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Harthill with Woodall Parish Council Newsletter

Issue 75
Autumn 2024

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

Thankfully, it feels as if we have seen the village return to some normality, though I say that with fingers crossed as there now seems to be intermittent water issues!

Hard Lane though has recovered, and the Wildflowers bloomed. Across the parish our volunteers did the Parish proud with the lovely displays in the verges and flower beds which are still very colourful. The hanging baskets, externally supplied, have also been well received again. We mentioned in the last Hart that we had entered the Yorkshire Rose event; we are expecting our feedback this month so we will share that in our Christmas issue.

One of the Parish Council priorities at the moment is creating a plan for the play area and I would like to thank everyone that completed the consultation document at the carnival and afterwards. If you have any thoughts, please let us know.

I recently met with RMBC with regard to the quality of the pavement resurfacing that has been done. Their response is shared on page 6. Additionally, the re-instatement of the ponds and paths and a safer walking route between Harthill and Woodall, are all things that we are following up to try and get resolved.

There are lots of community groups in Harthill and Woodall, that are ran be dedicated people as volunteers. Please read the articles to see if you would like to join in their activities. There will be lots happening in the Parish in the lead up to Christmas and it would be a shame to miss out.

Sadly, our wonderful handyman, who I am sure you will have seen around the Parish, is hanging up his litter picker and retiring. Our thanks go to Jim for his 17 years of service to the Parish. An advert for the role is on page 6.

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 6.

Joy Pattison
Parish Council Chairman



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Parish Council
Chairman

Harthill & District Garden Association

What fun we had decorating Maurice's trailer to take part in the fantastic 50th Carnival parade. We enjoyed chatting to lots of you at our stall and promoting our activities.

As autumn is just around the corner, we look forward to meeting you again at the events we have planned - allotment holders, home growers, flower arrangers, bakers, artists and crafters.

We are delighted to be holding our MAKE, GROW & SHOW event on Sunday 15th September in Harthill Village Hall. Please come and support this long-standing village event. You will find information on Facebook, at allotment sites and posters around the village. Entry forms will be available on the day and schedules are also on Facebook and from graemecar@btinternet.com.

It is never too early to think about Christmas, but before that there is Halloween! We are holding our PUMPKIN & PROSECCO event on Saturday 26th October 2 pm to 4 pm. Enjoy making a flower arrangement in a pumpkin while sipping prosecco!

Our very popular CHRISTMAS WREATH MAKING is being held on Saturday 7th December 10 am to 12 noon. Marcella Baker will be coming along to share her expertise as well as our very talented helpers. Tickets are limited so contact us to get your place booked!

Tickets for both events also available at the September Show
Facebook link - Harthill & District Garden Association



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Where do we begin....

2024 saw us celebrate 50 years of Harthill Carnival & Show and what a weekend it was.

You, the local community did us proud and came out in huge numbers. Both lining the streets around the village for the parade and then making your way onto the show field in what was the largest attendance for many of years.



Firstly, for the first time in Carnival history, we hosted a Dinner in the Marquee on the Friday evening. The Dinner was to celebrate our 50th anniversary, whilst at the same time showcase local produce and suppliers. Chef's Counter led by Chris Hanson and his team delivered an outstanding 3 course dinner to just over 60 guests. Oakland Potato Farm here in Harthill very kindly supplied the potatoes for the main course, and we would like to thank John Brocksope and all his team for providing a great accompaniment to the local Moss Valley Pork. As part of the evening we welcomed the incredible Magician Andy Taylor, who had guests gobsmacked with his tricks! We would like to thank all those who attended the Dinner for supporting this maiden event, something which many of you have asked we repeat again next year, so watch this space.....



As dawn broke on Saturday 13th July, the field began to swell with stall holders, entertainers and attractions all busily setting up for a special day.

As well as near record numbers of attendees, we also had the largest number of stalls we have had for many years. This is really encouraging to see the level of interest in stall holders and so if you are interested in having a stall at Harthill Carnival & Show 2025 please contact us via e-mail harthillcarnivalstalls2025@gmail.com

As well as Harthill Carnival celebrating it's 50th anniversary, the Heavy Horse Show expertly produced by Mike and Dorothy Bingham, was also celebrating a milestone. This year was 40 years since the very first Horse show at Harthill Carnival. This is a remarkable achievement, and as a token of our appreciation, we presented Mike & Dorothy with gifts on the day to thank them for their unwavering support and commitment in enabling the Horse Show to continue to thrive as it does today.



As the parade began to leave its starting point at Firvale, it was clear to see this was going to be one of the biggest parades in recent years. The addition of two schools from outside of the village with Anston Hillcrest and Laughton Junior & Infants taking part, was really encouraging to see and we hope that they will get involved again next year. The WI also entered a float for the first time in a few years and it was great to have them involved again. You the community came out in huge numbers to line the streets and give your support and appreciation to all those taking part, for which we are truly grateful for. We would also like to say a big thank you to all those who took part in the parade and to JH Skepper and Son for their continued sponsorship and support, without whom we wouldn't be able to do it.





