

News And Views



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THE 'JUG & GLASS INN' Part Three



money-purse. She is accompanied by son Derek who usually worked at 'Bassetts Garage' (Mollatts), also situated then on Church Street. Derek is best remembered as a 'School-taxi' driver who whilst journeying to-and-fro to scattered hamlets, never ceased serenading his young passengers with renditions of Guy Mitchells 'Pretty Little Black Eyed Susie' song.

Post war, more recent landlords include Tom and Dorothy Spencer and Ted and Nina Wilks during the 1950/60s.

Historically popular days to visit 'The Jug' was Bakewell Market Day, held weekly on Mondays. When concluding trade, 'sellers', 'dealers' and locals trek homewards, calling-in to satisfy their appetites whilst passing. Whilst waiting to be served they plied their left-over goods. Many bargains were acquired, changing hands, free of 'luck-money', vouched for by 'spit-on-handshake' techniques still practiced today.



When bartending, Ted forever cheerful would practice his Bradley Walsh/ Lily Savage conversation acts. His pantomime antics were loved by all. When serving food-of-the-day he would be supported by his wife Nina, a modern-day Sarah Millican type. Nonetheless, arguments occurred, Teds mediation skills came to the fore. Built like a Japanese sumo wrestler, when tested he firmly but gently promoted amicable solutions before discharging affected parties who often continued to call frequently. Nightly entertainment such as 'Whist/Beetle Drives' occurred regularly to raise money for local charities. On other occasions two Darts and Domino teams competed in local Leagues. Weekend 'Sing-a-longs' attracted local musicians

like 'The Happy Wanderers', 'Top Country Sound', 'The Manifolds' and our own 'Yodelling Milkman' 'Keith Manifold'. They provided atmospheres rarely matched today. Mostly prior to introduction of 'Drink Driving Laws' on 7th October, 1967.

Vicar Letter- November is the remembering month. We begin the month by celebrating All Saints and then, of course, there are our Acts of Remembrance around Armistice Day

Remembering can be a bittersweet thing. When we remember, it is often with the joy of a cherished time being brought back to our minds, but with the sadness that that time is now past - that it can only be revisited in our memories. The memories themselves (perhaps triggered by a certain sight or smell or sound or date) bring a smile to our faces, but they often come tied up with a ribbon of grief because some of the people at the heart of that memory have died. It is important that we accept that in life there are times when we hold both joy and pain together because both the joy and the pain come from loving. If we didn't love, we wouldn't grieve.

The death of a loved one is incredibly painful, and we may also we may find ourselves grieving other things too. We might be struggling with all sorts of other losses at the moment –a relationship, a job, or health to name but a few.

And it strikes me that at the heart of any grief, is a looking back to how things were knowing that they can't be the same again, and in time we need to come to terms with a new way of being – a way we didn't plan for and don't expect. And so, when we remember, we must be careful not to get stuck in our longing for the past. Our remembering must be part of our re-forming, our re-grouping, our re-emerging.

For many the words of Psalm 23 provide comfort. The psalmist speaks of walking through the darkest valley – safely with the presence of God. God is there when it feels darkest and because he is there, there is light. Maybe just a flicker at first. In time the light grows, and it calls us forward helping us to find new ways to be, new ways to live with and despite our loss, new ways to find the balance between joy and pain. It is no accident, I think, that our season of remembering moves into our Advent season of waiting for the light – and ultimately the explosion of the light into the world at Christmas, the light that is Jesus. My prayer is that you will trust that his light is there for you, today and always. *The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it (John 1:5)*

Anna Chaplain On September 3rd, 2023, something wonderful happened to me - I was commissioned in St Giles Church by Rev'd Adele, our priest in charge, to become Sarah Lacey - Anna Chaplain to the White Peak and Youghreave Group of Churches. It is something that I have felt God's Holy Spirit nudging me to do for some considerable time, and I completed my ministry training earlier this year.

What is Anna Chaplaincy? Anna Chaplaincy for Older People, to give it the full title provides training and support to individuals and churches who want to offer skilled, compassionate spiritual care among older people, including those living with dementia, and their carers. Anna Chaplains, like me, are here to be a voice for and walk beside older people of strong, little or no faith, to let them know they are valued and cared for, to be of service.

Anna Chaplaincy is part of BRF Ministries, and from small beginnings in 2014, the network has grown to over 300 Anna Chaplains (I think I am 290 - something!) The vision remains to have an Anna Chaplain in every small and medium sized community throughout the U.K. My fellow chaplains who underwent training at the same time were from all over the British Isles, we are spreading, and I think I am correct in saying that I am the first in Derby Diocese, but please God, others will come. I know it will take time to become known to people too, as I cover a wide area, so I plan on starting small and local. Hartington, Biggin and Earl Sterndale are my starting 'blocks' as I am already visiting older people in these three villages, and I am hoping for more people to be made known to me.

