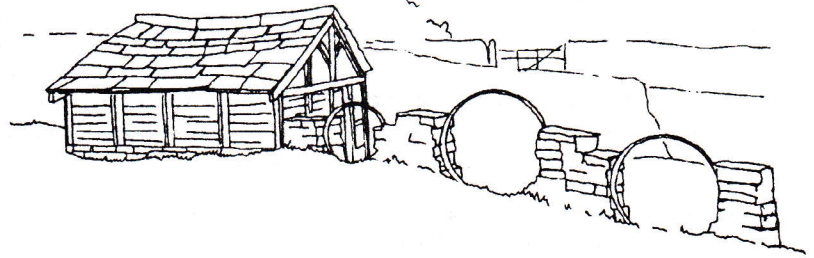


HUNSHELF

Chat

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A Message from the Editor

Springtime is definitely in the air. I hope that this is the start it means to go on with. Even so, it wasn't so long ago that the snow fall blocked a few of us in. If it hadn't been for Dean Godley clearing the snow from Chapel Lane and Hilltop Lane life would have been a lot more difficult for many of us. Thanks for that thoughtful act Dean.

There's plenty going off this season. Don't forget the Hunshelf Parish Council AGM on 15 April. Everyone is welcome to attend this meeting. It gives a good all-round picture as to what has happened, what is happening, and what may be happening, in and around your parish. This is election year, when the present council stand down - some to be re-elected, others to retire, thus leaving at least one place that needs to be filled (election of councillors held 6 May 1999).

Please remember that it's lambing time and therefore particularly important to keep dogs on a leash. After seeing a dozen geese being harassed by an uncontrollable pit-bull dog (named Tyson!) last weekend I think these messages need to be reiterated time and time again.

Anonymous Complaints

Two complaints over articles in the 'Chat' were taken by phone from a 'parishioner' who refused to give his name.

It has been decided that anonymous complaints cannot be taken seriously and will not be reported in this newsletter.

Claire Derrick - 1 Inglemount, Green Moor Road, Telephone/Fax 288 7903

Hunshelf Parish Annual General Meeting

15 April, 7.30 pm at Boys Brigade Meeting House

ALL WELCOME!

AGENDA

- 1 Minutes of last years AGM, 21 May 1998
- 2 Matters arising
- 3 Chair's report
- 4 Financial report
- 5 Open forum

BARNSELEY AREA FORUMS

Barnsley Council recently held their second Barnsley Area Forum Meeting. They have been set up to act as a local sounding board and to enable us to meet with, and question, local Council Officers and Ward Councillors and to discuss matters of local interest. These meetings are part of the Council's Modernisation of Local Government Changes and will meet every 3 weeks, rotating venues around the local areas. The next two meetings will be on Wednesday 14th April at 6pm in the St John's Community Centre, Penistone and Wednesday 12th May at Mapplewell Village Hall.

At the meeting I attended there were presentations on the Library Service and South Yorkshire Integrated Transport Initiative. I felt the Library Service is working hard to obtain funding to enable them to maintain services, learning to

call libraries Resource Centres, rather than Libraries because the former attracts funding and the latter does not.

There were two interesting pieces of information about transport. The first is that there is a lot of pressure from Europe (and funding available) to re-open the railway line over Woodhead for freight trains. It sounds as if the line would be quite busy - about three inter-continental trains and two national trains each hour, plus others. It would also affect the Dove Valley and Trans-Pennine Trails. The second thing of interest is that it is proposed to create a Communications Centre at Penistone Railway Station.

Tourism Initiatives and Sports Facilities Projects will be on the agenda at the next meeting. Why not go along on 14th April and find out more about what is going on in our Ward?

Doris Stubbs

Antiques and Collectors Fayre held on Saturday 27 March raised around £200 for the Millennium Fund. Thank you to everyone who helped and particularly Wyllan Horsfall for her time and effort in its organisation.

