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### Save The Plough

A group of regulars at The Plough has started a campaign to protect the pub from any future at-



tempts to close it or turn it into a convenience store.

The Plough, one of three remaining pubs in Crosspool, is famously located opposite the oldest football ground in the world, Sandygate stadium. It is believed that a public house has stood on the site for around 400 years

Current speculation about the pub's future has resulted in a group of regulars exploring whether it could be registered as a community asset to help protect it from any future developments.

They've launched a Save the Plough Facebook community group to keep everyone up to date. There's also an online change.org petition and a paper petition in the pub that you're invited to sign.

### Precinct Floral Display Update 2014/2015

The summer of 2014 saw the welcomed return of the precinct hanging baskets to accompany the floral planters thanks to the Crosspool Forum. The baskets had been missing the previous year due to Council cuts and the closure of the City's Parks Facility at Graves Norton Nursery.

Last year's baskets and floral display were sourced locally by the Forum from Valley Side Garden Centre, and watered daily throughout the dry weather by a team of local volunteers.

Donations received on our January Christmas Tree Recycle will help towards the cost of this year's display and we hope to see the baskets and planters in full bloom again this summer with the addition of two further baskets on the lamp post on the corner of Selborne Road and Watt Lane.

The Forum would appreciate some help covering the watering of the floral display this coming summer, so if you can spare an hour a week we look forward to hearing from you.

A big thank you also goes to Hazel for her continued love and tendering of the two corner displays at the end of Watt lane adjacent to the bench. Your continued devotion is much appreciated by the whole community. Thanks to the whole team involved with the floral dis-

plays. Without your help, Crosspool would not be the same.

## CROSSPOOL FORUM

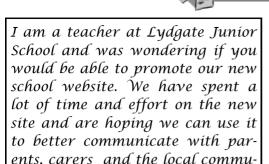
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Currently, the site does not appear in Google as we have a new web address and we do not appear at the top of the search results as we are having problems changing our web address on the authority's central database!

If you could promote the new site www.lydgatejunior.co.uk then that would be greatly appreciated!

Thanks

The Forum has recently received a couple of donations to help towards the cost of providing the precinct floral displays

A big thank you goes out to the two local residents for their £10 and £30 respectively. Your generosity is much appreciated.

THANK YOU

We reserve the right to edit pieces for both length and contents

I am setting up a Brass Quintet group here in Crosspool. I am a former British Army musician and was part of similar groups during my time in the forces. This group will perform a mix of musical styles and an inspiration would be the world famous 'Canadian Brass'. Initially this would be a rehearsal group, but with a view to performing at community, charity and professional events.

I am looking for the following players: Trumpet or Cornet, Trombone, French Horn or Tenor Horn and Tuba. It would be great if we could have more players so we could pull from a pool to perform. There is no age restriction, just looking for committed players who want to make a good sound. Ideal standard would be Grade 5 and above.

I am also looking for a local pub function room or community space to allow us a couple of hours a week to rehearse if possible.

So if you or anyone you know would be interested in joining the Crosspool brass group or have somewhere we can rehearse, do get in touch.

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### Learn to play a brass instrument with Loxley Training Band

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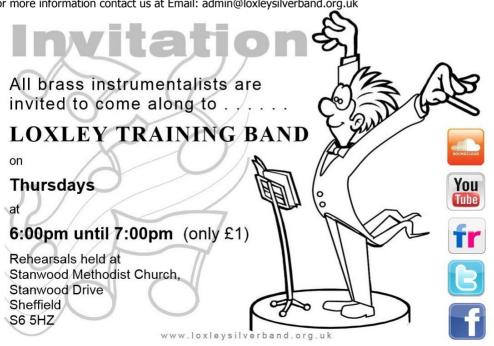
It Teaches Discipline: Learning to play an instrument is like learning to speak another language and it can be challenging at times. One of the qualities musicians possess is discipline; as well as setting aside time to practice, you will learn how to work in conjunction with the rest of a team of players in the band.

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Playing A Musical Instrument is Fun: Yes, it can be a lot of hard work, but playing an instrument is fun. Once you get better at it, opportunities will arise for you to share your newly learned skill with your family and friends. Who knows, you may also consider playing professionally in the future just like some of our former members.

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### "Oh to be a busy busy Bee" - Arthur Askey (Remember him?)

