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Coronavirus vaccinations under way in Kirkburton

Kirkburton Health Centre received its first delivery of the Pfizer/BioNTech vaccine in December.

The vaccination programme is now under way, with those 80 years of age and over.

The order in which people will be offered the vaccine is based on advice from the Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation (JCVI).

The vaccination will be given as an injection in the upper arm. Recipients will be monitored for 15

minutes after the vaccination. It will be given in two doses, at least 21 days apart.

Patients who have attended the practice for a vaccine have told staff that they felt safe when visiting the surgery.

Dr Gethin Lane GP partner at Kirkburton Health Centre said: "The roll-out of the COVID-19 vaccination is a real positive step forward in the fight against the pandemic. This will be the largest vaccination programme in the history of the NHS.

Our staff, together with colleagues across our Primary Care Network, have worked hard to make sure that we have everything in place in order to sustain a safe, smooth and efficient vaccination programme. Thank you, to all our staff."

Please do not ring the practice to try and book a vaccine. We will contact you when your vaccination is due.

When the surgery does contact you, act immediately and make sure you attend your appointments.

Please: wear a face covering unless exempt; use the intercom on arrival; sanitise your hands; have your temperature checked.

For more information about the vaccine, please visit www.nhs.uk/CovidVaccine

Coronavirus symptoms

If you show signs of a new continuous cough OR fever Or loss of or change in smell or taste, please self-isolate for 10 days, or longer if you



still have symptoms other than cough or loss of sense of smell or taste.

Your household should also self-isolate for 14 days, as per the current guidelines.

Coronavirus testing

Testing is now available to any member of the public with the above COVID-19 symptoms by visiting nhs.uk/coronavirus or calling 119 to book a test.

(See page 4 for more information.)



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The View from the Bulletin

Happy New Year and welcome to the fourth coronavirus affected edition of the Burton Bulletin.

When we decided in April of last year during the first lockdown that we should go ahead with our May edition, we never imagined that - nine months and three editions later - the paper would still be dominated by coronavirus and its effects.

The run up to Christmas was like none that any of us can remember. There was no Christmas Fair at the Village Hall, no school nativity plays or carol concerts. The various clubs and societies were unable to hold their usual Christmas parties. There was no seniors' Christmas event (and sadly it has already been decided that there will be no Seniors' Tea in March).

Where we were not part of a bubble many of us had the strange experience of exchanging Christmas greetings with close family members over Zoom or Skype.

On the positive side, we still had the Christmas lights and the crib in the

Memorial Garden thanks to the hard work of volunteers. Santa's Sleigh was once again seen in the villages, again thanks to the efforts of volunteer drivers and elves. The church was able to hold a socially distanced carol service in the churchyard and to hold services on Christmas Day.

Our local businesses continued to provide a great service to the villages and thanks are due once again to our butcher (Russell), baker (Newsome's) and candlestick retailer (Glenn and Louise in the hardware shop), as well as staff in the co-op and the pharmacy.

Things were tough for the businesses that had to remain closed including hairdressers and of course those in hospitality. Local pubs, clubs and restaurants being closed in the run up to Christmas is something that was previously unthinkable.

Thanks to financial support we have received from Kirklees Council, we are able to waive our charges to our advertisers for this edition. Coronavirus has presented a huge challenge to the team at the health centre and local care staff. The teachers and all who work

in the local schools have had to provide education to the children of key workers and others in school, while supporting the many children trying to follow their lessons at home.

Parents have had to juggle working from home with home schooling.

The bright spot amid the gloom is of course the vaccine. The health centre is now administering the coronavirus vaccine, beginning with those patients in the higher priority groups (see pages 1 and 4).

Against this background we are pleased to be able to bring you this edition of the Bulletin. For the second edition in a row the paper has 36 pages. Please keep

your contributions coming. We would still be delighted to hear from anyone who is interested in getting involved on the editorial side, especially younger people (we are all in our 60s).

Our thanks to those who responded to the appeal in our last edition for people to join our distribution team. We still have room for one or two more.

Hope springs eternal and while we are unlikely to be free of coronavirus by the time of our next edition in May, it is realistic to expect that many of us will have been vaccinated and that life will begin to return to normal.

In the meantime, stay safe.

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Most of the material provided by the Patient Participation Group for this edition of the Bulletin appears on the front page.

We have added some additional information from the surgery website and from NHS sources.

This winter will be like no other as we work together to prevent the spread of Coronavirus. It will be several months before vaccines are a major factor in keeping us all safe.

Regular hand washing, wearing a face covering and keeping a safe distance from others remains the best way to keep protecting each other. <https://www.facebook.com/KirkburtonHC>

If you are a housebound patient, do not worry. We have not forgotten to offer you the Covid vaccine.

So far, we have only received the Pfizer vaccine which is very difficult to transport out of the surgery as it has to remain at a specific temperature.

As soon as we receive delivery of the Astra Zeneca vaccine we will start to contact our care homes and housebound patients, starting with those over 80.

We appreciate it can be frustrating having to wait for your vaccine but please be assured we are working very hard to get vaccinated as quickly as the vaccine deliveries allow.

KIRKBURTON HEALTH CENTRE

PATIENT PARTICIPATION GROUP (PPG)

EXTRACTS FROM WINTER 2021

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The Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation priority list for coronavirus immunisation is as follows:

1. residents in a care home for older adults and their carers
2. all those 80 years of age and over and frontline health and social care workers
3. all those 75 years of age and over
4. all those 70 years of age and over and clinically extremely vulnerable individuals
5. all those 65 years of age and over
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Burton music matters

What a musical year it has been. We have all faced many challenges this year but music has continued to provide much comfort and pleasure to many.

November and December would usually be an exceptionally busy time for me.

Preparing for choir concerts musical festivals and examinations piano concerts and carol concerts. With the cancellation of the majority of events it has certainly been difficult to maintain musical momentum.

My lessons had to move online a new and challenging



method of teaching singing and piano. My students however have simply been amazing.

They have responded positively to this new way of learning. And made some fantastic progress.

Some children were able to sit ABRSM examinations in the November session but many were cancelled because of the current situation. Therefore I created my own Lockdown Examinations. To keep students motivated and ensure progression.

Here are some local students who have achieved exam success in 2020.

PIANO

Madeleine Wood Grade 5,
Eleanor Wood Grade 3,
Anya Moskovitch Grade 1,
Alex Haigh Grade 1,
Charlotte Atkinson Grade 2,
Emily Winter Grade 4,
Ewan Plumb Grade 1,
Emma O'Donnell Grade 4,
Charlotte Reddiough Grade 6,
Evelyn McAvinue Grade 2,
Jenson Pearson Grade 1



MUSICAL THEATRE

Kiki Barden Nash Grade 2,
Jessica Elson Grade 2,
Martha Showell Nicholas Grade 2.



Other students who have made superb progress and are preparing for future exams are: Caitlin Gaffney Raffi Leece, Isabell Wood, Emma Wood, Ruby McLellan, Harry Wood, Felicity Russell, Daisy Collett, Alfie Crossley, Alfie Barton, Bethan Elson, Ava Midgley. Lockdown also saw Daniel Metcalf learn the full version of Clair De Lune, a three-month project which was an incredible achievement.

Well done to everyone.

Sally Byrne



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Santa's Sleigh



Santa with just a few of his elves making their way around the villages before Christmas

A huge thanks to everyone involved in the 2020 Santa Sleigh evenings from 17 to 20 December. It was originally on, then off, then eventually at the last minute, back on again, subject to us having to follow guidelines, which we did, keeping everyone as safe as possible.

Around 70 local people, helped in one way or another, the list of helpers is too long to mention everybody, but here are just a few: The Chief Marshalls/Elves - David, Sophie, Sam, Sally, Anna. Thanks to the makers of the Sleigh for Santa: Kerry, Richard, John and Karen.

Thanks to Louise & Glenn from the Hardware shop, drivers: David, Scott, Linton, also thanks to: Dan, Anna and John, Mark and Derek, Russ, Kim and Sam, Tamsyn and Andrew.

Thanks also for help and advice and encouragement from Pat and Steve, Peter and Vanda, Geoff and Roger, and all the many helpers on the nights walking round the villages with Santa hats on,

helping to keep things safe and collecting money in the orange buckets... your help at the last minute was hugely appreciated; a great Team effort.

But a big thank you to all the people of Kirkburton and Highburton for coming out onto your drives and the pavements, and those who waved from your windows. It was so good to see so many smiling faces on the routes over the four nights.

£1135 was collected and donated on-line, so each of the four local schools (pre and first) received £285 each.

But the biggest thank you has to go to Santa, for being able to visit Kirkburton and Highburton just before Christmas when we all know how busy he is, thanks Santa.

Thanks again everyone.... We hope to see you all again in December.

Taking Christmas out on the street

On Christmas Eve I took my keyboard outside and had a socially-distanced Christmas singalong for the neighbours of Gregory Drive. We sang carols and even had solo performances from Isabell Wood, Emma Wood and Jessica Elson.

Neighbours gathered in their bubbles and enjoyed some festive music Christmas spirit. £60 was also raised for The Welcome Centre.

I hope you will continue to find inspiration and strength in music of all genres, and continue to encourage the young musicians in our lovely village. I look forward to updating you further in the next edition.

Sally Byrne sally-byrne@outlook.com



Packing Christmas away for another year

Volunteers were out early on a frosty Sunday morning to take down the Christmas lights from along New Road and George Street. The crib in the Memorial Garden was also taken down.

The lights and the crib have been carefully stowed away ready for next year.

Thanks to Russell Parkinson and his team of volunteers for all their hard work. It is very much appreciated.





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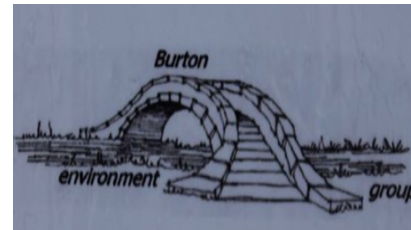
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Burton Environment Group

David Attenborough—Biodiversity—Kirkburton



Burton Community Fields – your chance to comment.

Last September, David Attenborough said “The loss of biodiversity and the degradation of ecosystems pose a major risk to human survival and development. It falls to all of us to act together, and turn the Earth into a beautiful homeland for all creatures to live in harmony.”

Burton Environment Group (BEG) has been thinking of ways we can respond. We live in an area surrounded by fields and woods with most houses having gardens so the challenge is to examine how we can improve biodiversity in our area. The community field off North Road, Kirkburton, is a large open space that we would like to use as part of the answer.

Biodiversity is the variety of wild plants and animals in an area. It is under threat throughout the world through loss of habitat to farming, housing and roads; use of pesticides, disease and climate change. In this country, we know that bees, butterflies, birds and mammals are in serious decline.

For example, 8 species of bumblebees are at risk of extinction, small tortoiseshell butterflies have declined by 70% since the 1970s, swifts by 53% since 1995, and a quarter of rural hedgehogs have been lost since 2000, all based on Yorkshire Wildlife Trust figures. We know there are ways in which we can help reverse these declines. Together with the nearby Town Quarry,

the community field provides a wide range of wildlife habitats. However, the range of species present could be extended, for example, by planting native wildflowers in the central grassland of the field more insects will be attracted which will provide additional food for birds and small animals.

