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## NOTES FROM ST. ANNE'S CHURCH

If you have looked inside the church recently (or still as I write this) you will have seen that it has been decorated for the *Harvest Festival* service, which was held on Sunday September 30th. It was a lovely service with colourful displays on the windows, familiar harvest hymns, accompanied by Fiona who is able to cope with our somewhat temperamental organ....a lively address by the vicar and delicious cakes (and tea) afterwards.

Over 30 people came, the largest number for over 10 years. Maybe the 3pm time for the service helped?

The fruit and vegetables (apples being easily the most prominent as there was such a good crop this year) have been removed and mostly taken to the Eventide Home in Bakewell. More non perishables—tins, packets and bottles—than ever were given as gifts, which was good because it meant that 3 large boxes could be donated to the *Buxton Food Bank*. I was told that there has been a steep rise in the numbers using the food banks over the last few years, mostly working-age families who have fallen on hard times. A sad indictment of our society perhaps but certainly a fact of life.

Apart from regular services the next important event is the *Remembrance Service* at the War memorial on Main Street at 10.50am on November 11th. This year, of course, is the 100th anniversary of the armistice which ended the First World War in 1918 so it is a particularly important occasion. After the brief service everyone is invited to come to the church to see the display of red felt poppies which have been hand made in the village, and the "soldier silhouettes" and share some refreshments. Later that day further events will be held in the village hall. (see page 6)

Regular church services are still held at 10am on Sundays, but from the beginning of October these are on the *second and fourth Sundays of each month*, not the first and third as formerly. This is to do with the reduced numbers of clergy in the Bakewell area.

Finally, a word about the churchyard: a health and safety inspection of *gravestones* took place earlier in the Summer and a number failed to pass the test....so some work has to be done to make them safe. This will cost several hundreds of pounds so if anyone has family members buried in graves with wobbly headstones and would like to help with the cost of making them safe, any contributions would be gratefully received.

Roger Truscott

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## Tufa for Sale

Several large blocks of tufa rock for sale....

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Jan Langdon

01629 810185

**DON'T FORGET !!**

**CLOCKS GO BACK**

**ONE HOUR AT 2AM**

**ON OCTOBER 28th**

## I REMEMBER

As a child I remember how beautifully the Church was decorated at Harvest Festival.

The wall at Woodlands, where the three garages are now. was always covered with Virginia creeper and the ladies would ask May Bibby, the then owner, for a supply of creeper to initially line every window or drape down the font, reredos, or screen etc. Vases and vases of mainly home grown flowers were then arranged in every window and any other appropriate place, interspersed with all manner of fruits, again mostly home grown. Apples, Pears, Plums, Damsons and particularly Pomegranates (Not home grown). We kids loved getting a pomegranate which we would cut in half, pick the seeds out with a pin and eat them. A very laborious process but in those days something we loved to do, The steps to the altar and font would be covered with anything from potatoes, marrows, swede, beetroot, onions, cabbage but I don't remember brussel sprouts, perhaps they were not ready till later in the year. When Bob Carrington arrived in the village, he kept bees consequently there were quite a few jars of honey as decoration. The altar itself also usually had loaves of bread decorating it, probably made by Aunty Mary Blackwell who at the time lived at Calling Low or Kitty Marsden who lived in the village. There was always one loaf of bread shaped like a sheaf of corn probably made by Sadie Pearce, plus numerous real sheaves of corn.

Agnes Taylor ran the Sunday School at the time and she organised all the children to take a small basket of produce up to the altar to be blessed by the vicar.

The produce was later given to those who were not well and later, before the village hall was built, taken to the school or Lizzie Beebe's (Uncle Geoff's) and auctioned off by Jim Taylor or Joe Oldfield.

All monies from the sale went into church funds.

This comes out too late for this year but it would be nice to see a full church not just at Harvest Festival but throughout the year. We don't wish to be like the end of John Betjeman's poem 'Diary of a church mouse' which goes:

But all the same it's strange to me  
How very full a church can be  
With people I don't see at all  
Except at Harvest Festival

**PATRICK THURLBY**

## BONFIRE NIGHT and FIREWORKS 2018

The village bonfire and fireworks will be held on Saturday November 3rd.

The bonfire, on the usual site in Mr Wheeldon's field to the side of the Lathkil Hotel, will be lit at 7pm.

The fireworks should commence around 7.30pm.

Donations made on the night will help towards the cost of the display, thank you.

**With ever more stringent Health and Safety regulations, please make sure your party stays behind the ropes at all times and that children are kept safe. A separate area will be designated for sparklers.**

**No glass, alcohol or fireworks to be brought onto the field. Dogs not allowed.**

First Aiders will be present. A torch is a good idea, it can be tricky underfoot.

