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## NEWS FROM ST. ANNE'S CHURCH

There will be two special church services this month, on the second and fourth Sundays as is now usual.

The 13<sup>th</sup> November will be Remembrance Sunday and we will hold a Service of Remembrance at the village War Memorial at ten minutes to eleven to commemorate the victims of war from Over Haddon and, indeed, from everywhere. Just recently I paid a visit to the National Memorial Arboretum near Burton-on-Trent, which was first opened just over ten years ago. It contains a staggering number of memorials, in a landscaped setting, to units of the armed forces, campaigns and many other non-military organisations, all of whose members carried out acts of heroism and many of whom paid the ultimate price, in the service of the wider community. It is both humbling and inspiring to be vividly reminded of such a level of noble self-sacrifice, which was made for us, and everyone should try to visit this place. It is also a reminder of how important it is to continue to honour their memory at the

local level, each November, at the Remembrance Service.

The 27<sup>th</sup> November will be Advent Sunday, which marks the beginning of the run-up to Christmas, and the 10 o'clock morning service will include some of the beautiful advent hymns. (I realise, of course, that the run-up to the "shopping Christmas" started weeks ago!)

As I write this we have only just removed the flowers from church that were put there for the Harvest Festival service on the 25<sup>th</sup> September. They lasted incredibly well (with judicious watering and re-arranging) and provided a beautiful display of seasonal colour in the church which was enjoyed by visitors from far and near during the past few weeks. The harvest produce (mainly fruit and vegetables but including some tins, bread, etc.) was removed on the Tuesday after the service and taken to the Duke's Barn at Beeley, which is a charity for disabled young people.

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### REMEMBER, REMEMBER, THE 5<sup>th</sup> OF NOVEMBER !

Saturday 5th November 2011.....Bonfire lit at 7pm Fireworks 7.30pm.

To be held in the field to the east of the Lathkil Hotel

*SAFETY REGULATION: PLEASE DO NOT BRING YOUR OWN FIREWORKS*

Willing hands needed to help move bonfire materials and/or to help build the bonfire.

Meet at 10am at Top Croft (Martin Chresta's garage) or call 07751761085 if you can offer help later during the day.

ALSO help would be appreciated on Sunday 6th to clear the site. Meet at 10am on the site.

If you live in the village and have any bonfire material you would like collecting please call Martin, (or Dick 07941034540) before 12 noon on bonfire day.

(Sorry, we cannot take cardboard, metal, mattresses or other toxic materials)

We look forward to seeing you on a (hopefully) dry night!!

**THIS YEAR ALL THE MONEY COLLECTED ON THE NIGHT WILL BE IN AID OF "HELP FOR HEROES"**

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## FILM NIGHTS IN THE VILLAGE HALL

Films for the rest of the 2011/12 season are:

November 20: True Grit 2010 (15 cert) NB change of film

December 11: Jack Frost 1998 (pg cert)

January 15: The Sorcerers Apprentice 2010 (pg cert)

February 19 Little White Lies 2011 (15 cert)

March 18 Adjustment Bureau 2011 (12a cert)

April 15 Senna 2011 (12a cert)

Everyone is welcome to attend film night.

Guest tickets are just £2.50 per person.

See films in a relaxed atmosphere. Bar available, including soft drinks. Nibbles provided.

### Extra

### Christmas film for children (and parents)

#### Dec 11th

Over Haddon Village Hall Committee invites you to watch Disney's 'SNOW BUDDIES' 2008 (U cert) 90 mins.

Doors open 2.45pm for 3pm start.

Free entry, bring a friend



## GET TICKETS NOW FOR 'THE JUNGLE BOOK'

We are lucky enough to be able to host a production of 'The Jungle Book' at the Village Hall, on **Thursday 10th November, 7pm.**

The evening is sponsored by Live and Local, a 'not-for-profit arts organisation working with voluntary groups across Warwickshire, Staffordshire and Derbyshire. Live and Local provide support for arts activities that keep people in touch with their communities and enhance their quality of life'.

**The Jungle Book** is presented by **Oxfordshire Theatre Company.**

Rudyard Kipling's classic children's story is brought to life with a host of delightful characters and an original blend of theatre, songs, dance and puppetry.

Tickets: £8 adults, £6 children.

Family ticket (2 adults, 2 children) £25.

Book through Stephen Miller 814744 or Dick 812133.

