

HUNSHELF

Chat

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A Message from the Editor

I apologise for the lack of Children's Chat, but as we are still missing an Editor for this section I am struggling to find appropriate material for it. If anyone out there thinks they can do the job, please contact me.

Again, I apologise -this time for bearing potentially bad news, but it appears we may still have a problem with unwanted visitors. Some weeks ago a blue pick-up truck was seen going around the area. These men were going to some homes asking people if they had any antiques they wanted to sell. This was reported to the police as suspicious, as it appeared they were only calling on the elderly.

The police say that this may well be a genuine business, but ask that people be put on the alert, via Neighbourhood Watch connections and the Hunshelf Chat, just in case it had a more sinister conclusion.

In addition, there have been a number of telephone calls made to homes recently enquiring about their security systems. This information **should not** be divulged to anyone but the police or your own security company.

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NEW LOOK CHAT

In the next issue we hope to have a new design for the Hunshelf Chat. We have had this format for well over three years and thought it may be in need of a face-lift. It won't be anything too avante garde, but a change is as good as a rest - so they say.

Hassle Starts Here

Plans are well under way for the Queen's Golden Jubilee Celebration on 22 June 2002 - please note all diaries now!

The whole day will have a commonwealth theme. The outline of the programme is as follows:

Morning	Fell Race and Fun Run
Afternoon	Displays and Performances Stalls and Refreshments Competitions and Activities
Evening	Ceilidh

Our grant application for funds to cover the cost of the marquee and entertainment has been made.

Invitations have been sent to stall holders. If you haven't been contacted and you want a space please let us know. If you have any new ideas/requests please make sure we know about them in order that the necessary arrangements can be made.

We need your presence, energy, imagination and support. You were warned in October that there would be a call for assistance.

Helpers, markers, marshals, movers and shifters are asked to come forward and claim their jobs now.

Anyone interested in helping with preparations is also welcome to join us.

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Scoop the Poop

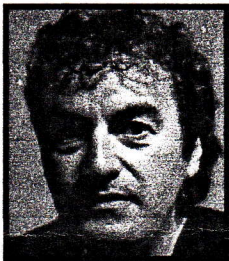
It has been brought to my attention, once again, that there has been a 'build-up' of dog fouling on the footpaths around the village. One area in particular is Pickford's Gap. This is, of all places, one which I would particularly hope people would purposefully avoid allowing their dogs to foul and yet the entrance to the children's playground is littered with it.

Please use your 'pooper-scoopers' when you walk your dogs. I find it particularly off-putting when walked well into the carpet!

The Editor

YOUR PARISH COUNCILLORS IN PROFILE

It came to light recently that not everyone knows their Parish Councillors by sight. So at the last meeting the Councillors decided to put a mini-profile in the Chat, therefore allowing you to put a face to a name.



Name: John Kerr
Council Role: Chair
Occupation: Lecturer, Art & Photography
Sub-Committees/ Interests: Footpaths
 Ivy Millennium Green

John has lived in the village for 7 years and through his interest in walking he joined the footpaths sub-committee and consequently the Parish Council of which he has been a member for the past 3 years.

Contact Details: 0114 288 7903



Name: Richard Popplewell
Council Role: Vice-Chair
Occupation: NHS Manager

Richard arrived in Green Moor in 1984 and in recent years he wanted to put something back into the community and so took on the role of Parish Councillor.

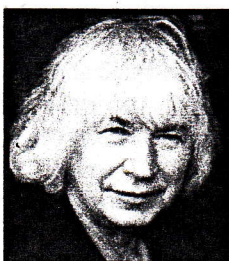
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Name: Barry Tylee
Council Role: Parish Councillor
Occupation: Scientist
Sub-Committees Interests: Footpaths

Barry came to live in this parish 10 years ago. His initial interest lay in the footpaths of the parish and around 7 years ago he was coerced on to the council.

