

HONLEY FLYER



The official newsletter of Honley Village Community Trust CIO
Reg Charity No 1195759

What's happening at Honley Village Community Trust



My name is Margaret Wadsworth and I am the chair of Honley Village Community Trust CIO. We may have had a testing few years but the community spirit has never left us here in Honley. We have such an amazing community and I want to take this opportunity to say a very heartfelt thank you to ALL our amazing volunteers who give of their time to make Honley a lovely place to live - from litter picking, floral displays, gardening, Christmas lights, the Honley Flyer & much more.

A special thanks goes to Daphne Smith who for many years has sorted, delivered and managed an army of 42 volunteers who deliver the Honley Flyer to over 3,000 homes, 4 times a year to keep us informed and updated. Sadly, its time for Daphne to step back from this role, I hope you will join me in my heartfelt thanks to Daphne for her huge contribution & support.

If you would like to get involved with the Honley Flyer I would love to hear from you. m.mwadsworth@gmail.com

You are invited to attend
Honley Village Community Trust AGM
Wednesday 26th July
8pm at The Village Hall, Honley

The Welcome Club

Its been a very busy and exciting few months at the Welcome Club, not only have we enjoyed quizzing, chair Zumba, bingo, chats and delicious cake but we also had a wonderful day out at York where everyone was free to do what they liked - shopping, wandering around the markets, walking the walls or taking a moment in York Minister. It was a great day out. We are also thrilled to have received our first **Community Champions Award**, without our fabulous volunteers the Welcome Club would not be possible and the award is testament to their support and commitment to our community. A huge thank you to all the volunteers and to **Holme Valley Parish Council** for their recognition of this ever growing, fabulous group. Please feel free to join us **Monday 1-3pm at The Village Hall**, you will find a warm and friendly welcome.



The Village Hall

The Village Hall has been in full swing over the last few months hosting children's birthday parties, dance classes, yoga and the Brownies, amongst lots of other activities and events. The Fundraising Fashion Show in conjunction with Chain Reaction was a huge success, with over 90 people attending. A big thank you to Heather for her gorgeous outfits and fabulous hosting. The evening would not have been the success it was without our wonderful, 10 volunteer models, without them the show would not have happened. A huge thank you to must also go to Ruth from The Foresters who arranged the models and encourage them to take part. Thanks also to everyone who came along, supported the evening and bought a raffle ticket - we hope you enjoyed it as much as we did! The Markets In The Hall & Scout Hut have also been a thriving success, with plenty of support from the local community. The markets have been an excellent way to support local producers of food and crafts, and we thank everyone who has come out to show their support. Finally, the recent Easter week was jam-packed with Egg-citing events for the children. From Easter Bonnet making to Afternoon Tea with the Easter Bunny, the children had ablast.



Honley Library & Grounds

This is an appeal to the local community to help us in our efforts to improve the grounds surrounding our beautiful library.

After many years of neglect, we are keen to ensure the gardens become an enjoyable area for local people. The grounds are ideal for children's activities, but unfortunately, there is currently a considerable amount of dog fouling in the grassed areas which continues to build. To help us with our efforts, we politely ask that if you access this area with your dog, you clean up after them. A bin will be installed in the near future. Work has already begun and with the generous help of the Magdale team, some of the overgrowth has been removed. Additionally, advice is being taken on the remaining trees. There will be a fortnightly rota for cutting the grass and with the support of The Prince's Trust, hopefully a new planting scheme in the summer. We hope you will bear with us while the work and development of the gardens takes place. We look forward to providing an enjoyable space for the community to enjoy. The Management Committee, Friends of Honley Library

Market In The Hall & Scout Hut - SAVE THE DATES

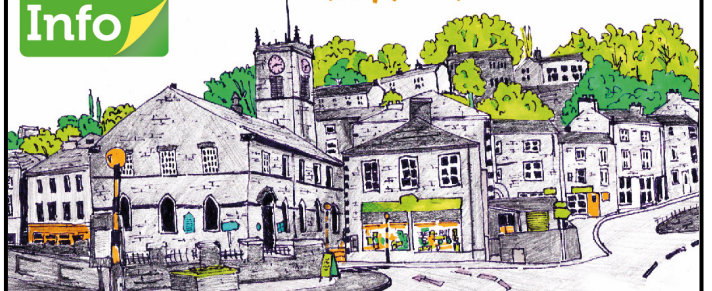
Saturday
20th May

Saturday
10th June

Saturday
8th July



Find out what's happening in Holmfirth!