## 'OPEN ROAD MUSIC' PLUS PIE AND PEAS SUPPER

Some of you will possibly remember Phil Baggaley and his band 'One Big Sky' playing in the old village hall. Phil now has a new folk/rock band called 'Open Road', and they will be performing for us on the evening of **SATURDAY 3rd DECEMBER.**

The music will begin at 7.30pm (doors 7pm) with an interval for supper.

Entry Tickets : £5 per adult. FREE entry for accompanied children.

Supper : £3 per person

Please book your tickets with Jen 812133,

### NEWSFLASH!! NOT STRICTLY COME DANCING!!

#### SALSA TASTER LESSON, PLUS SUPPER

**SATURDAY 21ST JANUARY 2012**

Details are being finalised for your introduction to Salsa! During the first half of the evening, a dance teacher will go through the basic steps of Salsa dance. Supper will be served during the interval, then the evening will continue by putting the theory into practice and having some fun!!

Put the date in your diary. Ticket prices and details to be circulated in the New Year.

### A REMINDER TO THE 'SENIORS' IN THE VILLAGE

Don't forget, the Village Hall is open every Friday between 11am and 12 noon for free tea, coffee, and biscuits.  
If you would like a lift to the hall, call Marian 813001, Jen 812133, Rita 813060, Tricia 812781.

We are currently discussing the history of individual homes and field names in the village, with the idea of completing a record of them as far as possible. If you are interested, or have some information to pass on, please join us.

## MORE NEWS FROM ST ANNE'S

It is worth, for a moment, reflecting on the significance of an annual *thanksgiving for harvest*. It is something which pre-dates the Christian era. In fact, it probably goes back to the beginnings of agriculture. But for the past 2,000 years it has symbolised our gratitude for the bounty of nature in God's world which has provided for our bodily needs. In our post-agrarian, post-industrial and, arguably, post-Christian, society in the 21<sup>st</sup> century, a harvest festival might seem, to many people, an archaic, obsolete survivor from an earlier time, with little relevance today.

However, those of us who do any gardening – and that probably includes most of us – and witness the annual miracle of the growth of fruit, flowers and vegetables, will know that nature's bounty is not just down to us. Our labour and skill certainly make an important contribution but we are ultimately dependent on the rhythmic cycles of the natural world. Whatever our beliefs, it is normal to feel gratitude that nature does continue to provide and to do this by "giving something back," as we do at the harvest festival. This ancient link we have with nature – with God's world – is still plain to see for us living in the countryside, and it is also a reminder that it is a link that we should cherish and nurture with greater care at a time when the impact we are having on the natural environment is a growing cause for alarm.

But that is another story!

Roger Truscott

## CANADIAN PRAIRIES PART 2

Manitoba is the province that Winnipeg is situated in and the best thing about living here are the skies. Winter and summer we see a vast umbrella of blue covering us from horizon to horizon. Freezing our butts off or sweltering in heat that matches Hawaii, the skies are in the most part blue.

The city and country is a melting pot of cultures from around the world and each summer Winnipeg has a celebration of this coming together of nations seeking a better way of life. For two weeks Folklorama plays out across the city. In church halls, school gymnasiums and any other hall that is up for rent the place is transported into little mini countries with their traditions, foods, cultures and attractions from home. The Irish have their dances, bands, Irish stew and other delights. Ukrainian dances are in full swing with crashing red boots and garlands of flowers in the hair, it's a swirl of energy and delight to the eyes. The city becomes a bustle of activity as people from the US come by the bus load and families invite friend and family from back home to come see the celebrations. The Mug Pub celebrates Britain, with a Pub like atmosphere, Morris and the old Village dancing including Maypole dancing if one is lucky. British food, beer, cheeses and the old cheer abound.

Winnipeg is situated where two rivers meet, the Red River and the Assiniboine. This place has been the meeting place for our first nations for eons and Winnipeg was built on the trading of the two rivers. To this day Lower Fort Garry, up the Red river a ways is an original to this area and open to the public during the summer months. It shows us how our forefathers lived and survived when they opened up the country to the ever increasing migration from Europe.

Prairie country has a diverse range of commodities grown in the area. Wheat of course is very important to the area, but so are soy, flax, canola, dairy farming to name a few. Pork is grown in abundance and a lot of it is done in the Hutterite colonies scattered around the province.

