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# Villages celebrate The Queen's Platinum Jubilee







The villages of Kirkburton and Highburton have been preparing to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

North Street and George Street are decorated with bunting, and many shops and businesses are flying the Union Flags outside their premises. Several shops have Jubilee window displays.

There are several events to mark the Jubilee. The seniors' tea on Saturday 21 May had a strong Jubilee theme and HD8 Voices Ladies' Choir held a Jubilee concert on Thursday 26 May.

There are several street parties being organised in various parts of our villages over the bank holiday weekend. The main event in the villages is the Jubilee Beer Festival and Summer Fayre on Saturday 4 June being organised by Kirkburton Uniformed Groups (KUG) at their premises in Hallas Road HD8 oQQ.

Kirkburton and Highburton Community Association (KHCA) have also organised a Jubilee Trail around our villages (see pages 20 and 21).

The final events held in our villages to mark the Platinum Jubilee will be two church services at All Hallows' Church on Sunday 5 June: a Holy Communion Service will be held at 9:30 am and then at 11am the Church4All service will be joined by Hade Edge Band after which cake and refreshments will be served.





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### JOIN OUR TEAM

If you enjoy reading the Bulletin, why not get involved in producing future editions?

We will be losing a key member of our team at the end of the year.

We are looking for someone to take on the role of commissioning articles from groups in the villages and preparing these for publication.

The task involves a few hours' work four times a year and is very rewarding.

Ask yourself: if the Bulletin ceased to exist, would you miss it? If your answer is yes, then please consider getting in touch.

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# The View from the Bulletin

As usual, this edition of the Bulletin reports on the activities of the various groups in our villages. The groups: in sport, education, the environment, music and other areas contribute a great deal to the life of our villages and help to make Kirkburton and Highburton such great places to live.

This has been underlined by the effort that has gone in to marking the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in the decoration of North Road with bunting and the Beer Festival to be held on the Jubilee weekend. Many of the groups share a key characteristic: they rely on the help and support of volunteers to do what they do.

This edition contains messages from several of these groups seeking new volunteers: the football and cricket clubs, Kirkburton Uniformed Groups (KUG,) Burton Environment Group, Kirklees Libraries, West Yorkshire Police, the Christmas lights team and of course The Bulletin itself.

The need for new blood in The Bulletin team has now become urgent.

We are about to lose a key member of our editorial team who is stepping down after seven years of dedicated service.

We hope that there is someone out there who enjoys reading The Bulletin who might like to get involved in commissioning articles from contributors and editing them for publication. At the other end of the scale for age and experience, we were very pleased to receive such a good response to our prize competition for young writers.

You can read the winning entry and the runner-up on pages 32 and 33.

We hope for even entries more next time.

**Bulletin Editorial Team** 

# Ask Burton

How do you feel about Burton?

We'd like to ask you some questions about what life in Kirkburton and Highburton is like. We're looking for your views.

We're using a tool called the "Place Standard". This is a way of helping to get conversations going about any place (it could be your street, neighbourhood or town), by using some simple questions. There are 14 themes asking about things such as public transport, facilities and amenities, natural space, play and recreation, identity and belonging.

Ask Burton is organised by Kirkburton and Highburton Community Association and supported by Kirklees Council. Please join in to share your experiences of Burton now and share your ideas for the future. You can take part

from 4 June to 25 June.

#### How to take part:

Chat to us at Kirkburton Library (Turnshaws Road Kirkburton, HD8 oRT) Wednesday 15 June 10:30 – 12:30 Friday 24 June 2-4 pm

#### Online

The quickest and easiest way to take part is online at:

www.AskBurton.org.uk. It should take 15 to 20 minutes.

### Printed questionnaire

If you would like a printed questionnaire, please call 01484 221 000 (Kirklees Council) and ask for Julie McDowell, or email Place-BasedWorking@kirklees.gov.uk.

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#### What will happen next?

Kirklees Council will help to analyse what everyone has told us.

We'll then share the results, both in The Burton

Bulletin and online. Kirkburton and Highburton Community Association will use what we learn to help create an action plan for your area.

Later in the year we will organise an event in Burton where you can see the results and talk about what happens next.



# "Big Ben to Burton" Sponsored Walk in Memory of Kirkburton Man Raises £40,000 for Cancer Charities

The Big Ben to Burton sponsored walk which took place from 9 to 15 April, in memory of Ben Jepson a local lad, who died from cancer has raised £40,000 for Cancer charities.

Ben's story is a heartrending one of bravery, stoicism, fight and family unity.

His friends and family decided they wanted to raise awareness of his cancer and raise funds for much needed research by having a sponsored walk from Big Ben to Kirkburton, in 2020. However, this never happened, because of the pandemic, and was rearranged for April of this year. The walk took place over seven days, covering 182 miles, going from Big Ben to Hempstead, Hemel Milton Keynes, Northampton, Leicester, Nottingham, Mosborough and ending up in Kirkburton at the Junk pub, covering up to 30 miles a day.

Many friends and family people walked the whole route, including Tim Bilton, himself suffering from cancer, and people were invited to walk the last leg with the group. Celebrations were in order at the pub at the top of Turnshaws.

In February 2014, having recently turned 30, Ben was diagnosed with stage 2b Hodgkin lymphoma. As a young and fit man, Ben was given a great prognosis and told he had an 80% chance of being clear of cancer after six months of chemotherapy. Sadly, this wasn't the case as the cancer was more stubborn than they originally thought.

After enduring six months of gruelling treatment, including chemotherapy, ra-



diotherapy, a stem cell transplant, in May 2016 Ben was given the all-clear from cancer, and was back playing squash and running his first half marathon.

However, he developed a condition called chronic Graft vs Host Disease. This affected Ben badly, he was one of the unlucky ones and he developed every possible side effect this disease has, which left his body irreversibly damaged, with no immune system.

His wife says '14 October 2018 will be a day that will forever stay in my mind, the day of our daughter's christening and first birthday. Ben knew on the Saturday night that he needed to go to hospital, but he battled through the Sunday and later that night we went to hospital. From that moment on Ben spent more time in hospital than he did

at home, coming home for a week or so before being admitted again.'

The next few weeks were agony for Ben, his family, sisters, and brother-in-law. He was transferred to Barnsley Hospice and had wonderful treatment from the palliative care team. He died there aged 35.

You can read the full, very moving story on <a href="https://www.bigbentoburton.co.uk">www.bigbentoburton.co.uk</a> where you can also see how you can donate to the worthwhile cause.

I am sure that the organising team would like to thank the sponsors of the event and the many people who have already donated to the cause. Currently, the amount raised stands at over £40,000.

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# It's back - Burton Open Gardens returns on 26 June



After a four-year gap, the very popular Burton Open Gardens is back this summer on 26 June from 11.00 -5.00. There will be a brilliant collection of gardens, allotments and other interesting spaces across Highburton and Kirkburton to look round at your leisure. And in addition, there will be lots of music spread around the gardens. So, all in all a fantastic day out.

The event is hosted by 20 keen gardeners and supported by ten or so local musicians, choirs and bands. Funds are raised through selling the programme and map (£5 each), which this year will go to Yorkshire Air Ambulance, Kirkwood Hospice, Humanitarian Aid in Ukraine and Kirkburton & Highburton Community (KHCA) Association which underwrites

event. Some of the gardens will also be raising funds through providing refreshments or selling plants.

The programme, which will also be the ticket to access the gardens, will be available from local outlets such as Russ Parkinthe Kirkburton butcher, and The Kirkwood hospice shop in the village. The organisers will also post updates on the Kirkburton & Highburton Community Association Facebook page.

We would welcome some voluntary help both now and on the day for a number of tasks, which both the gardeners and the musicians will find it difficult to cover. If you would like to get involved, please drop Chris an email dean1960@me.com











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We are currently on the lookout for new volunteers to join our teams at Kirkburton, Shepley and Skelmanthorpe Libraries. We welcome volunteers of all ages from all backgrounds and are flexible around the time commitment you can give.

You can find more information by visiting <a href="http://www.kirkleeslibraries.co.uk/volunteering/">http://www.kirkleeslibraries.co.uk/volunteering/</a> or emailing <a href="mailto:June.lawson@kirklees.gov.uk">June.lawson@kirklees.gov.uk</a> or by dropping into the library and have a chat with our staff and volunteers.

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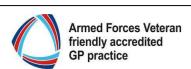
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We are continuing to increase face-to-face appointments and hope to reintroduce on-line booking soon. The practice offers GP and Nurse appointments on an evening, and can access weekend appointments at Huddersfield Royal Infirmary.

We know that some patients do prefer telephone and online access, and we aim to provide a balance of appointments and maintain access for same-day appointments for patients who suddenly become unwell.



If you are currently serving, or are a veteran of the armed services as a regular or reserve, please let our Receptionist know. Please wear a face covering when attending the Practice.

#### PRIMARY CARE NET-WORK (PCN) UPDATE

Staff across the PCN are working together to deliver two health inequalities projects. Our successful Wellbeing Bus will take to the road this month. A Community Garden Project involving schools and local charities is being created at Skelmanthorpe Health Centre, with an Open Day in May.

# FOCUS ON THE MAST PCN PHARMACY TEAM

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The team are a valuable part of our workforce and will:

- Provide specialist pharmaceutical advice to all Practices within The Mast PCN
- Undertake face-to-face and telephone appointments with patients, including medication reviews; longterm condition reviews; repeat prescriptions and assist in the management of patients who are on lots of different medicines

Clinical Pharmacist Sam Haigh said: "The role of PCN Pharmacist is a real opportunity to get to know patients, support people with long-term health conditions, including diabetes, high blood pressure, asthma and COPD and help them to safely and effectively use their medication.

Julie Lambe, Lead Manager for The Mast PCN said: "The Pharmacy Team brings specialist medicine and prescribing expertise to our healthcare teams and a real commitment to improving the outcomes, value and safety of medicines for our patients."

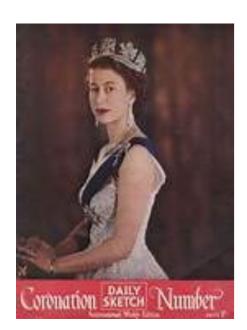
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	Appointments	DNA	% DNA
DEC	2557	86	3.3%
JAN	2652	93	3.5%
FEB	2418	85	3.5%

Patients who fail to attend their appointments and do not inform us, incur significant cost to the Practice and to other patients in terms of lost appointments. If you miss three appointments in a twelve month period we will consider removing you from our patient list.

If you do not need your appointment, or simply want to change it, call 01484 602040 or email reception.kirkburtonhealthcentre@nhs.net.