The ministry is growing well countrywide, and I'm looking forward to developing all of its spiritual potential by walking besides, and supporting, the older members of our rural communities, that is once I have found them and they have invited me in to their lives. I am called to be an advocate - a voice - for any older person living within our 10 parishes, who might be isolated and lonely, perhaps unable to attend their church anymore, thus making them feel forgotten, undervalued and missing out on life. I'm here to offer to visit, at home, hospice or care home, to chat and really listen, to offer a time of prayer, if wanted, or just to 'be' with them - and make a cuppa!

We all know how the recent pandemic affected people's lives, especially for older people, loneliness hurts and can cause real pain, particularly when the end of our earthly life is drawing to a close.

My prayer is to be able to take this special ministry out to all older people in need, and their carers. Build up a network of volunteers in each village called Anna Friends, who will continue to visit and support them.

In time I hope to bring our older community members together for social gatherings, hold a yearly service celebrating the wisdom that comes with age, and learn from their experiences.

Anna Chaplains want to reach out to older people within society, many of whom feel undervalued. That may not be the case in our villages where families offer support to their loved ones. There will be those who are alone, please help me to find them. As Anna Chaplain I want to help any older person who feels isolated, perhaps in spiritual need. I won't come bible bashing, I'm here to serve and to minister, if asked to come. As Anna Chaplain I would very much like to be told of anyone who will be on their own and might like a visit over the Christmas period. Please do let me know - I've recently taken to carrying a pen and notepad when out with Quizzie, to make a note of names, so stop me if you see me, or 'phone and leave a message. 01298 84319 or email Sarah Lacey If I can help you, or someone you know, please contact me 01298 84319 or email lacey_sarah@btinternet.com

Hartington Surgery update- Hartington Surgery is part of the **High Peak Primary Care Network (PCN)** and works in collaboration with neighbouring High Peak Practices. In order to support Practices to deliver care in the most efficient manner, PCN, members work together to assign, fund and manage additional clinical input to benefit all patients who are registered within High Peak PCN. So far these additional roles and responsibilities include:-

Home Visiting Service to ensure appropriate requests for home visits from housebound, and acutely unwell patients, are made in a timely manner by a trusted team of specialist clinicians who liaise closely with Practices. Every request for a home visit is passed on to the duty GP, at the Surgery, who then assesses/triages each call and books the home visit with the most suitable person within the PCN team.

Physiotherapists are booked directly by Surgery Receptionists and can offer both telephone, face to face and Zoom physio appointments. This helps to streamline your care and get you to the most appropriate person as quickly as possible without you having to speak to your GP first to ask him to refer you on to this service.

Social Prescribers can signpost patients to a vast range of care and support services which are most suited to their individual health and social care needs.

Pharmacists support Practices with Medicines Management queries, prescribing medication following hospital discharge, structured medication reviews and changes to medication.

Mental Health Practitioners provide mental health assessment and care planning for low to moderate mental health needs and make timely intervention to prevent hospital admission. They liaise closely with Clinicians and Pharmacists and can signpost, and refer, to other services.

Hartington Surgery is pleased to report that it has received the top GP Patient Survey results in Derbyshire and is amongst the top ten in the Midlands region. 97% describe their overall experience of this GP practice as good. The GP Patient Survey is sent out by the NHS to a random selection of patients. The survey assesses patients' experiences of healthcare services provided by GP practices, including experience of access to GP practices, making appointments and the quality of care received from healthcare professionals. Thank you to everyone that took the time to complete, and return, the survey. Full survey results can be accessed online - [Patient Experience \(gp-patient.co.uk\)](https://gp-patient.co.uk)

The Grand Order of Oddfellows - It is going to be a busy few months on the run up to 2024 for our friendship group. Saturday 4th **November at 4pm**, the **Great Tennis Ball Run** will be held. 550 numbered tennis balls will be rolled down Church Street past the British Legion, the first 5 balls to the bottom passed the finish line will be winners, £1 per ball with prizes to be won, Advanced Sales: Post Office, British Legion, Waterloo Biggin, Sue Peach Corner Shop, Charles Cotton Hotel; also from Oddfellows Members. **Christmas Draw** tickets will also be available during November £1 each or £5 book, **1st Prize Luxury Christmas Hamper, 2nd Prize- Laptop, 3rd Prize- Booze Hamper**, plus many prizes, Tickets for this will also be available from the Post Office, British Legion or from Oddfellows members. **Social meeting** Thursday 30th November -9pm British Legion

