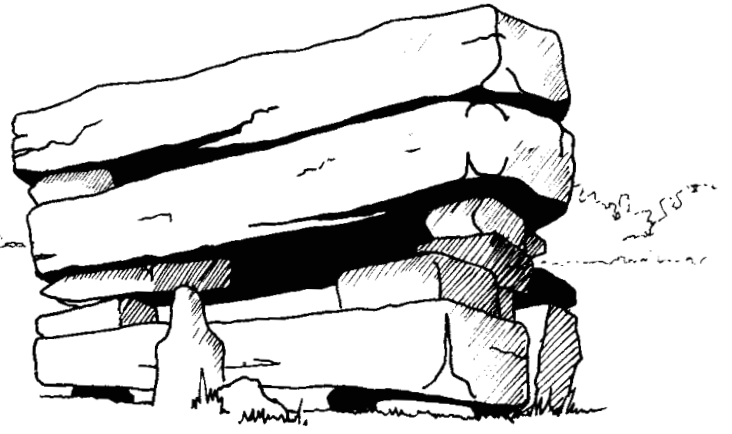


Hunshelf Chat



December 2006

People's Millions -

Hunshelf's Thousands!



Hunshelf Area Parish Playground Initiative (HAPPI), or Green Moor Playground to most, was successful in its bid to get a share of the Big Lottery money. After months and months of form-filling, meetings, obtaining quotes, phone calls, emails, letters and finally being filmed, the team got the result they had been hoping for. A cheque for £50,000!

There had been many sleepless nights for the team. They certainly make you earn your money before letting go of the purse strings at the Big Lottery office - waiting on tenter hooks with baited breath for each result: the decision of who should be shortlisted; the date the film crew is going to appear; the date the film is to be broadcast; the day of the results. Even then they wouldn't tell us if we had actually won or not. Just that there was 'good news and bad news'.

I received a call from them saying just that on the Friday

of the results, half way down Penistone Road on my way back to work.

I had to go home to pick up some equipment for a job, only to be told I needed to be back home in just over an hour. Although they couldn't say if we had won or not, we needed to get as many people back to the playground where the film crew would meet us once more with the 'good news and the bad news'. This is when the mobile comes into its own. The team were phoned - everyone grabbed kids, locals and themselves and headed back to Green Moor on a wet and windy

day. The atmosphere was electric.

Finally, on camera, they told us all that we had actually lost on the head-to-head against 'Cophorne Catching Up' project in Bradford - however, we were the best runners-up - and had won the last pot of funding - £50,000.

Elation! Stephanie Thorpe actually skipped all the way home she was so excited - and hopefully slept a dreamless sleep that night.

A huge thank you to all of the team for their amazing efforts but particularly Debbie Bates and Stephanie

Thorpe for their total dedication to the task.

However, all is not over yet - now we have to get the job done and rebuild the playground. More meetings, tenders, volunteers (see page 2) to do the jobs. All being well, it will be done and dusted by next spring.

One more thank you, and that's to all of you for your votes. BT must have been rubbing their hands that night. If it hadn't been for the votes we wouldn't be celebrating, so good on you all.

**Claire Derrick
Editor**

Playground - Volunteers Wanted

Whilst we are on a roll, the HAPPI team would like to request for volunteers to help clear the playground area of shrubs, trees and undergrowth and dismantle the old equipment. If you're game would you contact one of the following:

Debbie Bates - 0114 2882272

Stephanie Thorpe - 0114 2887543

Claire Derrick - 0114 2887903

Work will begin the second weekend in January. Any help, skills and loan of equipment would be gratefully received. Once this work has been done we can get the contractors in to begin work.

**Many thanks
The HAPPI Team**



Operation Christmas Child

Green moor Church has once again been a Satellite checking Centre for this organisation and the 790 boxes checked here so far have the destinations of Kyrdistan, Kosovo and the current ones being checked are going to Belarus. Thank you to those who have contributed and the loyal band of workers who have spent hours checking and sealing the boxes. These have come from Penistone, Stocksbridge and Chapelton and I am very grateful for their help. *(Picture shows Margaret, Ann and Sue checking.)*