# **Memories of The Coronation**



I well remember the Coronation, I was five. There was only one house on our terrace where the owner had a television, nowhere near big enough for all the neighbours, so it was only the children who were allowed to crowd into Mrs Mather's room to watch the TV. The excitement of the day and the chance to watch the 'telly' meant that we would have stared at the testcard (a screen containa photograph and stripes, squares etc which was displayed before the programmes started so that you could tune in your TV) and in reality, I don't remember so much about the actual ceremony.



What I do remember though is the rest of Coronation Day, and the build up to it. My Dad had bought me a book about the Coronation, and the back two pages was a cut out model of the Coronation coach and the horses, as it would be on the day. We spent hours carefully cutting out, bending flaps and sticking together this wonderful diorama, and it took

pride of place in our window.

Mum spent a few weeks beforehand making fancy dress outfits for the party in the afternoon of 'The Day'. My older sister went as 'Sweets Off Ration' and we had bought and asked friends to keep for us wrappers from sweets etc to refill with screwed up paper and attach to the skirt of the home-made royal blue dress. You are showing your age if you Spangles remember sweets and Fry's Chocolate Cream, it was fabulous and she came second.

My school "boyfriend", (remember that I was just five), went as a herald and he won first prize and another friend went as a cowboy and he was third. I was well and truly miffed as I think my Mum had run out of ideas when she came to make my outfit, I went as Miss Coronation in a red, white and blue dress, and was not placed (see photo).

All was forgotten when we sat down at a long trestle at the local church hall, for a sandwich and cake tea, absolutely super.

The tea should have been on the street but as many people will remember, it absolutely poured down all day.

I also remember all schoolchildren being given a memento of the coronation, I was given a dish (photo below) and my now husband was given a mug.

It was all so homespun in comparison to the technology of today but the memories are precious

Pat Shaw





Commemorative dish from The Coronation in 1953

## The Queen's Diamond Jubilee 2012 - celebrations in Kirkburton



Wedding dress display in All Hallows Church in 2012

The year 2012 - can it really be 10 years ago? How quickly the time has passed since the whole country was preparing to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee – 60 years on the throne for HM Queen Elizabeth, and here we are again – looking forward to her Platinum Jubilee; 70 years of devotion to duty, an event unparalleled in history.

It was thought the folks who have moved into our locality since 2012, may like to hear just what transpired, and that those who've lived in the villages all their lives, might just enjoy re-living what turned out to be one of the most spectacular events ever to take place in our local parish church – All Hallows', whilst at the Hub, a very well supported Jubilee Exhibition attracted many visitors.

Way back in July 2011 a small group of local people had gathered at the Hub for a general exchange of ideas and suggestions as to how the folks of Kirkburton & Highburton might celebrate the Diamond Jubilee of her Majesty the Queen, coming up in June 2012.

An exhibition of wedding dresses, borrowed from members of the congregation and showing styles from, say, all the decades of the Queen's reign, was the favourite idea......"and wouldn't it be good if we could have a copy of the Queen's Wedding and Coronation dresses too," someone added – and perhaps a (huge) wedding cake could be made and portions offered, along

with cups of tea to all the visitors?

The seeds of a forthcoming event were being sown; who was it said 'Mighty oaks from little acorns grow'?

Knowing people in the right places is always an advantage; fortunately, member, whose church daughter was connected with three Universities as an outside assessor on their courses connected to Costume for Stage or Film, was able to assist. Huddersfield, Bournemouth and Glamorgan Universities were keen to help and were excited at the prospect of making copies of these wonderful dresses.

Sadly, we would have to settle for something more modest if ever this idea of showing copies of the royal robes was to become reality. Indeed, it is strictly forbidden for anyone to produce an exact copy of any of the Queen's clothes — it is only permitted to make an 'interpretation' of her dresses — so we were hoping for an end result which took our breath away when seeing the finished robes.

It was established that the Huddersfield course included a few specialities not available at Bournemouth and thus the final decision was arrived at; that the cutting and fitting of the fabric of the Wedding dress would be done in the south, then transported north for the surface decoration, which featured heavily in Huddersfield's time-table.

Bournemouth would be totally responsible for the **Coronation** robe.

Whilst visiting the University of Glamorgan in January 2012 it was found that a student there was, for her final year project, making copies of the wedding dresses of two other royal brides, but these dating much further back in history – one to early 19<sup>th</sup>C and the other to the late 16thC - namely Princess Charlotte and Maria de Medici respectively. These would make a wonderful addition to our planned display.

Meanwhile, former 'brides' from the villages were unwrapping their precious dresses and with examples from every decade of the Queen's reign, thoughts on how best to display them in church was uppermost in many minds.

Lack of space prohibits me listing the numerous problems encountered in arranging the details, suffice to say that some idea can be gleaned from the article – copied below, taken from All Hallows' Church Magazine, July 2012 and giving an idea of the many and various groups and individuals, without whose CO-OPERATION the event could never have taken place.

#### **CO-OPERATION WAS THE NAME OF THE GAME...** Shirley Lingwood

The formal invitation — 'We at All Hallows' request the pleasure of your company' — which appeared in all our advertising — resulted in an avalanche of visitors, over the five days of the event.

Their comments and compliments exceeded our wildest expectations; it was so reassuring to find people waiting for the doors to open on the first day. Wonderful too, on several occasions, to have a queue of people right through the chancel, waiting for their turn to move to the alter rail to get a close-up view of the truly spectacular 'royal' dresses.

It began with a chance remark (as often happens) around July 2011; a tiny seed of an idea which **grew** and **GREW!** 

Untold numbers of willing helpers have **co-operated**, each with their own special knowledge and expertise to share; they have given of their time and energy in so many ways - quite impossible to list separately – and we are truly grateful.

Co-operation in the very early days started with the idea of making replicas of Her Majesty's wedding and coronation robes being discussed with tutors at the University of Huddersfield (Costume with Textiles) and the Arts University College, Bournemouth, and later included the University of Glamorgan (Costume Construction for Screen & Stage). Their enthusiasm was infectious and their students produced the most exquisite workmanship which was so admired by everyone who attended our display. To be able to meet and question two of those students (who travelled specially to be with us in church in the first two days before their return home) was a thrill for many viewers.

**Co-operation** too from our local brides, who searched out and dusted off their precious dresses for us all to see and enjoy; everyone had a memory to share about *their* special day, and they were listed in our Souvenir Brochure for the enjoyment of all.

Sourcing enough mannequin dummies on which to display 23 dresses proved to be very difficult, but again, willing helpers from three different places **cooperated** to supply us. Transport to get those dummies to church was offered from two local business friends who had suitable vehicles — invaluable **cooperation**. There was similar help when we needed to find music stands on which to display photographs of our local brides — these came from two different places.

Several church members were away on holiday so unable to be present, but had baked delicious cakes to compliment the equally scrumptious wedding cake on offer. Not knowing how many visitors to expect made it difficult to cater, but freezer cabinets around the district were stocked with yummy confectionery and back-up supplies could be accessed when necessary. Another example of **co-operation**.

The rota of volunteers who manned the desk in the porch (sorry about the cold conditions), those who served refreshments, took the photographs, vacuumed the carpet, watered the flowers, directed the visitors, were all **co-operating** with one goal in sight – to present the best possible spectacle All Hallows' has seen.

So, WELL DONE EVERYONE – be proud and give yourselves a pat on the back for **co-operating** to help produce a truly memorable event in celebration of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee here in Kirkburton.

# Help to make ours an Environmentally-Friendly Community — 'Make a Difference'



We are striving to make our community and the world a better place to live in and enjoy, to protect our environment and help it flourish, to look after our homes and gardens and to care for our health and each other. We welcome your letters, tips and queries so please contact us at: janmoscovitch@icloud.com

# "Precious Water"

We look at the globe or photos of our planet with so much blue making up the seas and oceans and assume water is plentiful, but it just isn't. Water is precious not because it's scarce [drinkable water makes up only 2.5% of all water on our planet and only 1% of that is accessible] but because it's fragile too. Water matters because it is essential for life, water nurtures us humans, wildlife and plants and is very easily damaged and that damage can last a very long time. pollution seeping from old mines closed decades ago still seeps into our streams and rivers and chemicals from various industries are in our waters all around the world.

Sewage spills happen but farming causes more damage than that through chemicals such as fertilisers that leach into our watercourses because nitrogen and phosphorus starve water of oxygen and consequently kill a lot of wildlife.

Who would ever think in a climate like ours here in the UK that we would ever really be short of usable water. Over the years we have had a few very dry summers but with the change in our climate and rather unpredictable weather, water is actually in short supply. Winters are getting wetter but we don't have the capacity to store enough water for when we really need it as our summers get hotter and drier. Increased frequency of drought across Europe tells us water is an international issue but our UK's reputation for a rainy climate distracts us here from how the relationship between rainfall and water availability really works.

Our lifestyles over time have put an added stress on our water usage too, much improved housing standards

coupled with technological developments have provided enormous benefits in our homes and to our health with increased bathing and cleaning options. Every house has at least one bathroom, long gone are the days of the whole family sharing the water in a tin bath once a week, now a family of four taking a shower or bath every day uses an enormous amount of water. Washing machines have replaced the once week-'Monday washing day' when sink, posser and a mangle were hard toil. The bowl in the sink to do the dishes in many households has now been replaced by a dishwasher. The average UK household can use as much as 500 litres of water a day that's about 142 litres per person, but at the same time industrial and commercial water consumption has actually declined, in part due to more efficient processes. Generally,

though water demand is on the increase and with our population growth water supplies are decreasing.

Surveys that have been carried out show 85% of people have no idea how much water they use a day, most guess at around 20-60 litres. This lack awareness continues through all age groups but the vast majority of people are however willing to reduce their water consumption to help protect the environment.

Water companies capture much less rain for our use than is commonly assumed, in fact looking at recent figures 12 out of 23 water companies in England are considered to be under serious stress. As a country we need more water storage and to cut leakage from existing pipes.

#### How much water do you use?

#### Shower:

Power shower 13 litres Mixer shower 8 litres Electric shower 5 litres Bath:

A full bath uses 80 litres Toilet:

5 litres per flush, modern cistern 9 litres per flush, older

Washing machine:

50 litres per cycle

# Dishwasher:

14 litres per cycle

10 litres per cycle on eco-setting Washing your hands:

6 litres with running tap 8 litres per bowl wash

Car wash: 250 litres hose use

30 litres per bucket wash

Finally don't forget the gar-

Install water butts, use a watering can and avoid using the hose and sprinkler.



References: water company performance data, energy saving trust, Waterwise, UK water partnership.