What I love best about being here is to come across other transplanted Brits. While at work where I meet the public a lot the accents start up conversations of, "Where did you come from in England?" and we are off, sharing our memories of our roots and enjoying each others memories of the parts we came from. My first year in Winnipeg I met a lady who came from Westbury in Wiltshire and she was the best cook and made the most heavenly cookies. How small is the world for I was born in Trowbridge Wiltshire and after leaving Over Haddon my family moved south again to settle in Corsley Wiltshire which is not far from Westbury. These kinds of happenings bring people together and binds us in our adopted country.

This part of the prairies has a ton of lakes and fishermen enjoy their sport from early spring to late fall. Baseball, soccer, football, are all embraced along with Hockey, Ringette, Lacrosse, tennis and other forms of sport, including cricket. Who can forget the winters with skiing and other snow activities, a ton of outdoor things to do and see no matter what the season or temperature outside.

While people move on with their lives making new traditions and melting into Canadian society, part of us passes on to our offspring the values and traditions from home, and makes this open country a very unique place to live.

Delayne Anne Case Groen

## I REMEMBER

by Patrick Thurlby

I remember Over Haddon tennis courts, well I don't really remember them as they had ceased to function before I was born. However I do know where they were, the reason being as children we were allowed to wander anywhere. It was on one of these wanderings in the corner of a field we found a white line making machine. As a result of this we asked our aunts and uncles and they explained there used to be Tennis Courts in that field.

The field in question is the one above where Andrew Mosley is currently building a new house.

Who knows what potential Wimbledon Champions may have slipped through our fingers. And who knows, the white lining machine might still be there.

I remember when Jackdaws never used to nest in chimneys in the village. This was of course when I was young—everyone had an open fire and all chimneys were in use at some time particularly in winter.

Jackdaws always nested in the rocks on the other side of the dale and also up Channels Nick. We as children were adept at birds nesting and climbing the rocks held no fear.

Fortunately birds nesting is frowned upon today and it is illegal to collect birds eggs

I remember way down the fields towards Conksbury there was a row of Crab Apple trees, they were very old when I was young and I believe they may have all disappeared by now. It was near those trees on a school nature walk with Mrs Shannon I found a pair of glasses. We discovered they were Nicky Eaton's and when I took them on to what is now the Bentley bungalow Mrs Eaton gave me a double barrelled shot gun. Not a real one just a toy but I thought it was brilliant.

As a child I always wondered what the large memorial at the bottom of the church yard was. But although we were allowed to wander anywhere as children, we were not allowed to roam around the churchyard so it was some years before I discovered who was buried there.

He was Charles John Abraham the first Bishop of Wellington New Zealand.

### Update from the Lathkil Hotel

Our **Children in Need Fun Day (Nov 13)** and **Auction Night (Nov 18)** are fast approaching and we were hoping for any ideas for new games, and new contacts for sponsorship and auction items, as well as any tombola prizes, raffle prizes or white elephant items you might have stashed away over the last year. Anything is greatly appreciated. Also any cakes, biscuits, scones, jams etc that we might be able to sell on the cake stall would be fantastic. This year we are hoping to be lucky enough to have Jacob Rhodes' vintage Massey Ferguson at the Fun Day for the children to have a sit on and their photo taken.

We will be serving our **Christmas Menu** from 1<sup>st</sup> December, for more details look on our website or pop in for a menu.

**Christmas Eve** sees the return of the **Quiz with Mince Pies**

On **Christmas Day** we will be open from **12 till 2pm** if you fancy popping in for a pint whilst the lunch is cooking

For **New Year's Eve** we will again be serving our seven course dinner. Places are filling up so if you'd like to join us please get in touch soon. Afterwards from 11pm we will have the Sidewinderz playing their first proper gig at the Lathkil, so make sure you pop down to see them! If you have any requests for them please let me know and we'll see how many they can learn!

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**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November between 11.00am - 4.00pm**

## WHAT GOES ON AT THE VILLAGE HALL ?

VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETS ON THE FIRST MONDAY OF THE MONTH, 8PM. THE SUB COMMITTEE GROUPS MEET AS AND WHEN NECESSARY.

MAIN COMMITTEE CONTACTS:

MARTIN CHRESTA (CHAIR)  
KEITH RENSHAW (TREAS)  
DICK FOXON (SEC)

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETS ON THE SECOND MONDAY OF THE MONTH, 8PM.