As the parade entered the main arena on the show field, we were privileged to be joined by Derrek Leigh, whom was the very first Chairman of Harthill Carnival Society back in 1974. Derrek kindly judged the parade floats, which wasn't an easy task, and then formally opened Harthill Carnival & Show 2024.

The Main Arena then played host to a fantastic interactive Dinosaur & Pre Historic Show, Falconry Display, superb performances from the City of Steel Gymnastics Club and Vibe Dance troop as well as the judging and presentation of the Heavy Horse Show.



Across the rest of the show field, there was plenty on offer to do and see with the Kids Zone which housed lots of Free activities to be enjoyed including those provided by the Childrens Capital of Culture 2025 team. We are really excited to be working with them as we head towards 2025, and we will be announcing more exciting details in the not too distant future.

Elsewhere the Live Animal Enclosure kindly brought together by Julian Morley and his team proved popular with all ages, as did the Village Green which continues to prove a great place to chill out and listen to live music as well as to grab a bite to eat and drink. We do apologise about the long queues for food, this was not only due to the increased number of attendees, but also due to the fact we were let down at the last minute by two vendors. We will be working hard for 2025 to ensure we have more vendors and choice available.

The number and variety of stalls on offer was great to see and we look forward to building on this in 2025.

We would like to thank The Vintage Tractors, Jaguar Car Club and Coopers Tours collection of vehicles for kindly supporting us again this year and showcasing on the field.

The Funfair was as busy as ever, and although the Crazy Wave ride had to close early due to a technical issue, this didn't dampen spirits.

The 50th Harthill Carnival & Show was brought to a close with a sell out Saturday night event with the superb Rhythm Detectives. We would like to thank all those who attended for making it a fantastic family orientated night, enjoyed by all.

We would like to give a huge thank you to Paul Rowland who kindly captured so much of the Carnival & Show through his camera, creating some great photographs of the 50th Anniversary.

A massive thank you to all of you, the community, for coming out and supporting Harthill Carnival & Show once again. Without you the Carnival would not exist, so please continue with your fantastic support, we really do appreciate it.

And finally, none of this would be possible without the superb and tireless efforts from the volunteers who form both the Carnival Society, and also those who lend a helping hand to bring the Carnival together. Your efforts are very much valued and appreciated in keeping this fantastic tradition going long into the future!!

If you are interested in joining the society or just offer a helping hand at any point, then please do get in touch via e-mail harthillcarnivalsociety@gmail.com.

Best Wishes!

Harthill Carnival Society

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Harthill Well Dressing



The Well Dressing Group would like to thank everyone who supported this year's summer well dressing opening, this was a great success.

Reverend Gary Schofield opened this year's well dressing, celebrating 50 years of Harthill Carnival Society. The children of Harthill Primary School made the bunting to go round the well to celebrate this year's carnival. A big thankyou to Harthill Voices who sang for us and Harthill Morris who danced for us.

Our future events, include:

- A Christmas craft and a coffee morning on 16th November in the Church School Room, 10 am to 12 noon.
- The Christmas well dressing opening to be held in Harthill Church on 7th December

Please look out for posters in the village giving further information.

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.

Harthill Tea Day and Social Club



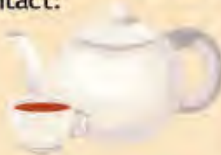
Harthill Tea Club have had a very active year so far, with days out to the coast and countryside, cake bake sales, table top sales, and a very successful afternoon tea with prosecco to celebrate the carnival societies 50th anniversary. On carnival day in July the weather was very kind to us and we raised an incredible amount for our club funds.

With autumn just around the corner we are organising our winter events with a pie and peas meal, and all our members will be able to enjoy a Christmas meal being catered for in the village hall, enabling all our members to take part and enjoy.

If you would like to join us please just come along and give us a try, friendship is one of our core values, if you require further information please contact:

Sue on 01909 772778
or Marlene on 01909 771432

We look forward to meeting you!



All Hallows Church

Open the Book

It's coming up to my favourite period of the church year from September through to December. It's also the time when I schedule assemblies with Harthill Primary School.

One of my highlights in ministry are school assemblies. I often hear people saying that schools 'don't do' religious assemblies anymore and that children today know little about the Christian faith. That certainly is not my experience from the ways in which local school children respond to my questions on visits to Harthill Parish Church.

I love my assemblies and am grateful to our Open the Book team. Open the Book (OtB) is an exciting storytelling project where Bible stories are shared dramatically with children in a way that is fun, interactive and memorable. Our storytelling team is made up of members from Wales, Thorpe Salvin and Todwick churches.