Doris Stubbs

A Christmas Thank You

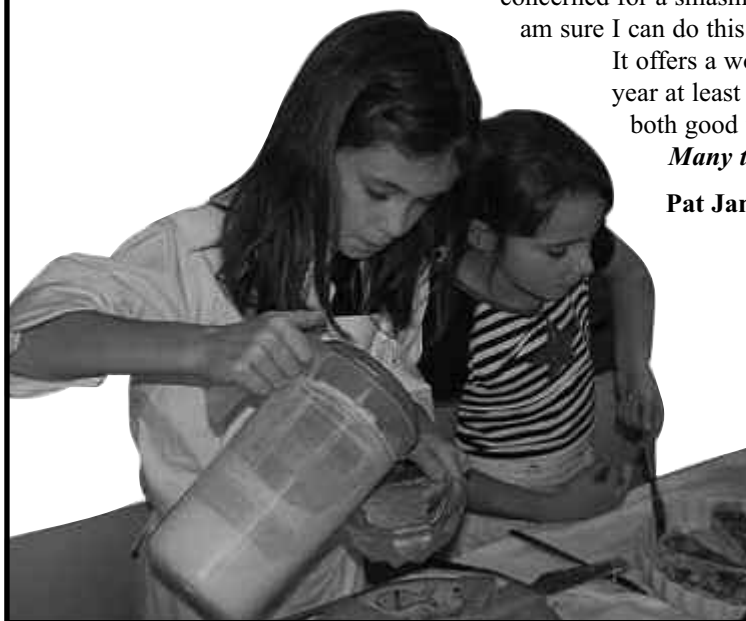
Dear Parish Council

I would like to take this opportunity, provided by our own excellent newsletter, to thank everyone concerned for a smashing senior citizens evening on Saturday - I am sure I can do this on behalf of all the guests.

It offers a wonderful opportunity to meet up once a year at least and on such a pleasant occasion, offering both good food and enjoyable entertainment.

Many thanks and a very merry Christmas to all.

Pat James



Christmas Carolling

A group will be singing carols around the village, and maybe further afield, on Christmas Eve. If you would like to join us or would like us to call on you please phone me as soon as possible so that we can plan our tour. Thank you.

**Doris Stubbs
0114 2882539**

Christmas 1963

On the Sunday before Christmas we had a service in the Chapel. We children were in the choir and we sang carols and we each read parts from the New Bible. I sang a solo called 'Is it Far to Bethlehem' and then we went down to the part of the chapel where the people sit and Douglas showed a film strip called 'Flight in Egypt'. Then we sang 'The First Nowell' and went home.

On Christmas Eve we waited up till half past eleven and the carol singers did not turn up so I went to bed. I had just put my bottle in bed and put my night dress on the heater when I heard 'Christians Awake' start up at the door. I tore across the landing and down the stairs just to see my Dad opening the door. We all went into the sitting room where the fire was on and it was nice and warm. We sang all the best songs like 'Jacobs Well', 'Back Lane'

and 'Good News'. I did not know them very well though without my copy.

My Auntie Ada was the best singer and she has got the loudest voice too. She always sings the principle parts in the choir and I wish I could sing like her some day.

It was late when I got to bed that night and it was late when I got up in the morning. I found lots of things in my large stocking. I had a watch, a ball, a leather handbag and some

kid golives. I had a bingo game, a flash light and some cardboard dominoes with pictures on and letters on like 'rat' rhymns with 'cat'. They really were for children of six and I had an idea that my Mum wanted to take them to school. Even so I liked playing with them. I also got a selection box and a chocolate orange. I played with my toys most of the day, But we had to go to Grandma's for our tea. I got dressed up and my Mum had bought Angela some nylons

but she would not wear them.

We went to Grandmas, had our tea and then we went in the sitting room. We played some games like "the muffin man" and "guessing the person". We played some records and twisted to them. I read my "Lorna Doone" book that Linda and Carole had bought me. It was rather hard but I understand it. It was late when we got home so I went to bed straight away.

Written by Julia Crossland aged 10. Resident of Hunshelf Hall with parents Charles and Phyllis and sister Angela 13.

The Danish Invasion



A group of Danish lecturers, visited Sheffield to look at how The Sheffield College integrated asylum seekers into the community. The group, all employed by the Danish Red Cross, are all educators of asylum seekers in Denmark.

Some of the visitors had been to the area before and had stayed with Kathryn Austin. They were very keen to spend their free

time visiting Green Moor as they had fallen in love with the area. They wanted to sit by a log fire and walk to the 'Edge of the World', or the 'Isle of Skye' as we know it. With Denmark, being so flat,

Green Moor must seem so very different.

They were some interesting characters amongst them as well. One was an author and poet and we will be putting some of his poetry into future

issues of the Hunshelf Chat. Another was a story writer, who wrote many of Disney's 'Donald Duck' stories. Apparently, Disney use Danish writers for most of the famous duck's tales, after

the Hans Christian Anderson style. The things that go off in Green Moor - who needs Hollywood.

