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VILLAGE HALL UPDATE

The Village Hall Management Committee has now determined a list of preferred contractors from an initial list of 12. The Architect and Quantity Surveyor, acting on behalf of the Management Committee, and in consultation with the Development sub-committee, are in the process of completing tender documents. Once the tenders have been returned, we will have a more accurate idea of the ultimate cost of demolishing and rebuilding the hall.

Substantial funding has already been secured, however the Management Committee are still seek-

ing to obtain further funding in case of a shortfall. This could mean a number of grant applications for smaller amounts of money.

The Village Hall Management Committee has consistently stated it will not go ahead with the project unless sufficient funding is secured, but it would be a shame to lose it all for the sake of a "ha'pporth or two".

If anyone out there would like to consider a donation towards the fund, please contact Dick Foxon 812133.

SAINT ANNE'S CHURCH

It has been decided that, from Sunday 7th June onwards, all services at St Anne's will be held at 9.45am and will alternate, as at present, between Holy communion (first and third Sundays) and Morning service (second and fourth Sundays). The service on the 7th June will, however, be a special one, as it will celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of Michael Gowdey's ordination. Michael, a retired priest who lives in Bakewell, has regularly taken services at St Anne's for several years past and he and his wife Jill are members of the congregation.

This year, St Anne's will join in the celebrations of Well Dressing Week, which takes place between the 20th and 28th of June. The church will be decorated with flowers, so please spare some time to call in during the week to enjoy the coolness and fragrance. A little later in the Summer we celebrate St Anne's Day – the 26th of July – with a joint service at St Anne's with the Parish Church.

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Lathkil Hotel Beer Tasting Evening

The Lathkil Hotel will be hosting another very popular beer tasting event on Thursday 18th June.

There will be a range of beers, provided by Spire Brewery, plus a bangers and mash supper.

Call 812501 to book your place.

FILM NIGHT NEWS

Film nights were well attended this season, with a wide variety of films on show; from the classic weepie 'It's a Wonderful Life' to the newly released sing-a-long 'Mamma Mia'.

Bodice-ripping costume dramas 'The Other Boleyn Girl' and 'Atonement' were beautifully filmed, while 'Stardust' was pure fantasy.

'There will be Blood' took us to the oil fields of turn of the century California, and 'To Kill a Mockingbird' saw a wonderful performance from Gregory Peck as a small town lawyer.

Perhaps one of the most interesting films was the little-known indie film called 'The Station Agent'...a quirky look at the interwoven lives of three strangers who formed an unlikely friendship.

The season closed with 'The Kite Runner', a gripping tale of one man's courage and devotion to his friend.

Two children's films were shown over the Christmas period; 'Kung Fu Panda' and 'Wall-E'. These were appreciated by parents and children alike!!

The 2009-10 season will start in September; programme details will be circulated via the next newsletter, or by flyer.

New guests are always welcome. The evenings are very informal, with a friendly atmosphere and with the bar open at all events.

THE COUCH POTATO WILL RISE!!

In a moment of utter insanity, I agreed to join 17 members of my family in the Race for Life on Hampstead Heath on Sunday June 7th. This is a sponsored run for women held at a variety of locations throughout the country in aid of Cancer Research UK.

I am the first to admit that at 5k it is hardly a marathon, but I have not done any running since trailing in the 100 yards race at school about 45 years ago, and for me to run even part of it is, at my age, sheer folly.

Despite this I hope to run as much as my aged knees will allow, and if you would like to sponsor me for a minimum of £5 please log on to:

<http://www.raceforlifesponsorme.org/alisonnicol>

For those of you who do not have access to a computer, I have an official sponsorship form so please call at Oldfield Farm on Main Street, or phone me on 812262 and I shall come to you.

I shall be very grateful for your support for this worthwhile charity.

Alison Nicol



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CALL ALISON NICOL ON 812262

I REMEMBER (Whisky Tasting)

I remember, *but only just*, an evening spent at the Lathkil in joyful company with forty four friends. This was entirely due to the generosity and organising ability of Pat Thurlby (your usual "I Remember" correspondent.) Having a number of malt whiskies, Pat decided to organise this fund raising evening in the form of a Whisky Tasting, dinner, raffle, auction etc. The monies raised were to go to Weston Park, the Sheffield cancer hospital. Weston Park was chosen because a number of Over Haddon people, including myself, have recently received treatment there.