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Members of Honley's long-established amateur dramatic group are gearing up to perform two brand-new pantomimes at Southgate Theatre in the next five months. Oh yes they are! Following well-regarded interpretations of modern and classic comedies Ladies Day by Amanda Whittington in April and Shakespeare's Twelfth Night last November, Honley Players will be staging Alice in Wonderland in June and a panto-style Halloween show in October. Both shows will be new to the stage having been specially commissioned by Honley Players. Prolific panto playwright Barry Crossley of New Mill was given the job after providing the script for the group's pantomime Robinson Crusoe last summer. Co-director Richard Skelton said: 'Robinson Crusoe ended up being postponed because of Covid but the summer dates proved popular so we decided to repeat the idea this year. People also really liked the script, so we went back to Barry and asked him to write something specially for us. And while we were knocking ideas around for Alice in Wonderland Barry said he had always wanted to write a Dracula panto, so we decided to go ahead with that too and make it a Halloween Spooktacular!' Rehearsals for Alice in Wonderland began in March and casting for the October show will take place in early July. Tickets for both shows are £8.00 for adults and £6.00 for children. **All tickets available from Zebra, Honley or visit southgatetheatre.org**



ALICE IN WONDERLAND;
JUNE 2023. Fri 16th - 7.15pm, Sat 17th - 2.30pm
& 7.15pm, Sun 18th - 2.30pm, Wed 21st - 7.15pm,
Fri 23rd - 7.15pm, Sat 24th - 2.30pm & 7.15pm.

HALLOWEEN DRACULA SPOOKTACULAR;
OCTOBER 2023. Thurs 26th - 7.15pm,
Fri 27th - 7.15pm, Sat 28th - 2.30pm & 7.15pm,
Sun 29th - 2.30pm & Tues 31st - 7.15pm.

Actors Gary Jarvis (left), & Jon Green (right) with writer Barry Crossley (centre)



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Magdale Land Report

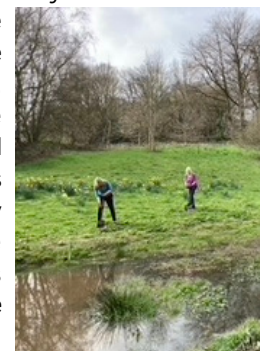
It's been lovely to see Spring arrive with some warmer weather, the trees getting greener and blossom coming out, particularly on the fruit trees in the orchard. The wet March has meant that the wetland pond has been an attractive venue for frogs and toads to spawn again this year. There remain some tadpoles in the pond, but I received reports of some people collecting the frogs pawn and even taking it away in trugs! Frogs, Toads and Newts are protected species and frog or toad spawn should not be removed from the pond. The purpose of the pond is to improve the biodiversity of the area and last year I saw many children enjoying the sight of the many tadpoles turning into small frogs. So please help us by not removing any frogspawn or tadpoles in future years.

All of the apple trees we planted last year have survived the winter and we added to the orchard by planting 6 pear trees, 2 crab apple trees and a mulberry tree. Natural Kirklees have recently awarded a grant for us to construct a bee bank for solitary bees adjacent to the orchard and that project will commence during the summer. Other work that has been undertaken by our volunteers has been sowing some more wildflower seed around the pond and on bare ground, including molehills. We have planted some oak trees donated to us, undertaken hedge maintenance and refurbishment of the benches, and cleaned out bird boxes ready for the nesting season. We also helped Friends of Honley Library by undertaking some clearance work on their gardens. New notice boards, provided by Allsops, have been erected at the entrances to

Magdale Fields from Coach Lane and from Magdale. These will be used to provide information about the area and promote Village Trust activities. A Tree Safety Survey will be undertaken in the next few months thanks to a grant provided by Holme Valley Parish Council, and this may lead to some



additional work being required on the trees on Magdale. We understand the attraction of Magdale for cyclists, particularly mountain bikers, but the paths running through the fields and woods are footpaths and there are signs erected by the Trust and Kirklees that say that cycling is not permitted. We'd be grateful if all cyclists could adhere to this requirement. Thanks to all of the volunteers for their work on Magdale.



We always welcome new volunteers and if you would like to join us on the second Sunday each month please contact me Steve Hemming Tel. 07717 766071

EAR WAX REMOVAL SERVICE

We are a local business based in Honley offering this service using microsuction and irrigation techniques. Weekly clinics and offer a home visiting service for those who genuinely cannot get to a clinic (a small charge applies).

