

The aim of the Civic Trust is to protect and enhance the environment, history and heritage of our local area.

AUTUMN UPDATE 2008

We have adopted a new Logo for the Civic Trust. It illustrates aspects of the village that are in line with our aims and will be used on all our notices, posters and correspondence in the future. Our thanks to Mel Cranmer for his assistance in adapting the art work from an original sketch of Peter Allen.

The organised trip to London for the Tutankhamun Exhibition was a success and enjoyed by all. We will be arranging another trip for next year.

Sue Buchanan co-ordinated a successful Pro Loco event in June, and although some of the regular artists couldn't make it, due to a change of date, we had interest from different art groups in the area. The total numbers entering the event were increased and more children took part than last year all due to the additional publicity and effort put in by Sue. Next year will be the 30th anniversary of the Pro Loco in Hayfield so we hope to make the event even better with an exhibition of all the past winners.

With the completion of the renovation of the Swallow House Well we decided to join in with the Village Well Dressing and dress this well for the event. All credit is due to Penny and John Pope who masterminded the effort along with help from several members and advice from the Well Dressing committee. Penny's design 'and is there honey still for tea' based on Rupert Brook's The Old Vicarage, Grantchester, was a great success and has been used by St Matthew's Church for their September magazine frontpiece.

Work is continuing on the Hayfield Down the Ages project, if you would like to get involved with research, photography or design, do contact Judith on 743847

The launch of the I-SPY TRAIL in August was hampered by a very wet evening and the uptake was disappointing. However the leaflet is now available at 50pence at Hayfield News and The Information Centre. It can be used on its own or in conjunction with the Hayfield History Trail leaflet to provide an interesting walk around the village for all ages

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The two summer evening history walks were a great success and we will be planning more for next year.

We have applied for funding to restore the 19th Century kissing gates on the Snake Pass path past Twenty Trees, and if successful will be arranging working parties to assist with the work in the future.

Other opportunities for you to get involved in improving the village are the Annual River Clean on Saturday 11th October. We meet in The Royal Yard at 1.30pm and clear the river and banks of rubbish from the Recreation Ground to the May Queen Field. On Sunday 23rd November at 10.00am we will be giving the Sheep Wash at Kinder its winter clean up.

On Wednesday 22nd October at 8.00pm in the Village Hall, we have arranged a talk on 'The Bugsworth Basin' following on from our visit in July 2007. In its day the basin was an important port on the canal network and is now the only complete example of a canal and tramway terminus in Britain. If you didn't manage the visit or have never been there it is well worth coming to hear all about it's history and renovation.

Our AGM will be held on 25th February 09 followed by a talk on the History of the Mountain Rescue by Ian Hurst.

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