In spite of many doubters, including Pat himself, what a wonderful evening it turned out to be. If there is anyone there who failed to enjoy themselves then I have yet to hear of them. I know Pat wishes through this medium to thank everyone for their generosity in making the evening such a success.

Special mention should be made of Martin Pearce and Mike Dabell, the "readers" and jokers of the evening. Also many thanks to the staff at the Lathkil, particularly Alice and Jason, for their professionalism in helping the evening go so smoothly.

A number of local businesses also contributed, these being as follows:

Wye Accessories
The Coffee Shop/Thorntons
Critchlows
Lathkil Hotel
Lloyds Pharmacy

It is wonderful to think one is able to raise monies and at the same time thoroughly enjoy oneself.

Oh, and incidentally, we raised **£1,540**. A big thank you to all those who attended.

Carole Jones

LATHKIL HALF GALLATHON...SAT 6TH JUNE

The Lathkil Half Gallathon is one of the most fun ways of **raising money for Weston Park Hospital**. Whether you take part in the individual race (and drink four pints of beer and race round the Lathkil four times) or as part of a team (once round the block only) you know you are doing it for a very good reason...to raise as much money as possible !!

Fancy dress is optional, but very welcome. You don't even have to be competitive. a jolly amble round will suffice!!

Entry fee is £12 per team.

The beer is kindly provided by Peak Ales and Whim Ales.

There will be a raffle and BBQ..

Everything kicks off at 3pm.

Please help to raise money for Weston Park Hospital, either by taking part or as a spectator.

Call the Lathkil on 812501 for full details

I REMEMBER X11

I remember writing the first 'I remember', and referring to Remembrance Sunday and the medals worn by Mr Kay in particular. I subsequently received the following letter and other correspondence from Mr Michael Kay who was living in New Zealand.

Michael, who has since sadly died, was one of Mr Kay's sons, another son is Leo Kay, named on the War Memorial. The Ben Kay referred to was Mr Kay's brother.

I hope you find what follows interesting. **PT**

Dear Pat,

I'm writing to say thank you for remembering my dad in the article you wrote for 'The Voice'.It's nice to think that my dad isn't forgotten in the village.

I thought it may be of interest to you to know a bit more about the medals. There were eight of them. Four were my dad's own which he wore on the left side and the other four were his brother Ben's, who died in 1919. He was a bit famous, I've enclosed an article from 'The Derbyshire Times'** about him.

PAT THURLBY

My dad's medals were:

1. either the 1914 Star (Mons Star) or the 1914-15 Star.
2. War medal 1914-18.
3. Victory medal 1914-18.
4. One other .

Uncle Ben's medals were:

1. The Queen's medal (Victoria) with bars for service in the Tirah Expedition 1897-98, the Punjab frontier bar, also 1897-98.
2. The Boer war medal with bars for Belfast, Jo'berg, Driefontein, Paardeberg and Cape Colony.
3. King Edward's long service medal (good conduct)
4. Order of St Stanislaus (This medal was awarded to Ben by Tsar Nicholas 11. During WW2 he was recalled for service as a Kings Messenger and served in Russia)

My dad was a Sherwood Forester and Uncle Ben was a gunner (Royal Artillery) .

Unfortunately all of these medals disappeared some years ago. They were brought to NZ by my mother, along with some medals which were my brother Philip's and I think also Leo's medals which had been sent to my dad after

the war.

Alas, my mother developed Alzheimer's and had to go into a rest home and she must have taken the medals with her, along with my solitary gong (GSM with Malaya bar), and Sylvia's medals (Defence medal and War medal).

I didn't realise that she had taken them until about two years later, by which time they had disappeared. almost certainly into the hands of a collector. I have tried to find them, but with no success. When I asked a dealer, he offered to sell me replacements for some of them at \$800 each !!

Possibly the reason why you remembered the medals is because they out-shone all the others on parade..... guess who used to clean them!!!

Regards Michael.