1997 - Green Moor Sports Club's 50th Year

continuing the history of the club - part 7

By 1985, accommodation in the large wooden hut had deteriorated and plans were prepared for the erection of a more permanent structure, with additional facilities. The progress of this depended largely upon success in obtaining funding from the Sports Council and the assistance of a government sponsored Youth Opportunities scheme, in existence at the time. This scheme enabled unemployed people to gain skills and experience in building practices and put them in a more favourable position to obtain work. There were no labour charges, but all materials had to be paid for by the Club.

At this time, Rex Roebuck resigned as secretary to take over the role of Chair and to concentrate on overseeing the development of the new pavilion. Anne Matthewman succeeded him as Secretary.

In December 1986 the new Secretary received notification by letter, that a grant had been allowed by the Sports Council, i.e.

"I am pleased to inform you that the Sports Council, on the recommendation of the Yorkshire and Humberside Council for Sport and Recreation, is prepared, subject to the requirements set out below, to offer a grant of £5,745 ('the Grant') to Green Moor Sports Club ('the Club') to assist the Club in financing an estimated expenditure of £11,490 for the provision of a new pavilion to include changing rooms, showers and toilets ('the Facility'). The Grant will not normally be increased if expenditure exceeds the amount stated, and it may be reduced if expenditure is less than the amount stated or if the total grant from statutory sources exceeds the cost of the project. The Grant will not in any event exceed 75% of the final project cost."

The progress of the building works proved to be a real headache, mainly because of inadequate supervision of the workers, and consequently, the new pavilion finished up being about four feet shorter in length than it should have been!

MACMILLAN News Release

**MACMILLAN NEEDS YOUR
ASSISTANCE TO HELP THE LOCAL
PEOPLE WITH CANCER**

Imagine a time when everyone has equal and ready access to the best information, treatment and care for cancer and when unnecessary levels of fear are set aside.

Macmillan Cancer Relief is dedicated to achieving this aim in Barnsley. We are working closely with the NHS and our other healthcare colleagues to ensure that everyone in Barnsley has the treatment and care they deserve.

We are about to launch a major new appeal to raise money for Barnsley which will help make this dream a reality. But this is only possible with your help.

Macmillan Barnsley Appeal

The money you raise will go directly to the Macmillan Barnsley Appeal. This appeal must raise **£250,000** to provide for Barnsley a much needed Macmillan chemotherapy nurse who will front the new chemotherapy unit to be built at

Barnsley District General Hospital as well as two new Macmillan GPs. These doctors will work as educators, sharing their knowledge and skills with colleagues in the community. They will also help to strengthen links between GPs and the local hospital, cancer centre, social services and Macmillan nurses. By this, they will have an important role in improving continuity of care for people with cancer in the community.

Macmillan nurses are specialists in cancer care. They offer expert advice on treatment and care, they are skilled in managing pain and other symptoms, they provide emotional and psychological support and practical advice to people with cancer at all stages of their illness.

The appeal target may sound daunting, but if everyone in the Barnsley area donates only 90p we would raise the sum in one go!

Please support your local appeal by sending a donation or organising fundraising events.

For more information, please contact Nicola Creek on 0114 258 0971.

There is a Green Hill

Would you believe it - a warm 'good-to-be-alive' evening in England on 1 April 1999. Yes, high on a green hill, the traditional Maundy Thursday gathering took place in Green Moor, firstly in the Methodist Chapel where people came from near and far - standing room only available at 8.30 pm for the short service given by the Rev. S Veitch. The congregation sang "O Sacred Head Sore Wounded" and "The Old Rugged Cross" and the many voices lifted the emotional words into the heavens - I hope the chapel roof does not need replacing!

We then strolled up the hill and, now just imagine the scene, hundreds of people waiting for 9.00 pm to arrive and the children's (and of course the grown-ups) oohs and aahs when the cross lit up enabling us to see each other and join in singing "There is a Green Hill Far Away" accompanied by the Salvation Army band; another short service was given by the Minister from Eagle's Nest Pentecostal Church, Stocksbridge.

In good heart, we returned to the Chapel, where welcoming soup and hot drinks were served and the opportunity to meet up with good friends whom we have not seen for a while.