Providing better nest sites around the edges of the field through planting of traditional hedging to replace wire fencing will bring in a wider range of birds such as Willow Warblers and Garden Warblers. Eventually, creatures such as owls and weasels will be encouraged to use the area and overall the richness of the species using the field will have been improved.

Over the last two years, BEG, with the support of Kirklees Council, has been constructing a Trim Trail in the field and, like the Town Quarry, it has become much easier for everyone to use.

BEG, working with Kirklees and local people, would now like to improve the biodiversity of the two sites without spoiling the wonderful views or restricting the activities that already take place. A large number of native wildflower plants have already been donated by Kirklees and the group will be growing more from seed in the

coming months.

The Covid lockdowns have made us all more appreciative of local green spaces for the benefit of our own well-being, as well as wildlife, we now have an opportunity to make them even more attractive. BEG would like to go ahead with this project with the support of both villages so we want to hear from you.

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It's no wonder that I prefer to try other things before baking and that's why I am grateful for being part of the Burton Belles WI.

We as a group have managed to adapt to the changes and have had some inspiring speakers join us from all over thanks to Zoom, and we have many more booked for this upcoming year.

In January we treated members to a virtual pamper evening where we had Tanya, a Neal's Yard Remedies consultant, demonstrate to us how to do a hand scrub and massage, it was definitely needed and was very enjoyable.

February is a meeting with Lynette Lalero, scientist and gardener who is hopefully going to answer our green fingered related questions to help improve our skills when it comes to trying to keep our plants healthy and alive, another thing I struggle with.

Lockdowns are tough because, as well as trying to juggle regular life, there are many other stresses that can make the current situation even worse, so, in March, Julie West will be talking to us about stress, anxiety and poor



sleep as well as giving helpful tips on how to cope with, and alleviate, these issues.

If you're more hands on and crafty in April, we will be upcycling with Hayley Dell. Upcycling has become popular over recent years with us thinking about our impact on the environment and of course thinking of new ideas and things we can do to improve our homes with minimal cost. This is sure to be a fun evening.

We also offer a coffee and chat to our members which allows us to get together via Zoom, chat and get to know each other more. Over the festive period we treated our members to a little Christmas gift. We included a card designed by the very talented Linda Downs and a tree decoration made by Nicola Foleher. The weather was awful, but we dressed in our finest Christmas outfits to get them all delivered and put a smile on our members' faces, and it was definitely worth it.

So, if you're bored of the same old things and looking at expanding your skills and knowledge or just want to meet other likeminded women, then you would be more than welcome to join us, even if it is virtually for the time being.

Sarah Sharp-Allison

Burton Belles WI President

If you are interested in joining us or any of our meetings, please contact us on

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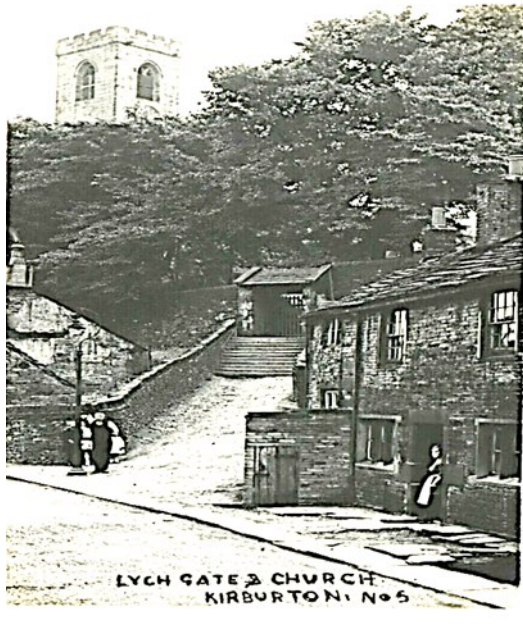
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HISTORY GROUP



Members of the Kirkburton History Group have been meeting together every Friday since 2011. Due to the current situation, we last met face to face in March of last year. However, it takes more than international pandemics to defeat us! We have continued to meet using Zoom at 10-30am each Friday morning and believe it or not, it works! We are still together as a group and are working on some of the projects we set ourselves early last year.

We have developed an excellent Facebook page with a wide gallery of old photographs and documents. We have currently over 400 members who regularly communicate through Facebook and new members are always welcome, subject to a very brief questionnaire to ensure they are not wanting to use the page as a sales opportunity! If you are interested in local history and would like to join, just search for Kirkburton History Group on Facebook, and click on Join.

Although our involvement in the Graveyard Project is on hold until lockdown has ended, we

were very excited to be told that, as a result of the success of the Kirkburton and Shelley BGMS pilot, the Archdeacons' Council of Great Britain announced that Atlantic Geomatics, the BGMS developer, had received a significant grant to roll out the software across the whole of England. It feels like a big pat on the back for the Kirkburton and Shelley Parochial Church Councils and History Group volunteers to get recognition for all the hard work put into the project. The software enables genealogists anywhere in the world to research people buried in Kirkburton and Shelley from the 1600's to the present day. If you would like to try the software type in the following addresses into your web browser:

www.kirkburton.burialgrounds.co.uk

www.shelley.burialgrounds.co.uk

A major regret is that one of our key projects for 2020 - to conduct interviews with older members of our community - had to be put on hold. We had a very generous grant from Kirklees Council to help fund the

project and once the vaccines have been rolled out and the pandemic is under control, we will be able to get going. The horrors of the last twelve months have only emphasised the importance of recording the memories of the older members of our community before it is too late.

Another task is to continue to develop a photographic record of Kirkburton and the surrounding areas by encouraging local residents and people who have lived in the area to share family photographs and allow us to make them available on our website and Facebook pag-

es. So, if you have any relevant photographs, memorabilia, or memories you would like to share, or if you would like to join our Facebook group or join our weekly Zoom meetings, you will be made most welcome.

More information can be found on our website www.kirkburtonhistorygroup.co.uk or, if you would like to join our weekly Zoom meetings, please email lindamus-grave109@outlook.com and we will send you joining instructions.

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Proposed World War Two Memorial Board



Artist's impression of the proposed WWII memorial

At the last Burton Environment Group meeting on Armistice Day, 11 November 2020, the idea of putting up a Memorial to our WWII fallen was discussed.

Our initial thoughts are to locate the remembrance board at the far end of the garden. If the proposed site is approved, then it will provide an interesting visual memorial as well as complete an excellent walking circuit.

The proposed board will house the 22 images of the men listed on our cenotaph. Instead of black silhouettes for missing images we are thinking of adding their rank, service no., regiment, date of death and age. We are also looking into funding for this project.

Our WWI Memorial Board was designed by **Mindlabs Media** for the 2018 Centenary celebrations. To ensure this new proposed board is in keeping with our WWI board we have asked **Mindlabs Media** to come up with a draft design to start the ball rolling.

This proposed image is **not** the finished version but a draft to stimulate discussion on what we would like it to look like.

The Council has a policy which applies to projects of this nature – details of which can be found at [Memorials in public spaces](#) | [Kirklees](#)

[Council](#) which will help identify what we need to go through in order to make this plan for a reality.

Since our last appeal we have several more images to share with you.

Lieutenant Colonel George St John Armitage Dyson

Many thanks Neil Burnett, Kirkburton History Group, for passing on this photo of one of our WWII casualties George St John Dyson, taken in his school days at Harrow.



Regimental Number 8409, Cdg. 122nd Field Regiment Royal Artillery, died 22.11.1942, aged 49 years. Son of Thomas James Dyson and Julia Ethel Dyson of Kirkburton; husband of Mona Gordon Hall Dyson, of Norton sub Hamdon, Somerset. "Remembered with honour" Yokohama War Cemetery, Japan.

Frank Lockwood

This photo of Frank was sent to us by his nephew Stephen Lockwood. Stephen never met his uncle but he had heard many tales about him through his dad and aunty. Stephen's middle name is Frank, after

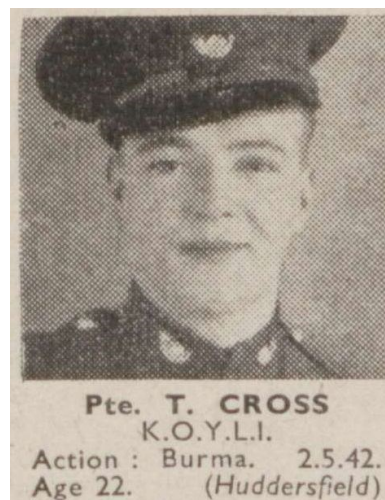


his uncle. Frank's mum and dad were called Joe and Lily Lockwood and lived in Almondbury originally.

Frank was the youngest of three children and his mum had to bring the three children up on her own as their dad died relatively young. They moved to 101, Slant Gate, Kirkburton. He was a trooper in the Royal Armoured Corps 27th Lancers and died on 12.09.1944 at the age of 22 years. His name is on the Cassino Memorial, Italy.

Thomas Cross

This handsome young man is Thomas Cross who died on May 2nd 1942 aged 23 years. He was the son of James and Margaret Cross of Kirkburton. Thomas served in the King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry 2nd Battalion and his name



is on face 16 of the Rangoon Memorial. Our thanks to Neil Burnett for submitting this newspaper image of Thomas.

Arthur Hey

On 21 January Andrea Tindle's search for Arthur Hey came to a happy conclusion. She contacted friends, with Kirkburton connections, in the Lake District she believed could be related to Arthur Hey. They did some searching on our behalf and hey presto, we now have two photos of Arthur.

The one where he is stood in uniform was taken in June 1940 at a photographers – Geoffrey's Modern Studios Ltd in York.



There is no date for the second photo but Arthur is the soldier directly next to the arrow. The family told Andrea that they hoped Arthur will now be included on the proposed memorial board. Arthur died on 8.2.1944 aged 25 years....the son of Fred Shaw Hey and Florence Hey of Kirkburton. He was in the



West Yorkshire Regiment (Prince of Wales's Own) He is buried in the Taukkyan War Cemetery (Burma near Rangoon Myanmar).

Photo search—can you help to find photos of these nine men?

Time is running out. We do not want their faces to be forgotten. The photos do not have to be in uniform. A photo of John Thomas Moss is of him as a toddler. Any image is better than no image. Please check the nine surnames and help us to track down any living relatives. I am hopeful that there are photos out there. If you can help with our quest please e-mail annaboden@hotmail.co.uk or tel: 01484 606996



SHAW, ALICK

Rank – Sergeant **Service No.** - 1620574
Died 14/04/1944
Age – 28 years.
Regiment/Service - RAF Volunteer Reserve 27 Sqdn
Memorial Column 436 – Singapore Memorial

Additional Information – Son of **William (Willie) and Janie Shaw** (nee Earnshaw), married in 1901 and had a son called Cecil in 1904. 1911 they were living at Station Rd, Skelmanthorpe with Janie's parents Thomas and Christina Earnshaw. Alick was born 14/4/1916. Family now living at Royd House, Kirkburton. In 1939 Alick was living at 28, Robin Lane, Pudsey. He was a police constable. His brother, Cecil and wife Mary Eliza Shaw were living on Riley Lane, Kirkburton with their

son Thomas Alfred Shaw born 1939.