December: We will be supporting the **Christmas Tree Light Up- Sunday 3rd, Hartington Village Green 5pm**, serving Mulled Wine and Mince Pies, Saturday 9th **December 8pm** at Hartington Village Hall we will be hosting a **Christmas Party Bash with DJ Rob**: Free Entry *Tickets Required* from Post Office. The **Christmas Prize Draw** will be held 10pm prompt. Everyone- old and young- are Welcome, so please come and join the festive celebrations. Hartington Oddfellows would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and look forward to seeing you at our forthcoming events and in 2024. Kris Owen Social Media Officer 01298 687322 – 07980 122648 (Hartington Oddfellows Cavendish Lodge)

Tales from the field - There's trouble in't coop! The munchkin mafia, a gang of bantam pekings, are making changes and ruling the roost!

The grandboys first chicken hatch, earlier this year, were beautiful little balls of mischief and have managed to push the very regal old Mrs Haversham off her perch, or more accurately, along her perch, to allow room for all nine little munchkins to perch snuggled together. If I dare to venture into the coop after sundown, I am greeted by the very indignant old timer hens complaints of how the young have no respect and in her day they knew their place – at the bottom of the pecking order I'm sure!

How wonderful, the joy and energy of the younger generation is. As a mother and grandmother, I marvel at the difference in generational attitudes, how the world's problems seem so manageable to them but how guilty I feel for passing on a world in crisis to these precious and marvellous Millennials, Gen-z's and Gen-alphas. They approach life with all the enthusiasm of my munchkin mafia chickadees and take a no-nonsense approach to the stubborn and reluctant to change older generational attitudes.

As we approach a new year, I for one, will be attempting to replicate the enthusiasm and energy of the younger generations, to embrace the changing technologies around me and minimise the carbon footprint I'll leave behind. Long may the munchkin mafia push, shove and cajole us old timers to move along and make space, and unlike Mrs Haversham, I shall be applauding, not complaining as they do this!

Have a wonderfully Jolly Christmas and a very thoughtful New year.

Childrens corner- We're all Counting the sleeps until Christmas! Christmas lists written and requests made for new toys, books and games. Then have a sort through your old clothes, toys and books to make room for your new Christmas presents, ask your grown up to take these to a favourite charity shop, sharing Christmas spirit far and wide.

Hartington Farm Shop & Café Christmas Lunch bookings are now being taken on selected days only , see menu inside with dates and booking information, Times available from 12 until 3pm, To book call 01298 84496. **Our Senior Lunch** every Tuesday 12 - 3pm (over 65 years) 1 course £8 -2 course £12.00 pp tea or coffee £2.25 each. Mains include Scampi, Meakin Butchers Sausage, Ham, Egg & Chips, Pie of the day and vegetarian Homity Pie with a selection of Desserts to choose from. **Wednesday is Pie Day 12-3pm. Friday is Fish Friday 12-3pm** Bookings welcome for all by calling 01298 84496 or just turn up on the day look out for our festive events on our website or facebook page.

We are now in the grand finals in the **England's Business awards for Best Cafe in Derbyshire** and we will go on to represent our county at the national awards in November. Thank you to everyone who has voted so far and you can still vote if not already by adding this link on the internet <https://www.nominees.info/grand-finalist> then add Hartington Farm shop & cafe in to the business name or text 07520634133 with our name. Thank you very much for your continued support. Joanne, Hollie, Megan & Bethany and the team.

Joint Village environment section

Making your own compost for the garden. Have you thought about making your own compost but don't have the space?

If you've only got a small space, put leaves in a black plastic bag and leave them to break down into compost. It's a slow process but can be speeded up by adding two shovels of garden soil to the bag to provide microbes to break down the leaves and a shovel of manure that's high in nitrogen. Water the contents to increase activity. It'll take between 6 and 12 months for the leaves to decompose. An alternative to this is to use an open compost heap or a compost bin if you do have space. Leaf compost is rich in minerals, will benefit microbes in the soil and can be used in place of wood chips as a mulch. It reduces rain runoff, helps to control weeds and works to regulate soil temperature and although it might take longer it's a cheaper alternative to buying either mulch or compost.

Whenever you remove compost from your bin or bag, always check for any wildlife that might be hiding in there

Helping our local Hedgehogs - Seen a hedgehog lately? Numbers are in serious decline in rural areas – numbers have fallen by 50% since the millennium. They usually hibernate between November and March, and there are lots of things you can do to help them in your garden, including:

- Leave a corner of your garden "wild",

- Make sure your garden is connected - with gaps in any fences - so hedgehogs can move between green space,
- Check hedges and undergrowth before strimming or clipping,
- Make a home for hedgehogs to hibernate.

