

## Crosspool Festival 27<sup>th</sup> June 2025



The Crosspool Festival week opened on the 27<sup>th</sup> of June with the installation and blessing of the well-dressing at the junction of Watt Lane and Selbourne Road. The RVCG trailer had been used to soak the wooden frame for a week before being delivered to the well-dressing team who filled it with clay and completed the design using petals and a variety of other materials to a design celebrating the end of the second world war. The well-dressing depicts a picture of a living room with two pets as a soldier enters having arrived home after the war. This is the associated information.

*Crosspool Well Dressing 2025*



*The Crosspool Well Dressing description*

The RVCG had a stall at the Crosspool Street Market on the following Sunday. The weather was very warm and calm and fortunately the intensity of the sun was subdued by an overcast sky. We had a 9:30 start to set up the stall and the event eventually opened officially at 12 noon. Everything seemed to go to plan and the RVCG had a good day selling a few books and bird boxes and meeting lots of people interested in our work in the Rivelin Valley. Our model mill attracted a lot of children and Joan Buckland also brought her collection of wildlife exhibits to entertain the children.

*The RVCG stall at the Crosspool Street Fayre with volunteers Joan Buckland, Neil Porter and Sue Shaw*



The event closed at 4pm and we all went home exhausted. Thank you to everyone who volunteered to help on the day.

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