Wainscoat laid his gun so accurately that with the first round from it he plumped a shell right into one of the German destroyers, cutting her in two."

As the 'Frauenlob' sank in flames in the darkness HMS Southampton came under attack from six German cruisers and was very badly hit. Covered in smoke and flames from the German guns it looked like HMS Southampton would sink. Numerous men onboard were killed or badly burned. The gun turret where Leading Seaman James Wainscoat was located during the battle was also hit. The report says...

"I am sorry to say that later in the action, Wainscoat was mortally injured. The Gunner was heard to say, 'thank God I did for one of them' - referring of course to his destroyer he had sunk with his first shot. This remark was made when he was suffering much pain through his injuries."

For some unknown reason, the German ships did not finish the Southampton off and sink it, probably thinking it would sink due to the damage they had inflicted on it. James was mortally wounded and after the battle was later transferred to the hospital ship Plassey where he died a week later of his injuries. The report makes mention of him.

"We also buried some wounded who had died of their wounds, one poor chap had just died today in the hospital ship after surviving a week, he was one of the frightfully burnt cases".

James died on the 7th June 1916, exactly 7 years to the day that he joined the Royal Navy.

On James' Commonwealth War Graves headstone in Harthill churchyard, it has the initials CGM after his surname suggesting that James was awarded the Conspicuous Gallantry Medal. The CGM is awarded for gallantry in action for petty officers and seamen of the Royal Navy.

I presume it was awarded posthumously for his part in the sinking of the German ship 'Frauenlob' although there is no mention of the award on James' service record. I was also unable to find James' name in the list of CGM recipients which is a bit of a mystery for this heroic young man from Harthill.

Lest we Forget.



J. H. WAINSCOAT,  
Ldg. Seaman, H.M.S. "Southampton,"  
(Killed in Action).



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Councillor  
Dominic Beck



Councillor  
Marnie Havard



## Ward Councillors Dominic Beck and Marnie Havard - Bringing another year to a close

As we bring the year to a close, we reflect on what has been another brilliant year for Harthill and Woodall. The Carnival in our view was one of the best ever this year and we attended countless other events and projects organised by the many community groups and organisations in the village that make community life as vibrant and varied as it is. Through our local grants fund we were able to fund many of them including Harthill Well Dressing, Harthill Primary School, Harthill Women's Institute and Harthill Village Voices.

As we look to next year our priority remains improving road safety in and around Harthill and Woodall and we hope to have some positive news on this next year. We will also continue to hold our regular advice surgeries in the Harthill Leisure Centre 1st and 2nd Saturday 10 am - 11 am.

We would like to wish everyone a very happy and peaceful Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

**Councillors Dominic Beck and Marnie Havard - Wales Ward - Rotherham Council**



## Harthill Cricket Club



**Harthill & Anston observe a minute's silence**

Winning Bassetlaw League Division 1 has been a two-horse race throughout the 2022 season between Harthill & Welbeck.

Having beaten Welbeck away in the 1st game of the season, both teams embarked on long winning runs until Harthill faltered with back-to-back defeats against Farnsfield & Blidworth, which meant we moved into 2nd place.

Both teams then matched each other's results until the penultimate game of the season when we hosted Welbeck at Thorpe Road.

Harthill emerged victorious from this game, claiming 20 points, but Welbeck earned sufficient bonus points, meaning we both now had exactly the same points. Crucially, Welbeck had a better net run rate than Harthill and therefore still led the table. (Net Run Rate is crickets equivalent of goal difference in football).

Moving into the final weekend of the season on 17th September, based on their hugely successful seasons, both teams were expected to emerge victorious from their games. with Harthill travelling to mid-table Anston and Welbeck hosting third placed Kiveton Park.

Unusually, the Welbeck game started 90 mins before the Harthill game so they could attend an end of season function. Prior to the game at Anston, an impeccable minute's silence was observed following the sad death of Queen Elizabeth 11, and both teams sported black arm bands as a mark of respect.

