

The *HEX-PRESS*

Your free Hexthorpe Community Newspaper



3rd and 4th year pupils at Hexthorpe Middle School about to leave for one week at the YMCA Outdoor Pursuits Centre at Lakeside in the Lake District.

Karen Smith of Urban Road describes some of her experiences during the week.

When we were at Lakeside we did a lot of activities mostly including water sports. Thursday was my favourite day because we sailed on "Toppers" which I had been looking forward to all week.

There were two in a boat. Samantha Balderstone and I shared a boat. We didn't quite

know what to do at first until we saw the others steering their boats and after a while we soon got the hang of it.

Samantha steered the rudder whilst I controlled the sail. We had just got the hang of it when a speedboat came by and with the waves the boat rocked and we capsized. Quite a few other boats capsized also. Two of my friends capsized and couldn't get back into the boat and had to be picked up by the rescue boat.

We capsized again because of the speedboat and this time I couldn't get in. The speedboat came and the lady told me to get in the boat with her. She told me to hold on to the rope at the front of the boat and we towed Samantha and the boat to the shore.

I liked the rock climbing and abseiling second best and I liked the Kayaks as well but out of all the activities in the week I liked sailing the "Toppers" best of all.

EDITORIAL

So the first edition of "The Hex-press" has arrived on your doorstep. Many of you will be wondering what "The Hex-press" is.

It's a newspaper that's been written just for the people of Hexthorpe. It will be delivered free to your house every 2 months.

The content will be made up of local news, items of interest and information on events that are taking place in Hexthorpe. In fact the newspaper is produced by people in Hexthorpe, by gathering

information from people in Hexthorpe for the people of Hexthorpe.

We live in an area with a long and interesting history which enjoys a good community spirit. By informing us of what's happening on all fronts in Hexthorpe, I hope that "The Hex-Press" will be able to further develop this sense of community within the area. I also hope that in time you feel it is your newspaper.

The next edition comes out at the end of September. If you know of any items that could be considered for this or subsequent editions, please contact tel 857044.

FROM THE REGISTERS

Baptism at St Judes

June 4th
Louise Tatham
124 Urban Road

Baptism at Hex. Methodist

May 28th
Ravelle Maxine Moses

Funerals at St Judes

May 29th
James Edward Day
6 Bentley Ave

June 10th
William Andrew Wheatley
15 Senior Road.

June 11th
Lily Pipe
Shadyside Lodge

June 22nd
Eric W Nicklin
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WEEKLY EVENTS

At Hexthorpe Methodist Church Hall:

SARA Group

(Mums and tots group)
Thursdays 10:15 - 12 noon.
Re-opens in term time.

Girl's Brigade

Tuesdays 6:00 to 8:30pm
5 to 8 yrs meet at 6:00pm
8 to 11 yrs meet at 6:00pm
11 + meet at 7:15pm.
Re-opens in term time.

Boys Brigade

Wednesdays 5:15 - 9:15pm
5 to 7 yrs meet at 5:15pm
7 to 11 yrs meet at 6:00pm
11 to 16s meet at 7:45pm.
Re-opens in term time.

Ladies Keep Fit

Thursdays at 7:00pm.

At Hexthorpe Youth Centre

Youth club for 11 to 16s
Tuesdays 7:00 to 9:00pm.

At St Judes Church Hall

Playgroup:

Mondays 9:45am.
Will be open 3 times over
summer period.
See notices in local shops
for dates.
Restarts as normal on
September 11th.

Tai Kwando

Tuesdays 7:30 to 9:00pm
Thursdays 7:30 to 9:00pm.

Aerobics

Wednesdays 6:30 - 8:30pm
Re-opens in September.

OTHER EVENTS

At British Rail Sports Ground

August 28th
Bank Holiday Tennis Club
Tournament.

At The Plant Hotel

Wednesday, Aug 9th
Annual OAP outing to
Bridlington.

At The Plant Hotel

A sponsored event for the
Doncaster Children's
Hospital is being planned.
Call in for details.