TODD, CYRIL

Rank – Private **Service No.** - 4399917
Died 11/06/1944
Age – 21 years.
Regiment - Green Howards (Yorkshire Regiment) 6th Bn
Cemetery – X1.J.13 Bayeux War Cemetery

Additional Information – Son of **Joseph and Lucy Todd**, Paddock Road,

STOCKS, FRANK

Rank - Ordinary seaman
Service No. - D/JX 239887
Died 21/04/1941
Age – 23 years.
Regiment/Service - RN HMS Drake stoker training ship
Cemetery – Sec C .Cons. Grave 18071 Plymouth (Western Mill) cemetery

Additional Information – Son of **Ethel Stocks**. Husband of **Hilda Stocks** of Kirkburton.

HILL, FRANK

Rank – Private **Service No.** - 7374184
Died – Between 14/02 and 15/02/1942
Age – 23 years.
Regiment/Service - RAMC. 198 Field Ambulance
Memorial – Column 106-Singapore Memorial

Additional Information – Son of **William Stanley** (died 1967) and **Jane Hill** (died 1974), of North Road Kirkburton. Frank had a sister called **Ivy Hill**.

Frank married Nancy Brown in 1938. On the 1939 register they were living at Park Head, Cumberworth. Son Trevor Hill born in 1939. Nancy Hill later married to a Williams.

FITTON, STANLEY

Rank – Trooper **Service No.** - 2044039
Died 14/11/1942
Age – 24 years.
Regiment/Service - RAC 10th Royal Hussars
Memorial Column 18 - Alamein Memorial

Additional Information – Son of **Alice Fitton**, Kirkburton

JENKINSON, HAROLD VICTOR

Rank – Driver **Service No.** - T/14686752
Died 17/06/1944
Age – 35 years.
Regiment/Service - Royal Army Service Corps
Cemetery Grave 74 All Hallows, Kirkburton... new churchyard To68 War Grave

Additional Information – Son of **Harry Vaughton Jenkinson** and **Frances Ida Jenkinson**. Husband of **Edith Annie Jenkinson** of Carter Row.

BROOKE, ALBERT

Rank – Gunner **Service No.** - 11269842
Died 24/03/1945
Age – 33 years.
Regiment/Service - Royal Artillery 93 Lt.A.A. Regt
Cemetery – Grave 54.C.14 Reichswald Forest War Cemetery

Additional Information – Husband of **Dorothy Ethna Brooke** of Shelley

More information from Dinah Ruth Bentley who has found this information on Ancestry

Father -Tom Brooke 1873-1940. Mother – Elizabeth Rangeley 1873- 1936

Ten Siblings

1. James born 1896 died WW1 on 23.9.1918 - no children
2. Emily born 1907 in Shelley died 1963 - no children
3. Marion born 1909 died

- 1990 – married John Robert Turner .son Frank born 1924 and another child on 1939 register
4. Fred born 1902 died 1947 married Lily Oxspring in 1938
5. Elsie born 1903 died 1994 - no children
6. George born 1904 died 1984 - no children
7. Arthur born 1907 died 1972 – married Eliza Farland. 1934 daughter Jean Elizabeth born 1938 and 1 more child. Jean married Colin J Raynor 1936. Lived at 14, Fenay Lea Drive, Waterloo HD5 8RR
8. Evelyn born 1909 died 2000 – married Harold Phillips 1955 – no children (Albert born 1912 died WW2 on 24.3.1945 married Dorothy Ethna of Shelley.)
9. Ethel born 1914 died 2002. Married Willie Guest in 1940.
10. Joe born 1916 died 1967 - no children

CHADWICK, RALPH

Rank – Private **Service No.** - 14427176
Died 20/04/1945
Age – 19 years.
Regiment/Service - Lincolnshire Regiment 2nd Bn.
Cemetery – Grave 8.G.13 Becklingen War Cemetery

Additional Information – Son of **Randolph Churchill Chadwick** and **Agnes Chadwick** of Leeds. Randolph and Agnes divorced in the early 30's. Randolph (known as 'Jack the Postman' to Burtoners) was a stalwart of our local British Legion.

Can anyone solve this mystery?

On our Memorial we have a **Walter Carlisle** who died in 1944. We can't trace any soldier with this name who died in 1944 although it is possible that the name is mis-transcribed by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission.



Kirkburton Liberal Club has been part of Kirkburton for many years, and celebrated its 146th birthday on 27 January. The Club opened for members in its current premises on North Road in April 1897, having purchased the building in 1896. The previous owner of the building, Councillor Abraham Booth JP was a member of the club and also a prominent member of the local Liberal Party. There are several examples of copies of correspondence from the club to William Gladstone, the then Prime Minister, along with his one reply, tucked away in the minute books. Prior to this, the Liberal Club had rented premises on George Street. The club was es-

tablished as "Kirkburton Liberal Club" on 27 January and subsequently took premises at the side of The George Inn. The exact location is still being researched but it was one of the three storey properties on the row. It appears to have outgrown this building quite rapidly, with 221 members on the roll at the end of 1878, and, after discussions with the landlady regarding extending the property in 1880, took the decision to move to newer and larger premises in 1881. Research to determine exactly where the club was based between 1881-1897 is still ongoing.

Kirkburton Liberal Club

The minutes from 1878-1918 are surprisingly well preserved and are quite entertaining to read from serious discussion about which brands of cigars/ales should be stocked through to the consideration of the punishment of members who had accidentally broken glassware - in a sign of changing attitudes and ever-increasing prices, one member was charged 2d for his misdemeanours in 1878, whilst a similar miscreant some five years later had his payment of 4d returned to him owing to the 'entirely accidental' nature of the incident.

The current Club building was purchased for the princely sum of £710, paid by accrued Club funds, a small Mortgage, and the remainder raised among the membership in the form of shares. The mortgage was paid and discharged sometime in 1904/5. Originally the main Club room was much as it is now, the current Flinders dance studio was the ballroom, and the now-disused top floor was the billiards room with two full-size and one three-quarter table. The top floor was decommissioned sometime around the late 50's/early 60's- certainly within living memory of some.

The club has survived all the turbulence of the both World Wars, the Flu Epidemic in 1918 killed over 50 million people worldwide, and the Great Depression of the 1930's. In 1918, in response to the Spanish Flu, a resolution was passed by the Committee that "No person, not being a member, having travelled less than two miles, shall be allowed entry", and also "that all Soldiers returning shall not be charged for their first refreshment"

As any small business will know, coping with the corona virus has been difficult. In March we initially did not fully understand the government announcement, but as a Club we fully accepted the need to follow the government advice and closed the club during the lockdown. The turmoil of trying to resolve issues such as dealing with the employees' furlough, shutting down the building and contacting the members were resolved. The main issue, and most stressful, was dealing with the lack of funding. The Liberal Club operates on being "not for profit" although we still need to ensure we do not operate at a loss. The initial closure caused losses for the club in stock which became out of date and we still needed funding. The club does not carry a large cash reserve and without the help from the government we would have made large losses. We still have to pay for gas heating, electricity, water rates, local taxes, licensing fees, employee costs plus many other outgoings. It has been a challenge for the Liberal Club treasurer to manage our funds with the major sources of income removed and uncertainty as to how and when we could recommence business.

During the course of the shutdown we would see members and they consistently talked about how the closure had affected them; they missed meeting their friends for their weekly, nightly game of snooker or pool and the general socialising that takes place on the premises. On Sunday afternoon, a regular group of older members would prop up the bar and mull over the week's events whilst consuming several pints of beer. At tea time they would drift off home having solved all of the world's problems. The bantering would keep them



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Woodsome Lees Farm — a story of our farming community



The farm at Woodsome Lees is now run by brothers John and David Cartwright, the last generation of a farming family which started originally at Dick Edge a small hamlet above Hepworth in the 1880's and then moved to Dogley Lane Farm, Kirkburton in the early 1900's. In 1916 John Cartwright, who was the brothers' grandfather, moved to Woodsome Lees Farm where his son James was born. James lived all of his life at the farm with his sons joining him later in running the family business, David after leaving school and John when he had completed his education at Askham Bryan agricultural college.

In those early days the farm kept a few beef cattle but the main focus was on milk production, they produced and bottled their own milk all green top for delivery. Prior to the boys leaving school their mother Pat took most of the milk rounds 7 days a week with their father joining her when he had completed the milking and had attended to the cattle. The brothers believe their father was the last milkman in the neighbourhood to make deliveries by

horse and cart, in the very early days the milk would be delivered out of churns to customers who would bring out their jugs and the milk would be dispensed by means of measured ladles. Right up until the 1960's horses were still the main engine of the farm doing all manner of tasks such as ploughing.

James told his sons many tales of life back then, one was how often at weekends, when he had completed his rounds with his favourite horse called 'Prince', he would call in at the Spring Grove Pub for a pint, however if he stayed for an extra pint or two Prince would get fed up waiting and set off for home with the cart in tow leaving their father James to find his own way home.

In 1984 the farm purchased a pasteurising machine as customers' buying habits were changing, fewer were buying unpasteurised green top milk, the farm still bottled these milks but in the 1980's with the ever-growing popularity of semi skimmed and skimmed milk, these were bought in from nearby Hill Dale dairies in Scisset to service this need

whilst Woodsome Lee's milk was still supplying their green top and pasteurised milk customers.

In 2005 the farm gave up milking cows completely and started up a suckler cow herd. From 2010 they entered into an arrangement with Barkhouse Farm at Shelley, where the Woodsome farm rears their dairy cow replacements known as heifers [a heifer is a female cow that has not yet given birth to a calf] they take these as 8 week old calves returning them to the dairy herd just prior to calving at just over two years of age.

All the milk that's delivered locally three days a week by the Cartwright brothers is from Barkhouse Farm, they also deliver eggs that they purchase nearby.

Asked if sales had been affected with the rise of people following a vegan diet and so requiring nondairy milks John said that it had not really made any difference and actually door-step sales of their milk which is always delivered in glass bottles increased after David Attenborough's plea for us all to cut our use of plastic. The Covid pandemic has added to this with more of us all needing home deliveries.

If you are interested in supporting your community by buying local please contact John Cartwright for delivery, all milk in glass bottles and eggs in cartons no plastic,

Woodsome Lees Farm, Woodsome Lees, Kirkburton HD8 0PJ
Farm landline 01484 602022
Mobile 07570799421



Letters

We want to hear your views, comments and suggestions. No personal attacks, unpaid-for product, services or party-political promotion (you can deliver your own leaflets). Where political points are made (however subtly), to ensure balance, we will ask other parties to put their view. We will even consider publishing your letters anonymously (as long as you tell *us* your name and address). We do, however, reserve the right to edit any letter you send as we do not have unlimited space, so keep it short.