Hartington Wildflower Group. Looking after our Village Wildflower Planters Thank you to everyone who volunteered again this year to water and care for the village planters throughout the summer months. We've continued to get positive feedback from residents and visitors alike about how lovely they are, and you may have noticed some posters on the herb planters near the bus stop inviting people to help themselves to the herbs, which I know some of you close the village centre have done. It's also been encouraging to see the numbers of pollinators around the planters again this year. As we move into the winter months, there will be some general maintenance & tidying up that will be done, but we will want to leave seed heads etc for the wildlife as much as possible.

Wildflower stall at the 10th Anniversary of the Village Trail celebration – 13th October The Wildflower group had a very enjoyable afternoon at the 10th Anniversary of the Hartington Village Trail celebrations in the village hall. We had great fun doing the wildlife quizzes with children from the village primary school and answered questions from visitors who wanted to find out more about our wildflower group. We had a range of wildflower plants donated by residents which were a great success as well raising £27 which will go to support our wildflower project.

Biggin News

Remembrance service – This will be held on 12th November at 2.30pm at the War Memorial.

Mr Gilbert Wilton – 100 years birthday Party

A fantastic afternoon tea was had by all. Gil had a lovely day and was pleased to see everybody and was thrilled by His many cards and presents (mostly alcohol).

His card from King Charles and Queen Camilla was a lovely touch which pleased him greatly.



A big thank you to Anna and Jess from Beresford tearooms, Carla Critchlow for the bar and Helen for the birthday cake. Everyone enjoyed the get together because it's so rare we meet in such numbers. Gil thanks you all for his cards, presents, and best wishes on reaching 100 years old.

Biggin Harvest Supper was held Tuesday 17th October. A record turnout of over 90 sitting in and over 30 takeaways. A fantastic night was had by all, plenty of fun and laughter and people making new friends. The pies were excellent, once again, supplied by Ash's Butchers, Leek, who we have had for many years and superbly cooked by Jo Shaw. Over £980 was raised on the night made up of pie sales, auction, raffle and produce stall as always, something for everyone. Many thanks to Jo and Joan for all your help, Mick, Janice and Jackie for doing the Auction and our team of very willing and helpful children in handing all the pies out safely. After the pie, everyone enjoyed and lovely treat of cheese and biscuits and enjoyed the rest of the evening. Thanks to everyone for all your support and kind donations once again. Jayne Wilton.

Coffee Cake and Chat Everyone is welcome to join us on the last Thursday in the month between 2 and 4 for coffee, cake and a natter. If you'd like to bring a cake with you - even better! In November Angel Blooms will be running a workshop to make a festive table candle decoration. The cost is £15 per person. If you would like to attend the work shop please let Sandra Lovatt or Julia Hewgill know, and pay for the workshop, before Thursday 9th November. If you don't want to make a decoration, you're still welcome to come along for a chat. There will be no meeting in December.

Coffee, Cake and Chat is involved in a longterm project to make a parish map to celebrate 175 years of Hartington Nether Quarter as a parish. Sue Prince

came to talk to us about map making in the summer and we have liaised with the Parish Council and Biggin School which celebrates its own 175 anniversary next year. The school has begun a project about Biggin with Key Stage One to think about the village and the important things in it.

The social group is creating a practical map of Biggin and the wider parish to be located in the telephone box to help visitors and delivery drivers. In time, the aim is to locate a village map in a more prominent position. We also have some funds to begin to develop a parish map, made by the community depicting the important places, history, and nature of Biggin. We recognise that this will take time to complete as well as careful planning, but we hope that the result will have similarities with the Edwinstowe Parish and the Limington apple maps. For a flavour of what we're working towards- we think the top border to the village hall map, will include a steam train, bridge and bicycles to reflect the village's proximity to the Tissington Trail. The bottom border will show farming life while the sides will illustrate local birds, animals, and flowers. If you would like to be involved in the parish map project, come along to Coffee, Cake and Chat or speak to Julia and Sandra about the group's current plans. Watch this space for more information in the new year.

Hartington Nether Quarter – Parish Council Update There will be a road closure on the corner of Main Street and Drury Lane, Biggin for one hour from 2.30pm and 3.30pm (ref 749867) on Sunday 12th November to allow the Remembrance Ceremony to take place, safely, by the Memorial. Please make a note of this and be prepared to take an alternative route during this time.

You may have noticed that the village telephone box now says Parish History. There is still a lack of 'Parish History' in the box, this is still work in progress. If there is anyone who would like to help with this project, please get in touch. Also, there are plans to house the 'Village Map' in the phone box once it is completed.