The Bible Society through whom Open the Book runs say, 'A Bible story well told has the power to spark the imagination, inspire exploration, give hope, create a smile, teach important lessons and connect generations.'

We deeply appreciate being invited guests of Harthill Primary School and value our partnership. We also run a Wonder Club every Monday in school which is led by our Focal Ministers Margaret and Felicity. We look forward to welcoming Harthill Primary into Church for their Harvest Assembly this month. Our Harvest Service is 10.45 am on Sunday 22nd September and we have a Harvest Lunch in the Old School Room 12 noon on Saturday 28th September. All are welcome as we give thanks to God for creation.

We will be supporting the Cathedral Archer Project at Harvest and are accepting tinned items and toiletries. The proceeds from our Harvest Lunch will go towards helping Anna our missionary friend in Peru.

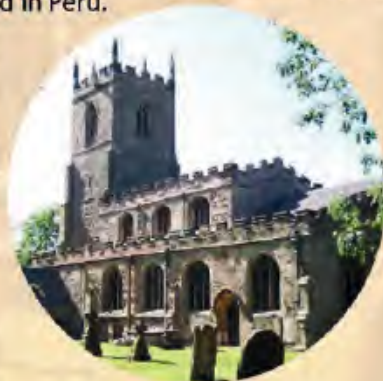
Best wishes and prayers

Reverend Gary

Reverend Gary Schofield

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Harthill Village Voices



Harthill Village Voices with All Hallows Church are holding an Autumn Music Concert at All Hallows Church on Friday 4th October. Doors open 7 pm for a 7.30 pm start to the Concert.

Tickets £7 from Janet Rushton & Fiona Radford

**Includes a hearty stew after the event
in The Old Schoolroom
Bring your own drinks**

We Need Your Help



Harthill Active Travel

Advocating for Safe Pedestrian and Cycle Routes

Harthill Active Travel, a local campaign group, is actively lobbying Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council (RMBC) to create safe pedestrian and cycle pathways along two critical routes: Hard Lane to Kiveton and Woodall Lane to Woodall. These routes, frequented by both residents and visitors, currently lack the necessary infrastructure to ensure the safety of walkers and cyclists, posing significant risks.

The group's campaign emphasises the need for dedicated pathways that provide a safe, accessible environment for people of all ages, including those pushing prams and wheelchair and mobility scooter users. With increasing concerns about road safety, environmental sustainability, and community health, Harthill Active Travel argues that establishing these pathways is vital for fostering a more connected and active community.

Harthill Active Travel is aiming to encourage more sustainable travel options, reduce traffic congestion, and enhance the quality of life in the area.

The group is engaging with nearby residents, landowners, council officers and our local councillors and MP, as well as with the South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority Active Travel team and with Sustrans National Cycle Network officers to build support and to find funding for this work to be done.

A petition is currently circulating, and we ask everyone who supports the initiative to sign it. There are copies in some of the local shops and over the next few weeks one of our volunteers may knock at your door to ask for your support. If you have any time to help in collecting signatures or in any other aspect of the campaign, please contact us. The more active help we have the more impact we can make.

For more information or to get involved, email harthillactivetravel@gmail.com, follow Harthill Active Travel on social media or attend their next community meeting.

Hartwheelers

Thanks to the Earth being tilted on its axis as it orbits the Sun, we enjoy more daylight hours during summer months in the UK. Hartwheelers have been taking advantage of this extra daylight; venturing out on most days and evenings to enjoy riding their bikes. Some have even managed to achieve a cyclist's tan - brown arms, brown thighs to ankles - looks daft on a beach, though!

Hartwheeler highlights included a group of us helping young cyclist to participate in the carnival parade. Some of our mega-riders tackled the Jo Cox charity ride, supporting the Jo Cox Foundation - Batley to London - 288 miles over five days! A couple of us completed the Southern section of the Lochs and Glens route, Carlisle to Glasgow over four days. A few riders have been lucky enough to ride abroad, including one rider who completed the Pedal Normandy beaches ride, commemorating the 80th anniversary of the D-Day landings.

Regular Hartwheelers cycle meets include:

- Monday night social rides, all abilities welcome, at 6.30 pm
- Tuesday night hill training sessions on Kiveton Community Woodlands at 6.30 pm. Strenuous.
- Wednesday night mountain bike rides; starting at 6.30 pm from the memorial benches.
- Friday morning "musketeer" rides to the café at Netherthorpe airfield.

Further information about these rides and of others on offer can be found on the Hartwheelers Facebook page.

Several Hartwheelers also ride out with the Bolsover and District Cycling Club on a Sunday morning on a 45 (or more) mile round trip.

Some of us will ride the Grindleford Gruff MTB ride on 8th September, in delightful, but hilly, Derbyshire scenery.