AGENDAS AND MINUTES CAN BE SEEN IN THE PARISH NOTICE BOARD IN MAIN STREET

CLERK TO PARISH COUNCIL:

HELEN FOREMAN

YOUR PARISH COUNCILLORS ARE:

TRICIA GILLIES  
COLIN NICOL  
ROGER TRUSCOTT  
DICK FOXON  
BOB OSBORN (CHAIR)

parishcouncil@overhaddon.org.uk.

BOOK CLUB:

MEETS ON THE LAST MONDAY OF THE MONTH, 8PM.  
NEW MEMBERS WELCOME

MARION .....813001

TRICIA .....812781

KEEP FIT:

MEETS EVERY TUESDAY 6.45PM  
AN EXERCISE CLASS FOR ALL AGES & ABILITIES RUN BY QUALIFIED INSTRUCTOR DONNA RICHLER-POTTS

DONNA.....732917

W/:

MEETS ON THE SECOND WEDS OF THE MONTH, 7PM.

INTERESTING, FRIENDLY AND INFORMATIVE EVENINGS

JOANNA BUNTING .....814543

PHOTOSHOP WORKSHOP:

MEETS EVERY THURSDAY, 1PM  
RUN BY AWARD-WINNING LOCAL PHOTOGRAPHER JIM EDMUNDSON.  
JIM IS VERY KEEN FOR MORE VILLAGERS TO ATTEND HIS WORKSHOPS

JIM EDMUNDSON....812025

YOUTH GROUP:

MEETS EVERY THURSDAY AFTER SCHOOL., DURING TERM TIME. FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGE GROUPS.

RACHEL (YOUNGSTERS)  
SUZANNE (OLDER GROUP)  
SEE BELOW

FRIDAY COFFEE:

THE HALL IS OPEN EVERY FRIDAY, 11AM.

OUR 'SENIORS' IN THE VILLAGE ARE INVITED FOR TEA ,COFFEE AND BISCUITS. See page 2

FILM NIGHTS

SUNDAYS MONTHLY FROM SEPTEMBER TO APRIL..  
See page 3 for details.

THERE IS A POSSIBILITY THAT INDOOR BOWLS MAY RESTART THIS AUTUMN/WINTER. DETAILS WILL BE CIRCULATED

NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME AT ANY OF THE REGULAR GROUPS

DON'T BE SHY...COME AND TRY

September saw the start of Over Haddon After School Junior Kid's Club, run by Rachel Rhodes (Rachel Finney). It runs from 4pm to 6pm every Thursday during term time. There's plenty to do: table tennis, table football, jigsaws, games, the Wii, as well as craft, baking and hair braiding, along with anything else you might like to do. On Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November we will be making a guy for bonfire night. Numbers are growing each week so come along and have fun!! Juice is provided, but please bring a pizza for tea. Also anyone wanting to give a helping hand please speak to Rachel.

The Youth Group (ages 9 and above) meets from around 6.30pm til 8.30pm. Suzanne leads this group, and many activities are on offer, including cooking your own supper! All of the equipment is available; Wii, table tennis, bar billiards, etc.

After the initial start, numbers for the older group have dwindled. This could be due to school work or other commitments. Suzanne would like to invite all who are interested to the first meeting after half term, November 3, to decide whether to continue with a weekly group or possibly meet just once a month. Please try to attend on Nov 3 and let Suzanne know how you would like the club to run.

### VILLAGE HALL HIRE

The Village Hall can be hired by the hour. Currently the cost to Over Haddon residents is only £5 per hour, or part of an hour. Non residents are charged at £10 per hour/part, commercial rates are £12.50 per hour/ part.

Residents may book the hall up to 12 months in advance for a party or function . This is a good way of ensuring you're not disappointed when trying to plan that special date on your calendar.

Bookings should be made via The Secretary, (Dick Foxon) tel 01629 812133.

thefoxons@btinternet.com

### **News from flagg nursery school**

Students from Lady Manners School went to talk to the children at Flagg Nursery School about the Olympic Games, which are to be held in London in the summer of 2012. The Flagg children, aged from 2 to 5 years, learned that the Olympic mascots are called Wenlock and Mandeville and that they are made from pieces of Sheffield steel.