Dear readers, it's question time brought about by a little something I happened to notice when quickly glancing at an ancient, but not dated, map of the Lydgate area, kindly provided by Ian Hague

Due to its age, the lettering is rapidly fading and becoming blurred, but one can clearly discern the words "Honey" and what appears to be "Poke". I must confess that a combination of Honey, with Poke, I have never come across. Have you?

As many folk are regular users of the sweet viscid substance made by bees from nectar, spread on bread and used as a sweetening agent, I thought the phrase "honey poke" worth an investigation.

As I 'pen' these notes as a layman, bereft of all knowledge as to the day by day working life of the ones that choose to bee...wild, more so than the Bumble Bee in a colony subject to the will of the Queen bee, I ponder if bees really do make honey in hives ('honey pokes') way up in the tops of trees. I simply can't find any other way of linking that poke to honey. Can you? Perhaps an apiarist can put me right.

The very last letter of the two words (although faded) looks like an 's' and it nudges the tiniest of the 'squares' denoting a property. Close your eyes, and visualise 150 plus years ago when the entire Lydgate area was one of the four constituent parts of Crosspool, location-wise, a typical country cottage at the junction of Lydgate Lane, now Headland Drive, with crumbling brick walls partly ivy covered, the front door open and sitting there 'Grandma', duly aproned, short in stature, rotund and talking to some of her ever-increasing number of grandchildren. While 'Grandad', sporting a battered, straw hat, ageing thinning legs, partly hidden beneath a pair of breeches, nods agreement as his wife dispenses her opinions. Though sometimes her observations demand an extra puff or two of his much used and treasured clay pipe, has anyone asked the vital question.. "Is there going to be honey for tea?"

April 2015, Joe Castle

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### **Challenge Cancer Through Adventure (CCTA)**

Challenge Cancer Through Adventure is a local charity run entirely by volunteers. CCTA provides people living with cancer, or a life threatening illness, the encouragement and support to undertake an outdoor adventure challenge that aims to rebuild confidence and help people regain control of their lives.

Challenges range from local adventures around the Peak District (including rock climbing, abseiling, hang gliding, paragliding and balloon flights) to great big adventures all around the world including mountaineering and trekking in the Himalayas and the Andes, sailing in Scandinavia, sea kayaking in the Mediterranean to cycle touring in Europe.

If you, or someone you know, is living with cancer or a life threatening illness, CCTA can help fulfil that next (or first!) great adventure challenge.

The charity is run by a group of local folk who do it entirely on a voluntary basis. The patrons of the charity are Rab Carrington (founder of Rab clothing) and Matt Heason of Heason Events. CCTA are regular faces at local festivals such as Sheffield Adventure Film Festival, Cliff-hanger Festival and Buxton Adventure Festival and organise the excellent 10 mile annual Dambuster trail race. They are always on the hunt for volunteers for a helping hand at festivals, so if you would like to lend a couple of hours of your time, please do contact them!

CCTA are a local charity with a very positive outlook and want to provide people with the opportunity to do something positive to help change their outlook on their diagnosis and to help people to fulfil lifelong ambitions.

For inspiring stories of challenges or more information, visit http://challengecancer.org.uk/ or contact them directly on info@challengecancer.org.uk or by telephone on 0300 8008878

Tell them what you want to do that will challenge and inspire you; they will help you make it happen!

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### **Senior Snippets: How To Keep Cool During Summer**

In this instalment, I will be providing you with some useful tips on how to keep cool during the warmer summer months. We all look forward to the summer, especially when we are blessed with particularly warm and sunny weather. The sunshine makes us feel happy and it offers a great source of vitamin D to keep us healthy. However, higher temperatures and humidity can also present risks to our health. Older people's bodies in particular, are often unable to adjust to sudden changes in temperature, which makes them more susceptible to heat exhaustion and heat stroke. With this in mind, here are a few tips on how to make the most of the summer weather but stay cool in the process:

**Avoid the hottest times of the day (between 11am – 3pm)** – if you do need to venture out make sure you aren't outside for long periods of time and find shady spots when you can.

**Keep hydrated** – even if you're not thirsty it's important to drink plenty of water or fruit juice to replace fluids lost during sweating. Avoid caffeine or alcohol which increase dehydration.