# Community Field Flowers - Fairy potions and fleeing from Napoleon



Dog roses grow in hedgerows, woodland edges and on scrubland. In Shakespeare's time it was known as eglantine. It is a thorny climber with strongly hooked or curved prickles to help it hold on as it weaves in between other shrubs and uses them to support its growth. Its large pink or white flowers have five petals and a very faint, sweet smell. Sometimes the leaf bud can be affected by a gall known as robin's pincushion. This looks like a ball of fibrous red threads and is caused by a gall wasp.

Its fruit are striking red, oval berry-like hips which form in small clusters. Syrup made from rose hips is said to have four times the vitamin C of blackcurrant juice, and rose hip oil is also a popular skincare product. Each hip contains many hairy seeds, often used by children as itching powder. Dog rose flowers are an important nectar source for insects and its fruits are a valuable food source for birds such as blackbirds, redwings and waxwings.

The dog rose is a common symbol in medieval heraldry. In Germany it is linked to the Devil and its fruits were said to be used by fairies to make themselves invisible. The root of a dog rose was thought to be able to cure the bite of a wild dog. Other names for it are wild rose, briar-rose, cat-rose, cock-bramble, hip-rose and pig-rose.

The numbers of cornflowers in the wild declined dramatically due to, amongst other factors, increased use of herbicides and fertilizers as these flowers enjoyed growing in arable fields.

Fortunately in the early 1990s it began to reappear, particularly on unsprayed, set-aside farmland and also in ground disturbed extensive during road building programmes which brought long buried seeds back to the surface. It is an annual, which means that it has to grow fresh from seed each year and the soil needs to be disturbed to "awaken" the seeds if they are to return to the same site. Flowering between June to August, it can grow to a metre high.

It has, like many wild flowers, a number of alternative, local names such as, the bluebottle, blue bonnets, brooms and brushes, corn blinks, ladder love, logger heads, miller's delight, witch bells.

When Queen Louise of Prussia was fleeing Berlin and pursued by Napoleon's forces, she hid her children in a field of cornflowers and kept them quiet by weaving wreaths for them from the flowers.

The flowers then became identified with Prussia, not least because it was also the same colour as the Prussian military uniform.

The most valuable blue sapphires are called Cornflower blue, having a mediumdark, violet-blue tone. Cornflowers were found in Tutankhamun's tomb in Egypt and had lost very little of their colour, despite being over 3,000 years old.

In France, people wear cornflowers much like we wear poppies as a symbol of remembrance known as the Bluet de France.

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#### Featured business

# **BURTON BORN & BREAD**

'The Bakery' celebrates its Golden Jubilee this year – A brief history

Did walking to school passing a bakery ignite the first flames of a desire to have my own business? Probably. At eleven years old I became a Saturday boy; scrubbing trays and working in the school holidays whenever I could. On leaving school I gained valuable experience by working for two local family bakeries in Skelmanthorpe and Shepley.

As the desire to own my own business grew, an opportunity arose and I was able to buy a rundown bakery business - the owner wanting to retire.

The Bakery at 53, North Road, Kirkburton was where I began working for myself in January 1972. Buying the business and the premises was hard. Rundown premises needing lots of renovating; old worn-out equipment and an oven that only lit now and then left me wondering what I had taken on. However, this was no time to look

A 2am start six days a week was all I knew. Sunday was prep day, so I was never away from the building long. With one employee in the shop, I worked on my own for the first year. Baking from 2am to lunchtime and then delivering door to door in

the afternoons was the routine. As trade grew, I was able to take on an apprentice after the first year.

Working early mornings meant very little time for socialising. Before finding bakery work my main interest had been farming. All my spare time had been spent on local farms, tractor-driving, milking etc and it was Cawthorne Young Farmers which became the main social side of any leisure activities. It was here I met Margaret, a farmer's daughter, and we married in 1973 moving to live above the bakery for the first ten years of married life.

#### Growing the business

In 1974 an opportunity arose to expand the business. A bakery in a nearby village was closing and I was offered the business if I was able to take on two employees. The owner was keen to keep the brothers in employment. The brothers were employed and a partnership was formed becoming **Newsome** Messenger.

The partnership worked for many years and enabled a new bakery extension to be built. With more wholesale



Catering for weddings and other celebrations became a growing side of the business in the 1970's. Lots of couples held their receptions in school halls. All equipment would be taken to each event and it was often a late finish on Saturday evenings.

The 1970's also saw the National Bread Strike with the plant bakeries going on strike. It was a pressurised time as our business was picketed for carrying on producing and our flour had to be fetched from Hull docks.

#### A period of change

With an ever-growing business, larger premises were needed and, to keep the business in Kirkburton, the local garage and showrooms of Hepworth Honda bought. This expansion created three new shops for the village and a large manufacturing area on the first floor.

In the 1980's I explored other areas of business with the formation of a health food section and the creation of another company - Holme Valley Whole foods. A developing health food market saw us supplying many Holland and Barrett shops in Yorkshire alongside independent health food stores. One area of the business saw production of high protein products for a company in Barcelona. With

demand yet again outstripping what could be produced in Kirkburton some production was now moved to Newcastle. Staff levels were now much higher with three shifts of 45 employees.

A new area which I was keen to develop alongside baked goods was our own brand of Chocolates. Carob Carob Gold became the brand name of plain, mint and orange carob chocolates. This product was ahead of its time and needed huge capital investment to take it forward which I decided not to pursue.

Throughout the 50 years I have been very lucky to have had a team of dedicated staff. Two employees have been with me for a combined total of 80 years, with many more employed reaching double figures in years of service.

Seventeen years ago, James joined the business to take it into the second generation. He has very successfully navigated the exceptionally difficult last two years throughout the pandemic, challenging time for all. He is continuing to put the emphasis on quality, hand made products which has been at the core of the business.

Having worked in the village now for 50 years I have always tried to support the many local organizations we are lucky to have. mark the milestone of 50 years the business is donating a defibrillator to the village which will be sited at Kirkburton Cricket Club.

Philip Newsome



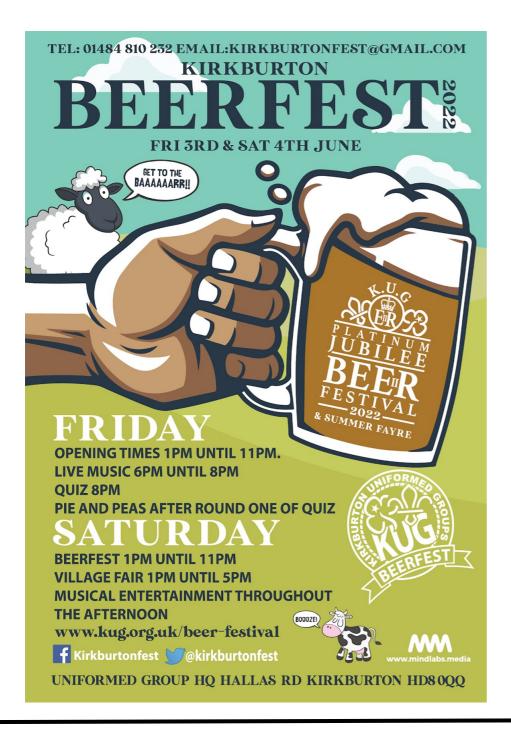
Philip (right) and James Newsome



# **All Hallows Church**



All Hallows' Church invites
you to join our celebrations!
On Sunday June 5<sup>th</sup>
at our 9.30am Holy
Communion Service
and at 11am Church4All, where
Hade Edge Band will join our
worship
and afterwards, when cake and
refreshments will be served





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If you want to speak to us at Kirkburton you can email us at

kirkburtonuniformedgroup@gmail.com or ring 01484 810232

leave a message and we'll get back to you.

# 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.

#### Make Do and Mend

I just wanted to say how much I enjoyed (and applauded) the article 'Make Do and Mend' in the March edition of the Burton Bulletin. I can still hear my grandmother's voice repeating this maxim. I can't profess to do much sewing these days except for essential mending — buttons, split seams and the like — but I have been a keen buyer of pre-owned clothes for 25 years, from dress agencies.

Through all those years wonderful pre-owned dress agencies have become a 'family' for hundreds of women who love wearing beautiful clothes but who could not have afforded (or, even if they could, were not prepared to pay for) the designer label prices.

Of course we are all very grateful to the women who could afford and were happy to pay for them originally.

Over the years, many of the clothes purchased here have turned up in the shop again and again and there has always been a market for them. Now, many of the daughters of these women are buying beautifully made pre-owned clothes, often updating them with modern twists.

The March Bulletin was excellent. Thanks to the editors and contributors it's going from strength to strength, full of very interesting and informative articles.

[name and address supplied]

P.S. Another 'make do and mend' tip if you have any 'shrunk in the wash' wool or cashmere — and who doesn't? The thickened wool can be used to make trendy elbow patches to prolong the life of your favourite sweaters.

Loyal Reader



Please send your letters to us at The Bulletin. Either by email to <u>burtonbulletin@khca.org.uk</u>, or by post c/o Burton Village Hall

# **VACANCY: SUB EDITOR**

Working from home, the hours are variable, but considerable for about three weeks every three months. The pay is zero. The advantages are few and disadvantages many. Job satisfaction is whatever you can make of it.

Experience of life would be an advantage, further advantages would be computer literacy and enthusiasm, otherwise no experience needed.

Interested? - <u>Burtonbulletin@khca.org.uk</u> 01484 602241 or 01484 600488



# Kirkburton Petanque/Boules Club



Kirkburton Petanque/ boules Club will be starting their new season in June at their specially designed terrains (or pitches) in Burton Dean Park.

Why not come along and try your hand at this exciting sport which is very popular in France. Members of the club will be giving guidance and offering the opportunity to play with the chance of a prize at the village Platinum Jubilee Beer Festival and Summer Fayre on Saturday 4 June.

Equipment and games are available for both adults children. and

In March, the club represented Kirkburton at the Petanque Huddersfield

We managed to win two matches and lost one, with only two teams winning all three matches. So, 'well

The terrains at Burton regular June onwards.

Everyone is

Tim Scott 07757332119

Championships as the only non-league team among many entries.

done' to everyone.

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# Huddersfield & District Army Veterans' Association (H&DAVA)



You may have noticed at civic occasions in the village, a man sporting a bowler hat; the man is **Ian Fillan** and at one of these occasions, I asked him the reason for such headgear. The result was the article below.

# Major Robert Welsh - Founder of the H&DAVA

Robert Welsh was born in Huddersfield on 28 August 1851. He had two sisters, Janet and Mary, and one brother, John Francis, who later became Bishop of Trinidad.

At the age of 19 he was working as a clerk in a solicitor's office and progressed to become a qualified solicitor. A prominent rugby player, he played for Yorkshire in 1875 and 1876.