There was a short ceremony in The Parish Council Cemetery on 10th September to officially place the commemorative plaque in recognition of the sacrifices made by everyone during the Covid-19 pandemic. Thank you to Reverend Adele for the blessing and to those that attended.

The Life Support Training, including CPR and defibrillator training took place in Biggin on 16th September. There are a number of trained individuals throughout the Parish who can support people in an emergency situation.

If you need to contact the Parish Council you can email Parish Clerk, Sandra Hampson, via email at Sandra.hampson@hotmail.co.uk. Further information at www.hartingtonnetherquarterpc.co.uk.

Biggin C of E Primary School We've certainly had a storming start to the new academic year at Biggin. Although we are very small we are definitely punching well above our weight for the range of activities the children get involved in. Please take a look at our Facebook page to see what we've been up to <https://www.facebook.com/BigginCofEPrimarySchool/>

We're very humbled by the wonderful feedback from visitors and coaches to school, including Primary Stars staff who are noticing our improving sports performance and brilliant behaviour. They see the impact of our work with very small groups to provide a bespoke teaching experience for each child which really meets individual needs. Please phone school (01298 84279) to make an appointment to take a closer look at what we do.

After half term we are looking forward to cross country events, swimming, Biggin Book Day, and supporting Children in Need on top of our full range of curriculum activities. Soon we'll be starting work on our Christmas Play which will be a mixture of song, dance and narration with pre-recorded scenes, all shown at the Village Hall. We'll also fit in a trip to the pantomime, our village procession, a school disco, a Christmas church service, a party and solstice celebration. What a brilliant term this is! To end, I can share a wonderful piece of breaking news...

The theatre company, Babbling Vagabonds, has received substantial Arts Council funding to create a performance with school and Biggin community starting in February 2024. We are so excited to be involved in creating stories through theatre involving the wider community including past pupils, families and friends, indeed everyone who lives in or is connected to the village. Please contact me on headteacher@biggin.derbyshire.sch.uk if you want to be involved. Best wishes for the exciting times ahead Teresa Nicholls.

Earl Sterndale News

Earl Sterndale Chapel Our Harvest festival service was well supported, and we were pleased to welcome visitors who were staying in the village. All food donated for the Harvest was given to the High Peak food bank. An act of Remembrance will be held on November 12th. Please meet at the war memorial in the church yard at 10.50 am. Following the laying of a wreath by the Parish council there will be a short service in the Chapel. Everyone is welcome. **The Carol service at 6PM on Sunday DECEMBER 17th** will be a service of traditional readings and carols. Have you a favourite Carol you would like to join others in singing? Following the service there will be refreshments. The monthly coffee and chat are still being held on the first Wednesday each month. 10-12 noon. Sent on behalf of Earl Sterndale chapel.

Earl Sterndale Church The Flower Festival theme this year was 100 years of Disney. A lot of care and imagination produced some beautiful displays. We had Cinderella, Frozen, Mary Poppins, Robin Hood, Pinocchio, Bambi, Up, Winnie-the-Pooh, and of course Mickey and Minnie Mouse. We welcomed our new curate Lisa who took our Sunday Evening Service. A lovely service that was well attended. Our Flower Festival was a very successful event and we would like to say a big thankyou to everyone who helped and supported.

Church Painting Our church is being painted inside, by ENT Landscape and House Maintenance. A wonderful job is being done and what a transformation, thank you for a great job. **We continue to raise funds** with Social Saturdays, Whist Drives, Bingo Evenings, Quiz Nights, and a recent Potato Pie Supper. Our thanks go to Mrs Pam Nadin for providing and serving a delicious pie supper. Again, we thank everyone for supporting all our events to help pay for church maintenance.

As we approach the festive season Earl Sterndale PCC would like to wish you all, A Very Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year.

Coming Events – in church unless otherwise stated

Thursday Nov 9th 8.30pm, Quiz, Packhorse Inn, Crowdecote.

Saturday 18th Nov 11am to 3pm Christmas Fair

Monday 20th Nov 7.30pm Whist drive

Monday 27th Nov
7.30pm Bingo

Sunday 10th Dec
6.30pm Carol
Service

Monday 11th Dec
7.30pm Whist
Drive

Thursday 14th Dec
8.30pm Quiz
Night, Packhorse
Inn, Crowdecote.

Monday Dec 18th
7.30pm Bingo

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11AM TO 3PM

Refreshments
Gifts,
Crafts,
Cakes,

and more...



Stallholder? Please ring Jayne,
07891 429231 to enquire.