Teams of students from Lady Manners School and their catchment primary schools competed in designing a unique 'Olympic Torch'. The winning team was led by Isobel McNulty, who went to Flagg Nursery School with a group of year 11 Sports Leader students to present the winning design. Flagg Nursery School will walk to Monyash to pass on the torch to Monyash Primary School. The torch will then be passed around all the other Lady Manners catchment primary schools in a variety of sporting and physical methods, until it is eventually returned to Lady Manners.

## **Dales campaign to shine a light on crime prevention**

Residents in the Derbyshire Dales are being offered discounted crime prevention materials to help them keep their homes secure as the nights get longer. The items are being provided as part of Operation Illuminate, Local people can get hold of reduced price items such as 'dusk til dawn' light bulbs, door chimes, shed alarms and letterbox covers. The cost of the discounted items is:

- Shed alarms £4 (RRP £8)
- Light bulbs indoor £2 (RRP £4)
- Light bulbs outdoor £4 (RRP £8)
- Letter box covers £2 (RRP £4)
- Door chimes £1 (RRP £2)
- Security kits Free (RRP £1)

They will be available to buy from police stations in Matlock, Ashbourne and Bakewell and from community police offices in Bradwell (Netherside) and Wirksworth (Oat Hill).

### **From our Mole in Over Haddon**

(anon)

The following report comes from a highly reliable source (read sauce), but has been strictly censored for security reasons.

On Monday 17 October (2011) a taxi (8 seater) was noted in Main Street, Over Haddon, at around 6-30pm. This followed a neighbourhood watch alert but our source/sauce has been assured that this was unconnected. Further, around 7-00pm, a small group of Over Haddon residents, dressed mainly in dark clothing, were noted entering The Dome in Buxton where they were issued with 'Pamphlets' and greeted by Mr Richard Godley of Peak District National Park Authority (a well known local 'society'). Neither the church nor the Inland Revenue were represented in this group and indeed it is now known that there was at least one capitalist there in the form a retired Banker. This was however no ordinary undercover mission. Instead it was a prearranged visit to Buxton to attend the 'Derbyshire Excellence in the Community Awards 2011'. Dick Foxon was accompanied by Jen, Clyde, Martin, Steve and Suzie - all of whom are OHVHMC members/sub committee members who worked with him on the new village hall project. Regrettably not all members of the Committee were able to attend.

Our congratulations go to Dick Foxon who was nominated for this award by Richard Godley (PDNPA as above!) and the citation is summarised as follows:

'Dick worked hard to find the necessary funding to complete one of the country's best carbon-neutral buildings. Funding was critical to a village hall project in such a small rural community. The years of research and hard work have provided Over Haddon with a high quality project in terms of sustainable and green energy production.'

WELL DONE DICK!

#### Quote from Dick:

"No single person could have made this happen, and I feel this award is in recognition of the positive work undertaken by the whole of the village hall management committee over a period of 5 years. "



## **WHAT'S THE NEWS?**

### ***FROM OVER HADDON VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE***

Here is the updated Solar Panel Performance Chart. It is worth noting that the cost of electricity at the "old hall" for the last recorded comparable period i.e. April to September 2009 was £349.78. If you allow for the significant increase in electricity prices, from 2009 onwards, the current electricity usage costs at the "new hall", for the corresponding 6 mths in 2011, of £293.74, underline the increased efficiency of the new building.

#### **SOLAR PANEL READINGS/INCOME v E-ON USAGE CHARGES**

DATE OF READING	KWH GENERATED BY	KWH EXPORTED (based on 50% of total generated)	INCOME BASED ON:	TOTAL INCOME	RUNNING TOTAL INCOME RECEIVED	KWH USED	DATE OF READING	COST OF ENERGY USED	CUMULATIVE NET GAIN OR NET COST
Start date 18/3/2011	SOLAR PANELS						Start date 14/3/2011		
630kwh							reading 5808kwh		
			GENERATION RATE	DEEMED EXPORT RATE 50%					
To 31/3/2011	97	48.5	£35.02	£1.46	£36.48	£36.48			£36.48
To 14/6/2011	2433	1216.5	£919.67	£37.71	£957.38	£993.86	1650 To 9/7/2011	£178.88	£814.98
To 18/9/2011	2726	1363	£1,030.43	£42.25	£1,072.68	£2,066.54	1043 To 12/10/2011	£114.86	£1,951.68

#### **IMPROVING PERFORMANCE**

In a move to have its procedures (both financial and administrative) checked, improved and updated in line with existing Charity Commission and Statutory guidelines, Over Haddon Village Hall Management Committee is to participate in the "Hallmark Scheme". The scheme is provided and administered by Rural Action for Derbyshire and involves a team of "inspectors" examining the current systems and practices used by the Management Committee in conducting its affairs. The scheme has a number of levels with guidance, suggestions and certification given (or not) at each stage.