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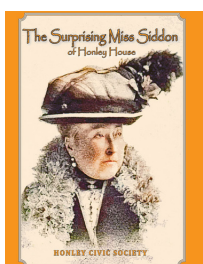
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The Surprising Miss Siddon

The centenary of the death of one of the most prominent citizens of Honley occurs on 28th May 2023. She came to live in Honley at the age of 21, left an orphan she lived with her uncle, George Jessop and his three sons. Miss Siddon built up a reputation as patron of many organisations and events, but more significantly as a Local Guardian, responsible for the poor of this part of the West Riding, eventually becoming the first female chairman of the Board of Guardians and a JP. With a passionate interest in women's' suffrage and in the conditions of pauper children, she was a significant figure in both town and village life at the beginning of the 20th Century and was awarded the OBE at the end of the 1914-18 war for her services to Soldiers and Sailors Families Association. Her interests spread over many causes and are told in the

latest book from Honley Civic Society - **The Surprising Miss Siddon**. The book outlines her life, family and friendships, and brings to life the generosity she showed to her adopted home. Priced at £10.00 available at Zebra, Holme Valley News, Honley and READ bookshop, Holmfirth. Also online from honleycivicsociety.co.uk.





Located in Moorside Road, Honley, C.A.T. Alarms has built a successful reputation for great quality, value, and service. Home and business protection specialist Alan Donkersley (pictured here with daughter Anne-Marie and Liam) started the company in 1993, and supplies customers with a wide range of security services from system design, through installation, and support. It would be easy for a business operating in high-tech systems to talk about the latest gadgets and cutting-edge programming, but Alan prefers to talk about the people side of his trade. "I have known many of our clients for decades and most of our work comes via word of mouth. I would like to thank all our customers over the years for their support and wish them the very best for the future. I like to think they chose to recommend us because

we do a good job. Our prices are fair and transparent. We won't try and sell you something because 'it's the latest' but we will try and guide you to the solution that meets your needs the best." Alan also stresses how important it is to maintain a security system. "It does not matter how long you've had an alarm or other security measure; it will always benefit from a regular service, and to make sure it's still doing the thing you need it to do. We're happy to look at existing measures, and we'll give you our straight opinion. And then it's down to you." Having worked locally for 30-years Alan is well known in the community and the company's black cat logo is a familiar sight around the village.

If you want to know more about how you can protect your home or business, please call Alan, Ann-Marie or Liam on **01484 666695** or send an email to cat.alarms@btinternet.com. C.A.T. Alarms is a member of the Honley Business Association.

Honley Probus Club

The club is open to retired and part retired men. Come along to a free meeting to see what we are about & if you like it there's a small entry fee and annual members subscription.

The club meets the first & third Tuesday of each month at Honley Community Centre on Stony Lane in Honley.

The meetings start at 10.30am and finish at 12 noon. Our speakers are:

- 16th May:** Dr David Allen - The essence of a Georgian Gentleman
- 6th June:** Chris Toole - The Ackroyd and Crossley families of Halifax
- 20th June:** Dr Peter Edwards - Myths and Legends, First World War
- 4th July:** Deborah Wyles - Festivals in the Holme Valley.

Pop along, a warm and friendly welcome awaits. Further information can be found on: www//HonleyProbus

Honley Male Voice Choir

Honley Male Voice Choir (Honley MVC) are thrilled to have received a grant assistance for 2023 from One Community Thornton Family Fund. Like many 'not-for-profit' organisations, resources are limited and annual running costs are high.

At a time when funds for community groups and charitable organisations are becoming more difficult to access, Honley MVC are incredibly grateful for this opportunity to make a real difference in Huddersfield. The award will go towards providing valuable wellbeing, health and social interaction support to the Choir and will enable the Choir to meet its charitable community involvement aims, thereby benefitting the wider local community.



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1st July - Farnley Tyas

Preparations are well underway for Honley Show's return to the much-loved Showground in Farnley Tyas, where its been enjoyed for 20 years from 2000. The move back to our Farnley Tyas showground has been very well received and we've had a strong response from trade stand holders and other business partners. There is still much to be done but we can see the bones of yet another bumper show. Our volunteers are very busy but we are taking time out at 6.30pm on Tuesday June 6th at the Magic Rock in Holmfirth to meet anybody who would like to help us at either this year's show or on

a more long term basis. Please come if you're interested we're sure you'll find it enjoyable and rewarding. We are seeking a new poultry secretary, and would welcome anyone who is interested in

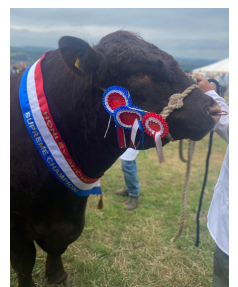
would like to help us at either this year's show or on would like to help us at either this year's show or on us directly. Ticket pricing has been set for this year and the great news is...**KIDS WILL GO FREE** when you buy your ticket before the day online or at our usual local business outlets. It's going to be a great day out for all the family and we look forward to seeing you.