Parish Council Hartington Middle Quarter

Our last meeting on held on, 18th September in the Chapel, at 7.45 p.m. All 6 members were present, and we welcomed Mr Steve Campeau to the meeting, as our newly elected Councillor, after the local elections. We hope he will enjoy working with us. We also welcomed Mrs Jean Brown from the Pomeroy Memorial Hall Committee, who are valiantly doing a great job, trying to get the old building up and running again, for the community. We wish them well and will try to help if we can. There were a few planning applications, which can be viewed and commented on, by anyone, if you go onto the PDNPA website planning portal. Over the last few years, we have acquired the old telephone box in Earl Sterndale and more recently the one in Glutton Bridge. We are looking into renovating these and hopefully putting them to use, in the community. If anyone has any ideas as to how these could be of use, please contact myself, Pat Sutton, Clerk to the Council, or Alex Holland, Chair to the Council. At the meeting Mr Holland reported that Mr M Keeling from Glutton Bridge was prepared to help do this work and would also pay for the materials. We are very grateful for this very generous offer and will help him in any way we can. There will be the usual laying of the village wreath on Remembrance Sunday, 12th November at 10.45 a.m. at the War Memorial, please turn out for this special occasion. Our next meeting is planned for 11th December 2023. In the Chapel at 7.45p.m. You can see more information on the P.C. website. www.hartingtonmiddlequarter-pc.org Pat Sutton 07974 362676 pat.sutton@hotmail.co.uk

Earl Sterndale CE Primary School The children have all settled fantastically well into the new academic year. Children are enjoying Autumn activities including orienteering, Forest School and a trip to the Buxton Opera House. We already have plenty of dates in the diary:

- Open Morning for Prospective New Starters – Tuesday 24th October from 9:30am until 11:30am - anyone with pre-school aged children is very welcome to come into school and have a look around and a chat to the staff;
- Christmas Shopping Night in school – Friday 10th November – 7pm until 9pm - all are welcome to attend our Christmas shopping night. There will be lots of exciting stalls for Christmas shopping, our ever-popular lolly stick game and craft activities for the children. Please come along and join in the festivities!
- Bags2School Collection – Tuesday 28th November – If you're having an Autumn sort out and have any good quality, second-hand clothes to donate, please bring them into school on Monday 27th November.

If anyone has any tombola or raffle prizes that they would be able to donate to school for our Christmas Shopping Night on Friday 10th November, these would also be gratefully received. Please bring any donations into school by Wednesday 8th November. Thank you!

Sterndale Moor News- Sterndale Moor has a full autumn of events planned in the club and organised by Sterndale Moor Community Task Force and Sterndale Moor Club. The renovations continue and the kitchen is in the process of refurbishment. The club opening times are Tuesday, Thursday. Friday 7.30pm Saturday 7pm.

The club is available for Events and Parties at a reasonable rent and is free within licencing hours for club members. Club Membership costs £6 per annum at this time but may rise in the future. Membership runs from January to January and forms are available from the club or by emailing sterndalesocialclub@gmail.com

The club runs Bingo sessions, and the rest of this year's sessions are Saturday 25th November and Saturday 30th December. Supervised children and nonplayers are welcome. Early Bird child friendly games with fun prizes start at 7.30. The main Bingo starts after this for over 18's only. Cash Prizes. Family Friendly Quiz Nights are also held regularly and the rest of this years are on Friday 3rd November and Friday 1st December 8pm.

Upcoming Events

- Pamper Night date to confirmed please check club website.
- Saturday 11th November 2023 – Bonfire and Fireworks – organised by The Task Force
- Saturday 24th November 2023 – Xmas Light Switch on and shopping stalls- organised by The Task Force
- Saturday 2nd December 80/20 Auction Sale 12 Noon. Sale items can be booked in on Friday evening 1st December from 6-8pm and Saturday morning between 9-11am reserves can be put on items. Why not sell your unwanted goods and use the funds towards this year's Xmas. For further information or to book in an item for the auction please call 07811134798. Anyone can enter items in the sale
- Saturday 9th December 2023 Xmas Party with a visit from Santa-organised by the Task Force.

Update on Pomeroy War Memorial Hall We have reapplied to the charity commission and are still awaiting a decision from them.

Our local MP Sarah Dines helped us to get a meeting at the hall car park between our committee and Derbyshire County Council Development Control, DCC Highways and the DCC Cabinet Member for Highways Assets and Transport. We have now resubmitted plans to improve access to the carpark from the main A515. The car park has now been fully exposed and the grass on the field mowed. This revealed a hollow and we are now considering the possibility of an above-ground septic tank.

It is the start of a brand-new year for our 100 Club. If you would like to join the 100 Club and be in with a chance of winning £25 every month, please contact Bek (bekdicken@gmail.com) or Jenny (07791 337323).