In 1884 Mr Welsh was elected to the Marsh Ward as a Conservative councillor, where he served as an active politician. By 1897 he was ranked as a Major with the former 6th Huddersfield West Riding Rifle Volunteers. In this year the 60th Anniversary of Queen Victoria's accession to the throne was being celebrated with parades across the country.

Major Welsh arranged a gathering of as many Crimean and Indian Mutiny veteran servicemen as possible from Huddersfield and its surrounding district to join a pa-

rade through Huddersfield town.

Each veteran was presented with a Sergeant's red sash and a Jubilee medal. After lunch the Veterans took part in the parade. Major Welsh composed a poem for the occasion.

He was saddened by the plight of the veterans he'd brought together, and met with a number of prominent local people to see what could be done to help them. As a result of his efforts and dedication to the cause, the Huddersfield & District Ar-

my Veterans Association was formed on 7 December 1897.

Major Welsh acted as the Association's Honorary Secretary for a number of years. However, due to his deteriorating health in 1907, he and his wife moved to Wokingham, where he was under treatment at the Pinewood Sanitorium for consumption. That year, on 3 March, he died. The Huddersfield Veterans held a parade in his honour at the Huddersfield Parish Church.

Major Welsh 's kindness and concern for the veterans all those years ago will never be forgotten. The Association has grown and flourished for over a century, and is now in its 123rd year.

May it continue to serve the spirit of care, compassion and community that began with the generosity and vision of Major Robert Welsh, whom we will always be proud to honour each year on our Founder's Day, 7 December.

Several Kirkburton retired veterans have kept the association alive. As retired servicemen they cannot sport a service uniform, but in the past, they would turn up to meetings in their 'Sunday Best'.

Captain (retd) Ian Fillan TD has been a committee member since the mid '70's, is a Past Chairman, Past President, and currently Hon. Vice President. A member of the Fillan family has been associated with the Association since its inception in 1897.

A recent member was J L Porter, who lived at 1, The Crescent. He joined in 1981 and died in 2012. A current member is Tony Eaton who lives in Southfield Court, and joined in 2016 as the official Association bugler. He plays at most Veterans' parades and funerals.

Major John Wakley TD was a committee member from 2002 until his untimely death in 2018.



# **Kirkburton Middle School**



The Kirkburton Middle School Building in Turnshaws Avenue

Welcome to the latest update from Kirkburton Middle School (KMS), it is hard to believe the final term of the school year is already upon us. The summer time is always an exciting time in schools and I'm sure this term will be no different. For the first time in two years, the school is finally beginning to feel very 'normal' once more. Subjects are again able to offer their full curriculums and our legendary offer of extracurricular and enrichment activities is rapidly returning to prepandemic levels.

The school was delighted to welcome former pupil Councillor Nigel Patrick, The Mayor of Kirklees, back to KMS for a tour of his old school. Nigel joined the school as a Year 6 pupil on the day it opened and so it was very interesting to hear what has changed since KMS day 1, and what hasn't. As part of the visit, Year 6 pupils were given a presentation on the history and ceremony of Mayors and they asked some extremely perceptive and thoughtful questions during the question-and-answer session that followed. We even had our own Mayor of KMS for the day.

During the second half of the spring term, as part of our careers curriculum, all Year 7 pupils visited the 'Get up to



speed with STEM' careers roadshow at Magna, whilst all Year 8 pupils spent an afternoon at Huddersfield University learning about the benefits of higher education. Our careers theme continues this term with our annual Trust careers fair, which will be held at Scissett Middle School this year.

A number of pupils recently hosted an afternoon tea for our governors as we said goodbye to Professor Ann Harris who stepped down as a governor at KMS after 25 years of service. I'm sure everybody connected with KMS would like to thank Ann for all her fantastic service to the school over the years. We were also delighted to welcome two new governors

for their first visit to the school in their new role. If you would like to know more about the role of a school governor and the benefits it can bring, please contact the school office. We currently have vacancies across a number of schools in our Trust.

On national offer day, we were delighted to learn that 2022 was a record year for applications to join our school in September. Unfortunately, a significant number of families were unable to secure a place in our new Year 6 however we always encourage families to apply again for Year 7 as spaces often become available. Please contact the office for more information about admissions to our school. Transition plans are now well underway and we are delighted that we can once again offer a full transition package this year. Over the coming weeks, staff from KMS will be visiting all our feeder First Schools to speak to Year 5 pupils about their new school whilst colleagues from Shelley College will be visiting KMS to speak to Year 8 pupils. We are sure this offer will help ensure a relatively worryfree summer and a smooth start- for both pupils and parents.

Our sporting success has continued throughout the spring term and into the summer. Notable achievements came in netball, cross country, football and tag rugby where our teams secured success at both district and county level. Our Year 6 boys' football team narrowly missed the opportunity to play at Wembley when they represented Huddersfield Town at a North of England football tournament. Unbeaten in their group games, they sadly lost a very close quarter final.

Not to be outdone by the PE department, our pupils continue to excel in the world of



music and performance both within and outside of school. A number of pupils took part in the annual Mrs Sunderland Festival with great levels of success. Rehearsals are well underway for our school summer show which takes place at the end of June and will showcase the many talents of our wonderful pupils. All are welcome, please contact school for details.

KMS has always prided itself on being a community school and it has been great to see pupils taking part in intergenerational projects across our community, this included a dance and movement session at Shelley Village Hall. We are also looking forward to hosting a number of events over the summer including the return of both the Kirkburton Seniors Tea and the Uniformed Group Beer Festival.

Overall, a very busy, but very successful spring term. Well done team KMS. Thank you to everybody for their continued support of the school as we continue - 'Enjoying, Achieving, Succeeding Together.'

Mr Taylor, Headteacher

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# PLATINUM JUBILEE TRAIL



Take a stroll around All Hallows Parish Church and the Memorial Gardens. Next head over to Burton Dene Park towards the Community Field then to our very own Local Geology Site. Finally make your way up to Highburton Village, depending how energetic you are feeling either take the steps from the Town Quarry or the more leisurely, accessible route towards Dene Park.

Along the way you will find pictures of either a flag or a crown containing a letter and number. Write the letter in the numbered square to reveal where to find the Jubilee Treasure

The Jubilee Trail can be followed from Saturday 14 May until Saturday 4 June, so you have plenty of opportunity to find all the letters, no need to find them all in one day.

Bring your completed sheets to the Jubilee Beer Fest & Village Fayre at the Scout Hut on Hallas Road on Saturday 4 June.

Pop along and find the KHCA stall between 1pm and 4:30pm, there is a small prize for every completed sheet plus entry into a draw to win our Jubilee Treasure.

Jubilee Treasure Prize to be drawn at 5 pm on the day of the Fayre. *Good Luck.* 

Name
Contact Number
ASK BURTON
How do you feel about life in Kirkburton and Highburton? We are looking for you views; please share you experiences of Burton now and share your ideas for the future.
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# **All Hallows Churchyard**

Head towards the church, on your way you will find poppies galore.

WWII 1939 – 1945 WE WILL REMEM-BER THEM. Find the memorial dedicated to the brave soldiers of our village who sacrificed their lives for King and County.

Why not pay tribute to the 67 soldiers from the villages of Kirkburton & Highburton who gave their lives in the Great War?

Next take a stroll past the village Police Station, through the gates and up the steps. Follow the path to a very special tree commemorating the Silver Jubilee of the Green Flag Awards. Next, you need to find four angels up high, North, South, East and West. This monument is taller than the rest. Find the place where you can read all about All Hallows Churchyard

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# Follow the clues around three areas of Kirkburton & Highburton villages.



# **Burton Dean Park**



# Highburton

Head down Burton Dean Park towards the Community Fields.

Take a stroll over the bridge and along the river.

Why not spend a while discovering Mending Walls & Making History?

If you are in the mood for exercise why not try some triceps dips, hand walks or press ups, or just sit a while on the picnic bench and enjoy the peace and quiet.

Enjoy the view, then head over to the Local Geology site and find out all about its origins.

Take some time to enjoy the floral display around Rue de Ruttle.

Where can you find out all about Kirkburton Sandstone?

If you're feeling energetic head up the steps to Highburton

or double back to the signpost and head for Dean park for a gentler, accessible route.

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At the top of Dene Park, take a left towards the junction of High Lane and Towngate. Here you will find we have our very own historic monument marking the site of the medieval market, a great place to rest after climbing up Far Dene.

You can also find one of the oldest buildings in the village built in 1669, bet this place as seen plenty of good times.

Find the place where children play, groups meet, and parties can be held. The home of KHCA.

Next head back along Burton Acres, lots of sport and fun to be had, you never know you may even find strawberries and cream being 'served' here in early July. Next stop, where lots of fun can be had in the sunshine, a good place to meet friends of all ages.

Last, but not least, halfway up, or down Hallas Road depending which way you walk the clues will have led you to a very special event on Saturday 4 June 2022. See you there.

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# **MP's Report Mark Eastwood MP**



These have been a busy few months, as things have gradually returned towards normality as the Covid restrictions have been removed and activities and events have been able to resume. I have enjoyed being able to get out and about to find out people's views. As part of this, I held a Question and Answer session at Cliffe House in February, hosted by Shepley Village Association and a second one on 28 April with Shelley Village Association hosting. I know that my office are looking at dates for me to be able to hold a similar event in Kirkburton or Highburton. These are wonderful opportunities for people to share their thoughts and views with me and to ask me about my views on issues that are important to them. I am so pleased that we are able to start doing these types of public meetings again.

I was also really pleased that a number of you were able to attend my first Older Persons' Fair which was held at the Pie Hall in Denby Dale on 11 March 2022. It was a very well attended event and I know from the feedback that I have received from people and also from the organisations that attended that this was appreciated, and people felt that they had been able to get help and advice that was useful to them. I hope to hold more of these in the future.

One of the matters that gets raised regularly with me is in relation to speeding and I know how important this issue is here in Kirkburton and Highburton, especially following the tragic death on Huddersfield Rd, just above the Parish Church. I have been working alongside your local councillors in trying to tackle this issue and liaising with the Police and pushing for more police enforcement across the constituency.

One of the difficulties is the current strict criteria that must be met before a speed camera can be installed in any location. These rules were first set in 2007 and are contained in a 2007 Department of Transport Circular which is well overdue for review and revision. I had the opportunity on 23 February to ask a question of the Prime Minister in

Parliament on this matter and he assured me that the rules are being looked at and I am seeking a follow up meeting with the Secretary of State for Transport to continue to lobby for change here.

A lot of the issues and concerns that are raised with me, either in person or via email or phone, are picked up and dealt with by my team who are based at my office in Dewsbury. The team work hard and were important in helping people with a wide range of issues and rarely get much recognition for the help they provide. As a result, I was really pleased that this work was recognised nationally by the Speaker of the House when one of the caseworkers in my office, Sajid Hussain won the award for Staffer of the Year at the Parliamentary awards recently. award is a testament to his hard work and dedication, going above and beyond to help people especially during the pandemic. I am so pleased for him and so proud of him and of course, the rest of the team.