MOTORING MEMORIES

I always enjoy receiving the Bulletin and was delighted to read the article on the front page of the latest issue about Hepworth's Garage, as my Dad always used Hepworth's for car servicing and petrol.

When I left school I went to train as a nurse at Oswestry Orthopaedic Hospital in Shropshire and usually only managed to get home after I had been on night duty – my rota was seven nights on duty then five nights off and back onto days for a month. I did not get home too often due to the distance as travelling meant three changes of steam train - Gobowen to Chester, Chester to Manchester, Manchester to Huddersfield - and then bus to Kirkburton.

I passed my driving test when I was 17 and when I came home on the train one day, I found that my Dad had bought me a Mini from Hepworth's as a surprise so I could get back more often. It was maroon, had small triangular windows at the back which opened outwards on a catch, it had an extremely small boot and its registration was EWW 978C.

At the end of my days off I packed up the Mini and set off back to Oswestry over the hills at Shepley, across the moors, down through Stockport and Alderley Edge, armed only with a map as there were no SatNavs in those days.

On the way home one time I do remember seeing loads of police combing the moorland above Stockport searching for bodies following the arrest of Myra Hindley and Ian Brady. I think it would have been around 1965/66.

I was not keen on nursing and, after two years, I came back to

Huddersfield and got a job in the Laboratories at Huddersfield Royal Infirmary. Because I had a car, my job included picking up one of my colleagues in Almondbury first thing in the morning, and then going to St Luke's Hospital to collect blood on the wards before taking the samples back to the Infirmary so we could do the testing.

On the evening before my 21st birthday, my parents had organised a party at Woodsome Hall Golf Club and I went in their car, leaving my Mini behind in the garage. My brother got into so much trouble with my Dad that night when he found out that Andy had pinched my keys and used the Mini to get up to the party. Unbeknown to me and Andy, my Dad had bought me an MG Midget for my birthday and had arranged for the staff at Hepworth's to bring it down home whilst we were out and take the Mini back with them in part exchange.

My Dad must have had his fingers crossed when we got back home in the early hours as he asked me to open the garage for him and, thankfully, there stood a gleaming MG. It was in British Racing Green, had a soft top and the registration was TYG 400F - I was absolutely thrilled. As a penance, my brother had to drive the Mini up to Hepworth's the next morning to apologise and then had to walk back home.

I absolutely loved that car and only got rid of it because it was too small after I got married and started a family.

Yours sincerely
Linda Musgrave

FROM CLLR RICHARD SMITH KIRKLEES COUNCILLOR, KIRKBURTON WARD

Happy New Year to all residents in Kirkburton and Highburton. I realise this last year has been very difficult for many of us and at the moment we are still living through a Pandemic, with all the risks and restrictions this entails.

I am sure all of us will agree that it will be fantastic when we can look forward to life returning to normal at some point. As I write we have some of the worst figures in terms of infections yet, but there is some positive news as there are now approved vaccines which are starting to be rolled out in our area.

I will continue to post updates on the Community Facebook pages when I get information and through the KHCA, which hopefully you will find useful.

More positive news is that despite months of trying to get them organised, by the time you are reading this,

you should be aware that almost all of the bins across the two villages have been replaced by shiny new ones. If this still hasn't happened, rest assured that I am working to make sure this happens as fast as I can.

I would like to thank members of the Burton Environment Group for their assistance in identifying all the bins in our area, in particular Rachel, who put a huge amount of work into this, making my job working with Kirklees much easier. Anna, also has been a great support, reminding me when they were supposed to be in place and have not turned up, so a great team effort.

I hope to be able to attend in person more of the local events in the near future, when normality starts to resume, but until then, I will continue to be in touch with anyone requiring assistance by phone or email.

All the best,

Richard

BBC Radio 4's "Saturday Live" programme has a thank you slot. Now we have one in The Bulletin

A couple of weeks into January I lost a letter destined for my girlfriend, whilst standing in the queue waiting to gain access to the pharmacy. I discovered the loss when I got to the post box. I retraced my steps but to no avail. I hoped the person who might find the letter would be kind enough to pop the stamped, addressed envelope in the post box. The next day my girlfriend received the letter. A huge thanks to the kind, considerate person who helped me maintain my daily despatch to my girlfriend. *Thank you!*

Trevor Flannery

MP's report

Mark Eastwood MP



I would like firstly to wish everyone a Happy New Year and all the best for a healthy, happy and prosperous 2021. I have, over the festive period, been reflecting on the last year, as of course it was a little over a year ago that you put your faith in me and elected me as your new MP.

I am not sure exactly what I expected my first year in office to be like but it has certainly been very different to what I imagined when I was first elected. The pandemic and the necessary changes in the way we live our lives and I serve you as your MP have been significant.

The current lockdown does once more place unprecedented restrictions on what we can all do and from my postbag I am very aware of the difficulties many people have faced and I have been glad to have helped where I can. The rates of infection are rising again as I write this letter and it has never been more important that we all play our part and stay at home and minimise as much as possible social contacts.

The Government has once again agreed to make funding available for those businesses which are affected by these restrictions and I was pleased to see one off grants of up to £9,000 being made available to assist these businesses, especially those hard-hit retail, leisure and hospitality sectors. I would encourage all businesses to apply and to contact my office if they do encounter any difficulties.

The New Year did bring good news as well and I was glad to be able to support the Prime Minister in voting for the new Trade deal with the EU. I always suspected it would be right at the last minute that a deal was agreed and whilst I do anticipate that there may be teething problems, this is a deal which can be the basis of a long-term strong relationship between ourselves and our neighbours in Europe.

The other good news was the approval of the first vaccine from Pfizer, swiftly followed by that from Oxford University and Astra Zeneca and more on the path to approval. We can see now the vaccination programme gathering pace and I am pleased to hear how well the vaccinations are going at Kirkburton Health Centre and see the successful roll out of the vaccines as the main way in which we will overcome this pandemic and begin to return to some sort of normal life.

The initial priority is to get everyone who is over 80, all care home residents who are over 65 and front line medical and social care staff vaccinated. I hope that most of you who fall into these categories will have had your first vaccination by the time you read this.

Although the restrictions mean that I have had to limit the time I am out in the community, I was very pleased to be invited to help Santa with his visit to Highburton and Kirkburton just before Christmas. All credit to Martin Ward and the team for working hard to ensure that this could still go ahead.

Finally, I'd like to share with you a copy of the runner up entry in my Christmas Card competition by Ewan Plumb, aged 9 from Kirkburton First School. I was glad I was able to visit the school and thank Ewan personally and give him his prize. They say that Christmas is really all about children and certainly it was a joy to be able to meet with Ewan and other students just before Christmas.

As always, the team and I are here to help. Please feel free to contact me via email: mark.eastwood.mp@parliament.uk or by phone on 01924 939007

Kirkburton First School



The new year has not started as we expected; we had one day in school before we were closed to most children, but school life continues unabated.

Midway through last half term we took delivery of our Roktagon, a structure on which the children will be able to learn rock climbing skills. This is due to an immense fund raising effort from the Friends Of Kirkburton First School, the children can't wait to try it once the weather improves.

Because we couldn't hold a Christmas fair we held a sponsored Santa Dash day with lots of Christmas themed activities which created a great deal of excitement and laughter. Our online Christmas quiz night also brought families together and proved to be a lot of fun.

We ended the term before on a high note. Despite the challenges of having to keep each class completely separate we were able to celebrate Christmas in school. Instead of having the traditional performances in the hall our KS1 children created a video nativity entitled "The First Christmas" which was shared with parents online. The children really threw themselves into the acting and singing! KS 2 performed a collection of Christmas songs, plays and poems which was also shared online. It was a lovely opportunity for our children to show how talented they are.

Like so many other things this year we have found ways to do them differently so that the children and their families don't miss out. We were able to hold parties in the classroom and made sure there was plenty of time to enjoy the festive season. Our Y4 children took part in the hearts for homes initiative by sending some lovely messages to the residents of Croftlands. In addition to this, every class made some Christmas cards to be sent so everyone in the home would have one.



**Prize-winning Christmas Card
by Ewan Plumb**

Many of the children took part in All Hallows Christingle by making the Christingle at home then joining in with the online service.

It has been all change again as we are now back in lockdown. This means that the majority of our pupils are learning at home with the support of family members whilst the teaching staff are teaching on screen. It's been a sharp learning curve for everyone but things seem to be going smoothly. School is not closed however, there are a small number of pupils whose families are critical workers who are coming to school each day which means there are still some children in the building.

The response from our school community has been phenomenal, and our pupils and families are becoming experts on accessing their schoolwork online. It is fantastic to see everyone pulling together in such difficult circumstances, and the resilience and commitment from the children is nothing short of incredible. We hope that every family is as proud of their children as we are.

Even though this is working well, we all hope that this situation is only temporary and we can be altogether in school before too much longer; in the meantime we will keep on working together and supporting each other where we can.

Paul West, Headteacher

Highburton Brownies



Recently someone said to me, "It was sad that Highburton Brownies had had to close", I was able to correct them as **Highburton Brownies** continue to flourish.

We had our last meeting in the village hall on 23 March 2020, just before Boris made his announcement, but by May we had started Zoom meetings and have continued to meet weekly ever since. Everything was an experiment to start with but the brownies approached it with their usual enthusiasm as we tried adapting our favourite games and discovered new ones.



Brownie meetings are girl-led. For the summer the brownies chose "Animals", so we found out about rock-pools and sea-life from the Cornwall Rock Pool Project; we visited Chester Zoo and discovered a baby wild cat; we played animal games and quizzes; and for one brownie evening we invited all the pets to join us.

They haven't been our only guests. In June, thanks to Caroline, a mechanical engineer, and Rebecca, a bio-medical en-

gineering student, who joined us to celebrate Women in Engineering Day 2020. The brownies were able to ask both guests questions about their jobs, their aspirations, the subjects they enjoyed at school and the most important question "what do engineers do?"

In September we were successful in receiving a COVID-19 grant from Tesco that enabled us to buy equipment so we could have our first outdoor, approved, socially distanced, meeting. With a new theme of "Autumn" we set out to find the evidence; from spotting fungi and berries to birds leaving for warmer climes. It was wonderful to see the girls actually be able to run around and interact in a large space.

The Autumn term also saw us welcome new girls to our pack, it was very special for me to conduct my first virtual brownie promise ceremony. We had a pyjama night where the girls all made their own special den, making s'mores over candles (*toasted marshmallows and a layer of chocolate between two pieces of cracker*).

Despite the unusual year, looking back we've done all the regular brownie things; games, quizzes and challenges; badges, virtual trips and crafts. Looking forward we hope to be outside again and maybe one day back in the village hall.

Thanks, as always, go to my assistant leaders and young leaders who have also turned up virtually every week (some

from their university rooms and others after remote schooling all day), and to the girls' parents who sort out the Wi-Fi and make sure everything is ready to go at 6:15pm on a Monday night.

If your daughter or anyone you know is interested in joining our brownie unit please ask them to follow this link, selecting Highburton Brownies, and I'll be in touch.