Hartwheelers ride throughout the year; we are very friendly group, keen to welcome new members of all abilities - we'll even tune up your bike for you! Please have a look at our Facebook page, or contact Ruth Sutherland on 07786 543408.

Andy Warren



Notice of Meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on 8th October 2024 at Harthill Village Hall at 7 pm

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

clerk@harthillwithwoodall-pc.gov.uk
www.harthillwithwoodall-pc.gov.uk



Clerk to the Council Caroline Havenhand

My working days are
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday
10 am until 4 pm
and Wednesday
10 am until 12 noon

The Village Hall, Winney Hill
Harthill, Sheffield, S26 7YL
Contact detail - Telephone - 01709 528823
Email - clerk@harthillwithwoodall-pc.gov.uk

Parish Councillors

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Steve Green	01909 773056
Barbara Gunby	01909 771328
Charmaine Hamer	07701 055624
Julian Morley	01909 770231
Liz Simmonite.....	01909 770921
Sarah Day.....	07710 431136
Marnie Havard	07523 657273
Fiona Radford.....	07846 614015



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Job Vacancy for Grounds Maintenance Operative

Harthill with Woodall Parish Council is an active Council that seeks a highly motivated, enthusiastic person to take on the post of Grounds Maintenance Operative.

The post is part time, 6 hours per week (October to March, Mon/Wed/Fri), 12 hours per week (April to September, Mon/Wed/Fri) and the salary is in accordance with National Joint Council recommendations; pay scale LC1, points 3 to 4 being £11.82 to £12.01 per hour, dependent upon qualifications and experience. The working pattern will be reviewed with the successful applicant after 3 months.

Duties include litter picking, border and grass maintenance, cleaning of play equipment, waste clearance, bench maintenance and general maintenance around the Parish as directed by the clerk.

The successful applicant will have good communication skills as they will be interacting with the public. They will need to work from their own initiative and plan their time to ensure that all areas of the Parish are regularly checked. They will need to be organised and flexible. The role will involve some walking around the Parish, though a drivers license and access to a vehicle is essential. Proximity to the Parish would be beneficial to meet the needs of the role.

Prior relevant experience is an advantage, but training will be provided.

The application form, job specification and personal specification are available from:

Clerk@harthillwithwoodall-pc.gov.uk.

Closing date for applications: 30th September 2024

Interviews will be w/c 8th October 2024

Pavements

The Parish Council and Ward Councillors have asked RMBC to revisit the work recently done on pavements in the Parish.

RMBC have visited and agreed some remedial works are required but have stressed the following:

Micro Asphalt is not constructional but is a thin surface treatment. Pre-patching is undertaken to small areas prior to this process being carried out, before being over-laid. Micro Asphalt is used throughout the borough and is a nationally recognised as a footway treatment, it provides a protective layer against water ingress, helps to prevent fretting, and helps to extend the life of the footway. It is laid using Brushes and Squeegees following the existing contours of the highway.

Once the remediation work has been done it will be interesting to see how it wears.

Defibrillator Locations

These are located:

- On the wall of the Beehive pub
- On the wall adjacent to the noticeboard in Woodall
- At the Village Hall to the right of the noticeboard
- On the Wall of the Doctor's surgery

Three of the units are available thanks to funding from South Yorkshire Community Foundation, through the Loscar Wind Fund.

The Parish Council would also like to thank the owner/occupiers of the three locations for accommodating the units.



Notice of Conclusion of Audit 2023/2024

**Annual Governance & Accountability
Return for the year ended 31 March 2024**

**Sections 20(2) and 25 of the Local Audit
and Accountability Act 2014**

**Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015
(SI 2015/234)**

The audit of accounts for Harthill with Woodall Parish Council for the year ended 31 March 2024 has been completed and the accounts have been published.

The Annual Governance & Accountability Return is available for inspection by any local government elector of the area of Harthill with Woodall Parish Council on application to:

Mrs Caroline Havenhand - Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer

c/o The Village Hall, Winney Hill, Harthill S26 7YL
Contact Tel 01709 528823
Clerk@harthillwithwoodall-pc.gov.uk

Monday to Friday 9.00am till 5.00pm

Copies will be provided to any person on payment of £10.00 for each copy of the Annual Governance & Accountability Return.

Free copies are available for downloading from the Parish Council website.

Finance - Harthill with Woodall Parish Council
Clerk@harthillwithwoodall-pc.gov.uk

Announcement made by Mrs Caroline Havenhand -
Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer

Parking Buddies

You may have noticed a couple of new 'children' stood outside the school. Please 'listen' to them, parking is still causing safety issues outside the school.

The Parish Council have purchased these but haven't named them yet. If you would like to suggest names please get in touch, we will put all the suggestions in a hat at our October meeting and send the winner a bag of sweets. Contact details are above.