Claire Derrick
Editor

A Remarkable Year

1966 was a remarkable year... England won the world cup, Frank Sinatra married Mia Farrow...and our young and handsome Parish Council clerk married the beautiful dark haired girl of his dreams...and so it was that a gathering of grey haired wrinklies met at Emley Moor to celebrate Wyllan and David Horsfall's Ruby wedding anniversary on Sunday 20th August. There was the charming Bridesmaid and Best man – now about to retire – along with friends old and new. The Three Acres provided a superb venue for the surprise party. David arranged it all in secret to show, after 40 years, he can still provide Wyllan with a few surprises. That and a book of poetry as an anniversary gift shows

there's a hint of romance left in the old dog yet.

We heard about holidays in North Wales, 45 years ago, where David and the Best Man organised Christian holiday expeditions. And the College exploits of Wyllan and bridesmaid Chris. These, and other youthful adventures were, sadly, centred on the wrong side of the Pennines.

But after many years in Green Moor David and Wyllan, who both work very hard for the Parish, are just about established as comers-in. Friends from hereabouts will want to join in congratulating them on surviving 40 years together – and still going strong. Bless 'em both.

Surf & Snack

The Surf and Snack Project has been visiting Green Moor on Monday evenings for a number of weeks now and our young people are enjoying surfing The Net in a warm and cosy bus, parked on the church car park, and happily having a chat with their friends in between. It is good to welcome Gemma Stables back into the village and we are very grateful to her for being our only volunteer adult so far. If we can get a rota of other adults

to support the scheme it will be possible for the Providence Room to be open so that our young people can have a drink and snack whilst they surf! There is a joint bid in by Penistone Community Partnership for a Youth Worker to be available during the time the bus is here (from 6 30 to 8 30pm) but so far we have not heard if this has been successful. If you are able to volunteer to support this project on a rota basis, and willing to undertake a CRB check, please contact Brenda Mangham on 2882346. Thank you

Doris Stubbs

Wedding Bells

On Saturday, 25 May at St Anne's, Carlecotes, the marriage took place between Helen Victoria Thorp and Jonathan Williams.

Helen is the only daughter of Diana and the late Thompson Thorp of Far Blackmoor, Oxspring. Jonathan, the younger son of Mrs Norma Evans of Aborystwyth and Mr David Williams of Carnyorth, Penzance.

The bride was attended by Erica Watt and bridesmaid India Hague, cousin of the bride. Best Man was Jamie Wood. Father David Hopkins, Rector of Penistone, officiated and Ted O'Neill was the organist.

The reception was held at Walton Hall, Waterton Park Hotel in Wakefield and the honeymoon was spend touring the Galapagos Islands and walking the Inca trail with time for relaxation at the end.



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The Long Walk

We went a long walk, Grandad and me.
I was only a lad, 8, 9 or....10 maybe.
I needed boots an' a rucksack to put mi stuff in.
I found some shoes but Mum pur 'em in bin.
Said, "Yer can't wear them to go all that way.
"If it starts to rain luv, they'll not last a day."
So she went off to Barnsley and came back wi' some boots,
But they weren't brand new, yer could tell they'd bin used.

Well, I packed up mi rucksack wi' sarnis an' pop.
We'd eight miles to walk and the wouldn't be a shop.
Then young an' excited, a wer off like a rocket.
Fuelled full o' Worther's Grandad found in 'is pocket.

Now all went quite well for an hour or so,
Then a felt summat 'urtin, a spot on mi toe.
I ignored it a while and walked on a bit longer,
Till the pain, it wer bad, getting stronger an stronger.
"Grandad," I called, "summats wrong wi' mi toe"
"Av tried to ignore it, bur it's not gunna go"
Grandad turned round, said, "That's no disaster."
"Come 'ere, sit down, an' I'll stick on a plaster."
When Grandad 'ad done, mi toe were alright,
Although, wi mi boot on, it felt a bit tight.
It still hurt a bit, but I thought I'd not say.
Didn't want t' be whimpish an' ruin Grandad's day.
We carried on walking for miles an' miles
Down lanes and paths, climbing millions o' stiles.
I began to get tired, "Are we nearly there yet?"
Grandad looked stern and 'is face were well set.
"Nay, lad" he said fiercly, "we've n' but just started."
"This 'eres not a walk for the weak an' feint hearted."
"We'll press on a bit further, then stop for a bite."
"That'll keep yer goin' 'til days ends in sight."