Finally, I am pleased to see that the Government is taking action on fly-tipping and banning the stupid restrictions that Councils like Kirklees brought in which prevented residents from taking DIY waste to the tips. Changes that I know my colleagues on the Council highlighted would increase incidents of flytipping and that is exactly what happened. Additional monies are also being given to the Council so that they can increase the prosecution of fly-tippers and also use cameras and new technology to cover fly-tipping hotspots and deter would be fly-tippers. I was glad to add my voice to those who lobbied for these changes.

#### MARK EASTWOOD 01924 939007

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Mark with Sajid Hussain one of the caseworkers in his MP's office at the presentation of his Staffer of the Year Award in the Parliamentary Awards

# Bluebell Garden Club www.bluebellgardenclub.co.uk



The Bluebell Garden Club is a friendly group of plantaholics and garden enthusiasts who meet on the first Tuesday of each month at: St John's Church Hall, Green Balk Lane, Lepton HD8 oEW from 7:30pm, phone 01484 605411 for information.

The club was formed in 1995 and is affiliated to the Royal Horticultural Society, meetings include: speakers and demonstrators, plant sales, garden visits, a raffle, refreshments and a monthly newsletter.

Current membership fees are £15 per annum, or £2:50 per visit to come as a guest and try us out.

There are no restrictions to membership all are welcome whether you Garden a little or a lot, or not at all.

# Speaker programme for the next few months

June 7 Don Witton 'Once seen Never Forgotten '

July 5 Summer Social

Aug 2 Sean Downey 'Bee a Happy Gardener'

Sept 6 AGM and plant Auction

Oct 4 Celebrity speaker: Bob Flowerdew -No work gardening

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# Shelley Over - 60s Ukulele Band

After the last two years of lockdowns and isolation, Shelley Over-60's Ukulele Band were determined to return with a bang: and so they did by winning a prestigious music award at Huddersfield Town Hall, followed by a packed performance at Emmanuel Church in Shelley raising over £1,700 for the Disaster Emergency Committee, helping the people of the war-torn Ukraine.

Band leader Dominic Beresford explains how the pandemic has affected the group. "Our band has always been about fun and respite from our day-to-day woes and we've been desperate to get back to our normal sessions back at Shelley Village Hall on a Monday afternoon. Obviously, over the last two years we've been using Zoom to perform together and even a few outdoor, socially distanced sessions up at Shelley Football Club's ground at Storthes

The pandemic had really affected some of our members' confidence and there are still members who are, quite rightly, concerned about Covid still doing the rounds and some people

have either got new routines or have simply lost their mojo. I've been at pains to let everyone know that they're all welcome back when they feel ready to do so."

For the members of the group who did return it was a real case of wanting to hit the ground running, which is why they entered The Mrs Sunderland Music Competition.

Dominic explains. Mrs Sunderland Competition was set up over 130 years ago and is a highly prestigious Huddersfield event for musicians of all ages to participate in. Although we'd been approached about entering the competition in recent years, I had always been reticent in entering our group as we always focussed on the 'fun' aspect of playing rather than the competitive element. However, after the last couple of years, we all decided 'what the heck' and went for it. "

It was a gamble that paid off and, even though the group were up against stiff competition from the brilliant Friends of Beau-



Shelley Over-60s Ukulele Band performing at Emmanuel Church

mont Park Ukulele Group who had previously won the competition for several years running, they shone through playing a selection of songs from Disney's Jungle Book and a barnstorming Rock and Roll medley.

After celebrating their success, group member Janet Gallivan suggested putting on a concert to raise funds to help the citizens of the Ukraine. Dominic said: "We were never sure how many people would turn up, so it was a real case of practicing our sets and hoping for the best"

As it turned out, Emmanuel Church was packed and the generosity of the audience knew no bounds and a grand total of £1,729 was raised. "I would like to thank all of our players and the audience who made the night a memorable and highly successful evening. In particular I would like to thank the friends and family of the sadly departed Bob Taylor of Shelley whose funeral collection raised £412. This money was kindly donated to our cause by Bob's life partner Margaret Spencer and was a gratefully received.

#### So, what's next for the Shelley Over-60's Ukulele Band - The Royal Albert or Carnegie Hall?

"Well, we've performed at Huddersfield Town Hall at least, so that's a big one ticked off our list. We've had a great start to the year, but there's still a way to go to winning back people's confidence after the pandemic. It's a case of being understanding of people's anxieties and reassuring them that we aren't going anywhere and the door is always open for them to return when ready."

# Who is the group open to?

Anyone over 60 years old. We have retired nurses, teachers, panel beaters, ex-company directors. Anyone who fancies letting their hair down on a Monday afternoon can join. We're a really friendly group.

To find out more about Shelley Over-60's Ukulele Band please visit <u>shelleyukuleleband.co.uk</u> or <u>getstrumming.co.uk</u>

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Preparations are also underway for the Holmfirth Music Festival and Summer exam session. It's going to be a busy musical Summer.

#### **BEYOND THE SOUND**

In April, my singers and I created a brand new event called **Beyond The Sound.** 

The aim of this evening was to give singers experience of what they can achieve BEYOND their music lessons, how they can take their talents into the local community and entertainment sector.

I have many aspiring young singers who need a safe, encouraging environment to develop their talents and increase their confidence. Fortunately, Leanne Scott, the owner of 'Beyond the Mill' cafe was keen to support this venture and let us take over the venue for one night.

Each singer was responsible for designing their own set list, thinking carefully about their captive audience, and adapting their material for the style required for such an event. They also all had the opportunity to sing through a professional PA system and experiment with equipment, giving them the experience of performing and organising a live event.

I was incredibly proud of each and every one of them, having the confidence to perform, support each other, and have their 'own' their group event. It was such a successful, enjoyable evening all round and we are hopeful to return in the Summer, making this a regular slot at the cafe on a Saturday evening.

Please come along and support the next one - you won't be disappointed.

A huge well done to Jessica Elson, Bella Bradbury, Emma Wood, Georgia Pinnock, Ruby Mclellan, Ruby Walker and Harry Wood.

£150 was raised from a collection which the group split between the Ukrainian Charity and the Big Ben to Burton walk.

Thank you, as always, for supporting the young musicians in our villages.

Sally Byrne













Photographs are taken from the Beyond the Mill event; clockwise from top right, Bella Bradbury, Emma Wood, Jessica Elson and left, Harry Wood, Ruby McLellan and Ruby Walker.

#### MRS SUNDERLAND COMPETITION PRIZE-WINNERS













Clockwise from top left - Emma and Evelyn, Flora Bradley, Ewan Plumb, the two youngest pianists with Sally Byrne, Felicity Russell and at the piano, Nellie and Alfie. Photo collage by Ben Shaw.

# **Motoring with Martin Ward**

For those wanting to buy a new car, or have one on order it's not that easy, or quick. Mainly due to a severe lack of microchips, which started in the first phase of the pandemic. As the lights were turned off at the car factories around the world, all components needed to produce vehicles, including microchips were cancelled. But other industries were desperate for the 'chips', as home working expanded, then huge amounts of computers were needed, demand for home entertainment grew, and the defence telecommunications companies, cyber security, renewable energy needs also got larger.

The chip makers (and I don't mean McCains) very quickly found new customers. When the lights at car plants gradually turned back on slowly, most of the car companies found themselves at the back of the queue for supply, I guess they didn't see that one coming.

And the problem continues with getting hold of the many chips needed, with up to 3,000 needed per car. We see new vehicles being delivered with missing specifications, or altered standard equipment, and even some

manufacturers are delivering cars with just one key. But microchips are just one problem, another is the shortage, particularly in Europe of aluminium, I understand the vast majority is produced in Belarus, at the time of writing this article, very little, if any was heading to any neighbouring countries. Aluminium is used for engine parts, body panels, and many other necessary parts in vehicle production.

Having been to many car plants around the world and seen just how complex and complicated it is, even in good times, I'm totally surprised that anything at all is being built, and finished, and out for delivery. I take my hat off to all those in many thousands of supply chains who are working hard, in difficult times to try and ensure some sort of normality.

I recently went down to Millbrook Proving Ground to test some new McLarens, in a safe and legal environment and is used for testing vehicles 24/7. One of the cars was the 720S, powered by a 4.0-litre petrol engine and produces 720hp, goes



from 0-62mph in an incredible 2.9 seconds. One of my tests was on the 1mile straight, which as the name suggests is straight mile piece of road. I had to put my foot flat to the floor, and after a little 'wiggle' (a technical term) it straightened itself up, and off we went. My mouth was thrown open, and my cheeks began to wobble (another technical term). After no time at all I could see the mile post fast approaching, I glanced at the speedo, and at 163mph I chickened out (yet another technical term). I pressed the brakes, the rear spoiler threw itself up into the air, and it slowed right down in a second or two to a mere 70mph, which felt like 30mph, and slow enough to navigate safely the corner at the end of the mile. The nice thing about the McLaren is the fact you can drive them slowly as they are very docile and easy to handle, a great SuperCar

I'm involved again this year with the Yorkshire Motor Sport Festival as I was last year, its first year. We have many things planned including a mile long closed road hill climb, Classic and veteran vehicles, David

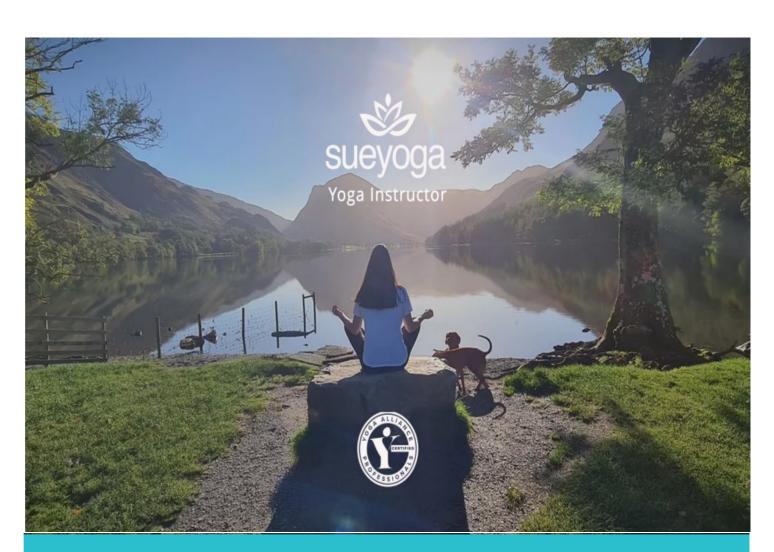
Brown Tractors, kids fun fair, car manufacturers, engineering village, arts and crafts, food and drink. I will be commentating for all three days 24-26 June with my good friend Sarah Crabtree from TV's Bangers & Cash. We have live entertainment on Friday evening - Fiery Biscuits and Abbarella, and Saturday Sass & The Groove and The Tone Junkies (I might even be on stage compering it, unless we can find anyone else...) There will be plenty of people from afar camping in anything from tents to large motor homes, and the camp site last year had a fantastic feel to it, with everyone enjoying themselves.