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Name: Doris Stubbs
Council Role: Parish Councillor
Occupation: Ex-teacher; lecturer and counsellor
Sub-Committees Interests: Footpaths

There are few people who don't know Doris but for those few who don't, Doris has lived in Green Moor since 1974 and last year celebrated 25 years on Hunshelf Parish Council.

Contact Details: 0114 288 2539



Name: Kathryn Austin
Council Role: Parish Councillor
Occupation: Senior Lecturer
Sub-Committees/ Interests: everything

Kathryn has lived in the parish for 25 years and has a smallholding with rather beautiful sheep. She has been a parish councillor for a number of years

Contact Details: 0114 288 5888



Name: David Horsfall
Council Role: Clerk to the Parish
Occupation: Retired
Sub-Committees/ Interests: Fell-Running

David has been Clerk to the Parish Council, on and off, for 4 years. You can't miss him, he's the tall one you see running the hills and dales of the Parish.

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War Memorial

Hunshelf Parish had one active service fatality during the two World Wars. The victim was Frank Bramall, son of George and Lavinia (nee Helliwell) Bramall, of Chapel House, Green Moor. He enlisted in the Hallamshire Rifles on 3 March 1915 and later became a corporal in the Yorkshire and Lancaster Regiment, and was killed sometime after 24 December 1917, the date of his last letter home, which is copied below. His family were unable to discover the time and place of his death but he was reported as "missing, presumed dead". Frank was born in 1894. He has no memorial.



Frank Bramall

Monday 24 December 1917

Dear Mother and Father

Just a few lines hoping you are all in the best of health as it leaves me at present. No doubt you will be wondering what is happening to me, because I keep changing my address so much, well probably I will explain better when I am lucky enough to come on leave.

I left the First Corps Reinforcement Camp and joined the Batt, well I wrote you a letter from there and the next day I was packed off again, to another Reinforcement Camp, where I am at present. I hope they will let us settle down this time, but it would probably be better if you wait while I write again. I think the address is: 2/4 T & L, 62 Divisional Wing, 13th Corps Reinforcement Camp.

I am still where there are French civilians, but I am not in a private billet this time, but we are expecting being removed to better billets any time now, but of course this one we are now in isn't at all bad.

You will see I am writing these few lines on the 24th, tonight is Christmas Eve and I have pleasant memories of a good many Christmas Eve's that I have had in years gone by. I would like to go round with the singers for a change, I haven't been since 1914, and I can assure you it would be a welcome change, but still we have to wait for yet another year, and I hope it is God's will for the war to end before next Christmas.

I suppose Annie and Lilian will be enjoying themselves at Rushden, I shall have to enjoy myself as best I can, there is one thing I am thankful that I am out of the line for Christmas. I hope you have a good time on the 28th. I suppose we shall have holiday tomorrow and then be hard at work after. Well I have no more news this time, so I will close for the present.

Best love to all from Frank xxxxxxxx

Annie was Frank's sister, who later married Billy Dixon. Lilian was Frank's cousin, Lilian Walker, who later married Fred Birkhead. Rushden was where Frank's girlfriend lived.

We are grateful to Frank's nephew, Jeffrey Dixon, who was born and bred at Chapel House, Green Moor, and who now lives at Cubley, for the information about an uncle he never knew.

Back Lane

Back Lane, Snowden Hill, where, during Victorian times, at Salter Hill Farm, lived my father's great uncle Bill Greaves. He was a fiddle player and composed the tune 'Back Lane', a local carol which we sing to the words commencing, "Behold the Grace appears".

Some of the old music copies bear his name. In the 1851 census for Hunshelf, William (Bill) is stated to be 2 years old.

Neville Roebuck

Antiques and Collectors Fair

Saturday 16 March, 10 am - 4 pm. at St John's Community Centre, Penistone. Admission 30p.
Homemade Refreshments by Green Moor Sports Club. For further details contact 0114 288 3684

From My Common Place Book, Wednesday 18 February 1998

Had an unusual train of thought today. The college is closed today, for half-term, so the history class decided on a walk-about at Midhopestones. John Harvey called for me as usual and I joined the group on foot, but by about halfway my hip told me that I had had enough and I went back and sat in the car. What sparked the thought off I can't remember, but I was linking the Midhope Pottery with Hodsock Priory. In this morning's Yorkshire Post there was a picture of Hodsock and its snowdrops for which it is most famous.