We would welcome any help with building, archaeology or general volunteering to help with our work at the hall. Also, if you have any photographs, memories or anecdotes connected with Pomeroy for our Pomeroy book, we would love to hear from you. We also welcome your thoughts on the future of the hall and what could be done with the building and the land.

The date and time of the next committee meeting is Wed 29th November 2023 at The Duke of York, Pomeroy. Please contact us through our website: www.thepomeroytrust.co.uk Find us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/pomeroymemorialhall> or please email: pomeroywmh@talktalk.net

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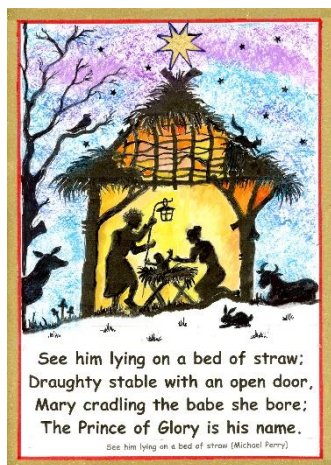
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| 5 th November 11am | Holy Communion |
| 12 th November 10:15am | Remembrance |
| 19 th November 11am | Morning Praise |
| 26 th November 11am | Holy Communion |
| 3 rd December 11am | Holy Communion |
| 10 th December 11am | Morning Praise |
| 17 th December 6pm | Carol Service |
| 24 th December 4pm | Crib Service |
| 24 th December 11:30pm | Midnight Mass |
| 25 th December 11am | Christmas Praise |

“Battleback Concert”- Friday November 10th 7.30pm – Hartington Village Hall

We look forward to another wonderful evening with Warslow Silver Band – tickets £10 from Sue at the Post Office

Christmas Walk of Words in St Giles churchyard

We hope you had the chance to view our summer Walk of Words in the churchyard. This has now come to its end, and we will soon be replacing them with verses from Christmas carols and complementary artwork. The Christmas Walk of Words will be in place from Advent Sunday 3rd December to the end of January. There are 10 boards around the churchyard, each board featuring beautiful artwork completed by people from the village, including the school. Do come and look at the boards; they are there to help us think about what Christmas means. Thank you for visiting. Any questions, please speak to Lucy Annat or Liz Hitch

**THANK YOU – from Mrs Audery Smith on her 90th Birthday**

It was a wonderful surprise when I walked into the Legion and saw so many people that I had not seen for years. The refreshments prepared by Pam Nadi, the entertainment from Mick Partridge and then all the flowers and presents; all so wonderful. Thank

you to my family, Pam Nadin, Mick Partridge and the village community.

THANK YOU- Gordon and Celia Critchlow would like to say a big thank you for the best wishes, lovely cards and gifts for their Diamond Wedding Anniversary. Thank you again.

Thank You Isla would like to say a huge thank you to all those who supported her with her skipping challenge. She raised £200 for Cancer Research UK. Katherine Webley

WELL DRESSING 2023 The theme of the Well Dressing this year was of a Peacock, a symbol of Eternal Life, not only in Christianity but also in Hinduism, Buddhism and Islam. We were lucky to have pink and blue quality hydrangeas that really made it sing out and although the hot weather on Saturday threatened to dull it down we were lucky to see it still in its glory two weeks later. The School Well was equally colourful and a beautiful design. We raised £170 which was equally divided between the Stroke Association and the Air Ambulance. Thank you so much to everyone who helped this year with the Well.

Hartington Village Hall Lottery draw September and October The draw for both months took place on Wednesday 11th October at pilates class by Jo Benson and Karen Withers . Winners were September Number 16- Emily Broomhead and October -Number 119- Mrs Marion Gibbs.

Parish Council Update-War Memorial We are delighted that the 12 new Rowan trees have taken well throughout the summer and once again our thanks to the volunteers who watered them throughout the long dry period. The stone flags are due to be renovated and the curved stone sets forming a kerb in front of the trees is to be raised in height, to help water retention around the trees in drier periods. This work should be completed in advance of our Remembrance Day service.

Telephone Box The restoration is complete thanks to the tremendous efforts of the Oddfellows' team. It is now resplendent in its original red paint and is an important heritage asset for the village, reminding us of the days before mobile phones signalled the end of their useful era. We have further plans for the interior in association with the History Group and these will take place in the new year.

Many thanks for all the efforts of the community of Hartington to make the Hartington Village Trail 10th Anniversary celebration a lovely success.

The atmosphere was vibrant, the kids presentation was fab and the displays and it was great to see the community come together to support each other.