It's all happening in 125 acres of land above Honley and Holmfirth, a good day out (or three) for all the family with plenty to see and do, even, if like me, you don't like motor sport ... more details ..... https://www.ymsf.net/



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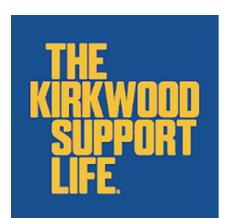
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# The Kirkwood—diary of events for June and July



Like every village throughout the country, The Kirkwood, Kirkburton will be joining in with other local groups to mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations. We are hoping to fill both our display windows with Royal Memorabilia, but we will need your help. If you have any royal mugs, plates, flags, books, pictures, bunting, newspaper articles and DVD's etc that you would like to donate or lend, we would be very grateful to receive them for our window display. Our shop windows are quite large and will take some filling. As I write this article, I know we have only enough royal memorabilia to fill one of our windows.

#### Saturday 4 June - Kirkburton Beer Festival Summer Fayre

The 2022 Kirkburton Beer Festival will be held as part of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations on Friday 3 and Saturday 4 June with a summer fayre on Saturday afternoon including live entertainment. Over the years, The Kirkwood

have had the pleasure of being invited to have a tombola stall at the beer festival and this year the event will be bigger and better.

The Kirkwood will be working with other charities and Community groups in Kirkburton to make sure we all have a fun filled weekend. All we need is wall to wall sunshine and your continued support, so please put **Saturday 4 June** in your diary.

If you are having your own right royal knees-up to celebrate The Queen's Platinum Jubilee, register for our free Platinum Jubilee fundraising pack. By adding that community spirit, feel good feeling to your event you will also be helping The Kirkwood to support life across Kirklees. Visit: bit.ly/Jubilee 2022 to learn more.#HM70 #PlatinumJubilee

#### Sunday 26 June - Burton Open Gardens

Kirkwood is one of the nominated charities for Burton Open Gardens which returns after a gap of several years.

#### Saturday 2 July- Midnight Memory Walk

For over a decade, The Kirkwood Midnight Memory Walk has brought our community together. More than a fundraiser, our flagship event is something truly special. A chance to join with family and friends to remember the special people in your lives and celebrate their legacy alongside a community of likeminded people. After a gap of almost three years, we are pulling out all the stops to make sure this year's event is bigger and better than ever. The Midnight Memory Walk is a circular route, starting and ending at the University of Huddersfield – you can decide on the night whether you would like to walk six or ten miles.

#### Saturday 9 July - Foxglove Summer Fayre

Sandra, our Thursday volunteer and her friends, will be representing Kirkwood by having a craft stall at this event.

#### Sunday 24 July - Sunflower Memories appeal in The Kirkwood Gardens

It is easy to take part. Visit our website and make a dedica-

tion on-line. The name of your special person will be written on a sunflower plaque and planted in the beautiful Kirkwood gardens for you to find and take home.

#### Friday 29 July - Summer Raffle tickets drawn

You could be in with a chance of winning one of these priz-

1st Prize: £2,000 2nd Prize: £100 3rd Prize: £50

Five Runner-up Prizes: £20

Each ticket costs just £1 and can be purchased from our Kirkburton Shop. Good Luck.

We hope you can support some of these upcoming events. Our diary has been empty for quite a while and it feels as if a little normality is returning to our lives.

Keep safe, Anna Boden



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"We love to drop in, my partner can remember the faces and some of the games, whilst I can relax and chat with people who are in a similar situation"

For those of you who have not been to the cafe, please be assured that you will receive a warm and friendly welcome from everyone.

Sometimes meeting up with friends, old or new, can make a huge difference.

If you live alone or are caring for someone, experiencing memory problems or you are bereaved, we are here, to listen to you, to laugh or cry with you, to support you and offer you friendship.

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# **Burton Belles WI**



With the summer months upon us there is a lot to look forward to. The past few months have been very busy, we hosted Jo from the ambulance service who taught us CPR and went through how to use a defibrillator, which fingers crossed, I will never have to use. But it set me and other Burton Belles members at ease if ever we did need to use it. She also mentioned the app What Three Words, which is a useful way for you to inform the emergency services of your location wherever you may be. May was our annual general meeting and our celebrations for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. We had great fun with a fantastic raffle and various games as well as adorning the odd tiara here and there.

We have been very busy as a committee planning various trips and outings as well as the usual brunch club and walks that we offer to our members in the way of subgroups. A cinema trip to see Downton Abbey was of course on the list and we went along with some members to the Paramount Cinema in Penistone, which if you haven't been it is definitely worth a visit, especially for those who love a bit of nostalgia. For Christmas we are off to York for the Christmas markets, and who can resist a little trip for a proper cuppa and a fat rascal at Betty's? We will also be having breakfast and an evening meal at the Keys in Huddersfield town centre, to round the day off as well as spending time with a fabulous bunch of women. It is so nice to finally be able to offer more to our members and start getting out and about.

these summer months we are hosting the Chatsworth Housekeeper who is giving us a talk all about her time at the 'big house' which is sure to be interesting, as well as being on theme for this Jubilee year. For our July meeting, we have Roger Parkinson from the Woodland Trust coming to speak to us all about the work they do. Speaking of the Woodland Trust, we acquired an oak tree from them which we are going to plant at Dean Bottom in celebration of the Queen's Jubilee, and to partake in the Queen's Green Canopy project. You could say that the Burton Belles are putting down roots and are here to stay!

I finally feel like we're getting back into the swing of things and it's so nice to see so many new faces at

our meetings, which if you hadn't heard are on the third Thursday of every month at the Burton Village Hall at 7.30pm. We're a friendly group and always happy to welcome new members. This com-ing year we have some wonderful speakers to look forward to including the plague doctor, Zumba and upcycling clothes with Linda Hewitt who has visited us a couple of times with her fantastic baking demonstrations.

So, if you are looking for something to do and fancy meeting new people, then we would love to welcome you to the Burton Belles WI.

#### Sarah Sharp-Allison President of Burton Belles WI

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# **Burton Crafters**



Clockwise from top right – craft aprons, needlework case, two tartan terrier doorstops, crafters doing embroidery and transparent folders.

As usual, Burton Crafters have been hard at work on Monday afternoons doing all sorts of things. A recent and very useful and enjoyable project was to make a reversible apron (pictured). Most of us have materials that could be put to this use and I have plans at home to make a few more to give as token presents to say thank you or just to give.

It may be worth mentioning that with some projects, the apron for example, although it could be hand-stitched, it is quicker and simpler to use a machine. Some crafters bring their own but we do have a machine that is simple and easy to use that anyone can use, if people do not possess one or do not want to bring

theirs with them.

Other projects have involved making bunting and tablecloths for the Jubilee celebrations in the village some simple triangles, but some absolutely brilliant with appliqued corgis, crowns and I think there was one Corgi sporting a crown. Watch out for those in the village over the Bank Holiday weekend.

Occasionally we have a UFO afternoon, where we complete Un-Finished Objects, which may include exactly that, or bringing your knitting, or even just coming along for the chat. It is even better when someone celebrates a birthday and we have cake at our tea break. Happy Crafting

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# **HD8 Voices Choir**



HD8 Voices Ladies' Choir have been rehearsing for a concert to commemorate the Queen's Jubilee held on Thursday 26th May at St. Paul's Church Hall in Shepley.

All the money raised will be donated to the Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal.

The choir has been working hard to rehearse, as many members have suffered from Covid and the various coughs and other illnesses going around this Spring and our numbers have been somewhat depleted.

However, we are very happy to welcome several new ladies who have recently joined and helped to swell our ranks.

We have had great fun singing. The songs are all old favourites like "Goodnight, Sweetheart", "I've Got You Under My Skin" and "New York, New York".

We hope that the concert will get people in a good mood for the Jubilee celebrations and, more importantly, swells the much -needed coffers of the sadly beleaguered Ukraine.

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We do hope that this finds you all well. After what has been a challenging two years, we are able to enjoy more activities with our children and are looking forward to being out and about again in the summer with walks around the village and our surrounding area.

It has been a very busy time at our Pre-school and we have welcomed many new children. We are full for most days and if you are thinking of your child joining us in September then please do get in touch to arrange a visit and secure your place.



Our book this term is Michael Bond's "Paddington at the Tower", which fits in with our London theme and Queen's Jubilee celebrations. The children have enjoyed painting a big "London Bus" for our display wall and have included a picture of a member of staff as the bus driver. There are also pictures of famous London landmarks including Big Ben and Tower Bridge.

We really appreciate the support of the villages and are looking forward to the Queen's Jubilee Village Fayre at the KUG Beer Festival on 4 June. Not only will this provide an opportunity to raise funds but it gives us a chance to meet more people in the village so do please come over and say hello.

We will be saying good bye to some children this term as they move on up to big school and we hope they leave with happy memories of their time with us: of visits to the Library; trips to the swings; painting, gluing and sticking and many more activities they have taken part in. We wish them well as they move on to new adventures.

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# **Nutella and Banana Muffins**

Prep time: 20 minutes Bake time: 25 minutes Servings: 8





Notes: If you have a nut allergy a plain chocolate spread is just as delicious.

You can see more of my baking on Instagram @\_baking.anya

#### **Ingredients**

50ml vegetable oil (I use rapeseed oil)

200g soft light brown sugar

3 overripe bananas, mashed

275g self-raising flour

2 eggs

1 tsp vanilla extract

150g Nutella

Pinch of salt

#### **Instructions**

- 1. Preheat the oven to 190C/170C fan and get your muffin cases ready in a muffin tin.
- 2. Put the soft brown sugar, oil, eggs, mashed bananas, and vanilla extract into a large bowl and whisk until smooth.
- 3. Add the self-raising flour and salt and mix again until combined.
- 4. Spoon the mixture into the muffin cases they should be three quarters full.
- 5. Melt the Nutella in the microwave for a few seconds until smooth.
- 6. Add a teaspoon to each muffin and swirl into the mixture with a skewer.
- 7. Bake for 25 minutes or until they are baked through. Leave to cool for an hour.



# Young Writers' Competition



In our last edition we launched a competition to encourage younger people to write to write for The Bulletin. We offered a prize of £25 for the best article we received written by someone under the age of 18.