**** The article from 'The Derbyshire Times' 1918 will be included in the next edition of 'The Voice' .**

Well dressing information

<u>FRI 29 MAY 6.30pm</u>	BOARDS GO INTO RIVER
<u>SAT 13 JUNE 11am</u>	BOARDS OUT OF RIVER, APPLY CLAY
<u>SUN 14/ FRI 19 JUN</u>	PETALLING
<u>SAT 20 JUN 11am</u>	BLESSING AT WELLGATE
<u>SAT 20 JUN 11.30am-5pm</u>	JUNIOR BLESSING /TEAS AT HALL
<u>SAT 20 JUN EVENING</u> <u>LOOK FOR POSTERS</u>	TREASURE HUNT / BBQ / LIVEMUSIC WITH THE RETURN OF ' <u>ONE BIG SKY</u> '
<u>SUN 21 JUN 12noon-5pm</u>	TEAS AT HALL
<u>SUN 28 JUN 4pm</u>	TAKE BOARDS DOWN

EVERYONE IS VERY WELCOME TO TAKE PART IN THE MAKING OF THE WELL DRESSINGS...USUAL GARAGES IN MAIN STREET...

EACH YEAR WE USE HUNDREDS OF ALDER CONES IN THE PICTURES AND WE ARE IN GREAT NEED OF SUPPLIES THIS YEAR. DONATIONS OF CONES WILL BE VERY MUCH APPRECIATED.

Schedule of Events

- THURS JUN 4
EUROPEAN ELECTIONS...
VILLAGE HALL POLLING
STATION 7AM-10PM
- SAT JUN 6
LATHKIL_HALF GALLATHON
3PM
- 13-19 JUN
PETALLING—WELL DRESSING
- THURS JUN 18
BEER TASTING..LATHKIL HOTEL.
812501 FOR DETAILS
- SAT JUN 20
WELL DRESSING
CELEBRATIONS

FUTURE DATES

- SAT SEPT 12
VILLAGE SHOW
- SAT SEPT 19
BAKEWELL SILVER BAND
- LOOK OUT FOR DETAILS

Regular meetings at the village hall

BOWLS:

MONDAY EVNGS DURING
AUTUMN/WINTER
GRAHAM TAYLOR.....813953

MUMS & TODDLERS:

WEDS MORNINGS WEEKLY
NICOLA WALKER812718

KEEP FIT: WEDS EVENINGS
WEEKLY
DONNA.....732917

WI: WEDS EVNGS MONTHLY

RITA FURR813060

PHOTOSHOP WORKSHOP:

THURS AFTERNOONS
WEEKLY

JIM EDMUNDSON.....812025

BOOK CLUB:

THURS EVNGS MONTHLY
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**THE VILLAGE HALL
CAN BE HIRED FOR
PRIVATE PARTIES OR
MEETINGS.**

**VILLAGERS HAVE THE
BENEFIT OF PAYING
ONLY 50% OF HIRE
FEES.**

**CALL 812133 FOR
DETAILS.**

Houses in Over Haddon

A NEW FEATURE BY

Carolyn Pearce

We can only speculate what the early houses in Over Haddon looked like, but the earliest indication is in a map drawn up in 1528 to illustrate a dispute between Over Haddon men and the Abbott of Leicester, who owned Meadow Place Grange. This map (the original of which is in the Public Record Office) shows the houses surprisingly being mainly of a half-timbered construction, with the roofs possibly thatched. This aspect of the dwellings is born out by a survey carried out in the 1840's by the Melbourne Estate (which owned most of the village), prior to the Estate houses being put up for sale.

In it these houses are described as "being in poor condition, the roofs being mainly thatched". Imagine applying to the Peak Park to change your roof from slate or stone to thatch. The planners would be horrified, suggesting, possibly, that a thatched roof is totally alien to Over Haddon! If anyone feels like doing this, refer the Planners to me, and I will show them the actual record!

If you want to know if your house once had a thatched roof look at the gable end - the houses that were thatched had much taller and steeper ends than those that weren't.

House prices in Over Haddon may now be almost comparable to those of south eastern England, but look at the newspaper cutting given to me many years ago. It is the reproduction of an earlier newspaper article entitled "Houses - 5s a pair".

