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YOUTH CLUB TO CLOSE

Many of us can remember happy times at the “youthy” and the trips out in the summer but are you aware that due to a cut in the Rotherham Council Youth Service budget at the end of June there will no longer be a youth club in Harthill.

That’s right. Harthill with Woodall will have no provision for teenagers.

At the moment the Parish Council is negotiating with RMBC for one of their mobile Youth Clubs to attend one day a week from the end of June

through the summer. Whilst that is operating we hope to explore the possibilities of a club mainly staffed by volunteers. RMBC would pay for any CRB checks and if a volunteer wished to undergo training towards an NVQ they could arrange that too.

However we would still need a fully qualified person to take overall control of the club. Is that you?

RMBC has promised all the help they can, except of course financial!! As services are gradually being eroded there are many things we cannot do for ourselves but maybe, just

maybe, this is one we can. The youth club members themselves have already made a coherent and impassioned appeal to the powers that be but it seems that the decision has been made. We could, with voluntary help, become the envy of other Parishes and revive the club to how it used to be, vibrant and thriving.

Anyone who feels they have something to offer please contact the clerk or any Parish Councillor.

Joy Pattison
Parish Council Chairman

Easter Playtime at Spens Field News update



The Easter Mega Active programme is coming soon

The Parish Council has once again teamed up with RMBC Sports Development to bring you and your family another great Mega Active programme in the Easter holidays

There will be a week of multi-sports activities on Spens Field from Monday 11th to Friday 15th April, 10am to 12 noon for 5 - 7 years and 10am to 3pm for 8 - 14 years. Costs are just £1 per morning session (or £4 per week) and £2 per full day session (or £8 per week.) This is always a very popular event and places are limited.

Call 01709 822453 or e-mail sportsdevelopment@rotherham.gov.uk to register.

It is possible to turn up on the day but children will need to be accompanied by a parent or guardian in order to register.



New Fitness Equipment at Woodall Lane Play Area: Four multi-purpose pieces of fitness equipment will soon be installed at the Teen Village section of the playground. The new equipment will give people of all ages access to the same kind of equipment and exercise programmes found in expensive gyms. It’s safe, reliable, hard wearing and it’s not just for children – anyone can use it!

New Wildflower Maze: This is currently under construction on Spens Field near the play area and hopefully will soon be a sea of red poppies.

Bowling Green Refurbishment: This has now been completed. There’s never been a better time to join the bowling club! Contact Les Wheatley (01246 434908) for more information

Facebook Page: There is now a Harthill with Woodall community page on Facebook, established by Paul Rowland. Join and you can put your favourite photos on, advertise your events and have your say on local issues. Links to the page are also on www.harthillwithwoodall.com and www.harthillwithwoodallparishcouncil.gov.uk.

Changes at Harthill Surgery

Janet Hutchinson has recently retired from her dispensing medicines role at Harthill Surgery after 35 years of loyal service to the community. I am sure you will join with us in wishing Janet a long and happy retirement – she certainly deserves it!

Janet has seen many changes over the years. Many of you will remember the old rather shabby building which was replaced by the current Harthill surgery in 1990. Today's fully computerised dispensary seems very different from the original locked cupboard with hand written prescriptions and labels. Now, automated stock control is combined with a high-tech laser scanner to check each prescription issued at Harthill, and many patients now benefit from

the dose-cassette systems and home delivery service offered by the practice.

The doctors are delighted to have appointed Linda Harrison as Janet's replacement. Linda is a fully qualified Dispenser who will bring experience of working in Doncaster hospital pharmacy, and pharmacies in the Sheffield area. Janet has helped Linda get up to speed with the computer systems at Harthill and, as before, the doctors will check each prescription before it leaves the building.

The opening times at Harthill Surgery have been increased to enable collection of prescriptions all day between 8.30 am & 6.30pm Monday to Friday. The extended hours consultation project has been



Janet with new dispenser Linda Harrison

funded for at least another year, which means that the 7.00 am surgeries will continue.

Finally, the doctors and staff would like to extend their best wishes to Cath Turnbull (Harthill Receptionist) who has moved to work closer to her home. Cath's bubbly personality and sense of humour proved very popular with staff and patients – the doctors hope to appoint a successor very shortly.

Harthill Fruit, Flower & Vegetable Show

The daffodils are out and the sun is (sometimes) shining, so it is time to get ready to plan and plant for this year's Show. It will take place, as usual in the Village Hall, on Friday 16th September (for setting up), Saturday 17th (for setting up, judging and public) and Sunday 18th for public and prize giving.

We had such a wonderful response last year and we are hoping to do even better and have more entries of vegetables, fruit, flowers, baking and crafts from local people. Harthill School were amazing, encouraging children's entries last year and are all ready to go to get even more entries, including the vegetable classes, this year.

We are also planning to have a

scarecrow competition in the run up to the Show and will be giving more details, including theme and entry forms a little later in the year, so we hope that as many people in the village as possible will be putting in an entry.

Our website contains details of the Show (it is currently being updated) so if you want any further information, please go to www.harthillfruitflowerandvegetableshow.com

Look out for more information in coming weeks and happy gardening

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The 2010 show

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