We were very pleased to receive several entries mainly from children at the younger end of the age range. We had a particularly strong showing from children at Highburton First School who were inspired to write about the environment by a visit from Anna Boden. We have chosen one of those articles by Annabella M as the runner-up for this edition. Our thanks also to Alfie C, Cohen H, Elsie T, Heidi B, Rachel B, Scarlett S, and Scott B for their entries which were all good.

However, our winner is an article by Evan B aged 7 about his twin interests of music and trains. Well done, Evan. We will be continuing with the competition for future issues. We hope that more of our readers, particularly those in middle school or high school, might send us articles for our next edition.

You can write about anything that interests you: the environment, technology, music, sport. Perhaps you would like to give us your thoughts on the Queen's Jubilee and the way it has been celebrated.

Again, we will be offering a prize of £25 for the best article. Please send your articles (250 words maximum) to us at burtonbulletin@khca.org.uk

# Burton Dean. Lets Clean!

Back in March, my class and I put words into action by going out in the community and taking responsibility to clean up the environment while teaming up with Burton Environment Group (B.E.G.) who do amazing work around the village.

Class five of Kirkburton First School, showed great responsibility by clearing up litter in Burton Dean. In school we had started something called Young Leaders Award (run by the Archbishop of York Youth Trust) this required us to do something for our village so we sprang into action! Organised by some of the most hardworking people in Kirkburton, B.E.G. invited us to join them down in Burton Dean where we were split into three groups to accomplish different tasks of weeding, stacking and digging. We collaborated in clearing and weeding around the fruit trees, stacking dead wood and made a couple of bug hotels to attract nature's creatures and finally picked absolutely loads of litter! The weather was lovely all afternoon and we achieved our aim of helping our village. One of the B.E.G. members Anna Boden, said," It was a great experience meeting such enthusiastic children!

My class and I believe the environment (right now) is like a dustbin, people are killing nature and we haven't done enough-why don't you start? B.E.G works so hard- Can you? - We should set a good example because the environment is one of the most important things we have it's not only ours it's the futures! We got involved because my class and I think that we are lucky to live in a place like Kirkburton! We got our hands dirty, got down to work and acted considerately.

This is our community, we should look after it and show our love for it! We should be tidying our village not messing it up! All of us can help just picking up litter while you're taking a stroll or the three R's reuse, recycle, reducecreate less mess! B.E.G. sets a good example, cleans up our clutter we should treat the environment like we would like to be treated- you wouldn't want rubbish on or thrown at you – would you? You could get involved or even join up with B.E.G. We've done our part why don't you?

By Annabella M.

### Me

I am Evan, and I'm 7. I like classical music. I play the piano and I am planning to play the violin soon. I am in year 3 (actually the 4<sup>th</sup> year in my school). I used to play the clarinet at school but sadly we had to stop our lessons at Christmas.

At school, my clarinet teacher was called Miss Stafford and she taught us how to read music. Now I know all about it and would like to teach you too!

A musical note is a single part of a song.



This musical note is called a 'crotchet'. Our teacher called it 'tea' because it has only one beat. We clapped our hands once for this note.



This is a quaver. Our teacher called it 'coffee' because it lasts for two beats. We clapped our hands twice for this note.



This is a semibreve. Our teacher said this note lasts for 4 beats. You can't really clap this note, but you can hum it. Try humming for 4 seconds. That's a semibreve.

I can now read music and sometimes give my little sister music lessons at home!

People who write classical, jazz or any other type of music are called composers. I like Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, Ludwig Van Beethoven, Antonio Vivaldi, and Antonin Dvorak. My favourite songs are Spring from the Four Seasons by Vivaldi, Symphony No 5 by Beethoven, Horn Concerto No 4 by Mozart, and Largo by Dvorak (most people will know this as the Hovis advert!).

I also like the sounds of steam. I like every type of train there is to know. There are diesels, steamies, electric, diesel-electric, and solar-powered trains. Trains work like this...

#### Steam trains

Trains have a special small carriage full of coal or wood called a tender. The coal or wood from the tender is put into a small box like a fireplace. It burns the coal or wood. The heat from the firebox makes water, which is the in middle part (called the boiler) into steam. The steam goes into little cylinders which makes the end of rods move backwards and forwards. The rods are connected to the wheels, which makes the wheels turn around.

#### **Electric trains**

Electric trains work a bit differently to steam trains. Above the train, there are wires called overhead wires. There is an arm sticking up from the top of the train, which reaches all the way up to the overhead wires. This is called a pantograph. When the electricity from the overhead wires goes into the pantograph, it goes down into the engine of the train. The electricity from the engine helps the wheels to turn. The electricity can also come from the rails.



There are different types of tracks. There are tracks with electricity running through them.

And there are tracks with nothing going through them. Just normal rails.



Thanking you for letting me teach you some of the things that I enjoy!



We are a small and friendly club at the heart of Highburton and Kirkburton and we would be absolutely thrilled to see you on the courts, whatever your age or ability.

If you are interested in playing competitively, we have two ladies' teams and two men's teams. They play on Monday and Tuesday evenings respectively and compete against local teams in the Huddersfield and District Tennis Leagues. We also have two Mixed Doubles teams, playing indoors over the winter.

If you prefer to play socially, we hold club sessions on Thursday evenings from 6:00pm and on Friday mornings from 10am. These sessions are a great opportunity for members to come along, meet other players, mix in – and generally have a fun time.

Our Friday morning sessions are also open to non-members. So, if you fancy giving tennis a go this summer, without the commitment of joining the club, just pop down. Visitors' fees are £5.

The club holds two tournaments a year for adults – the Crabtree Cup in July and the Presidents Cup in September. We also run a season long Kiwi Mixed Doubles Competition. This is a great way to play more tennis, meet more tennis players – and develop your game.

AND, in July, it's our **Family FUN Day**. Open to ALL – so, kids, drag your mums and dads along for an action-packed FUN afternoon on the courts. Full details will be on our website soon.

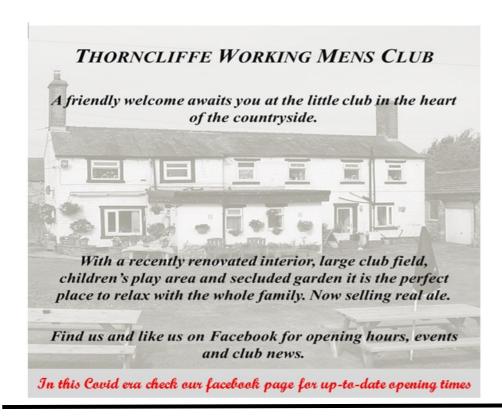
Andy Smith, our Level 4 LTA qualified coach, runs an extensive programme with coaching for children aged 4 – 12+ on Sunday mornings and sessions for adults in the afternoons – for beginners and improvers through to team players. Our coaching programme started on 8th May and runs for 10 weeks. Please contact Andy at andysmithtennis@icloud.com. Places are

Our membership packages run from April to March. Adult membership is £110 for full access and £80 for off peak access (Monday – Friday, up to 6pm). Young adults (16 - 25) pay a discounted rate of £60; juniors 10+ £35 and juniors under 10 £20.

still available.

Full details of our membership packages and coaching programme are available on our website at clubspark.lta.org.uk/ GregoryFieldsTennisClub.

It is also possible to play on a Pay and Play basis – for £10 for the court. To check availability, just email us at gregoryfieldstc@gmail.com





# Kirkburton Football Club

Kirkburton AFC first team's season has faded somewhat, after a fantastic start, they were in the top three up until Christmas, since then the team has slipped down the league and finished 7th in the second division of the Huddersfield District league. However, they did have a good Challenge Cup run beating two first division teams Skelmanthorpe and Berry Brow, but losing to Lepton Highlanders, who are top of their respective league, in the semi-final. The game was very even and Kirkburton should have taken the lead through a penalty but the opportunity was missed, then Kirkburton missed a header. Lepton scored to take the lead. Kirkburton had two players sin binned, and while they were off the field for ten minutes Lepton scored a scrambled goal making the final score 2-0.

The second team have had a very good season and finished third in the Reserves Division Two of the Huddersfield District league. They got to the quarter final of the Richardson cup losing 4-1 to Cumberworth.

Kirkburton AFC would like to congratulate all the people who were involved in the Big Ben to Burton walk (see elsewhere in this edition) and what a fantastic achievement raising £40,000 for four different charities, Ben Jepson a former Kirkburton AFC player would have been so proud of you all.

The club has now installed a defibrillator outside the changing rooms and would like to thank Mikey Vickerman for its installation, also we have now got our new crowd barrier around the perimeter of the field and would like to thank everybody who contributed towards it.



Kirkburton AFC are on the lookout for a new manager and new players next season, so if there is anybody wanting a new challenge, please contact us through a committee member or email <u>kirkburtonafc@btconnect.com</u> or go to our Facebook page or twitter page.

The club's presentation night was held on 14 May at the Carlton Club.

**Bomber** 

# **Trophy winners**

1st team's manger's player of the season 2nd team's manager's player of the season 1st team's players' player of the season 2nd team's players' player of the season Most improved player of the season Young player of the season Goal of the season Clubman of the season

Justin Taylor
Jack Woods
Henry Philpott
Jack Woods
Oliver Knight
Joe Lockwood
Jack Goring
Jack Wimpenny

# Kirkburton Cricket Club



The much-awaited start of the 2022 Drakes Cricket league commenced on a bright and dry Easter weekend

The hard yards put in practicing over the winter paid off on the first Saturday of the season with a tense and exciting victory over Moorlands, missing first team skipper Johnny Butterfield and vice-captain Jonny Smith, the first team were led to victory by seasoned campaigner Andy Smith, who contributed with a fine all round performance. Player of the day was undoubtedly Craig Fletcher, on

his first game back for the Riley Lane club, he showed he is as formidable with bat in hand as well as ball. A commanding innings saw him steer us from a sticky 110 for five to a winning 211 for eight, accompanied along his way by John Keeling and Aaron Moore who both chipped in with valuable contributions.

Easter Sunday saw the visit of North Yorkshire side Beckwithshaw, in the Heavy Woollen Cup. Kirkburton, batting first saw a similar story to Saturday unfold with a creditable 235 all out

posted. The Kirkburton bowling attack spearheaded by home grown paceman Jack Byrne made light work of polishing off the opposition - ten wickets for 124 runs. The victory set up a challenging tie against Bradford League side Undercliffe in the second round, played on Sunday 24 April. Not daunted by the task in hand Andy, taking to captaincy like a duck to water, again led his team to an impressive, welldeserved win against their illustrious opponents. Roscoe Thattill showing his true class with a showmanlike 122 runs from 100 balls, as well as being involved in six of the Undercliife dismissals. Fingers crossed for a home tie in the 3rd round.