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Kirkburton Under 7s Football Teams



Oliver Womack (left) with Paul Chilvers, Kirkburton Under 7 Warriors coach

Kirkburton Under 7's is made up of three teams - Warriors, Panthers and Terriers.

Each player has been fortunate enough to receive a brand new football kit from our local sponsor Motor Vehicle Services (MVS), who are a family run car mechanic garage based in Dalton.

The players have all been wearing their kit proudly and have started the new season very well.

Recently the Warriors entered the 5ives Christmas Cup in Barnsley and won the Under 7's group. All players left with a medal and trophy to share.

A big thank you to John and Oliver Womack for making the new kit possible.

Our photographs show the three Kirkburton teams. From top to bottom Warriors, Panthers and Terriers.



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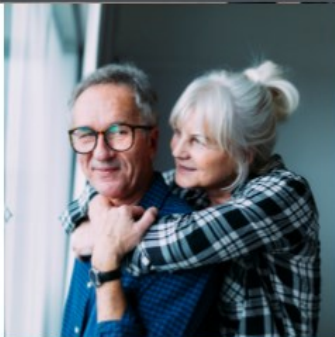
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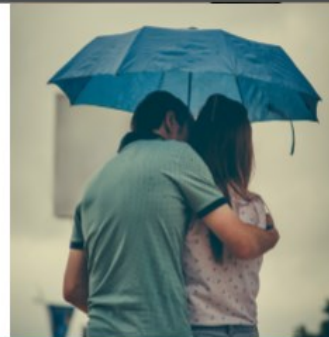


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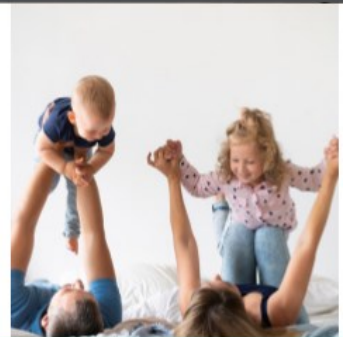
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My Batmobile Moment by Martin Ward



Over the many years of testing new cars, in all corners of the world, I have driven some fantastic (and not so great) cars and been lucky, or unlucky to drive some unusual cars. Not long ago I was privileged (I think) to drive **The Batmobile**.

It didn't start life as a Super-heroes mode of transport, no... it was the brainchild of Lincoln Mercury's post-war Chief Stylist Bill Schmidt. As the story goes, and believe it if you want, Bill was inspired by a close encounter with a shark ... he designed a long, low and wide car with a vision of the future. It had a predatory front grille, ominous with shark-like hooded front headlights, and killer tail fins.

The car was approved by the Board (strangely) and the original car was built by Ghia at a cost of \$250,000 and was named "The Futura". It was shown for the first time at the Chicago Motor Show in January 1955. It did a tour of North America, and got a universal thumbs-down it was a disaster and old Bill

wished the shark had got him. So it was parked in a warehouse and almost left to rot (American cars back then were good at that).

But a George Barris was commissioned to build a Batmobile for ABC's Batman series. He knew about the abandoned car, but only had three weeks to turn the Futura into the Batmobile. With a few bodywork changes, a repaint..., pow, boom ka-bam, the Batmobile was up and running.

But, what is the Batmobile like to drive? It is powered by a 330hp V8 petrol engine, that goes from 0-62mph in.... well.... a lot longer than you think, I'm not even sure it is possible to do 50mph...coupled to a turbo-drive automatic gearbox, it is, putting it mildly, very sluggish, and not exactly the right car for chasing baddies. It is the length of the Futura that is quite terrifying almost 19 feet long, it is staggeringly huge. However, despite the cars' long length, it is only a two-seater

You do find, for some strange reason, that you do, and I can't explain it, suddenly get "into character" when driving this vehicle. I'm not, and never have been into Super-Heroes, never been a fan, but the need to become Batman took over... oh heck....

Parking the Batmobile in Morrison's car park is not easy, but worse than that, pushing your trolley round the supermarket with your underpants over your trousers, and having fellow shoppers come up to you saying "Riddle me this, Batman (whatever that means) is very embarrassing, these are the pitfalls of getting into character.

The brakes on this old monster are not particularly good, especially going down Far Dene, but don't worry, as the car does have a Bat-Parachute for quicker stopping. There is even a special Bat-Parachute pick-up service. You call them, tell them where you used the parachute, and they come and pick it up the discarded parachute. They even iron it, and return within 24-hours, a great service.

It has loads of standard features such as a nose-

mounted chain slicer, lasers, rockets, rear smoke emitters and nail spreader, and Bat-Rope to help get to the top of tall skyscrapers very quickly: all of these are really useful in Huddersfield as you never know when you're going to need them.

During the time I had the car, I did find it difficult getting anyone to come in the car with me, as they felt embarrassed.

However, my mate Robin did volunteer to be a passenger, and annoyingly he kept saying "to the Bat-Cave", and clearly knows I live in Highburton, and nowhere near any caves. We did find out though, that the passenger ejector seat still works after all these years. The hospital says he should make a full recovery.

The Batmobile was great fun, but a bit (a lot) thirsty with that big old V8 engine. Press a wrong button and you could end up in a lot of trouble. The rear view mirror was a bit odd also, as I'm sure I kept seeing a Penguin in it.

Anyway, off to the Bat-Cave,

Martin Ward



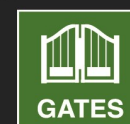
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Allotment diary



SEPTEMBER

The courgette plant carried on cropping right through the month but when the autumn equinox came around, I decided enough was enough, dug up the plants and put them in the compost on the grounds that nothing is wasted if it goes in the compost bin! That area got the 'weed, feed and mulch' treatment ready for planting next season. I've been picking Brussel sprouts and parsnips alongside courgettes and raspberries - a clear signal that the year is on the change.

Planted onions, shallots and garlic to over winter.

OCTOBER

What a lot of grey, wet, soggy days we've had! There has been so much rain that the soil is too wet to work on so cleared areas will have to wait for the 'weed feed and mulch' treatment.

In spite of the limited autumn sunshine, the sweetcorn ripened well so perhaps they depend on daylight hours as much as actual sunshine? Some plants produced two ripe cobs so I harvested 24 altogether. They freeze really well so there's never a problem with them all ripening at once.

I picked the canellini beans and laid them out to dry on the window sill at home. They were dried by the end of the month and I have a jam jar full stored away for use during the next year.

Butternut squash didn't develop well this year, got 3 tiny ones which were enough for a meal. I shall miss having them lined up on the kitchen window sill.

After a late start the grapes didn't all ripen but harvested enough to make grape, red wine, and rosemary jelly, which I will try to resist until Christmas.

Picked kale, carrots, fennel, pears and raspberries.

NOVEMBER

Another month of grey wet days but I have grey wet day clothing and there was work needing doing! I decided to replace the raspberry canes and ordered bare root plants, some summer fruiting and some autumn fruiting to arrive any time now. Also, four gooseberry bushes have outgrown their allotted space and are tangled up with blackcurrants to one side and redcurrants to the other so I am replacing them with a single new bush which will also arrive shortly. At least all the rain means the condemned canes and bushes were easier to dig out - though I did break a garden fork in the process.

DECEMBER

The bare root plants arrived. The soil was so wet and claggy it was hardly ideal conditions but I did it anyway relying on the fact that plants 'want' to grow.

Christmas Eve I went to the plot and picked Brussel sprouts, cabbage, carrots, parsnips, and leeks. Cold drizzle, claggy soil and mud to my eyeballs. Yet still my spirits soared. Yes, I do know vegetables are readily available from Mr. Sainsbury and they don't need trimming and cleaning and de-bugging either. But does Sainsbury's make your soul sing.

From Plot 17

Changing times — Thrift

All my life until recent years, people have been encouraged to save.

During World War II people were encouraged to buy War Saving Certificates to be held for 10 years. By arrangement, some employers deducted money from employees' wages to fund the purchase of the certificates.

Similarly, schoolchildren were encouraged to invest in a savings account, money being collected by teachers at school and then paid into the Huddersfield and Upper Agbrigg Savings Bank on Buxton Road, now long gone! For years, interest was credited annually on 20 November at the rate of two and a half per cent.

The savings ethic was so drummed into us kids that we could scarcely contain our excitement as the day approached to have our bank books updated. We had to have a sneak peek at our books before we had even left the steps of the bank! The motivation for saving was that one day we would get married and would need the money to buy a house.

In the early 1980's it became more and more difficult to buy a house on a mortgage. Rates rocketed up to 15.5% in some cases. Similarly, interest rates for investors increased rapidly to around 10.25%, sufficient for some people to consider changing their cars, when interest was credited to their accounts.

For the last few years global interest rates have been on the decline like never before to a point where people



wonder why they should consider saving at all! Fortunately, the low rates favour mortgage holders and it now is easier to buy property. Some investment accounts are currently offering only 0.01% which means that an investment of £100 would yield an annual interest of just one penny. It is not just children that would be underwhelmed.

The next logical step could be that banks could actually charge us for looking after our money! It seems that nobody wants our money. Successive Governments have encouraged us to lend them our money but worldwide it is no longer the case. They print money when they need it, a practice called "quantitative easing".

Not long ago, countries who did that were classed as "banana republics".

How times have changed.

Malcolm MacDonald



Recipe Book launched to raise funds for Yorkshire Cancer Research



The Huddersfield Volunteer Group, Yorkshire Cancer Research, is hoping to raise vital funds through the sale of its brand new recipe book.

‘That was Delicious! – a Second Helping’ includes more than 50 favourite recipes from the volunteers, their families and their friends. It has been illustrated by Kirkburton artist, **Linda Downs**.