**Think lightweight** – choose clothing which is loose, lightweight, light coloured and breathable such as a white linen shirt.

**Cool down** – take cool showers and baths when possible. If you're out and about, use a cotton hankie soaked in cool water and place it on the back of your neck and on your wrists.

**Cover up** – in addition to wearing cooler clothing it's also important to remember a hat. No matter whether it's a cotton baseball cap or a straw boater, headwear will help to keep your face in the shade.

**Pick the perfect spot** – seek out the coolest areas of your home during warmer weather. Keep curtains and blinds closed to prevent the sun heating up rooms, especially your bedroom.

To make a suggestion for a future topic, please write to me at bryn.evans@homeinstead.co.uk or by post to Home Instead Senior Care Sheffield, Haywood House, Hydra Business Park, Sheffield S35 9ZX. Alternatively, you can also call me on 0114 246 9666.

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We need views of the Crosspool area throughout the year! Volume 12 Issue 2 Page 7



This year the WI celebrates a landmark achievement of 100 years of inspiring women, never has there been a more exciting time to join **Crosspool WI** (CWI). There is a range of different ways that members can get involved and celebrate throughout 2015. Her Majesty the Queen (the President of Sandringham WI) and HRH The Princess Royal

are attending the NFWI Annual Meeting at the Royal Albert Hall on 4th June with thousands of other WI members - and HRH The Duchess of Cornwall and HRH The Countess of Wessex will be present at the WI Garden Party at Buckingham Palace on the 2nd June. But everyone (members and non-members) can join in the Celebration of 100 years of WI Achievements at the WI Centennial Fair, Harrogate International Centre (3-6 September 2015) - check out www.thewishow.com for more detail.

Their CWI Programme for 2015 includes topics such as Antiques (Michael Dawes), Fimo modelling (Gill Gosford) and talks from local nature photographer Steve Drinkall and Michael Davidson on 'What the Butler Saw', to name but a few. They meet twice monthly - 3rd Monday Evening (7pm—St Columbas) and 4th Monday afternoon (1pm - Stephen Hill). If you are new to WI and join before the 30th June, the annual subscription is good value at £27 - after that there is a sliding scale (for brand new members only). New members and visitors are always welcome at CWI. Programmes are available from Stephen Hill Church and Lounge@Crosspool.

For more information check out the CWI website.... www.crosspoolwi.moonfruit.com, facebook.com/ follow US on CrosspoolWomensInstitute, email on crosspoolwi@live.co.uk, or simply ring - Fave Brown (Secretary) on 07732 308768, or Liz Manson (Programme Secretary) on 07403 281609





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### Thursday

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### Vim & Vigour **Brunch Club**

Vim & Vigour Brunch Club is a weekly group for senior members of the community in S10. The age quideline is 60 years + with no restriction. We are an inclusive group and everybody is welcome.

The Brunch Club is held on Wednesdays from 10.30am



**Ingrowing Toenails** 

-1.00pm at Fulwood Sports Club (on the corner of Chorley Road and Slavleigh Lane). The building is fully accessible to wheelchair users. The club is lovely. We use the Sports Club Bar area which overlooks the bowling green and tennis courts. In the summer there is use of a delightful open terraced area.

The cost per session is £4.50. This includes all food and drinks, use of games, newspapers, magazines and a book swap. We sometimes do quizzes, some people play scrabble/rummy games, others just enjoy chatting. It is a very laid back and friendly group.

Our menu varies from week to week but typically includes: bacon/sausage sandwiches, tea cakes, freshly baked cakes, scones or waffles and beverages.

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33 Crosspool residents, Cllr Geoff Smith, and 8 members of the Forum Management Committee attended., with guest speakers.

Apologies were received from Cllrs Rob Frost & Ann Murphy, Claire Tideswell (Amey) & Andy Metcalfe (First Bus).

**Ian Hague** welcomed everyone & invited **Dr Alan Billings** (S.Yorks Police & Crime Commissioner) to speak.

He started by saying this meeting was the closest he had attended to his home in Crookes. In somewhere like Doncaster, telling his audience he "lives in the middle of crooks" causes some consternation!