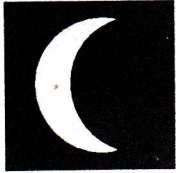
Yes, an unforgettable evening.

Rita Derrick

(It was estimated that over 250 people attended the service. More than most can ever remember attending.)

Poet's Corner

Here is a poem dedicated to the Moon - as this month, once again has seen two full moons in a month! You may remember from Issue 9 of the Chat, that this is what the term 'blue moon' refers to.



The Moon

Object of deity and distant desires;
Worshipped, revered over many long years;
Creator of legends and magic and myths,
Appealed to by lovers expressing their fears
And requests that you transport their thoughts of love,
On the beams you shone down on some distant place.
Artists and poets and musicians joined in,
To sing the praise of your light-shedding face.
But as science probed into your private life,
Illusions were shattered by facts that it found,
And the romance and mystery was swept away,
As each fact revealed was discussed and defined:

"One small step for man,
One giant leap for mankind"?

Neville Roebuck

MILLENNIUM PROJECT

A photographic essay of the people of the Parish of Hunshelf and the village of Green Moor, in the year 2000

A photographic record documenting the people of Hunshelf Parish is now being taken as a Millennium Project. These photographs may be incorporated into a book and used as a social and historical reference similar to the way we now look at archive photographs in the popular books about Stocksbridge and Penistone. Instead of compiling old photographs and trying to fathom out who is who, historians of the future will be handed this document on a plate and we will have had a say in how we are portrayed, and remembered. This will be a unique opportunity to stand back and study our own area and the people living here and to express who we are at this specific point in time.

The co-operation of as many parishioners as possible is essential to make this venture a success. The photographs will be taken at your convenience by local photographer, John Kerr. All the photographs will be black and white.

The portrait sitting is completely free and should take approximately half-an-hour.

Prints can be purchased if you wish, but this is not necessary or obligatory.

People can be photographed on their own or with their partners. You can be photographed with your tractor, your motorbike or your family pet - perhaps

you would prefer the portrait to be of the whole family. You may like your house in the background, or perhaps you have a favourite bench in the Delf. All can be arranged.

Phone now and book your sitting. Contact John Kerr, 288 7903.

To help in the composition of the photographs, and for the information we will require to caption the photographs, you will be asked to complete a questionnaire (attached).

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Further Education Comes to Green Moor's Doorstep

Doris Stubbs has asked if Barnsley College and Barnsley Community Education would start a variety of classes in Green Moor, so it is hoped a variety of classes can start soon. Already well over 40 people are interested in computer classes and one of these will start soon after Easter on Friday afternoons, from 1.00 - 3.00 pm in the Providence Room, Green Moor Church. If you have shown an interest in this, Doris will contact you with the starting date.

A class will start in Tai Chi as soon as a tutor can be found.

Other classes in which a strong interest have been shown are art and craft, painting and drawing and local history. More news of these later.

Musical Memories

Have you any memories of music in the Stocksbridge Valley? The Stocksbridge WEA hope to produce a history of Local Music Making (1850 -1970). They will be looking at Stocksbridge and Deepcar Brass Bands, The Life and Music of Mr Ernest Aspinall, Bolsterstone Male Voice Choir and Stocksbridge Musical Festivals and much, much more.

Contact Joan Firth (0114 288 2539) or Del Carr (0114 288 6619)

VANDALISM

...of Street Lights

A number of street lights in Well Hill have been repeatedly used as target practice for someone with an air rifle. One light has been repaired at least 4 times since Christmas and others 2 or 3 times. The light immediately opposite the Rock Inn has also been shot at.

...of Private Property

- A green house in a local garden has also been vandalised and is in such a state that the owner will have to demolish it.
- Ivy Bacon's house has been broken into and damaged a number of times.
- Two private houses have been broken into, lawnmowers and personal property have been taken.

These incidents have been reported to the police who would be grateful for any information about them.

Time Races On

The information about the Fell Race to be organised for 24 June 2000 (which appears in issues 8 and 9 of 'Hunshelf Chat') prompts me to comment that this event will not be the first of its kind to take place in our area.