In 1720 George Walker III of Hunshelf Hall went into partnership with his brother-in-law, Robert Blackburn of Aldermanshead to build a pottery at Midhope. Robert Blackburn must have been leasing Aldermanshead, for the family came from Papist Hill, Upper Denby. Robert Blackburn died in 1727 and left his estate to his brother Benjamin Blackburn (brother to Ann Blackburn, George Walker's wife). Benjamin died in 1736. Robert Blackburn's estate was mortgaged to George Walker, and he must have foreclosed sometime, for Papist Hill came into the Hunshelf estate (see tablet set in the wall at Papist Hill which reads 'rebuilt by W Smith 1845).

The main line of the Walkers died out with the death of Margaret dsp and who after many bequests left the estate to two maiden aunts. The legal affairs of these two ladies were looked after by William Smith, then of Cowley, and Kenworthy writes "when Mr and Mrs Smith of Cowley Manor brought their infant son, their fourth child, born 23 August 1799 to the notice of the maiden ladies Betty and Mary Walker, who were the last of their race, they asked him if the child had been baptised and on being answered in the negative, promised to be God-Mothers to the boy if the parents would have their boy christened George Walker. The parents as may be imagined, readily consented and when both ladies were dead George Walker Smith, who married a daughter of John Ridsdale of Springfield near Wakefield found himself sole heir and owner of some of the most valuable land in Hunshelf."

But blood is thicker than water and the two ladies may have had long memories, for Ann, daughter of George Walker II, had married Gerald Kirk in 1715 and their daughter had married Thomas Smith, father of William Smith, so Ann Walker would be great-grandmother to George Walker Smith.

Later George Walker Smith made the Hunshelf estate over to his father in love and affection for his upbringing.

William Smith went to live at Barnes Hall and George Walker Smith went to Hodsock - hence the coincidence of the photograph in this morning's paper and the link with Midhope pots.

W E Spencer

1865 - FATAL ACCIDENT AT HUNSHELF -

On Thursday morning a fatal accident occurred at the Hunshelf forge, near Penistone, to a boy named JOHN BROOKE.

It appears that on the morning of the day named, the deceased was sent with his father's breakfast to the forge, where he was working at some repairs which were going on. The little fellow commenced to swing on a door, when part of the wall fell, burying him in the debris, killing him on the spot.

From Barnsley Chronicle 30.12.1865

1866 - JOSEPH HOYLE & CHARLES CROSLAND,

charged with being drunk and creating a disturbance, at HUNSHELF, on the 26 ult., were ordered to pay costs.

From Barnsley Chronicle 20.1.1866

1866 - BREACH OF LICENSE - GEORGE WOOD

beer-house keeper, HUNSHELF, was charged with keeping his house open during prohibited hours, on the first instance. To pay costs.

Barnsley Court House.

From Barnsley Chronicle 20.1.1866

What's On Hereabouts

Ivy Millennium Green Trust Open Meeting

Friday 22 February, 7.30 pm at the Rock Inn.

Antiques and Collectors Fair

Saturday 16 March, 10 am - 4 pm.
St John's Community Centre,
Penistone. Admission 30p.
Homemade Refreshments by Green
Moor Sports Club.

Pub Quiz Night

Rock Inn, Green Moor. Every
Wednesday evening.

YOUR CHURCH

Mothering Sunday Service
10 March, 10 am

Maundy Thursday

28 March, 8.30 pm, Green Moor
church, 9 pm to the cross followed
by soup and rolls served in the
Providence room.

Good Friday Service

29 March, 7 pm. Parish church,
Thurgoland. Rev. N White.

Sunday School every Sunday at
9.45 except third Sunday which is
Family Service at 10 am.

WE WANT YOUR Stories/Articles/ Local Information

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