Litter & Fly Tipping

It is lovely to look around at our wonderful countryside. What a shame it should be spoiled with something we could all do something about. Please take fast food containers, plastic bottles, and cans home with you.

If you see any fly tipping, please report it to RMBC, it is very easy to do this online at:

Street care & cleansing: Report fly-tipping
Instructions - Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council.

Links are also available under the 'Useful Links' page on the Parish Council website. Generally, RMBC are soon out to clear it away. Please don't remove anything like addresses from the rubbish. Instead take a photo if its possible, without touching anything, and upload this with your report.

Whilst the Parish Council does employ a groundsman to pick litter regularly, the Parish Council would like to thank all the volunteers who take the time to pick up litter while out walking. It makes a tremendous difference to our village lanes if we can keep them clean and litter free.

If you are doing D.I.Y there is a nearby dumpsite in our area. It is situated between Todwick and Dinnington, it is near the industrial estate, from Todwick Road, turn onto Common Road. The waste site is at the junction of Common Road and Houghton Road.

Opening times are:

- 1st April to 30th September 10 am to 6.30 pm - last entry 6.15 pm
- 1st October to 31st March 10 am to 4 pm - last entry 3.45 pm.

We should all take responsibility for the upkeep of the countryside around us.



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WALES WARD

Covering Harthill, Kiveton, Wales, Waleswood and Woodall

Ward Councillor Update

We hope everyone has had a pleasant summer and made the most of the warm and sunny days that we did have. Albeit fewer and far between it seems this year.

We are pleased that Northlands and South Farm Ave have had their roads resurfaced, much needed it was. Along with part of Walseker Lane in Woodall. Unfortunately, though we have been disappointed with some of the works on the footpaths. Some sections of footpaths on Winney Hill and Union Street were in need of repair and attention, and this is something that has been raised with us many times previously. Along with a section on Pryor Mede. Unfortunately, the 'surface dressing micro-asphalt' approach has not been overly effective and in some parts made things worse. We have been liaising with the Council on this along with the Parish Council and they assure us that any issues will be fixed, and the surface treatment should look better in short time. We will see!

We are still due to have our additional road safety measures implemented this year with speed humps on Thorpe Road, Hard Lane entering the village and at Woodall. No date is confirmed but we do hope they will slow the speeders down in these locations.

Finally, less about roads and footpaths we want to invite residents to put forward their suggestions ahead of the Council's winter maintenance programme. When the workers stop cutting the grass at the end of October, it frees them up to focus on targeted areas that require intense weeding, grubbing and a deep cleanse. These should be areas owned by the Council. Email them into us and we will ask for them to be added to the list.

**Best wishes for now,
Dominic Beck & Marnie Havard**

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Cllr Marnie Havard
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Soup and Song at Wales Kiveton Methodist Church

The very successful Soup and Song events at Wales Kiveton continue to entertain on a monthly basis, every second Thursday of each month from 12 noon to 2 pm, providing food and refreshments free of charge and professional musicians/singers from Lost Chord.

As a special treat the July session also included singing from about 30 of the Wales Primary School children, who entertained with some of their songs that they had performed weeks earlier at a special concert event at The Magna in Rotherham. These included songs such as I'll stand by you, You've got a friend in me, and a very enthusiastic delivery of the Katie Perry tune "Roar"; and the children certainly did!

The food company Greencore have seen the value of the Soup and Song to the community and their supply of food since March is very welcome, as is the assistance at each event when they also send two employees from the company to help out in any way they can.

The august event represented the first full year since Soup and Song started at Wales Kiveton, and we had expected a new soprano singer to be with us from Lost Chord. However, due to illness and a very late notification, it was too late to source another singer/musician in time to replace her, so it was down to the team and helpers at our church to be the entertainment, and did they deliver!

A full play list of popular old songs was prepared, and everyone was in good singing voice, and Stella Green one of our many supportive ecumenical friends did a stint on the piano, with "What shall we do with a drunken sailor" proving most popular with actions to match!

To add that little extra variation to the enjoyment,

several rounds of "Play your cards right" provided much fun, with those there being split into two teams which ended in a very fair draw. A special thanks goes to Dee Ladds for her input and being the dealer of the cards.

So, to round off the afternoon it was time for a bit of a dance, and the floor was taken to Jailhouse Rock by Elvis Presley, The Twist by Chubby Checker, and The Locomotion by Little Eva, a sit down was required after this jiving and rock and rolling before heading off home until the next time.

Leading up to and including the Thursday 12th December Christmas Feel event where it is anticipated that the children from Wales Primary School will also sing again for us, we have three different musicians to sing and entertain. This will consist of two different lady soprano singers (who can sing classical as well as Elvis Presley, The Beatles and Doris Day), and we have a talented accordion player and singer who sometimes brings his didgeridoo!