In the 1950s and 1960s, the Social Services Section, of Stocksbridge Works, organised an annual sports day, at Bracken Moor, Stocksbridge. One of the events was the 'Hunshelf Steeplechase'.

I have a photograph from the 'Fox News' of Autumn 1961, showing two plucky competitors running up Dunhill, with a group well behind them.

I well remember during the 1950s, going to Park Lane to watch the runners go by, when Denis Dixon of Chapel House, Green Moor, was one of the competitors.

Eventually, Denis moved to South Wales, and then to Australia, where he died about 18 months ago.

Neville Roebuck

Business on Tap

A resident of the parish has suggested that we compile a list of (very) local 'recommended' businesses. An electrician, plumber, gardener - whatever your needs may be, wouldn't it be nice if you could contact someone as close to home as possible on whom you could rely to do a good job. Wouldn't it be nice if you had a business and you were getting callouts from someone just around the corner!

If you can recommend anyone, please contact me and we'll add them to a list which will appear regularly in the Hunshelf Chat. I will need names, type of business, address and telephone number.

Claire Derrick 0114 288 7903

PAST NEWS

Vagrancy - Alan Hanwell - July 1862 - Barnsley Court House

Alan Hanwell, of Hunshelf, was charged with being on inclosed premises at that place, in the occupation of John Ives. The complainant said he detected the defendant trying to open a window in a house, and he supposed it was with the intention to commit a felony.

The defendant stated that he went to the window to see if complainant had got back from Penistone Feast, whither he had been himself, and seeing he appeared to be asleep, he opened the window to throw something at him in joke.

The Bench informed him that he had rendered himself liable to be sent to prison, but as there was nothing against his previous character, and the complainant did not wish to press the charge, they should discharge him on payment of costs, at the same time they advised him not to indulge in such larks in the future.

MILLENNIUM

The Parish Council are proposing to give Parishioners a souvenir of the Millennium. If you have any ideas as to what this should be please contact **David Horsfall (0114 288 3684)** or one of the Parish Councillors.

As part of our Millennium Celebrations a photographic record is being made, by John Kerr, of people in the Parish (see article on page 3 'Millennium Project'). We would very much like this to include everyone in our Parish. John has produced a proforma (attached) which we hope you will all complete. The idea is that, first of all the photographs will go on display at a suitable event, then be published in book form.

Diaper's v Wrinkly's

A further enthralling battle between these two teams.
Darts and Pool match played on 2 March. The score was:

Diaper's 8 - Wrinkly's 14

Next venue to be organised. For further details contact the Rock Inn on 288 3980.

What's On Hereabouts

Hunshelf Parish Council AGM

Thursday, 15 April, 7.30 pm at the Boys Brigade Meeting House. Everyone welcome.

Millennium Meeting

Thursday, 22 April, meeting at The Rock Inn at 7.30 pm.

Election of Hunshelf Parish Councillors

6 May - contact David Horsfall on 288 3684 for details.

Pub Quiz Nights

Every Wednesday,
The Rock Inn, Green Moor
Every Thursday,
The Bridge, Thurgoland

YOUR CHURCH:

Circuit Youth Service

18 April, 6 pm at the Christian Centre, Cedar Road

Family Service

18 April, 10 am at Green Moor Church
Beetle Drive and Pea and Pie Supper
Saturday, 24 April, 7 pm, Green Moor Church

Ladies Weekend Service

25 April, 11 am. Speaker Mrs J Duckworth, Soloist Mrs H Baker (soloist with the Sheffield Celebration Choir), Poetry Mrs A Hinds

Family Service

16 May, 10 am at Green Moor Church
Whitsuntide Joint Service

23 May, 3 pm at Green Moor Church, led by Rev. K Hale and Rev. S Veitch. Begins with Witness Round Village, then meet 2.15 pm back at church for tea.

Sunday School

9.45 am each Sunday except the third Sunday when there is Family Service at 10.00 am

Regular Sunday Service

11 am each Sunday except when it is Family Service as above.

WE WANT YOUR STORIES/ARTICLES/ LOCAL INFORMATION

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