SUMMER ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AND CHILDREN

At Hex Youth Centre

A number of events have been organised
for the first two weeks of the summer
holidays.
July 24th to Aug 4th.
Call in for details.

At Hex Library

Aug 2nd 2:00 to 3:00pm
Puppet show, all ages welcome.

Aug 8th 2:00 to 3:00pm
Kite making age 7 and over.

Aug 16th 2:00 3:00pm
Circus time. All ages.
No charge. Call in for more information.

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If you wish to advertise in it, please contact Julie Smith. Tel 363232

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WELL DONE

Congratulations to Doncaster Plant Works Athletic Club who finished top of the table. The club came top of the South Yorkshire League in the track and field events this year.

ALLOTMENT BREAK-INS

Numerous break-ins have occurred in the allotments in Hexthorpe. Padlocks have been broken and the offenders have damaged the plots of land in several ways.

Alan Camber, secretary of the Balby and Hexthorpe Allotment Society asks that parents make sure their children are not out late in the evenings if they do not know what they are doing.

For many elderly people in Hexthorpe their allotment plot is their main source of activity and joy. It is very disturbing then to find that your allotment is damaged and can also be expensive.

DANGER ON THE RIVER

On a hot day in the holidays it can be tempting to have some fun on the River Don down at the Park. The river is dangerous, however; there are strong currents some times, the river is 15-20 ft deep in places and it is also polluted.

Anyone playing on lilos or rubber boats in the river is at risk from drowning. Let's not have any accidents this summer.



LOCAL INTERVIEW

by Rupert Scott

For this interview I interviewed P.C.Rimmer, the community constable in Hexthorpe who recently joined us in March this year. He is married with 2 children and lives in Tickhill.

Where did you work before coming here?

I've been a policeman for 13 years, with almost all of it spent working for the Rotherham Division. I transferred to the Doncaster Division about one year ago and worked in the town centre before coming to Hexthorpe.

What are some of your duties in Hexthorpe?

As community constable I want to get involved in the community, for example in the schools and youth club. Obviously I also deal with crimes and offences in the area.

Are there any particular things people should contact you about?

There are the normal things such as crime and vandalism but basically they should contact me about anything they feel I can assist them with. I can be contacted via the main Police Station on Don 366744 and ask for

P.C.Rimmer on the Hexthorpe beat.

What is it like working as community constable in Hexthorpe?

There's a good community spirit and a genuine pride here in Hexthorpe which you don't find much these days. I feel very comfortable and at home working here in Hexthorpe and have been encouraged by the way I've been received on the whole. I enjoy the job of community constable. It's a diverse job which is always unpredictable.

I would like to think that I could have a decent spell here in Hexthorpe.

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MAKING SWEET FISHES

A group of children from the First school visited Mr Armitage's Sweet Factory at the end of June. Clare Worthington describes what they saw whilst they were there.

This morning we went to Mr Armitage's sweet factory. We

saw Mr Armitage making some sweet fishes. First of all he put some cooking oil on the table and then he got this stuff that looked like paint and he put some on the table. He put red, green, blue, yellow and white stuff on the table.

He kept rolling it about. Then he got all the colours and he rolled each one into a strip.

Then he put all the colours together and rolled them up

like you roll posters up.

He put a bit at a time into this machine that makes them into little fish. When they first come out they are in rolls together so you have to break them up but it isn't hard because all you have to do is to crunch them together with your hands.

Mr Armitage let everybody try one of the fishes.

WHO'S WHO

Local Councillors:

Arthur Heaven,
53 Manor Drive
Tel: 361555

George Brumwell,
16 Laneham Close
Tel: 535725

Gordon Jones,
7 South Street
Tel: 367396

**Next Central Ward
Councillor's Advice Meeting**
Sat Sept 16th 10:00 am to 12 noon
Hex Youth Centre, Shadyside.

Methodist Minister:

Ian Bell,
1 Cedar Road,
Balby
Tel: 852024

Methodist Pastoral Assistant:

Colin Reasbeck,
25 Nicholson Road,
Hexthorpe
Tel: 857044

Parish Priest:

Fr J.R. Humphries,
The Vicarage,
132 Shadyside,
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