I hope we can continue to work together on the Village trail and other things as partners. A big thank you to all who gave up their Friday afternoon to help and all the preparation, planning, cleaning, setting up and down and serving refreshments. It was much appreciated.



I was glad that the PDNPA Chair, CEO, Yvonne from the board who represents Engagement could see how the community is proud of what it has achieved and some of the community work Rangers get involved in. And the Volunteer Rangers enjoyed meeting folk and making connections.

Rose Clarke Engagement Ranger Peak District National Park

Christmas Tree and Lights We are delighted that we will once again be supplied with a tree by a village resident and we have hopefully solved the problem about an electricity supply, which is no longer available from the Corner House, as in so many years past. Full details of the lighting up in other sections of the magazine.

Hartington Christmas Windows 2023 - NEW FORMAT Please let us know if you would be able to light-up a window for the Hartington Christmas Windows 2023, and where it will be so, that a trail map can be set up (similar to the Pumpkin Trail) for people to follow. This year we are looking at two main light up dates:

December 3rd to December 27th - 5pm each day for businesses, and those residents willing to take part, who live around the centre of the village to

coincide with the lighting up of the Village Christmas Tree

December 10th to December 27th - 5pm each day for the wider

village and for those around the centre who wish a later light up date. The theme is: **A Christmas in the countryside.**

Contact: adventwindows2023@btinternet.com
01298 687148 or via the Hartington Community Group Facebook page

Hartington Sings.....Christmas 2023

It's that time of year again - dust off your vocal cords and start humming! Hartington Sings starts after October half term on Weds 8th November. We will meet in the **village hall from 5pm to 6pm, each Wednesday from 8th November to 13th December**, for a fun community sing.

Absolutely everyone is welcome, you don't have to live in Hartington, no experience is required and we accept all ages from 3 to 100 (school age need to bring a parent/carer). If you can't make every practice, don't worry.



We will lead the singing at the lighting of the Christmas Tree on Sunday 3rd December at 5pm, and again at the Village Carol Singing on Friday 15th December at 6pm. We will also be singing at the Christmas Carol Service on Sunday 17th December at 6pm. Please contact me for further information and I can add you to the email group. Don't be shy!

Liz Hitch 687148 liz.hitch@btinternet.com

Hartington C of E Primary School- September and October were certainly 2 action packed months when the whole school enjoyed working in partnership with the whole community. A summary of some of the activities that the children have been involved in

- Wells Dressings – The theme of the School well-“Our Environment – PDNPA Ambassador School”
- Macmillan Afternoon Tea- Monday 25th September raising £362.
- October 5th – “Schools Together” with Biggin KS1 in St Giles Church – the theme “the Good Shepherd”
- The 10th Anniversary of Hartington Village Trail- held in Village Hall on October 13th – a truly memorable event when the children and

opportunity accessed the Tudor Farming Interpretation Project from Under Whittle and a presentation by Hartington Wildflower/Wildlife Group. The support of parents and the community was much appreciated.

➤ Harvest Festival Service – St Giles Church – Monday 23rd October with parents, governors, and community

Looking ahead towards Christmas

➤ PTA – Christmas Fare – Saturday November 18th at School

Parish Register

Earl Sterndale

Christening - "Edith Fay Mycock" on Sunday the 17th September 2023.

Burial of the Ashes of Andrea Shiela Ballons took place in the church yard 4th October 202

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Marriage-Sarah Middleton and Andrew Langtree on 7th October

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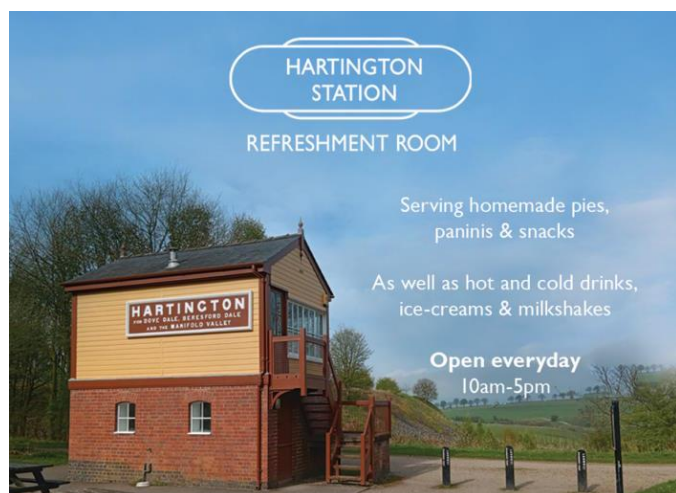
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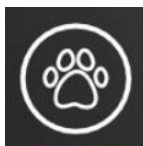
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