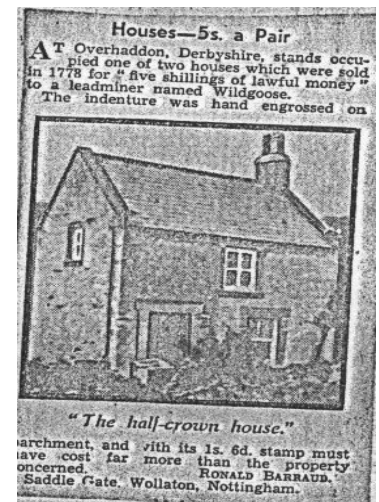
The wording reads: "At Over Haddon, Derbyshire, stands occupied one of two houses which were sold in 1778 for 'five shillings of lawful money' to a leadminer named Wildgoose. The indenture was hand engrossed on parchment, and with its 1s.6d. stamp must have cost far more than the property concerned."

Until fairly recently most houses in Over Haddon were fairly small, with perhaps one or two bedrooms, and most had a small building attached, in which the occupier kept a pig or a cow. These have now mainly gone, either incorporated into the house as an extension, or as perhaps an outhouse for storing coal or wood. If you walk round the village you may be able to identify them.

Until the 19th century, the biggest houses in the village were the Manor House, Manor Farm, and Mona View.

The Manor House was situated behind what is now the Lathkill Hotel, and its foundations can be discerned by the stony terrain under the present sheep pens. It was built about 1553 in stone in the Elizabethan style, and stood until the 19th century. In the early 1800's it was used by the Melbourne family to house some of its elderly relatives (a precursor of a present day retirement home, perhaps), but it began to fall into disrepair, and in the mid 19th century it was demolished, the stone & timber used elsewhere on the estate. Most of the stone went to build Melbourne Farm (now owned by the Bunting family) and New Close Farm (now owned by the Armstrong family). The remainder of the stone and timber went to build new cowsheds at Manor Farm, together with the date stone from the Hall, which has the date 1553.

Next time I will talk about other houses in the village. If you have any information regarding your house e.g. the time of its construction, or previous occupants, please let me know.



NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Fortunately for us, we live in an area which seems to be relatively free from crime, although we are now part of modern day life where 'open backdoors' are not really an option.

In Over Haddon, we have a neighbourhood watch 'tree' system, which enables messages of possible crimes and misdemeanours to be passed on quickly.

If you would like your name to be added to the 'tree' please contact Dick, 812133.

Sandra Wetton of Derbyshire Constabulary and Malcolm (who mans the mobile unit that visits the village) have agreed to give a presentation at the Village Hall on Thursday 9th July 2009. This meeting is open to everyone, not just existing members.

OIL TREE

We have an 'oil tree' system running in the village, where a 'ring-round' is started if someone is in need of oil.

It has been to our advantage to bulk order a village delivery, rather than try to get 'best price' on individual deliveries.

Again, should you wish to add your details to the list, contact Dick, 812133.

Live & Work Rural in the Peak District

A programme for rural action 2009-2012, operated by the Peak District National Park Authority in partnership with East Midlands Development Agency and Derby & Derbyshire Economic Partnership. Do you live or work in the Peak District?

Do you want to build a better future for your community?

Got a business idea buzzing around but need help pinning it down?

Could you do more for the environment?

Answered "Yes" to any of the above, then we want to hear from you!

What we can do for people with business ideas...

- Help find solutions that suit your needs and are good for the environment
- Point you in the right direction for advice and grants, eg Business Link, LEADER
- Put you in touch with other businesses and useful networks
- Help you achieve environmental targets and get recognition for your efforts

What we can do for communities...

- Help you make the most of opportunities to improve life in your community
- Provide support and networking to identify and tackle community issues
- Encourage people to use their skills for community action
- Help find the funding to achieve local projects

Do you qualify for help? Check our A-B-C

A. A community project or business idea must link to the Peak District and benefit the environment. We can help you work it out.

B. Be sustainable. We're looking for long-lasting results.

C. Check the map (below) to see if you are in the Live & Work Rural programme area. Contact us if you're not sure.

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Email liveandworkrural@peakdistrict.gov.uk

Write Live & Work Rural Administration Officer

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