A call to all competitors & trade stands

If you are interested in entering cattle, goats, pigs, sheep, horses and hand-crafts competitive sections please complete the entry forms online honleyshow.co.uk/home/competing.

Unfortunately, this year there will be no kennel club accredited dog show, however, the Springer's fun dog show will take place. Trade stands are selling fast and are on a strictly first come first serve basis, if you are interested please book online as soon as possible honleyshow.co.uk/booking-a-trade-stand. Programme advertising is available with adverts starting from £150. Please contact us via Facebook for more advertising info or to place a booking.

Ticket Prices
Adults £15 & Kids Go Free
Until 11pm, Friday 30th June.
On the day tickets -
Adults £18 & £3 for Kids



THINGS TO DO LOCALLY

DAY	EVENT / ACTIVITY	TIME	WHERE IT'S HAPPENING
Monday	The Welcome Club	1 - 3pm	The Village Hall, Honley
	Slimming World	5.45pm	Liberal Club, Honley
	Brownies	6.15 - 7.45pm	The Village Hall, Honley
Tuesday	Trinity Mother & Babies	9 - 11.15am	Trinity Church, Honley
	Cup or Tea OR Coffee Drop In	1 - 6pm	The Library, Honley
	Knit and Natter	1.30 - 2.30pm	The Library, Honley
	Seated Ballroom & Latin American Dance Class	2 - 3pm	The Village Hall, Honley
	Ballroom & Latin American Dance Classes	7 - 8pm	The Village Hall, Honley
Wednesday	Honley Youth "Drop In"	5.30 - 7.30pm	The Village Hall, Honley
	Friendship Group	2 - 4pm	Trinity Church, Honley
	Over 55's	1.30pm	Community Centre, Stoney Ln
	Yoga	6.30 - 7.30pm	The Village Hall, Honley
Every 2nd Wed	Honley Civic Society	7pm	St Mary's Church, Honley
Thursday	Babies Into Books (Term Time)	10 - 11am	The Library, Honley
	Coffee Morning served by The Mothers Union	10 - 11.30am	St Mary's Church, Honley
	Yoga	10.30 - 11.30am	The Village Hall, Honley
	Friends of Greencliffe Cemetery	1 - 4pm	Greencliffe Cemetery, Honley
	Weight Watchers	5.15pm - 7.15pm	The Village Hall, Honley
Friday	StoryTime (Term Time)	2 - 2.30pm	The Library, Honley
Saturday	Athletics club (5 to 12 years) No booking needed, £2.50 per day	10:30 - 12 noon	Neiley Playing Fields, Honley
	Lego Club	10 - 12 noon	The Library, Honley
Sunday	Church Service	10.30am	Trinity Church, Honley
Every 1st Sun	Friends Of Honley	10 - 12noon	The Library, Honley (outside)

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Honley Open Gardens



Honley's hidden gems, normally shared only with family & friends, are set to be unveiled to the public at Honley's Open Gardens event. Ordinarily tucked away behind hedges, walls or fences, green fingered gardening enthusiasts will open their gates to the public on **Saturday, 10 June & Sunday, 11 June - 10am - 4pm.**

Wristband entry is £8 with 10% of all ticket sales being donated to green causes such as tree and hedge planting and community gardens within the village.

Six of the twelve gardens are within walking distance of Honley village centre. Honley Scouts and Honley's South Pennine Community Transport are providing four courtesy buses (running every twenty minutes) to gardens outside of the village centre in order to help alleviate traffic and reduce Holme Valley carbon emissions.

Honley Village Library will host nature themed craft activities including pebble painting. There will be a free children's nature trail around the village and in open green spaces. Music will be played near to the library and in some of the gardens that are open to the public. Entry forms and wrist bands can be collected from the library, Zebra Jewellery and Gift shop in the village the week before or the gardens and Library during the event.



Honley Athletics Star Track Sessions

May Half-term

Wed 31st May - Fri 2nd June

Summer Holidays

Wed 26th - Fri 28th July

Wed 30th Aug - Fri 1st Sept

T-Shirt & medal for all

Neiley Playing Fields,
New Mill Road, Honley,
10am to 3pm, £12 per day or
£30 for all three days



For updates on
community events
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Facebook pages

Contact information

Trinity Singers	Marran Smith, 01484 322326
Trinity Mother and Babies	Debbie Fawcett, 07742 120 069
The Welcome Club	Carol Roberts, 01484 662537
Yoga	Susan Hague, 07979 370323

Ballroom Dance Classes	June, 07854 270466
Over 55's	Pat Barr, pat.bar@outlook.com
Honley Library Activity	Jenny Lockwood, 01484 414868
Village Hall Bookings	Peter Bonds, 01484 660 348
Notice of Future Events	Honleyflyer@gmail.com