Well...miles an' miles further, 'til a thought I would drop,
Grandad found the right place, said, "I think we might stop."
I slumped to the ground and I took off mi sack,
I could feel the sweat runnin', all down mi back.
Me armpits were wet, an a knew I'd be smelly.
Grandad said, "You'll feel better, wi' some snap in yer belly."

I filled up on sarnis, pop, crisps an' cake,
Made wi' lovely fresh bread that Granma 'ad baked.
"Come on now lad, we've dallied enough."
"Sun's goin' in, an skies lookin' rough."
So I picked up mi sack,it now felt much lighter.
Though mi legs were still aching, mi spirits wer' brighter.

Grandad set off wi' his long legged stride.
An' me trottin' on, down by his side
"Eight miles is a long way, Grandad for me."
"Do yer think next time, we could just do three?"
Grandad turned round with a look of mock horror,
"Better buck up lad, it's ten miles tomorrow.
Grandad told me lots of things as we ventured on our way,
'Bout frogs an' toads an' butterflies an' all the birds o' prey
'Bout grass an' seeds an' flowers, growin'by the path.
Stories 'bout his younger days, that really made me laugh.
I learnt of clouds an' climates all around the Earth.
I'd rather be wi' Grandad than at school, for all it's worth.

I now recall the sunny days and feeling really fit.
Grandad said we did have rain, but I can't remember it.
Walking's always been a passion, a pleasure of mine.
You all aught to try it. Go on, find the time.



A Midsummer Night's Dream

The production held at Green Moor Church on 17 November was an unmitigated success and was thoroughly enjoyed by it's audience.

There was some truly talented people on stage. It is difficult enough to take on a Shakespearean production at a professional level and bring it off but to succeed at amateur level is rare.

Congratulations to the cast on an excellent performance.

Claire Derrick
Editor

1 Registering the Parish Council Lands

The parish council has recently registered all the various pieces of land that are in the stewardship of the parish council. These include the two pieces of land that are presently leased to local people. Salter hill (on the way to Hartcliffe just past the piece of woodland at the top of Underbank) and at the Outlook. Other bits are the playground, the Delf, the Pump House and Pickford's Gap. This latter is the bit stuck onto the playground and was originally a route through to the fields on which is now built Delph Edge. The Museum site and the Millennium Green were already registered as will be the Isle of Skye when that comes into the ownership of the parish

It cost money. So why did the parish council do it. Well, the most compelling reason was that we would have to do it sooner than later: the government has insisted. However, a pleading letter to various people, and grants were forthcoming to meet the cost, so no charge to the council taxpayers of Hunshelf. At the time of writing, we have not had confirmation of the grant, but we will give due recognition in due course

2 External Audit

The Clerk is delighted to report that again our books were audited without any problems by the external auditor. Parish Council books are audited twice, once locally, and here we are grateful to Miss L Mott who went through the records with a fine toothed comb to point out the errors of the Clerk, and it is this attention to detail that allows us to go to the external audit with confidence. All members of the parish are entitled to look at the books, there was on the notice board a notice giving parishioners details of their rights in this matter, but the Clerk is willing to meet with anyone who is interested at any reasonable time by arrangement.

3 Coppicing the Delf

We have some more grant money to coppice the Delf this year, so two or three men (does that make them tree fellers?) will be working this winter to cut back the willow and other invasive species to give better wild life habitats and ensure that the future of the Delf is protected. A plea for help may be made, so if any one else would like to volunteer, please see David Horsfall

4 Well Descents

The Clerk to the Parish Council is still looking for insurance cover to allow us to descend the well in September. Two approaches at the moment, one is through Barnsley MBC to ask if we can put our risk on their policy, the second is to approach Ottery St Mary's gala committee. It was reported that they have found insurance cover for their "flaming tar barrel" race. This seems to be a much more dangerous pursuit than climbing down a ladder so their insurers might listen to us

5 Yorkshire Bus

Technology, what would we do without it? Now the buses are going High Tech. A new system is being rolled out over South Yorkshire. In the (near?) future a potential passenger will be able to stand at a bus stop (nothing new so far) and send a text message on a mobile phone quoting the stop number and the bus number, and a message will come back telling one when the bus will arrive! It should make allowances for late running, and if it does then it will be helpful in planning your journey (Not coming for another 40 minutes, lets go home?)

The down side is that it is being tested in Doncaster, Sheffield and Rotherham. Something is missing, and yes it is Barnsley I am told that it will be available in Barnsley in the New Year.