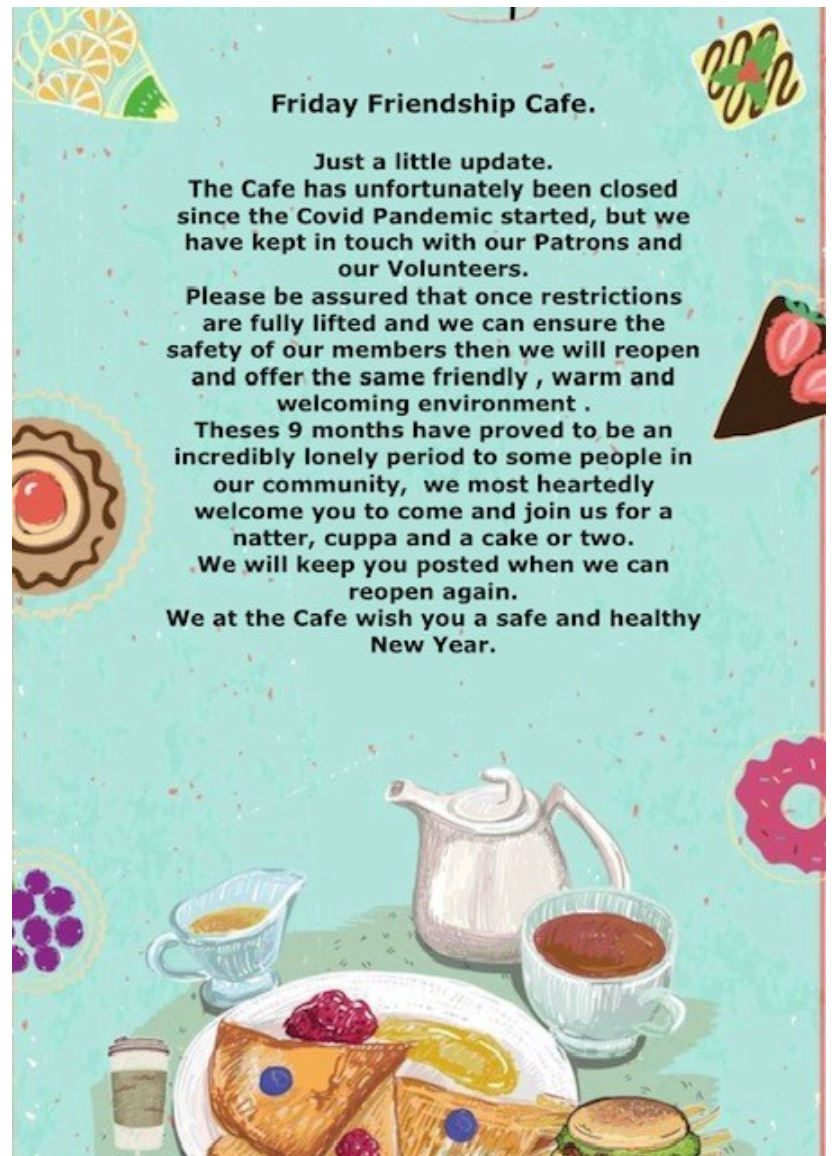
The book is the group’s second publication. The first edition of ‘That was Delicious’ was produced nearly 30 years ago.

Carol Hirst, Secretary of the Huddersfield Volunteer Group, said:

“It was always our intention to produce a second recipe book, but it took the weeks and months of lockdown to spur us into action.

“We are delighted to launch ‘That was Delicious! – a Second Helping’ Money raised from the sale of our books will help to improve the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of cancer right across Yorkshire.”

‘That was Delicious! – a Second Helping’ costs £7 and can be purchased from **Kirkburton Post Office**, Lydgate Styles, or Yorkshire Cancer Research’s online shop <https://shop.yorkshirecancerresearch.org.uk>.



Poem

Time

Escaping my flailing chase
 Yet pursuing my every course
 It can catch skin
 Peering from statues and clock face
 Admiring a new vantage point
 And its ability haunt

It steeps my priorities in bonfire mass
 And ignites a furnace flame
 To reject my most important tasks
 As a mockery and waste of time
 With a melodramatic purposeful stance
 It points to an inevitable path
 Leading to the end of time.

Trevor Flannery

SENIOR CITIZENS TEA 2021 AND 2022

Last year the pandemic was just in its infancy when the decision was taken to cancel the tea in March 2020. The situation, at the time of writing and the start of planning for the tea in 2021 is unclear, so the decision has been taken by the organisers that it will not happen this year either. We are unclear what the regulations will be by then and are aware that there will be concerns about how people will feel about gathering together in a number over 100, particularly in a school environment. This decision has not been taken lightly, as we know that the chatting, the tea, the raffle and the entertainment are all greatly appreciated by everyone who attends, but safety must be the first priority.

So, what happens in 2022? The vast majority of helpers for the tea, qualify to sit down to the tea themselves. For it to continue, there must be some younger input as most of the organisers want to step down from the committee and sit down to the tea! The tea, which used to be the Old Folks' Tea, has a history going back many years, and is another thing which makes our villages a community rather than a collection of houses.

Would you help? Please think about it and contact the Bulletin.

All about Huddersfield- a quiz about the town and some famous residents

Compiled by Andrew Pearce of Northfield Lane, this follows on from the last Bulletin's Huddersfield Town based quiz, but is more of a general knowledge effort; albeit with a sporting bias. Total 42 pts available.

1. At which secondary school was Huddersfield born Prime Minister Harold Wilson educated and with which University was he associated? (2 pts)

2. This versatile entertainer/jazz musician achieved world records for being the fastest ever tap dancer and his ability to play 43 different musical instruments? Who was he? And for an extra point name the Huddersfield village in which was he born and brought up? (2pts)

3. Name the Lindley-born solicitor who became a long-time chairman of Huddersfield Town AFC and also found time to be Commander of the town's Special Constabulary and its Coroner; before being knighted for services to football and being awarded France's 'Legion d'Honneur.' (1 pt)

4. Name 6 of the Huddersfield born cricketers who have played for Yorkshire and England. And (for a bonus point) which of these was the only person to ever play first class cricket (for Yorkshire) and 1st Division football (for Huddersfield Town) before his 20th birthday? (7pts)

5. Name the locally born businessman who, after dating the actresses Jean Simmonds and

Joan Collins, cancelled his wedding (scheduled for Huddersfield Parish Church) to Audrey Hepburn; before going on to be knighted (in 1976) for 'services to industry'? (1 pt)

6. Jodie Whitaker is famous for being BBC TV's first ever female 'Doctor Who'. In which Huddersfield village was she 'born and raised'? And at which local school did her acting career take off? (2pts)

7. Name the barrister/Liberal politician, educated at Huddersfield College, who's career peaked between 1908 and 1916 when he was the UK's Prime Minister. (1 pt)

8. Name the first ever lady winner of the BBC's 'Sports Personality of the year Award' after winning a gold medal in 1960's Rome Olympic. And which Holmfirth based cyclist has 4 'Olympic golds'? (2pts)

9. Name the author/ TV screen writer, born in Huddersfield and brought up in Sowerby Bridge, who has created TV series that include Scott & Bailey, Last Tango in Halifax and Gentleman Jack. (1pt)

10. Golcar-born, he is the only goalkeeper to score a goal for Huddersfield Town at Wembley. Who is he? Which Huddersfield born left back, an apprentice plumber, went on to



be a League and Cup double winner, to earn 4 caps for England, to appear on ITV's 'On the Buses' and to become a successful businessman in the USA? And, for a 3rd point, name the only Huddersfield born footballer to captain his country in a career that saw him win a total of 27 England caps. (3pts)

11. Was the 'Castle Hill' Monument built in 1878, 1898 or 1918? The Huddersfield public raised the funds for construction. Was the cost £2,000, £4,000, £10,000 or £40,000? (2pts)

12. Born in Marsh in 1908 this actor enjoyed a stellar career that spanned five decades and produced awards that included two BAFTAs and a Golden Globe. Name him and also the Mirfield-born actor who, in 2010, was knighted for his services to drama. (2pts)

13. Which Huddersfield born businessman was knighted in 1968 for services

to industry and at that time owned the Aston Martin/Lagonda motor car business. And for further points, name the two products for which his company's locally based businesses were even better known. (3pts)

14. Nicknamed 'The Factory King' after his reforming successes with the so called '10-hour Factory Act' this politician wrote the Fleet Papers from his prison cell (attacking laws that 'reduced paupers to the status of slaves'). And after his death (in 1861) thousands were to line the drive from his Fixby Hall residence for his funeral cortege. What was his name? (1pt)

15. Huddersfield Town won the FA Cup in 1921. Who were their opponents? And they played the same team in the 1938 final at Wembley when there were 2 remarkable coincidences; what were they? (3pts)

16. In driving around Huddersfield's inner ring road a motorist will pass through four sections that have names ending in 'gate'. Name each section plus 4 more 'gates' inside the ring road itself. (8pts)

17. Name the current poet laureate; Huddersfield born, brought up in Marsden, educated at Colne Valley High School and still resident in the Colne Valley. (1pt)

ANSWERS

1. Colne Valley Grammar School. The Open University. 2. Roy Castle. Scholes. 3. Sir Amos Brook Hirst. 4. Any six from George Herbert Hirst, Wilfred Rhodes, Schofield Haigh, Willie Watson, Ken Taylor, Chris Balderstone, Ryan Sidebottom, and Ken Taylor was Huddersfield's young superstar. 5. Sir James Hanson. 6. Skelmanthorpe. Shelley High School. 7. Herbert Asquith. 8. Anita Lonsborough. Ed Clancey. 9. Sally Wainwright. 10. Alex Smithies, Bob McNab, Trevor Cherry. 11. 1898.... For £4,000 (£3,998 actually). 12. James Mason. Sir Patrick Stewart. 13. Sir David Brown. Gears and tractors. 14. Richard Oastler. 15. Preston North End. The scores were the same (both 1-0) both winning goals were penalties. 16. Southgate, Queensgate, Castlegate, Northgate, (and inside) Westgate, Kingsgate, Oldgate and Kirkgate. 17. Simon Armitage.

KIRKBURTON MIDDLE SCHOOL FOOTBALL

PITCHES Twenty Years on for Junior Football in the Village

It is now nearly twenty years since we obtained a National Football Foundation grant of £437k towards the total cost of £630k to carry out the major improvements at Kirkburton Middle School and Gregory Playing fields. At that time there was just one junior team sharing the Gregory pitch. Many of the people who were involved with the two years of hard work to obtain these funds have moved on and it is worth giving a brief outline of some of the earlier work for all the new junior football coaches/helpers who now use, and benefit, from these facilities.

The main aim of the original project was to drain the Middle School's grounds due to the thick clay subsurface that usually caused them to be waterlogged from October to March each winter, thus preventing the School or Community using them. In 2002 drainage work was carried out on the top and bottom sections of the grounds and new primary drains installed at a cost of £60k. The other major improvements were the new school changing building, the all-weather training area and the on field senior changing rooms.

A further Football Foundation grant was then obtained in 2010 to clear some of the old Special School ground, adjacent to the Middle School. This area was refurbished and drained to make

another football pitch, along with extra secondary drainage to the existing bottom school pitches at an overall cost of £55k.

Something of the order of £5k per year is spent on each pitch in marking out, grass cutting, verti-draining, re-seeding and top-dressing with sand to keep them in good condition. The Football Foundation suggest that 60 tonne of sand should be applied each year and their estimate for all this work back in 2012 was £12k per year for every full-size pitch. In time, with the nature of our sub-soil and physical position, we find that the surface still becomes compacted/waterlogged and extra drainage work needed.

In the winter of 2019/2020 not many matches could be played at the site and everyone was fed up and complaining about the situation, something had to be done. This required a visit by a representative of the National Grounds Maintenance Association, the preparation of a Pitch Improvement Programme, and the completion of a facility development application before we could apply for any further funding. Again, lots of paper work had to be provided and questions answered, before we were able to qualify for a £25k grant towards the secondary drainage of the five pitches at the Middle School against the total cost of £49k. Every year we have to complete an extensive survey with details of numbers using the facilities and then every five years there is a meeting with the local and National Football Foundation managers to check that we are making progress against the original Development Plan.



Secondary drainage involves slitting the ground about 50cms apart, removing the soil to a depth of 20cms and back filling the gap with special good quality sand and then re-seeding the whole area. This drainage work was done at the start of the 2020 summer school holidays in between the two lock downs. The picture shows the serious machinery used to do the job. On the top pitch, some of the main drains were found to be blocked with tree roots and sections had to be replaced.