**Help would be appreciated on Sunday 4th to clear the site of debris. Meet 10am at the bonfire site.**

**If you live in the village and have any bonfire material you would like collecting please call**

**Dick on 812133 anytime before 12 noon on bonfire day.**

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

## **A REPORT FROM OVER HADDON HISTORY GROUP**

It has been an amazing 12 months since Over Haddon History Group was first set up with an inaugural open afternoon in the village hall on October 15th. Since then the group has gone on from strength to strength with a growing number of members who are keen to find out more about the village and its history.

The twin themes of researching the medieval manor, which once stood on the land at the far end of the village close to the Lathkil Hotel, and discovering more about the history of individual houses were established by the group at our August meeting.

Studying the lives and homes was certainly inspired by a highly successful evening walk in July around the village, which fired imaginations as one by one members spoke about their own houses as we passed them and speculation was rife about the origins of some of them.

The group paused by the pump in Wellgate Lane to re-create a photograph taken more than 100 years ago of villagers in the same spot—no doubt on the old picture there were the ancestors of some of present day residents. It was an evening to remember, especially as the wonderful weather gave us the chance to have a picnic on the lawn of the village hall afterwards until long after it was dark.

Many members had previously expressed an interest in finding out more about the medieval manor or hall that appears to have dominated the eastern end of the village during possibly the late 16th and early 17th centuries. Initial exploration of old documents and maps led Christine Chresta to approach the Time Travellers archaeology group about the situation and geologist John Barker came out to look at the potential field site in late September. An intrigued Mr Barker decided that his group would be able to dig some test pits to see what lay beneath the surface, having noticed dressed stone in various locations around the field and also the way in which the land undulates. A look at satellite images also indicated strange anomalies in the landscape—sufficient to encourage the test pits to be dug.

So on a bright but windy day at the beginning of October, members of the history group helped the Time Travellers to dig four test pits on the land belonging to Mr Wheeldon, who was happy to allow us to do this. Within a couple of hours, the merry band of diggers was turning up interesting pieces of stone, glass and pottery—the latter is awaiting examination for dating purposes—and more importantly it was decided that it would probably be worth carrying out a geophysics survey on the site to sense any underground remains using specialist equipment. More work needs to be done to establish the possible size of the manor by looking at extra aerial shots and maps so that the geophysics exercise is worthwhile.

Some of this information could come from the Derbyshire Records Office, which holds more than 400 documents that reference the village, and at the September meeting members were given a talk by record office archivist Paul Beattie who explained some of the items available and how to access them.

Although the increasingly dark days and poorer weather may slow down the physical exploration, there is plenty of work for members to do researching documents, books, maps and censuses to keep us ticking over during the winter. It is hoped that a follow-up lead mining in Lathkil Dale walk will take place in early December and we will have a research meeting on October 25th and a nostalgia evening at November's meet to round off what has been an exciting 2018.

Keep an eye out for posters advertising the events and please come along. We meet the fourth Thursday in each month and we are in the process of putting together an exciting programme for next year.

It's never too late to join us—

either become a member for £10 a year or pay as you go on the door at £4 per session.

For more information contact 01629 814750

**Zena Hawley**

## What goes on at the Village Hall?

### MONDAYS:

**PARISH COUNCIL** normally meet 2nd Monday every 2nd month, 8pm.

See notice board in Main St. Clerk: Matthew Lovell 01629 636151

[parishclerk@overhaddonparish.org.uk](mailto:parishclerk@overhaddonparish.org.uk)

Your Parish Councillors are: Kay Staniforth, Penny Aitken, Zena Hawley, Roger Truscott and Dick Foxon

**VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE** meet monthly, 7.30pm.

Admin: Zena Hawley 01629 814750 [ohvh.org.uk](http://ohvh.org.uk) Facebook [www.facebook.com/OverHaddonVillageHall/](https://www.facebook.com/OverHaddonVillageHall/)

Bookings: Jen Foxon 01629 812133 [bookingsecohvh@btinternet.com](mailto:bookingsecohvh@btinternet.com)

**PILATES** weekly, 6.15 -7.15pm Teece 07904353040 [thannanpilates@gmail.com](mailto:thannanpilates@gmail.com)

**BOWLS GROUP** weekly from Oct-April, 7.30pm. No experience needed. Bill 07791359689

**BOOK GROUP** last Monday, every 2nd month, 7.30pm. Marian 01629 813001 Tricia 812781

### TUESDAYS:

**KEEP FIT** weekly, 11.30am. Beccy 07539649165 [simplybfit@outlook.com](mailto:simplybfit@outlook.com)

**TABLE TENNIS** weekly Oct-April, 7pm. Dick 01629 812133

### WEDNESDAYS:

**HATHA YOGA** weekly, 10.30am. Michele 01629 815168

### THURSDAYS:

**HATHA YOGA** weekly, 2 sessions between 9am-1pm. Denise 01629 580757 [deniseingman@aol.co.uk](mailto:deniseingman@aol.co.uk)

### FRIDAYS:

**OPEN COFFEE MORNING** normally weekly at 11am. All adults welcome, pop along.

### SUNDAYS:

**FILM NIGHT** monthly Sept-April, 7.30pm. Jen 01629 812133

The hall is also regularly used for private and commercial bookings.