#### **AN ACCOLADE FOR THE NEW VILLAGE HALL BUILDING**

The Planning Department of Peak District National Park Authority is currently compiling a case study using Over Haddon Village Hall as a model. PDNPA are in the process of compiling their Supplementary Planning Document and see our hall as a good example of a low carbon development.

#### **ADDING NEW FACILITIES**

It is hoped that current negotiations will result in the acquisition of an additional parcel of land to the rear of the village hall site. It is envisaged that this will allow the creation of a children's play area, further lawns and some additional hard standing. Updates will be provided as things progress, with a view to an open meeting for ideas and suggestions.

#### **A warning about energy saving light bulbs**

If a low energy saving light bulb is broken, it can cause serious problems because it contains mercury.

**This is hazardous waste.**

Advice given is:

Leave the room for at least 15 minutes, take care not to step on any glass. Put rubber gloves on and sweep the debris into a dustpan. Do not inhale the dust, and do not use a vacuum cleaner to clean up. Place the remains in a plastic bag, seal it and take it to the recycling centre.

#### **NEW VEHICLES BOOST RANGE AND QUALITY OF COMMUNITY TRANSPORT'S SERVICE**

Bakewell and Eyam Community Transport (BECT) has just taken delivery of the first of two new minibuses, allowing the Peak District-based charity to offer a more comprehensive and high quality service to local residents and groups.

The latest addition to the fleet is a Mercedes 313 minibus that can carry eight seated passengers, or two wheelchairs with two passenger assistants. The smart new vehicle replaces an older one and has been generously provided by Derbyshire County Council through the Local Transport Partnership. BECT now has a fleet of 11 minibuses and the extra vehicle will allow the organisation greater flexibility and reduce the need to swap seats between vehicles for different journeys.

In addition, BECT will soon take the keys of a new 16-seater Mercedes 513 minibus, which the organisation is buying as a direct replacement for an older vehicle. Like most of the fleet it will be an automatic, which provides a smoother ride for passengers. Both new minibuses meet Euro Standard 5 for emissions, the highest standard possible, and by regularly replacing its vehicles and running a modern fleet the organisation is able to maintain a high level of efficiency and reliability, as well as minimising its emissions.

Edwina Edwards, Chief Executive of Bakewell & Eyam Community Transport, said she was delighted with the new vehicles: "Since the new minibuses offer us the choice of eight or 16 seats it gives us greater versatility," she said. "Whether we're transporting regular passengers on a weekday or a community club or organisation in the evening or at the weekend, we can now cater for more and different size groups and offer them a smooth, safe and reliable ride."

If your community group would like to arrange minibus transport, contact Ann or Karen on 01629 641920 email info@bect.org.uk.

## Bakewell Silver Band - A Travelogue! Saturday 17 September 2011

Over Haddon Village Hall was comfortably full for the first visit to the new Hall by 'The Bakewell Silver Band'. The concert is generously sponsored by Derbyshire Dales District Council and we are most grateful to them.

Could the band raise the roof as suggested by Mark Wilcockson during a previous band concert in Over Haddon?

But (shock/horror!!) it was not Mr Wilcockson gracing the rostrum (silent groans - we do love his humour). The first 'tune' was played and only then did this stranger introduce himself as Roland Spencer and explain that Mark was unavailable. Fortunately I knew that would be OK as I had spotted John Mark in the audience and he ably took over the conducting when requested. It was again good to see so many young people in the band, and Roland told us that he enjoys working with this band especially because of the breadth of music available from these gifted players. Fortunately his humour was equal to that of Mark Wilcockson's and he was pronounced by one member of the audience as 'just as daft as the other one' - praise indeed!