Having been in the post since November 2014 Dr Billings found the work of the police "an eyeopener", and has had to write a plan of action (annually reviewed) based on asking local people what they want from their police – the "common thread" is "feeling safe" – at home, work, in public places; both day and night. With regard to funding, South Yorkshire police receive about £190mill. p.a. from the government, and £50mill from the Council (taxes) – but this year the government decided on a 5% cut in the budget sent to the area. They feel "cut to the bone" and it "has been a very difficult year". He has overseen a new Local Policing Model in which the previous two teams (response police – after a 999 call, for instance) and safer neighbourhood police (our local PCSOs and PCs) are combined – with staffing cuts being made in the backroom to secretarial staff, etc. The dedicated local PCSOs – Gary Hizam and Pam Thompson – will (from the implementation in September 2015) "own everything that happens" in our area and file immediate reports on their laptops back to base.

**Chief Insp. Jane Forrest** took the floor and said she felt there were "very real opportunities", with officer skillsets being upgraded, and shift patterns changing, to meet modern crime needs. Questions were taken – Lydgate Lane's police house flag was thoroughly approved of! - and answered; the 101 service needs looking at – perhaps too many call-takers have been lost.

**Gary & Pam** had little to report this quarter; a stolen vehicle recovered and the perpetrator arrested. Watch out for "rogue traders" and cold-calling in streets.

### **ALLOTMENTS**

**Martin Gourley** (NT volunteer) asked for more helpers at the NT-run Hagg Lane allotment his team have brought back into production. Every Tuesday they meet - and can take home produce they've grown. Unwanted food is taken to Longshaw cafe, or it was suggested used by Stephen Hill and Tapton Congregational lunch clubs.

**Debbie Kerr** (Hagg Lane Allotment Society) reminded people of the plant sale that weekend - and the shocking vandalism last year on site.

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### **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

**Ian Hague** read out a report from **Amey (Streets Ahead**) – work on Sandygate zones lights are almost finished; pavements to be done in June. Fulwood will see new kerbs and pavements in July- affected streets will receive letters.

**FirstBus** had also sent a report - Chester Zoo coach confirmed. Summer services to Derbyshire have started (weekends) – 240 and 241 Sheffield to Bakewell and Chatsworth, 273 to Ladybower, Derwent and Castleton (2 hourly). Info on www.firstgroup.com/peakdistrict. The 51 is in the middle of consultations about how the changes have gone. Clarkson St is closed (Childrens Hospital work); possibility of inbound 51s etc. turning right along Clarkson St to avoid the roundabout.

**Moor View Farm** – Ian has suggested while development is taking place a man directs any huge lorries out of the site – the sight lines are poor and pedestrians could get run over.

**Manchester Rd** – any support for requesting the 40 mph limit be reduced to 30? – contact Ian. **Plough Inn** – this appears to have been sold to Sainsbury's in a "back door deal". Local people have started a campaign to have the building registered as a "community asset" (see front page). **Scout Hut** (Benty Lane) - fundraising is taking place to provide disabled facilities here.

**The Crosspool Tavern** is due to close for 10 days for refurbishment.

### **COUNCILLOR'S QUESTIONS**

**Geoff** was asked to look into Moor View Farm disturbance to a Den Bank Close garden; and said no decision had been reached for use of the blue box or blue bin for paper waste. The problem of overcrowded local junior schools was raised – parents are not happy that they must drive their children great distances to their allocated school – while other parents are coming in the opposite direction to bring their children to 'ours'.

The settings of the pelican crossing (Manchester Rd – very short GREEN light for cars to pass) as against Fulwood Rd (felt to be a longer GREEN light) was brought up; cars parking with two wheels on pavements (not illegal but could be inconsiderate), and the multiple failure of some new Amey streetlights on Manchester Rd over the last few months, were all discussed.

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### TREASURER'S REPORT

Angela Southward said 27 Market Stalls had paid up, as had Clarion advertisers. The Tai Chi classes are just about covering their costs. The main annual insurance has been paid.

### LOCAL BUSINESS LIAISON

Ian asked if any shop or business owners were interested in attending the meetings and saving what they think needs doing in the area?

### **EVENTS**

- 1/ Festival Week— Sally Turnbull said the Festival brochure will be delivered in the next Clarion, or available in the precinct. There will be a scarecrow competition!
- 2/ Car Boot sale Sat 6th June—see back page
- 3/ Nominations please only one had been received by the Management Committee to date, for the festival Week proceeds.

The Next Open Meeting will be on Thursday 30th July.

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