Batting first, Anston scored 199 for 6, with the wickets shared between Dom Cumming (2), Chris Page (1), Matt Plant (1) & Chris Hopkinson (1) plus a run out. Harthill's cause wasn't helped by your author dropping a catch at "cow corner" off an Anston batsman who went on to score 50 not out.

Meanwhile, in the Welbeck game, Kiveton batted 1st and scored a competitive, but slightly below par, 180 for 9.

Due to injury, Harthill's regular opening batsman, Andrew Collinson had to miss the game therefore Danny Antony opened with Phil Higginson and they put on an excellent opening stand of 124 for the first wicket before Phil was out for 39.

Throughout the game at Anston, more away fans from Harthill were making an appearance and keeping us up to date with the Welbeck run chase, as most games are now scored live on-line.

It was going to be very close and as Welbeck's required runs per over grew and they lost wickets with increasing regularity, it became clear that our near-neighbours had pulled off the win..... all Harthill needed to do was complete our own victory.

The dismissal of Phil Higginson was quickly followed by that of our star batsman Dom Cumming for 2 runs, followed by Dan Whitehouse (12). Tensions were starting to rise amongst the Harthill faithful, but Danny Anthony was still going strong and duly completed his first century of the season in this most critical of fixtures.

When he was finally out for a magnificent 124 Harthill only needed 11 runs to win. Despite losing Jack Mason for a duck, Bradie Shaw 2 not out and captain Chris Page 6 not out saw us to a famous victory with Chris fittingly hitting the winning runs. This victory meant HARTHILL ARE DIVISION 1 CHAMPIONS and the celebrations went on long into the night back at our home ground with Dan Whitehouse leading proceedings by playing guitar to a far higher standard than the lads singing!

The 2022 season where we won 19 out of 22 matches will go down in Harthill CC folklore as one of the greatest ever in our 124 years history and we are all really looking forwards to the league presentation night on 19th November where we will receive the league trophy and our own presentation night at The Beehive on 3rd December (7 pm).

I'd like to thank everyone who played a role in our success, all the players, our growing band of supporters, scorer Oliver Bentley and groundsman Alan Page. What a season!!!

POS	TEAM	P	NRR	W	Pts
1	Harthill CC - 1st XI	22	1.25	19	405
2	Welbeck CC - 2nd XI	22	1.53	18	394



How quickly the year has passed, and we are now in the run up to Christmas and looking forward to all the activities that have been planned with family and friends.

This year members of our WI are looking forward to going out for a delicious festive lunch instead of having the lovely carvery in the Village Hall that we have enjoyed in the past. We will be having a festive themed celebratory evening at our monthly meeting on the 13th December, which is a week earlier than our meetings during the rest of the year.

We had a fun evening in October when we carved a pumpkin and enjoyed a glass of fizz or a soft drink. It was amazing how creative our members were and how differently the pumpkins turned out.

In January we will be having a social evening where members will be able to catch up with each other and chat about their activities over Christmas and New Year. There will be a fun quiz to take part in. At the meeting we will ask for nominations for those who would like to join the committee for the following year. Committee meetings take place on the 2nd Monday of the month; it is always great to welcome new members to the committee.

Our popular coffee and a chat session continues to take place on a Friday morning in The Bluebell in Harthill. Some of our members and non-members meet from 10.30 am until 11.30 am. If you haven't been previously and would like to make new friends, you are very welcome to come along.

It has been fabulous to welcome many new members to our monthly meetings over the past year. If you are interested in joining our friendly WI you are very welcome to come along to our meetings which start at 7.15 pm on the third Tuesday of each month in the Village Hall.

Our WI can be contacted by email on [harthillwoodallwi@gmail.com](mailto:harthillwoodallwi@gmail.com) or on our Facebook page.

We would like to wish everyone a very happy Christmas and hope that you have a healthy and happy 2023.

Jan Skepper

# theWI

## INSPIRING WOMEN



## Alexander Stafford your MP for Rother Valley

I wish the readers of the Hart a very merry Christmas and my very best wishes for 2023. It will not be lost on the residents of Harthill that this is the first Christmas in three long years without the spectre of national lockdowns and the awful coronavirus keeping us away from our nearest and dearest. As much as we now wish not to reflect on that dark period, it is worth remembering the fortitude and festive spirit shown by Harthill in those most testing of times.

