

The Walter Family-Part 6

A Farmers Wife Working Week

Monday was generally accepted as washing day. No automatic machines then, all done by hand. The cloths were washed in an outside washhouse. A big copper was filled from a yard pump and a fire lit underneath.



Hot water from the copper was put into the

'dolly' tub and the cloths were swished round and back by the wooden 'dolly legs'. The cloths were then put through the wooden rollers of the mangle. Next, into the rubbing tub and the white cloths

put back into the copper to boil. They were



then all rinsed in cold clean water and 'blued' water, then through the mangle again and hung out to dry, or on a wet day they were hung around the fire place.

After the washing and drying the cloths were ironed. A flat iron from the rack suspended from the fire grate. These had to be wiped clean before using.

Tuesday was bread baking day, the first lessons from my mother-in-law. The flour was bought in 10 stone bags and kept in a big bin in the corner of the kitchen. This was enough flour for a week of 8-10 loaves. The required amount of flour was mixed with yeast and water in an earthenware pancheon bowel. When well mixed and kneaded the pancheon was placed on the polished steel fender on the open fire to rise. When risen portions were kneaded, shaped and put into bread tins and left to rise further before going into the oven.

The open 'Yorkshire' range had an open fire with a boiler on one side (only means of hot water) and flange oven on the other. The whole unit had to be cleaned and black leaded and steel parts polished. Often, we had to push long pieces of wood under the oven to get it hot enough. The cooked bread kept for the week in a pancheon on the floor of the milk cellar.

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Planned Easter Egg Hunt

Win a 650g (yes, GIANT) chocolate egg. One entry per person. Every correct entry wins a small egg. (*Lound residents only*).



Our choccie friend Eggbert is hiding in Lound.

He's made up a phrase and hidden the letters around

Jot down each letter and then use your head

To make up words and see what he said

No need to look in odd or strange spaces

They'll be quite visible and displayed in easy to see places

Play in your Bubbles to join in the fun

Collect 16 letters and then you'll be done

Post your answers to Tessa and Carol for a chance to win

Eggbert's waiting for someone to claim him.

>Event organised by the Village Hall Committee.

Competition open from Good Friday - 2nd April to midnight Easter Monday - 5th April.

Letters in phrase: 7 / 4 / 3 / 3 / 9 / 4 / 2 / 3 / 6 / 2 / 6.

Some letters are used more than once, indicated by a number in the top right corner.

Pop your answer on a sheet of paper, add your name, address and contact Tel.. No. then post through Tessa and Carol's door, 'The Chaff House', Town Street. First correct answer picked out of the Easter bonnet will win. Winner will be phoned and published in the Crier.

Trees of Linghurst Lakes — Part 1



The name 'Linghurst' is derived from *ling* meaning heather and *hurst* meaning wood or sandbank. Linghurst wood stands on the site of what is now called Linghurst Lakes. The original wood extended to both sides of 'Black Rabbit Lane' and a band of trees extending up to Neathholme Lane on the eastern boundary.

More tree planting took place in a broad band along the village side of the lakes at the beginning of gravel extraction period. These are the trees that extend on your left when entering the site over the first stile off Neatholme Lane. Most of the rest of the trees were planted about 25 years ago when the site was being re-established as a recreational village amenity.

The oldest trees on the site are the old oak trees in the original old Linghurst wood section. Some date back about 140 years, about the time of the death of Charles Dickens. In reality they are not old at all as their normal life span is 900 years, therefore they are only youngsters.

The oak tree is a symbol of strength and power with a liking to stand at the edge of a wood and stand out above the tree canopy. It supports around 300 different species of wildlife which is way beyond any other variety of tree.

Also in the old wood there are a few mature elms and a few young offspring elms. The mature elms have at present escaped the dreaded 'Dutch Elm' disease of the past 40 years, probably by being sheltered by other mature varieties of tree, or by being a more resistant strain of tree. **Brian Horne**

Parish Council

Motor Bikes:

Many of you will be aware there has been a recent nuisance of motor bikes down on the sand dunes off Chainbridge Lane. The Police have been advised and have been out several times to confront the offenders.



Important: Should you see or hear motor bikes in this private area please report it to the Police on Tel: 101.

Lound Library Van Visits

Mondays 11.10am to 11.30am

Lound Hall Care Home

- *March 22nd, *April 19th,
- *May 17th, *June 14th,
- *July 12th, *Aug. 9th,
- *Sept. 6th, *Oct. 4th,
- *Nov. 29th

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Tel: 01158044373 or email: worsop.library@inspireculture.org.uk

Cottage Garden Plants

SPRING SALE



We will be having our first plant sale of the season on **Friday 25th March** and **Saturday 26th March**. To be held at Cherry Tree Farm 11.00am to 4.00pm—*by appointment only*.

Please call either Sarah on Tel: 01777 818089, Sally Tel: 01777 816912 or email us on:

sallyandsarah.cgp@gmail.com

Lots of shrubs, herbaceous and seasonal plants will be available.

HANGING BASKETS

Sally is now taking orders for hanging baskets, pots and troughs. Please contact her by email:

sallyandsarah.cgp@gmail.com

Or telephone on Tel: 01777816912 to place or discuss your order requirements. You can also place your order at the above Cottage Garden Plants sale.