If you are at all interested we have managed to get 30 copies of a leaflet and these will be placed in the Church in Green Moor for collection. Sorry, but mobile phones are not supplied, you need to buy your own if you have not got one already

6 Planning Applications

Planning Applications arrive with the parish council on a regular basis. Usually they do not have the emotive overtones of the one at the Rock Inn or the proposed wind turbine at Salter Hill. There is not usually time to get details out to people via the Chat, we only get about two weeks to respond, but it is intended to put basic details of applications on the web site starting in January, so if you can, take a look at <http://hunshelfpc.mysite.wanadoo-members.co.uk/> and we will try and keep you informed

7 Mobile Internet Project

Up and running, but someone else can tell you more than I can

8 Fell Race 2007

A long time away, but it is surprising just how quickly it comes around. It will be held on Saturday 16th June 2007 at 11:00 from the Sports Club field. A fun run or two will be held as well. More later.

9 Next Meeting

Next meeting of the parish council will be held on January 18 December 2007 at 19:00. Every member of the parish is welcome. The agenda for the meeting will be on the web site a couple of days or so in advance.

Kids Chat here

Green Moor Sports Club

Green Moor Sports Club's Annual dinner and presentation evening was held at Cubley Hall on Saturday. 92 people attended and had a most enjoyable evening. The awards were presented by Michael Bramall. Trophy winners were:

1st team

Batting - J Bates
Bowling - J Rodgers
Catching - J Bates
M.O.M - N Dowkes

2nd team

Batting - M Peace
Bowling - J Haigh
Catching - P Simpson/M Peace
M.O.M - J Haigh

U'17's

Batting - C Matthewman
Bowling - C Matthewman/C Beever
Catching - M Hinchliffe
Matthewman
M.O.M - S Briggs

Young player of the year - J Rodgers
Wooden spoon - P Simpson
Jean Fieldsend trophy for club effort - Ann

The U 13 and U 15's held their presentation night at the Rock on 29 September. John Bladen presented the awards. Winners were:

U 13's

Batting - G Howlett
Bowling - B Howlett
Catching - G Howlett
Hunshelf Trophy - J Moorhouse

U 15's

Batting - H Howlett
Bowling - M Elsworth
Catching - Howlett
M.O.M - B Simpson

Other winners: M Rodgers, J White, J Cross, S Morfitt

Single Wicket Winners

Ladies

winner - Jessicarr Moorhouse
runner up - Sally Bladen

U 7's

winner - Declan Dowkes
runner up - Alice Webb

U 10's

winner - George Howe
runner-up - Scott Beaver

U 13's

winner - Sam Morfitt
runner up - Joseph Moorhouse

The AGM will be held at the Rock on 14th of January at 7pm. Winter nets are booked at the Sports Centre Penistone and will commence as follows:

Adults - Friday 5th January 8 -9pm; Junior - Monday 8th January 4 - 5pm. Any one is welcome and join us at these nets. *Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.*

Ann Matthewman.

Classes at Green Moor

A new session of Computers Workshops has started in the Chapel Providence Room. In this class members can study any aspect of computers they wish. Members vary in their interests and experience, some of them working on building web sites, editing digital photographs, making their own cards or working on Word Processing. You may sign up for 10 or 15 weeks. We now have wireless Broadband available so you may also learn about e mail and surfing the net. The class is from 1 30 to 3 30pm on Thursdays. Art and Yoga classes recommence on Wednesday 10th and Thursday 11th January respectively. Art is from 6 30 to 8 30 pm and Yoga from 7 00pm to 9 00pm. The WEA is getting stricter about class sizes and both the Computer and Art Classes are in danger of closing if we do not get more members. If you are at all interested please come along and help to ensure these provisions for our community are maintained.

Doris Stubbs

What's On Hereabouts

YOUR CHURCH

Nativity and Toy Service

10 December, 10 am

Traditional Carol Service

17 December, 6 pm

Christmas Eve

Communion Service

11.00 am Service and
Communion at
11.45 pm

WE WANT YOUR STORIES/ARTICLES/ LOCAL INFORMATION

Please send articles for
this newsletter to:

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**Deadline for articles of the
next issue
25 January 2007.
Please adhere
to this date.**

POLITE NOTICE

**Once again we have had a
dog fouling problem in
Green Moor.**

On Windy Bank Hall's land dogs are running onto the land and fouling the gardens and leaving it to Mr and Mrs Bladen to clean up the mess. Would dog owners please keep their dogs on leads so that they can be controlled around the area and clean up any mess the dogs make in respect for our neighbours.

Many thanks.