Come along and enjoy some fun, meet new friendly people, and fill your tummy's all for free!

What have you got to lose, see you there!



Harthill and Woodall Memories and History Society



On the 7th July we were delighted to hold a joint event with our friends from Harthill with Woodall WI, celebrating "50 Years of Carnival", with a display of photographs and newspaper clippings at the village hall. The event was well attended, and it was lovely to show our new residents the previous Carnivals, and remind long-time residents of their youthful exploits.



Don Conacher & Ted Mullins

On 5th October, we will be exhibiting at the Todwick Local History Day. This is being held in Todwick Church Hall and is open to visitors from 9.30 am.

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 24th September at 2 pm, in Harthill Village Hall Lounge, new members always welcome.

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INSPIRING WOMEN

Harthill-with-Woodall WI

September 2024

Our WI motto: Live Simply, Love Generously, Care Deeply and Speak Kindly

We hope everyone has enjoyed the summer months and you are all now looking forward to the autumn and sprinting towards the Festive Season!

The WI camaraderie has grown over the last few months and our membership is now well into the sixties! We've also brought the average age of membership down with some younger ladies joining the group. New members are always welcome, we meet on the third Tuesday in the month, 7.15pm in the Village Hall. You can come along as a visitor for £5 (which includes tea/coffee and cake/biscuits) and "try-before-you-buy" if you want to.

We were delighted to make a come back in the Carnival parade this year and thrilled with third place with our take on the 50th celebrations - "Fifty Shades of WI"! Another fabulous day for the Village, a pleasure to be part of.

Our regular Friday morning coffee meetings have continued. We meet most Friday mornings from 10: am for coffee in The Blue Bell, and we welcome all ladies from the village and surrounding area, whether WI members or not.

Once again, our WI life has been busy whether at our meetings or on trips. We've heard from Harthill Memories Society, Dispelled the Myths of a Funeral Director, Keith Hanson (ex-Beefeater) shared his Crown Jewel stories and Howard Middleton (former Great British Bake-Off contestant).

We've had a trip to the dogs at Owlerton Stadium, to Atkinsons for shopping in Sheffield, the stunning Camellia House at Wentworth and Hotter shoes at Dobbies Garden Centre. We've enjoyed meals at Bondhay, the Parish Oven and our Bring & Share summer evening (indoors because of the wind!).

We've enjoyed performances by the Manor Operatics, Wales Community Players, Dinnington Operatic Society and, in particular, their Youth Theatre group with Wizard of Oz.

We're looking forward to hearing from a range of speakers for the rest of this WI year:

- October - Whiteknights Yorkshire Blood Bikes
- November - Christmas Crafts
- January - Clearing the Clutter
- February - Craft Evening
- March - our annual AGM and quiz.

We'll be participating in many of the Village celebrations over the Festive Season before we start planning our 70th Birthday celebrations in 2025.

Do get in touch if you're interested in finding out more, harthillwoodallwi@gmail.com. We are always happy to welcome new members and can help with travel arrangements if needed as lots of our ladies are from neighbouring villages as well as our own.

It feels early to write this, but may we wish you and your loved ones the magic of Christmas. Let it fill your hearts and minds with love, joy, peace, and happiness.



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JAKE RICHARDS MP

Your local champion, fighting for our towns and villages

Keep in touch

✉ Jake.Richards.MP@Parliament.uk



@Richards4RotherValley

Powered by Rother Valley Leisure Trust on behalf of Jake Richards MP 260 Loughton Road, Ovingdean, BN2 2PL



Your MP for Rother Valley

As summer ends and the nights draw in, we can look forward to our community being dazzled by autumnal colours. Luckily, we were graced with some beautiful and warm sunny days this summer, amidst other days blighted by rain - a very English summer! And this summer, I was given the privilege of a lifetime, to serve Rother Valley. I am honoured to be your new Member of Parliament, and I promise to work hard for all of you in Harthill and Woodall.

Over the coming weeks and months, I endeavour to be visible in your community. I know that the upgrades to the reservoir are due to be completed, and this will be very welcome news to all in Harthill who have faced real disruption. I am meeting with the Canal and River Trust over the coming weeks to discuss the final stages of the project and will ensure the village is updated (see below for details).

The upgraded reservoir will enhance Harthill's green spaces, walking routes and opportunities to fish with the new fishing platforms. I know my family will appreciate it being finished!

Following a meeting with the Parish Council, and local residents, I have written to the South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority to give my support to the Active Travel plans in Harthill and Woodall. They aim to ensure there are safe walking, wheeling, and cycling routes around the community. I have been in contact with Active Travel Harthill and the Parish Council on this and I am fully supportive of their campaign. It is important that the whole of Rother Valley is connected by safe routes that will encourage visitors from surrounding villages to walk or cycle into Harthill, and vice versa, to make the most of amazing local businesses and the great outdoors - as well as the nearby train station.