As mentioned in a previous bulletin, Kirkburton CC have undertaken their largest project for some considerable time over the winter months. The old practice net facility that had served the club well for many years was well past its best. The



committee made the bold decision to replace, not refurbish, the well-worn nets. A lot of hard work has ensued (special mention must go to Andrew Crookes who never lets us down when we need to put a shoulder to the wheel). I'm sure that anyone who has been up to the ground will agree that the club have delivered a facility for our players that is second to none. Our key aim was to ensure that we provided a quality practice facility for our junior section who are the lifeblood of our club. We are also confident that by providing such a facility we will be able to entice new players to Riley Lane.

Friday night is a real hive of activity at the club as this is Junior coaching night. Training starts at 5pm with our 5–8-year-old All Stars. Our under 9s, 11s 13s and 15s follow on a little bit later.

We have found the Friday night training night to be enjoyed as much by parents and grandparents alike, as on a warm summers evening there is nowhere better to spend an hour or two in the town's largest beer garden.

Anybody interested in supporting or sponsoring Kirkburton CC, should contact Tom Cliffe 07866 581620 or Marcus Kelly 07582 684212.

We look forward to seeing you for what we hope to be a great summer of cricket

Best wishes

Kirkburton CC



# **Eating Out with The Burton Diner**

# **The Spencer Arms**

# 21 Church Street, Cawthorne South Yorkshire, S75 4HL 01226 792795

www.spencerarms.co.uk



Situated in the pretty village of Cawthorne is the Spencer Arms, an attractive old world Gastro Pub built in 1720 by the Spencer Stanhope family from Cannon Hall, who owned Cawthorne which became a complete estate village with 90% of its land and property owned by the Spencer Stanhopes.

The pub has had many uses over the years, tenants would come annually to pay rent and be entertained at the Rent Dinner, band practices were held there and during the Second World War it was the local Home Guard command post.

My usual eating out friend and I booked in for two meals at the Spencer Arms, which is described as one of South Yorkshire's best Gastro Pubs: lunch a couple of weeks ago and an evening meal last week. The interior of the pub is very pleasant, tastefully decorated and spotlessly clean with plenty of space in the restaurant, it was fairly busy on both occasions.

Meat and produce are locally sourced with herbs and fruit from the garden and meat coming from the Cannon Hall Farm.

For our lunch booking, the service was quick and efficient and we weren't rushed. I chose the beer battered haddock and chips and my friend the homemade steak and ale pie, both very nice and we finished with a cup of coffee.

For our evening visit, we both opted for a starter and a main and chose different items from the menu to get a good feel for it.

I chose the prawn and crayfish starter with a lime aioli which was served on a black plate and was rather lovely...I'm very partial to any variation of a good old prawn cocktail. For my main course I stayed with seafood and chose the lobster ravioli, with a shellfish bisque, angel hair vegetables and samphire.

Keeping on a seafood theme my friend ordered the torched mackerel with charred celeriac, smoked mackerel rillette and dill oil to start but followed it up with the Spring lamb rack with parsnip potato dauphinois, buttered spring greens and blackberry jus. Neither of us had a dessert as we were pretty full but I did have a rather large gin and tonic as my friend was driving



this time, she had lime and soda.

Service was quick to start but a little slow later on due to a lack of staff, an ongoing remnant of the pandemic we understood but our menu choices were well presented, tasty and the staff pleasant and friendly.

The A La Carte Spring menu which is available all day has a good selection of starters mostly £7-8. Mains courses, which also include a range of classic dishes and 4 sharing plates, are between £14 and £20. There is a selection of sandwiches £10-11, soup of the day £3 and various sides at £3.80. Lastly a choice of 5 desserts that included cheese and biscuits.

Vegetarian and vegan options are available as also

are gluten free and a healthy children's menu, mid-week there are specials on the blackboard.

The drinks selection is wide and includes CAMRA real ales, fine wines and rare spirits.

Quiz night is on a Wednesday followed by steak night on Thursdays with occasional music events on Fridays.

There is a function room called 'The Barn' for parties that can sit up to 35 people. Outside there is beer garden to the front and a generous car park to the rear.

Opening hours:
Monday to Saturday 12
noon to 22:30
The Spencer Arms is closed
on Sundays
To book phone or book
online at:
bookings@spencerarms.co.uk



#### **BB Book Review**

# Big Sky by Kate Atkinson

Kate Atkinson has a twin-track publishing career. The prizewinning author of Behind the Scenes at the Museum, Life Af-ter Life and most recently Transcription also publishes crime novels featuring Jackson Brodie, a retired copper who works as a private investigator. Big Sky is the fifth of these. It reintroduces several characters from previous outings: here's young Reggie Chase from book three, for instance, all grown up and working as a police officer; here, too, is the slinky Russian honeytrap Tatiana; and here's Brodie's glum, on -again-but-mostly-off-again girlfriend Julia. However, the book works fine on its own, as all good crime series novels

It takes its time to get going. There's an excellently sinister opening – in a sort of precredits sequence, eastern European sisters Nadja and Katja are Skyping with the representative of an employment agency called Anderson Price Associates, who is arranging to fly them to the UK to take up jobs in high-end hospitality. No, the reader cries, don't do it. Sure enough, with the Skype connection severed, we learn that the swanky offices they can see behind "Mr Price" are a stage set.

The opening chapters are full of little feints and teases. There's the leisurely way in which the fates of Nadja and Katja are left undiscussed. Brodie sees a young girl climbing into a strange car and being driven off. There's a near-drowning. A trophy wife gets the feeling that someone is following her. And yet, at least to start with, we're firmly in the ordinary world of suburban golf bores, seaside attractions in one-horse northern towns and a disaffected private detective, dog and sullen teenage son in tow. In a way, this is one of the novel's most serious jokes. Atkinson describes "the banality of evil" by introducing us to evildoers in the round: their small vanities, their pragmatism, their affection for their families and loyalty to their friends.

The book begins a couple of miles north of Whitby. Brodie is living in modest rural digs, sharing custody of his son Nathan with Julia, getting on with his small life. We are intro-



duced to a trio of golfing mates. Vince is a telecoms area manager in late middle age going through a divorce; Tommy is a prosperous bouncer turned haulier; Andy runs a failing B&B with his formidable wife Rhoda. The narrative circles in its own time around the relationships and disappointments of its characters, but connections start to proliferate and secrets start to emerge.

Jackson is a mournful and defeated character. His career consists of low-grade snooping; his love life, such as it is, is a catalogue of regrets and small humiliations. At one point he ruminates on his dead brother, dead sister and dead mother: "He wished that he could just once hear his sister play a solo again. Or help his sister pin up the hem on a dress she'd made. Or have a goodnight peck on the cheek from his mother – the most intimacy she could manage. They were not a family who touched. Too late now, Jackson sighed. He was growing weary of himself." Yet this is the same Jackson who, in more playful mode, is seen talking down a would-be suicide using unattributed country and western lyrics.

It's a credit to Atkinson's dexterity that, despite these clashes of tone and register, the novel manages to hang together, even though the subject matter – child sexual abuse, human trafficking – and the essentially comic mechanisms of the plot, its coincidences and confrontations, seem to be at odds. How seriously are we to take it all? Atkinson cleverly avoids supplying or implying an answer.

# Recipe for the Jubilee

# Chocolate, Cherry & Pistachio Fridge Cake



# A fridge cake fit for a Queen

This tiffin combines some delicious ingredients – glacé cherries, chocolate, pistachios and golden syrup.

Serves 8

Preparation Time 10 minutes Set 3 hours

#### **Ingredients**

100g salted butter
200g (70% cocoa solids) dark
chocolate, roughly chopped
70g golden syrup
200g digestive biscuits,
roughly broken
200g glacé cherries, halved
100g whole pistachios,
roughly chopped

#### Method

1. In a large saucepan, melt the butter, chocolate and golden syrup over a low heat, stirring continuously until smoothly melted, then turn off the heat.

- 2. Reserve a heaped table-spoon each of the broken digestives, glacé cherries and pistachios you're going to use them to decorate later and tip the rest into the saucepan with the chocolate mixture. Stir gently to coat, then transfer the mix to a lined 26.5cm x 19cm roasting tin.
- 3. Put the tin into the fridge, and leave to set for an hour, then scatter over the reserved broken biscuits, cherries and pistachios.
- 4. Return the tin to the fridge to set for a further two hours before slicing and serving.

FOR GLUTEN-FREE: use gluten-free digestive biscuits.

TO VEGANISE: substitute the butter for 100g coconut oil and a pinch of salt and use vegan dark chocolate.



Burton Village Hall Northfield Lane Highburton Huddersfield HD8 OQT

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To celebrate the Queens Platinum Jubilee the children will be taking part in various activities including crown making and tea parties.

We are open during term-time the following hours:

9am-3pm on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday\*, Friday

9am-12:30pm on Tuesday

We also provide a lunch club facility (\*Note, Thursday 12:30-3pm is Rising 5's for Pre-Schoolers only)



The children have been reading the 'Three Little Pigs' story and having a great time learning the difference between the straw, stick and brick houses. We made a straw house and the children enjoyed playing inside.









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Burton Village Hall 01484 604391
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Parish Council Office Opening Hours: Mon & Thurs 9.30 am to 1.30 pm.

01484 602991

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In an emergency always dial 999
For non-emergencies 101

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 David Knight
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 Peter Taylor
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 Bill Armer
 01484 314314

 Richard Smith
 07973 978369

 John Taylor
 07831 810096

Member of Parliament

Mark Eastwood MP 01924 939007 mark.eastwood.mp@parliament.uk

Don't forget, the deadline for the next edition of the Bulletin is Friday 19 August 2022. OUR BURTON XMAS LIGHTS TEAM NEED VOLUNTEERS TO ENSURE WE KEEP OUR VILLAGE LIT UP THIS YEAR

MEETING AT FOXGLOVE ON 6<sup>th</sup> JUNE @ 7PM – IT'S A COMMUNITY EFFORT SO EVERYONE WELCOME



# **WE ARE RECRUITING IN KIRKBURTON!**

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We are an award-winning care provider with services across Yorkshire, The Humber, and The North East.

We have over 80 services that support clients with varying needs. Our service types include drug and detox, mental health, learning disability, and nursing services.

We are a long-standing provider and recently celebrated our 50th birthday. We are now looking for friendly, new faces to join our dedicated team in Kirkburton!

Our Queensway services supports six clients with learning disabilities and some challenging behaviours.

We have various hours available.

The role of a Support Worker is varied and rewarding, everyday is different and you will end each day knowing that you have made a difference to the lives of the clients we support.

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