But I digress dear reader - we were ('comme d'habitude') entertained by an excellent band playing well loved musical numbers and it turned out to be a veritable 'travelogue'. With the Union Flag displayed on the big screen behind the band, we visited Wales and Lincolnshire (Caerphilly Castle and The Lincolnshire Poacher) followed by Peover with solo from Debbie conjuring up the pastoral Cheshire countryside. Next we flew on to (or out of) Africa with the theme from 'Born Free' including a jazzed up version, before a whistle stop tour of various other localities around the world introduced more solo performances (Helena on Flugelhorn and Ken on Solo Horn). Roland added a quick introduction to some of the band members including a chef, a driving instructress and a sculptress in metal work!

'Celtic Impressions' conjured up my only visit to Ireland for a wedding where even the Priest was still in the pub when the bride arrived! Music from 'The Great Escape' took us the Germany and attempts at whistling were quite hilarious, especially by my faithful cohorts (Rita, Carole Jones and Marlene.)

'Going Home' from the film 'Local Hero' brought us back (via Scotland) to Over Haddon - "why?" you ask - response - Patrick won the Everards 'Local Hero' contest.

But we did not stay local for very long as we were swiftly transported to 'Broadway' and an excellent medley of tunes with worldwide connotations which prepared us for the interval.

With Trish Gillies and Nicki Crewe on the bar (thank you ladies), glasses were quickly refilled, and crisps distributed to those needing more than liquid refreshment. The envelope raffle was collected and with Union flags strategically placed on the tables the 'Proms' part of the evening commenced with verve (no - not the rock band - merely enthusiastically).

Naturally (wie gewoehnlich) the travels around the UK included the Over Haddon version of 'The Floral Dance' which did confuse this conductor - he played it again and was still unfused - oh well - just one of our traditions! No mention was made of the Richard Rogers music 'Slaughter on 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue' and with my sense of humour restored by the 'encore' of The Floral Dance the concert continued in true Promenade style with a variety of theme and popular music. We were able to sing along (and wave our flags) to patriotic songs such as 'Rule Britannia' and 'Land of Hope and Glory' (NOT the punk rock version by 'Ex Pistols' and yes - there is no S in front of Ex) although I personally am not too keen on the line in the aforesaid "Wider still and wider". I did notice that this custom of 'flag waving whilst swaying about and possibly singing along' involving older members of the audience (Steve Miller was notable) was greeted with astonishment by some younger members of the audience - they will learn but it was good to see young people in the audience. 'Jerusalem' was of course included in our travel itinerary and finally with lots of clapping and flag waving, a super concert came to a natural conclusion back in the UK. Roland congratulated Over Haddon on a fantastic 'place' and noted that they had not brought the roof off or even raised it! He suggested that we purchase CDs of the band's repertoire and John Mark's Mum already had that in hand. The winner of the envelope raffle was announced, the proceeds of which were kindly donated to the band, and Martin, in his inimitable and eloquent manner, thanked Roland and the Bakewell Silver Band for an excellent evening - her Suziness concurs.

**Report by our Arts Correspondent - Her Suziness**

### ANGELS TO FILL BAKEWELL!

A host of sixty Angels, the creation of Holmfirth based artist, Celia Kilner flew in to All Saints Parish Church, Bakewell at the end of September and will be there to see and enjoy until January 2012. The angels are painted on foamboard and are interpretations and representations of Angel paintings from across the world, across the ages and across all religious persuasions. The earliest Angel is from Fifth Century Egypt. Others include 'The Angel of Resurrection' from an Arabian manuscript, an Indian Angel holding an asp and group of Angels by Hans Memling, who died in Bruges in 1494. Closer to our own times is a pre-Raphaelite style 'St Cecilia' by J.W. Waterhouse.

Local shops and businesses have been asked to display an angel in a prominent position in their premises for the duration of the Festival and local Organizations and Groups have been invited to create their own angel and bring it into the Parish Church during the Festival. Residents are being invited to make and display an angel in their windows or gardens.

In celebration of their presence, a community wide Festival of Angels is planned from 29<sup>th</sup> November until 18<sup>th</sup> December.

#### **Festival of Angels Programme at All Saints Church, Bakewell**

Tuesday 29th November 7 pm	Community Festival Opening
Saturday 3rd December 7 pm	'Come and Sing' Messiah
Sunday 4th December 6 pm	Taize Service by candlelight
Sunday 11th December 7 pm	Concert by the High Peak Wind Band
Sunday 18th December 6pm	Candlelit Carol Service

Church will be open throughout the Festival for visitors. Refreshments will be available.

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