To enquire about booking the hall please contact the booking sec 01629 812133  
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### NOTES FROM THE PARISH CLERK

The Parish Council met in September to discuss proposals to tidy up the walled copse at the junction of Main St and Wellgate Lane following a meeting with the PDNPA Tree Officer.

It was informed of the DCC error which has resulted in the Order to secure the Bridleway across Lathkill Dale and Meadow Place Grange to be resubmitted – comments will need to be resubmitted consequently.

The Snow Warden Penny Aitken is looking to co-ordinate volunteers who wish to help in clearance, and provide shopping and lifts for those in need should this winter prove harsh.

Rights of Way are being chased as footpath 7 needs attention as the route is being lost.

Our next meeting is on Monday 12th November at 8pm

**MATTHEW LOVELL** [parishclerk@overhaddonparish.org.uk](mailto:parishclerk@overhaddonparish.org.uk)

## DONATIONS MADE FROM THE WELL DRESSING EVENT

The Well Dressing committee decided to add an extra organisation to this year's group of charities it chose to support, and was able to make donations of £200 each to Village Aid, Ashgate Hospice, RSPCA Sheffield and the RAF Benevolent Fund.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to Over Haddon well dressing, in whatever shape or form.

### Village Show 2018

After such a gloriously long, hot summer it was difficult to know whether the heat would just have been too much for the growers among us, or whether there would be a bumper crop of veg and flowers. But of course, there are so many other classes which are not weather dependent.

The good news is that we had the highest number of entries for many years, and the most successful auction for even longer! I think we can say that the 2018 show was a resounding success.

Thank you so much to everyone who took the trouble to enter, and to everyone who gave their time and commitment to ensure that the day went smoothly.

Requests have been received for winning ginger cake and brownie recipes, compliments have been passed on to growers of marrows and brewers of damson gin, and suggestions have been made that we should have a permanent display of the superb locally captured photographs.

We obviously have a wealth of talent in the village, and it is good that we have a showcase to share everyone's achievements with a wider audience.

Some of the sections were really hard fought this year. Evie O'Neal, Lara Elliott, Jemma Askew and Leo Pocock all did extremely well across the children's sections. Christine Chresta, Fran Thompson and Trish Renshaw gave the photography winner a run for his money. But the closest result came in the competition for the Joseph Oldfield Cup, where there was actually a tie - almost unheard of. At least Pat will have to clean the trophy for only half the year! Particular congratulations must go to Ruby Beard, who beat many of the more experienced entrants at their own game. Well done, Ruby!

I really do want to congratulate everyone who entered - in my book you're all winners - but for the record, the cream of the crop was:

#### Children

Special under 10 prize	Evie O'Neal
Special 11 and over prize	Beth Elliott
Junior Cup	Lara Elliott

#### Adults

Most firsts in section A	Pat Thurlby
Most firsts in Sections B&D	Ruby Beard
Most firsts in Section K	Martin Chresta
Limerick	Fran Thompson
W.I. Cup	Ruby Beard
Joseph Oldfield Cup (shared)	Debbie Porter }
	Pat Thurlby }

More than £500 was raised towards the running costs of the village hall - so a brilliant day all round. Sincere thanks to all those who made it possible, from games organisers and auctioneers, through stewards, to tea servers, and others too numerous to mention. I hope everyone enjoyed it.

Trish Renshaw

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Oct 23: Harvest Supper, Village Hall. Over Haddon Community Group
- Oct 25: History group research update
- Nov 3: Bonfire & Fireworks
- Nov 11: Remembrance Sunday service at the war memorial 11am. Teas in church.  
WW1 related displays, beacon lighting and free film in the village hall 'Journeys End'
- Nov 11: Lathkil Hotel 'Leg it round Lathkil Race' and fun run, in aid of Children in Need. From 11.30am
- Nov 18: Film 'Darkest Hour. 7pm for 7.30 Village Hall
- Nov 22: History Group Nostalgia evening
- Dec 1: Christmas Menus served throughout Dec by arrangement at Lathkil Hotel
- Dec 1: Pat's Big Quiz, Village Hall
- Dec 9: Film 'Finding Your Feet' 7pm for 7.30 Village Hall . Mince pies.
- Dec 18: Wassail at Village Hall. Over Haddon Community Group
- Dec 23: Christmas Carol Service in St Anne's Church , 4pm
- Dec 24: Christmas Eve Quiz Lathkil Hotel
- Dec 31: New Year's Eve Party & Supper, Lathkil Hotel. Ticket only event
- Jan 20: Film 'Goodbye Christopher Robin' 7pm for 7.30. Village Hall
- Jan 24: History Group

### REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY 2018

In the next couple of weeks, you might notice a sea of poppies starting to appear around the village as part of the 100th anniversary commemoration of the ending of the First World War on November 11, 1918. In common with most villages, Over Haddon saw men go off to fight in the war and sadly some of them never came back.

The village hall social committee has been putting together a programme of activities and events to mark the Armistice, including making hundreds of felt poppies which will be fastened onto nets and draped near to the village war memorial, and also in St Anne's Church. Two sessions in the village hall recently saw volunteers making the poppies and there will be a further opportunity to 'have a go' when some poppies, plus instructions, will be left in St Anne's church. These will then be added to the nets near the memorial.

We will also be purchasing some of the large size poppies from the Royal British Legion, which will be placed at various locations across the village. If you wish to discuss a donation towards these to go to the Royal British Legion then contact 01629 814750.

On the day itself - Sunday November 11 - there will be a series of events happening to mark the occasion. The usual service at the war memorial in Main Street will start at 10.50am and it would be lovely to see as many people as possible taking part. Afterwards, people are invited to walk to the church for refreshments and also to see the First World War display that will be put there in due course.

Among the things to see at the church will be a series of five silhouettes designed to represent the village war fallen and which were the result of a successful bid to the Armed Forces Covenant Fund Trust earlier this year.

For those who cannot get to the church, later in the day the village hall will be open from 6pm to see the exhibition in situ there before the lighting of a beacon in the field beyond the Lathkil Hotel at 7pm - to match those being lit across the country - and then the showing of the First World War film "Journey's End " in the village hall from 7.30pm. This is a free event for everyone. We are also hoping that the church bell will be rung in the morning and in the evening in common with other bells across the UK - the end of the war was the first time bells could be sounded for the best part of four years so it will be a fitting tribute.

We do hope you can join us at some or all of the above day's events.

It is important that Over Haddon Remembers, lest we forget.

**Zena Hawley**

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**Thanks to Jim Edmondson**

For many years now , local award winning photographer Jim has run a very successful Photo workshop at the village hall, but he has decided that now the time has come to retire. We all thank Jim for the considerable effort he has put in and for the knowledge he has shared.

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**NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH, AND VILLAGE OIL TREE**

To add your details onto the **Neighbourhood Watch** list, a ring round system which can quickly pass on information about security worries or crime in the village, please contact Dick 01629 812133.

Similarly, to join in with the **Oil Tree**, which cuts our costs when ordering in bulk, contact Dick.

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**BAKEWELL AND EYAM TRANSPORT**

Bakewell & Eyam Community Transport continue to provide door to door shopping bus services called the Easy Shopping Service for people who find it difficult to use public transport. BECT pick passengers up from their front door and take them to the supermarket. The driver helps people with their shopping and carries the bags to their front door. Depending on location, the Easy Shopping Service will take people to Aldi, Co-op, Morrison's, Sainsbury's, Spar and Tesco. The service runs throughout Matlock, Bakewell, Buxton, Hope Valley and Glossop areas and available Monday to Friday. The cost of a return journey is from £5.00. If you have never used Community Transport, try us as BECT can make a real difference to any one who cannot easily visit essential services or get out and about.

If you would like to visit Crystal Peaks, Chester, Oswaldtwistle Mills, Fairways Garden Centre, National Arboretum or Leek market over the next few months contact us on 01629 641920 or email [bookings@bect.org.uk](mailto:bookings@bect.org.uk) or visit the website on [www.bect.org.uk](http://www.bect.org.uk) for more information.

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**PAT'S BIG QUIZ 2018**

**Don't forget Pat's Big Quiz at the village hall on Saturday December 1st.**

Final details are being put into place, but it will follow the usual format—Teams of up to 4 people. Don't worry if you're on your own, we can fit you in with some friendly faces.

Book your places with Pat, or committee members Jill 810169 and Jen 812133.

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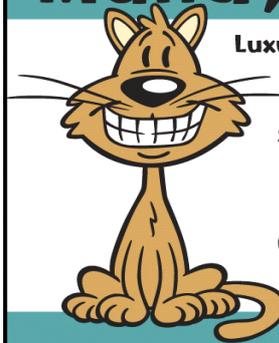
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