During the pandemic, we looked after those in Rother Valley who did not weather the effects of the virus as well as others, and we checked on our friends and neighbours, the vulnerable and the elderly in our communities - particularly at Christmastime. I was proud to witness Harthill and Woodall's close-knit community in action throughout the duration of the pandemic, and we must continue to put our arms around the most vulnerable in our community.

We all know that Harthill and Woodall are fantastic places. In the past few months alone, my family and I have enjoyed a Harthill Halloween, the Rother Valley Bonfire Night firework displays, and our deeply moving local Remembrance Day parades. Christmas and the new year promise even more: entries into my third annual Christmas card competition for Rother Valley schools; Father Christmas's expected appearance at the Harthill Carnival Society's procession; Christmas church services and carols; beautifully decorated Harthill houses; and the Rother Valley Lions sleigh ride.

This Christmas and in 2023, I shall continue fighting for Rother Valley locally and at the national level. I am working hard in Westminster to support government action to address Putin's illegal war in Ukraine and the huge strain caused by the pandemic which has led to rising inflation globally and the increasing cost of living all over the world. I am delivering for Harthill and Woodall locally, too, by working to level up Rother Valley, tackle the high cost of energy, ensure high-quality high-paid employment for all, support our local NHS, further drive down crime on our streets, and introduce a leading local transport system. Please do email me on [alexander.stafford.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:alexander.stafford.mp@parliament.uk) or stop me in the village to chat if I can be of any assistance. Until then, I wish you and your families a very merry Christmas and a wonderful new year.



## Harthill Netball Club says farewell to Isabella Hunter

As the season has ended, we have had to say goodbye to our oldest serving member Isabella Hunter, who has moved to Liverpool due to family commitments. We said our farewells in the Beehive pub, sharing memories and stories and sending our best wishes to Isabella for the future along with gifts and cards.

Isabella was the first person to suggest forming a club in Harthill nearly 10 years ago, inviting others to join and organising meetings to start it up initially for training sessions only. Since then, the club has thrived, new members are still continuing to join, and we now have 5 teams playing competitive netball each week. Our Monday team receiving runner up medals to finish off the season.

We are now training inside at the Arc, in Clowne, during the winter months (8 pm - 9 pm), before we resume outdoor training at the end of March. So, if you want to get fit, have some fun and meet new friends, why not come and join us. The first training session is free.

For further information please contact- Chris Harper on 07743223913 or Jill Perrozzi on 07595959368.



## Hartwheelers

Blow, winds and crack your cheeks! Rage, blow!  
You cataracts and hurricanoes, spout till you  
have drench'd our steeples, drown'd the cocks!  
(King Lear).

Well we Hartwheelers might not all venture out in the most Shakespearean of weather (there's the odd enthusiast who likes getting drenched and mud spattered), but the rest of us Hartwheelers are still cycling as we move into winter, chomping up the miles on our road bikes and tearing up the trails on our mountain bikes - sometimes at night - thank goodness for modern bike lights which are super bright.

As ever we would like to welcome new members of all abilities. Cycling's a great way to get fit and it doesn't hurt your knees!

### Events on the Hartwheelers calendar include:

- Monday night social rides, when the mood takes us and the weather is clement
- Tuesday refresher riding skills every Tuesday at 17.45 at the leisure centre with Ruth (07786543408)
- Wednesday night MTB rides - out with the creatures of the night - no vampires spotted as yet...
- Weekend social rides when the forecast is fair and the fancy takes us
- A fancy dress Santa Ride on 18th December from Harthill car park to Waleswood café - all abilities welcome - but you must be in fancy dress!
- Some of our members are training for the Jo Cox Way charity ride from Yorkshire to London 26th - 30th July 2023 - a proper challenge, this one
- FLAB Sportive - a choice from 25/50/75/100km routes along the glorious Yorkshire Dales on 6th May 2023

And don't forget to check us out on the Hartwheelers Facebook page!

**Andy Warren**



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