

## Brackenfield Heritage Café

Brackenfield Community Hall  
DE55 6AQ

Admission on the door **£4** (a slightly increased price) includes tea/coffee and cake. All welcome!



**A date for your diary:**

### Thursday 2nd July 2026 10:00 to 12:00 'From Fleece to Fabric'

Bill King will talk about his fascination with all things textile, starting with a demonstration of the simplest spinning techniques and a short history of the mechanisation of fabric production.

Moving on to Bill's speciality, knitted fabrics, there will be plenty of samples to pass round and a vintage knitting machine for those who wish to have a go.

Other BHC dates for your diary: 10 September, 8 October, 12 November, 10 December

There are a few places for our second visit to William Lennon on August 27th too. Please contact Mad on 077 699 70470.

## Eco Church Shoes for Africa



Eco church is not just about the environment and climate, it is also about caring and sharing. This month's news item is about shoes for Africa.

Sandra Walker who lives in Brackenfield is our local link person. She collects the shoes and ensures they get to where they are needed.

Sandra needs men's, women's and children's shoes - especially school shoes.

(Please no slippers, ladies boots, wellingtons or high heels).

Please tie clean shoes together and drop them off in the labelled wheelie bin at Sandra's home:

19, School Lane Brackenfield. Thank you.

## Uppertown Social Centre



For tickets and more information contact :  
07966154798 [www.uptown.org](http://www.uptown.org)

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/uptown-social-centre>



## amber news

For the amber churches of  
**Ashover, Brackenfield, Handley and Wessington**

*Loving God, serving people, welcoming all*

**July & August 2026**

### Church Services in July and August

#### Sunday 28th June

9:15 am	Wessington Church	Holy Communion
10.45 am	Ashover Church	Morning Worship
10.45 am	Handley Church	Holy Communion

#### Sunday 5th July

9:15 am	Brackenfield Church	Holy Communion
10.45 am	Ashover Church	Informal Holy Communion

#### Sunday 12th July

9:15 am	Wessington Church	Morning Worship
10.45 am	Ashover Church	Morning Worship
10.45 am	Handley Church	Holy Communion
6.00 pm	Bassett Rooms	Sunday@6

#### Sunday 19th July

9:15 am	Brackenfield Church	Morning Worship
10.45 am	Ashover Church	All Age Service

#### Sunday 26th July

9:15 am	Wessington Church	Holy Communion
10.45 am	Ashover Church	Holy Communion
10.45 am	Handley Church	Morning Worship

#### Sunday 2nd August

9:15 am	Brackenfield Church	Holy Communion
10.45 am	Ashover Church	Informal Holy Communion

#### Sunday 9th August

9:15 am	Wessington Church	Holy Communion
10.45 am	Ashover Church	Morning Worship
10.45 am	Handley Church	Holy Communion
6.00 pm	Bassett Rooms	Sunday@6

#### Sunday 16th August

9:15 am	Brackenfield Church	Morning Worship
10.45 am	Ashover Church	Holy Communion

#### Sunday 23rd August

9:15 am	Wessington Church	Holy Communion
10.45 am	Ashover Church	Holy Communion
10.45 am	Handley Church	Morning Worship

#### Sunday 30th August

10.00 am	Wessington Church	Holy Communion
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#### Sunday 6th September

9:15 am	Brackenfield Church	Holy Communion
10.45 am	Ashover Church	Informal Communion

**Allsorts** children's group meets on Sundays from 10 am to 12 noon in the Bassett Rooms, Ashover apart from All age and Informal Communion Services, when activities are available in Church.

### Contact Information

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[www.amberchurches.org](http://www.amberchurches.org)

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Send news for the July/August issue to [ashoverallsaints@gmail.com](mailto:ashoverallsaints@gmail.com). by Sunday 21st June

## The Rector Writes ... Farming Community Network



Dear Friends,

The Farming Community Network (FCN) is a charity that supports farmers and farming families through difficult times and periods of change. They have over 400 volunteers with expertise in agriculture, to provide a 24 hour helpline, and follow up farm visits where that is wanted.

I've become the "chaplain" to the Derbyshire volunteers, and I've been so impressed by their concern, care and knowledge.

On Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> August, Rich Fest at Uppertown Social Centre will be raising money for FCN, in memory of Richard Holmes, starting with a tractor run at 1pm. They have raised over £25,000 over the last few years. And it is good fun!

With our love and prayers,

*Peter*

## From the Registers Baptisms:

Evelyn Cooke, 14th June, Brackenfield  
Isabella Ellks, 21st June, Wessington  
Stephen Dronfield, 28th June, Ashover Church

## Funerals:

Mick Taylor 19th June, Ashover

## Brackenfield Well Dressings & Flower Festival



A great weekend celebrating the Well dressings and Flower Festival over the May Bank Holiday. Thanks to everyone for their hard work towards making this such a successful event.

## Ashover Coffee Shop



The Coffee Shop is open 10-12 in the Bassett Rooms on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays each month. Books and DVDs are available to swap.

## Ashover Parish Hall Events Centre,

Milken Lane, Ashover, Chesterfield, S45 0BA  
Ashoverparishhall.com

Email: [info@ashoverparishhall.com](mailto:info@ashoverparishhall.com)

Phone [01246 590 005](tel:01246590005)

## Alternative Coffee Shop

At Ashover Parish Hall

**2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of the month 10 – 12**

Refreshments and Cakes, WIFI & Dog Friendly

**Every Tuesday – 11.30am – 12.30pm – New Solo Dance**

Class. Just turn up or contact Jenny

at [jenny\\_sheeran@msn.com](mailto:jenny_sheeran@msn.com)

**Friday 3rd July Eastwood Grange Careers Day. 10am-3pm**

**Saturday 5th September Ashover Produce Club Annual Show 2-5pm**

**RICH FEST**

Sunday 30th August 2026  
From 2pm  
(Tractor run starts at 1pm)  
UPPERTOWN SOCIAL CENTRE  
S45 0JF

**FREE ENTRY  
EVERYONE WELCOME**

**Plenty of  
free parking**

**FCN**  
THE FARMING  
COMMUNITY  
NETWORK

- tractor run •
- BBQ •
- hog roast •
- bar •
- raffle •
- tombola •
- free bouncy castle •
- face painting •
- hook a duck •
- Kids drinks, sweets & cake stall •
- and more

**TRACTOR RUN  
£10 PER TRACTOR  
£5 PER PASSENGER**

**PLEASE NOTE, THIS IS FOR ANYONE WHO WISHES TO BRING THEIR OWN TRACTOR TO TAKE PART**

Charity registration number 1095919

In Memory of Richard Holmes  
All proceeds will go to The Farming Community Network

## Wessington Pop Up Shop

The Pop Up Shop will be open from 10am-12 pm on the last Saturday each month apart from May and December

For more information: [facebook.com/Wessingtonpopup](https://facebook.com/Wessingtonpopup)

## Board Games

Come to the Bassett Rooms on 1st and 3rd Wednesdays every month and enjoy playing Board Games together over a cup of coffee. Everybody welcome.

1st and 15th July and 5th and 19th August

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