During the two weeks that the work was done it stayed dry for the heavy machinery and then, after completion, the rains came to help the surface recover and the new grass

seed to grow, with the result that by the middle of September 2020 football matches were underway again on the pitches and the surface was as good as ever.

Where does the money come from each year to pay for all this ground work? All the School and Community users of the all-weather training area pay and it is vital that this is well used and also well maintained.

The drainage contractors estimate that the main primary drains will only last about 25 to 30 years before they become blinded and within 10 years it will be necessary to raise funds and carry out more extensive work than has just been done, if we are to have the marvellous surface that we have at present.

Geoff Barnard



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The club has three all-weather tarmac courts with floodlights, which makes it possible to play all year round.

If you are interested in playing competitively, then we have two men's teams, two ladies' teams and a junior team – all playing in the Huddersfield and District Tennis Leagues.

We also run a mixed doubles league and both men's and

ladies' ladders.

If you prefer to play socially, then we hold club sessions on Thursday evenings from 6:00pm onwards and on Friday mornings 10am -1pm.

These sessions provide a great opportunity for members to come along, meet other players, mix in – and generally have a fun time!

Andy Smith, our Level 4 LTA qualified Coach, runs an extensive coaching programme, which caters for children aged 4 upwards, and adults.

So, whether you are an absolute beginner, someone returning to the game after a break, an experienced player, or requiring exercise after the lockdown. **GET IN TOUCH.**

Our Membership Secretary is Paul Dowse. He can be reached via our email address at **gregoryfieldstc@gmail.com**



Kirkburton Football Club



Kirkburton Afc and the Huddersfield district league are once again in lockdown due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

At the end of last season this pandemic cost Kirkburton promotion and the way it's going this season it could end in the same way.

Kirkburton's first team are currently second in the league and are undefeated.

Kirkburton's reserves are currently joint top of the league with a game in hand and undefeated.

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Kirkburton Cricket Club



After what has been a challenging 12 months, we move into 2021 with hope cricket will return to Riley Park with some normality. We still await confirmation, but the Huddersfield Drakes League Executive have already expressed their wish to return to the usual 50 over format this season. Like everyone else we are monitoring the situation but hope cricket will return in April.

Jonny Butterfield will again captain the 1st XI and we are delighted the club were able to re-sign Roscoe Thatill. Previously he settled in brilliantly both on and off the field, topping the league batting averages despite missing 8 games – it will be great to have him back! Alongside Roscoe all the first XI remain with youngsters such as Sam Carroll, Ben Carrington, Aaron Moore and Jack Byrne expected to be better for the experience picked up in 2020.

The club likes to think it sits at the heart of the community – many non-cricket groups using our ever-improving facilities. The club hosts cricket fixtures up to 5 days a week in the summer months. Friday nights see up to 100 junior cricketers partake in age group training whilst many of their parents enjoy a well-deserved drink! The junior section is currently one of the strongest in Huddersfield and something we are incredibly proud of. Testament to that is many of our juniors have progressed through to become regular first and second team players.

We want to keep progressing and have had to take certain decisions to ensure the long-term future due to these challenging times. Ground improvements had to be paused but as we come out of the pandemic and we have clarity around the immediate future we have every intention to improve the net facilities as well as renovate

part of the scoreboard. This will only improve our facilities further. The club is looking to come out of this current challenge as strongly as we went into it. To do that we would like to generate sponsorship and would welcome support from anyone whether that be a business or individual who is able to help. The club has a long-standing relationship with several businesses in the Kirkburton area – your support is invaluable and very much appreciated. If anyone would like to support the club please contact Marcus Kelly on 07803758278.

We have been very fortunate over the last 5 years to have Simon Lewis take care of the ground. Due to work commitments Simon is not able to continue. The square has improved significantly over his time with the club and we would like to find an experienced groundsman to take it on. If anyone would like to express an interest in the role, please contact club secretary Tom Cliffe on 07866581620.

We look forward to seeing you all at the club in the coming months and hopefully the sun shines and there is some good cricket to watch.

Best Wishes

Kirkburton Cricket Club

Autumn Gardening Tips

from Lisa Halifax at
Totties



At the time of writing this it's snowing heavily outside and we find ourselves in lockdown again. Whilst it is still cold outside start planning your garden and vegetable crops and deciding what to grow and what you need to purchase ready to sow or plant. Think what you want from your garden. Last year we saw a surge in 'growing your own'; we just hope that will continue with many enjoying their own produce. With many families home schooling again you can bring growing into the children's learning. You don't need a garden. Pots or jars and a window sill are very good learning aids

Gardening can be great fun, it's good for you and brings many benefits to your physical and mental health. This has been recognised by the government as they agreed that garden centres can remain open being classified as essential shops many supply winter essentials such as logs, coal and kindling.

As we move into February you can start chitting early potatoes; place them in a shallow tray or egg tray in a cool, light and frost-free place. Don't rush their growth as it'll be at least another month before you can plant them. If you're planning to grow potatoes in pots, use one that's at least 25cm in diameter and half fill it with vegetable growing compost. Lay the potato just below the surface. As shoots grow, cover with more compost until the pot is full. Cover the young plants with garden fleece if frosts are forecast. Make sure you water regularly, keep compost moist but not wet. It's important when they start to flower to pull the flowers off, then all the energy goes into the potatoes.

It's also time to get our hands dirty and start to prepare for the growing season. If the soil is workable, dig in 5cm or more of well-rotted manure

into your beds, chicken pellets or fish, blood and bone can be used too.

You could start to sow some seeds under cover in a propagator, a heated greenhouse or on a windowsill. As well as vegetables there are plenty of summer flowering seeds to choose from including geranium, petunia, busy lizzie and sweet peas. Nasturtiums grow easily, are edible and make a colourful addition to your green salad. Primulas are also fantastic for some bright early colour. Before you know it, you'll be eating from the garden whilst admiring the beautiful colours and scents.

Once you get in March and then April put some time aside as this is the main month for sowing; beetroot, carrots, leeks, radishes, spinach, sprouts, cabbage, onion, second early and main crop potatoes can now be sown. For advice on growing your own vegetables <https://www.rhs.org.uk/advice/grow-your-own>

Plant of the moment

Camellia

Camellia are easy to grow, glossy evergreens. They are ideal for pots. Their showy flowers come in whites, pinks and reds and appear early in the season; a time when not much else is flowering. Plant in Spring or Autumn, prune after flowering and feed in spring with an ericaceous feed.



With our local pubs and restaurants still closed our food critic, the Burton Diner, brings you

Traditional Yorkshire Favourites



Yorkshire Pudding

Continuing with a Yorkshire theme from the last edition of the Burton Bulletin I thought we'd have a look at some of our Yorkshire specialities so of course we must start with our very own 'Yorkshire Pudding'. The pudding had been a culinary staple for several hundred years before the very first recorded recipe which dates to 1737 when it was known as 'dripping pudding' and was a much flatter version than the light and puffy one we know today, this recipe was published in a book called 'The Whole Duty of a Woman'a book worth investigating for a future article.

The recipe was very simple, fat and juices that dripped whilst roasting meat, were collected in a pan placed on the shelf below. As nothing was ever wasted in the kitchen a cook somewhere in the North of England decided to make a simple batter pudding with items available to all housewives, flour, eggs and milk, this was tipped into a hot pan, tossed over the fire with a bit of added butter and then placed under the meat as a means of using all the nutrients and fat that dripped during the cooking process this became the 'Dripping Pudding'.

Ten years later the cook Hannah Glasse renamed the pudding replacing the word dripping with Yorkshire and thus the 'Yorkshire Pudding' was born. Traditionally Yorkshire pudding was eaten as a first course with the meat juices before the main meat course, meat traditionally beef was an expensive commodity so filling up with the pudding first was a huge saving. Any left-over batter pudding didn't go to waste either and could be eaten cold with a little jam or syrup.

It was only fairly recently in 2008 that the Royal Society of Chemistry declared that a Yorkshire pudding isn't a Yorkshire pudding unless it's higher than ten cm [four inches], today the puddings are not just confined to eating with beef and are consumed with almost any meat and our 'Yorkshire pudding' is probably Yorkshire's most famous culinary export.



Yorkshire Curd Tart

This is another Yorkshire delicacy with a long history which even to this day is really only known in Yorkshire and another example of 'waste not want not'.

The curd tart is essentially a baked cheesecake in a pastry case using only curd cheese which is sweetened with sugar and mixed with currants, allspice [formerly known as clove pepper in Yorkshire] and sometimes rosewater. No other spices or cottage cheese should be used as substitutes but I have noticed that quite a few old recipes use nutmeg instead of allspice.

Curd tarts were traditionally made around Whitsuntide using the curds left over from the cheese-making process as most families kept a cow, this seems to originate in the early 17th century with Whitsuntide being the 7th Sunday after Easter the weather was warm, it was a time for country fairs and a holiday so something to celebrate. In dairy farms with several cows a special curd tart were sometimes made after the cows had calved using the cows colostrum, the milk produced straight after a mammal gives birth and is particularly rich in nutrients and fat.

Parkin

Here in Yorkshire we eat parkin on the 5th of November Bonfire night which fits in with history as it was traditionally eaten on what became known as 'Parkin Sunday' which was the first Sunday in November, the best parkin was made with fresh oatmeal, this was harvested in October so fixes the date fairly accurately.

It seems the link between parkin and Guy Fawkes was the bonfire as the first two weeks in November had many festivals and like the Celtic festivals that preceded them they were celebrated with a ritual fire and cakes, All Saints Day is on 1st November and All Souls on the 2nd.

Parkin is thought to have originated in Leeds and is basically a



variation of the gingerbread which was already associated with the celebration at the end of harvest and pre winter animal slaughter in November and the time of the year for bonfires. This ancient feast day treat was made with readily available kitchen staples, which were important elements of a local working class diet in this part of Yorkshire, later the oatmeal and treacle were added and the gingerbread became parkin.

The first mention of parkin was at the West Yorkshire Quarter Sessions in 1728 when Anne Whittaker was accused of stealing oatmeal to make Parkin but the first written account of it appears to be in the diary of the poet William Wordsworth's sister on 6 November 1800, historical records show Parkin was most likely eaten well before this time but as the recipe was known to every housewife it wasn't necessary to write it down.

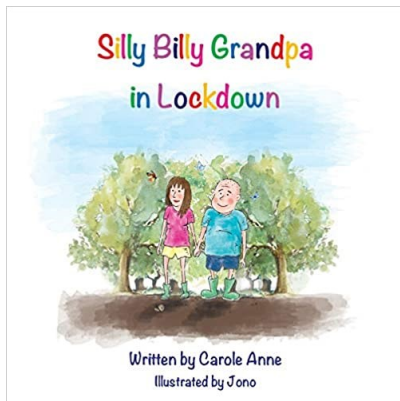
Parkin is a keeping cake and should be kept now for at least 3 days after baking for the flavours and stickiness to develop, in early recipes before refined sugar was available it was baked originally with honey and then treacle, the cakes were baked hard and kept often for quite a long time this allowed them to soften for later consumption.