I look forward to meeting as many of you as possible over the coming weeks. If you would like to get in contact, please email Jake.Richards.MP@parliament.uk or phone on 0207 2195755, and do email if you would like to sign up to our forthcoming regular newsletter.

You can also follow my Facebook page, Jake Richards MP, for day-to-day updates as to my activity and from the community.

Harthill Leisure Centre



HARTHILL
LEISURE CENTRE



At the side of Car Park, Spens Field, Harthill

The centre is still attracting activities that you could come along and join in:

Social bowling takes place on Tuesday and Friday 2 pm to 4 pm no experience necessary. We have bowls and jacks available and generally experienced bowlers to help any novices. Cost £2 per person, per hour.

'Anyone for Tennis' The court is available throughout the week and weekend at £2 per hour, per person - just contact Neill or Lesley for access.

There are available slots for 5-a-side football during the evenings from 7 pm to 9 pm hire of the whole court is £20 per hour - contact Neill for details of current 5-a-side teams.

Round Rotherham Run will be using the centre on 5th October - look out for the runners - cheer them along or you could join in, key in 'Round Rotherham Run' for details.

Our meeting room is available for hire currently used by a craft group on Tuesday mornings - call in and see what is happening.

Look out for information on a Travel Surgery to take place in the meeting room, first surgery is planned for Friday 13th September, look out for times on social media.

For details and bookings contact
Neill 07971081318 or Lesley 07890410778

Harthill Workbench

I find it quite surprising that some people are still discovering workbench and did not know we existed. We have been open over five years now and have a fully kitted out workshop with modern machines and tools.

We are open Wednesday to Sunday inclusive, from 10 am to 2 pm, and welcome all members. It costs £5 for the four hour session, with an initial one-off payment of £36 as a joining fee. Your £5 fee entitles you to all consumables such as screws, glues, finishes etc.

We have top quality timber for sale at extremely good prices.

We are located in the grounds of the Harthill Leisure Centre on Woodall Lane, and welcome new members.

We are a not-for-profit organisation and open for the benefit of the people of Harthill and surrounding villages.

For further details Contact David Tingle
by email davetingle@me.com or pop along and have a chat with us, the kettle is always on!





Hi Folks, Harthill Morris have had a fun, jolly time of it this year with appearances at The Beehive, Harthill Well Dressing, The Blue Bell, and at Harthill Carnival - and there is still more to come.

We have been blessed with new members in the side - two dancers (Jen and Kev), and an addition to the Harthill Morris Band with Marek on violin. With patient, friendly tuition early in the year, and a gentle introduction to outdoor performance, they are now fully immersed in the ancient art of the Morris.

Currently we are busy with our practice season and wish to welcome more new members to the ranks.

We will be holding "Meet the Morris" days through autumn and winter at the Village Hall where you can meet the side, and together we will have a lot of laughs as we guide you through a full performance of a traditional Morris dance to live music played by the Harthill Morris Big Band. These will be advertised on our social media platforms once confirmed.

But you don't have to wait for the "Meet the Morris" events - now is the ideal time for you to step forward and join them to help keep this old village tradition alive. It is our 50th anniversary in two years and it will be you, as new members that will ensure we reach that landmark. Please come and join us as we practice ahead for our 2025 performance season. Any enquiries please contact Lesley Ellam at harthill.bagman@gmail.com.

Our next performance will be under the gas lamps at the Kelham Island Victorian Christmas Market. This is a great atmospheric event to start the festive season as we provide magical music and merriment along with other local brass bands, musicians, choirs and carollers, and, of course, Santa and his elves, and you will feel the floor shake as the mighty River Don Engine runs on the hour, every hour! We are currently scheduled to perform in the afternoon on Sunday 1st December at the Kelham Island Museum, Alma Street, Sheffield, S3 8RY.

Members of the Harthill Morris Band will be supporting the Christmas Well Dressing Service and also the Carol Service this December, both events are at Harthill All Hallows Church. And the full side will be up to our usual mischief at the two Harthill public houses on Boxing Day - 11 am at the Blue Bell, 12 noon at the Beehive - bringing fun, Morris dancing, traditional singing, festive drinking, and more merry-making and tom-foolery! Come join us!!

Wassail!!
Darren Nugent
harthillmorris.org.uk
Facebook: Harthill Morris



Rotherham Community Dementia Workshops



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Tuesday 24th of September - 11.30 to 13.30

Toby Carvery, Eastwood Trading Estate, Sycamore Road, Rotherham, S65 1EN.

Call **Antoinette** on **01709 837 170** to book your place on the workshop.

Lisa Curran the Community Connector will be supporting the session offering **Carer Support Information**.