There are many theories about the origin of the word parkin, but none is certain and it is still a puzzle.

A PUDDING to bake under meat.

A Quart of milk, six eggs, a little salt, make it into a batter with flour, as thick as for pancakes; put some dripping or butter into a stew-pan or frying-pan, boil it upon the fire, pour in the batter, and hold it upon the fire two or three minutes to harden the bottom, then set it under the meat before the fire. Give it a heat upon the fire several times, shifting it in the pan when it is stiff enough to bear it. Make the pudding of such a size as to be baked enough when the meat is ready. Slide it upon a dish, and send it to table, with melted butter.



BB Book Review**Silly Billy Grandpa in Lockdown by Carole Anne**

When we look back on 2020, I'm guessing that there won't be too many great memories that any of us will be able to cling onto.

And yet, throughout the troubled year there have been some unexpected and morale lifting experiences. For example, many people have connected and in lots of cases re-connected on Zoom chats, we've learnt to appreciate some of the little things in life that maybe we had taken for granted and new skills have been learnt, making good use of the endless hours we have had at our disposal.

A great example of something positive and maybe unanticipated to come out of last few months of frustrations and periods of boredom is the first book written by Carole Anne. Produced with her five grandchildren in mind, Silly Billy Grandpa in Lockdown is well-written and includes some excellent illustrations.

Based on events that happened during seven days of the first lockdown, it's a great way to make some sense, create a degree of normality and have some fun in what has been a confusing and worrying time.

It's something that I'm sure Carole's grandchildren have enjoyed and that plenty of other children would appreciate too. The book is also a fantastic example of how sometimes the most challenging episodes can deliver an unexpected bonus.

Silly Billy Grandpa in Lockdown was written during the first corona virus lockdown by Kirkburton new author Carole Anne. It is her first children's illustrated book and is based on Grandpa and Grandma's adventures in local Thunder Bridge Meadows, when the worldwide coronavirus pandemic forced the country

into its lockdown in March 2020. The story is based around the Kirkburton grandparents daily woodland adventures when they could no longer see their four grandchildren and a cheeky French bulldog called Hugo. Carole Anne documents grandpa (63 and $\frac{3}{4}$) and his wet and muddy daily adventures.

The original version was produced with actual photographs of them in Storthes Hall Wood. Local walkers and explorers would have recognised the photos as, an entrance to Storthes Hall, Eddie the Heron, the ant hill, Bertie the Badger's home, and, the local friendly horse who Scaredy cat grandpa ran away from. The village shop is our local Kirkburton Co-op.

When the grandchildren enjoyed the book so much Carole Anne sent it to a publisher who suggested illustrations rather than photos to further widen its appeal. That's when Jono from Kirkburton's Mindlabs stepped in with joyful and heart-warming illustrations for the final version.

The book is a real life true story and documents an unprecedented time in our very recent history. It is written with fun and laughter during a time when it was not possible for grandparents to see, play and have those magical moments with their grandchildren. It should provide the perfect talking point for discussions with little ones about the strange virus that affected and changed all our lives so dramatically. The book can be ordered from Amazon or at a reduced price of £5.00 via carole62anne@gmail.com. Local delivery can be arranged. Ideal for young readers and younger ones.

Recipe for February**Chorizo and chickpeas**Ingredients

400g can of chopped tomatoes

100g chorizo (sliced)

140g/5oz wedge of Savoy cabbage

Sprinkling of dried chili leaves

410g can of chickpeas, drained

1 x chicken or vegetable stock cube

Per serving

300 k/calories, protein 23g, carbohydrate 30g, , fat 18g, saturated fat 5g, fibre 9g, added sugar 0.3g, , salt 4.28g.

Method

Put a medium sized pan on the hob.

Add a can of tomatoes followed by a can of water.

While the tomatoes are heating, quickly chop up the chorizo into chunky pieces and shred the cabbage.

Pile the chorizo and cabbage into the pan with the chili flakes and chickpeas, then crumble in the stock cube.

Stir well and leave to bubble over a high heat for six minutes until the cabbage is just tender.

Ladle into two bowls and eat with crusty or garlic bread,

Preparation time 10 minutes—serves two.



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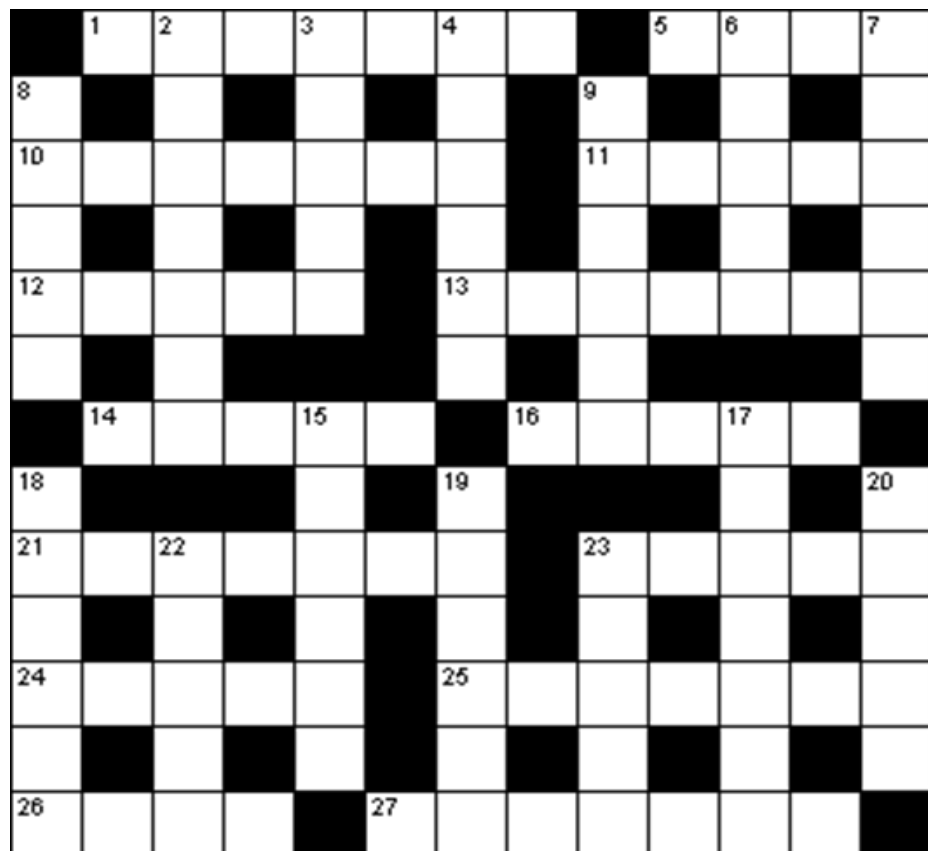
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10. Sounds like a secret military rank (7)
11. Stories found in vital essays (5)
12. Lift more money? (5)
13. Uncle Arthur shows it's ill-defined (7)
14. A profit once more (5)
16. Remains of fire in brash escape (5)
21. Odd pace of scrambling creature with ten legs (7)
23. Apportion what sounds like a great deal (5)
24. Sudden fear in spa niche (5)
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26. The only part of a shoe (4)
27. See pace of reformed fugitive (7)

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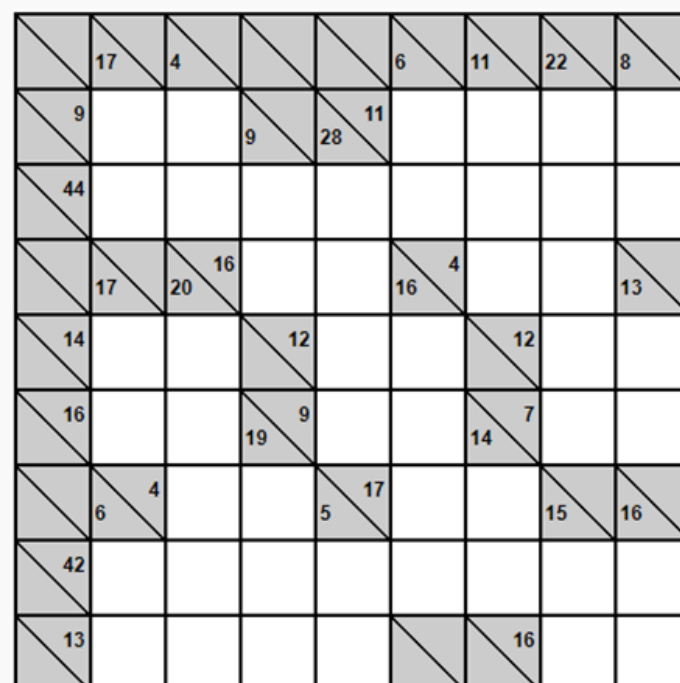
2. Sounds like wet weather ruling (7)
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8. Hope radio provides musical drama (5)
9. Adheres to tree branches (6)
15. Fairy performance is a hit (6)
17. General alteration to make bigger (7)
18. Changes apt ads (6)
19. Numerate reptiles (6)
20. Austere part of a ship (5)
22. Waterway discovered during pelican alert (5)
23. Most important Greek letter (5)

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The Bulletagram is an anagram of a 9 letter word. The challenge is to solve the anagram and find as many words of 4 letters or more which contain the central letter

**THE TARGET .. Not Bad 18,
Better 22, Pretty Good 26,
Champion Quality 30**

KARUKO



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Each letter in this puzzle is represented by a number 1-26. Can you crack the code and solve the crossword? Every letter of the alphabet is used at least once. 3 letters are already in place to get you started.

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There are so many coronavirus jokes out there, it's a pundemic!

My mum told me I would never achieve anything by lying in bed all day. But look I'm saving the world now!

When "Schools Out Forever!" We didn't realise he was a prophet

Alice Cooper sang

Why did the chicken cross the road?

Because the chicken behind it didn't know how to socially distance properly

I never thought the comment "I wouldn't touch them with a barge pole" would become national policy!

The churches are closed, casinos are closed. When heaven and hell agree on the same thing, be assured Covid-19 is serious!!

Day 121 at home and the dog is looking at me, like "See? This is why I chew furniture"

I'm not talking to myself. I'm having a parent-teacher conversation

Nail Salons, hair salons, waxing centres, tanning places are all closed. It's about to get ugly out there

If I keep on stress eating at this level, the buttons on my shirt will start socially distancing.

Why did the pirates have to go into lockdown? Because the "Arrrr!" rate had risen

Can we uninstall 2021 and upload it again ... this one has a virus!!

My partner purchased a world map and gave me a dart and said, munificently "Throw this, and, wherever it lands that's where we'll go after the pandemic" Turns out we will be holidaying behind the fridge

Why is it best to think of 2020 as a panto? Because it's behind you.

What's the best way to avoid touching your face? A glass of wine in each hand

For the second time this week I'm buying booze for next week

I'll tell you a coronavirus joke now ... but you may have to wait 2 weeks before you get it

What's the difference between Romeo & Juliet and Covid-19? One is a Verona crisis ... the other?

2020 went viral faster than anyone thought

Never thought that my hands would consume more alcohol than my mouth!



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