This event is **FREE to attend** but there is a small charge of **£1.50 per head** for unlimited tea, coffee and biscuits. There is the opportunity to **join us afterwards, for a 2-course carvery (additional cost)** to be booked when confirming your place.

What?

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- Friendly, informal, pity and practical and lasts just an hour.
- Expertly led by Home Instead.

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- Alzheimer's and other dementias - facts and symptoms.
- Understanding behaviours and unmet needs.
- Practical issues such as driving and planning ahead.
- The benefits of activities, including capturing life's journey.

Canal & River Trust

The Harthill Reservoir upgrade project is in the final stages of completion. Landscaping around the reservoir is now underway.

This autumn the footpath will reopen, and the reservoir will be refilled with water. The wettest winter on record 2023/2024 has caused significant delays to progress as we carry out these essential works to improve flood resilience and provide a valuable public amenity for local people and wildlife.

We will continue to post latest updates online at: Harthill Reservoir Upgrade | Canal & River Trust (canalrivertrust.org.uk)



Harthill Cricket Club

In June, everyone associated with Harthill CC was saddened to learn of the passing of Jim Garton. Jim played for Harthill CC for over 20 years and served on the Bassetlaw league Management Committee for 30 years including as League President in 1999 and League Chairman between 2002 and 2011. In his later years, Jim became Harthill CC's leading supporter, following the 1st team both home and away and said he preferred watching Harthill to watching Yorkshire. As a mark of respect, there was a minute's silence held throughout the Bassetlaw League before games on 29th June, all players wore black arm bands, and we flew the flag at Thorpe Road at half-mast. Everyone from the Cricket Club extends their condolences to Jim's family.



Harthill CC tribute to Jim Garton

The 2024 Bassetlaw season is drawing to a close, with the 1st team having games every Saturday up to and including 21st September and the 2nd team having 1 game left on 14th September, although the expectation is that the opposition, Milton, will concede because they've already failed to fulfill five fixtures.

Overall, the 1st team has had a disappointing season and are still in a relegation battle, but our survival is in our own hands. We are currently 3rd bottom, with 3 games remaining and have a 21 points cushion over 2nd bottom, as well as a game in hand.

Since my last article in May, the 1st team have had 4 further wins:

- 1 At the end of May, a 60-run victory at home to Welbeck. We posted a below-par 146 all out, thanks to 75 not out from Danny Anthony before bowling Welbeck out for 86 with Dom Cumming taking 6 for 17 from 10 overs of spin bowling.
- 2 A 2 wicket victory over Kiveton Park. Kiveton were bowled out for 172 with Jack Mason taking 4 for 22 from 10 overs. In reply, Danny Anthony again top scored, this time with a magnificent 86 and was ably supported by Tom Marsh with an undefeated 29.
- 3 An excellent 9 wicket defeat of North Wheatley, featuring Kirk Edwards who played 17 Test Matches for the West Indies. James Radford took 5 for 20 as Wheatley were bowled out for 67 before Izuru Jayakody 33 not out and Richard Perkins 27 not out led us home.

- 4 Finally, in a relegation battle away at Worksop on 31st August, we were struggling massively, losing a wicket with the 1st ball of our innings, then being 11 for 3 and 80 for 6. However, the Harthill "tale wagged" and the lower order put in a magnificent performance with number 7 Tom Marsh scoring 27, 8) Luqman Asad 39 (including a massive 6 into the River Ryton), 9) Jonny Parker 29 not out and hero of the day number 10 James Radford with an undefeated 53 off just 37 balls, leading Harthill to a very competitive total of 240 for 8 from our 50 overs. In reply, Worksop were bowled out for 126 with Luqman taking 4 wickets and Tom 3.

As it stands, the 2nd team are going to just miss out on promotion and finish either 3rd or 4th (the top 2 get promoted) in Division 5.

The leading batsman for the 2nd team is Andrew Collinson with 487 runs at an average of 49, including two half centuries. Martin Grayson 294 runs including a top score of 53 not out, Ian Batty 206 and Matt Plant 200 with a top score of 80 not out.

With the ball, Matt Plant leads the way with 27 wickets at a miserly average of 9.15 and his son, 15 year old Archie has 19 wickets. Chris Woodward has 18 wickets, Dayan Dandunage 16 and Anthony Widdison 14.

In the field, wicket keeper Ritchie Cawthorne has had an excellent season behind the stumps with 20 "victims" including 5 stumpings.

A special mention to youngsters Oliver Bentley, Henry Plant and Will Marsh who have all made their debuts in senior cricket this season and we look forward to them being regular players for Harthill CC in the years to come.

Finally, I'd like to thank our loyal sponsors whose support is crucial to the club. Ibstock Building Solutions, The Beehive, Newett Homes & Formist.



Solid defence from Tom Marsh



Danny Anthony hits a 4 v Worksop