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Here we are looking at Easter arriving in a few weeks time and I think it is safe to say we managed to escape the snow and ice for once. Hooray! Spring is looking promising and we have a few surprises and projects for you to get stuck into should you feel inclined.

Join us on an Easter Egg Hunt within the following pages and count how many Eggs (similar to the one pictured above) can be found in this months magazine. Send us your answer and the winner will be chosen from those with the correct number. The prize is a FREE family day-pass to East Riddlesden Hall! Email us on mail@worthvalleymag.co.uk

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The Bronte Vintage Gathering (BVG) was held for the first time back in 1998. It started out as a rally for enthusiasts to attend and exhibit their vintage and steam engines and vehicles. Although this is still very much part of the BVG, the event has become more of a country show with a wide variety of attractions, making it a great day out for all the family.

The BVG is organised by a volunteer Committee who in the past 16 years have raised over £310,000 for Sue Ryder - Manorlands Hospice in Oxenhope.

This year's event, May 10th & 11th, will include Jez Avery - Bike Stunt Legend and all round Showman, supported by Pendle Dog Agility, and SMJ Falconry, who will all be performing in the main area to entertain the crowds.

Other attractions include a Fairground, RAF Flypast, Bunton's Digger Driving Experience, Bouncy Castles and Slides, Blackpool Donkey Rides, 'Old Spot' Real Ale Beer Tent, Food Stands, Craft Marquee, Trade Stands Clay Pigeon Shooting, and Autojumble Fair.

There will also be hundreds of exhibitors displaying their Vintage Cars, Commercial and Military Vehicles, Motorcycles, Stationary Engines, Tractors, Street Organs, plus Miniature and Full Sized Steamers.

On Saturday night, entry to the showground is free of charge and two bands - 'Night Patrol' and 'Pog Mo Thoin' will perform in the Beer Tent. Come along and join in the fun!



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Enjoy a holiday at home!

Over the last few years local residents of the Worth Valley have gone on holiday to France, Italy, Spain, Greece and this year will be going to Austria. National food and drink have been enjoyed along with local music and dancing, cultural tours have been undertaken and language lessons have all been thrown in. And none of this has required a long coach trip or a cramped Easyjet seat...or even a passport! During Holy Week, for one or two days only, West Lane Baptist Church has transformed itself into a foreign land, with various chefs, tour guides, waiters and waitresses, all to give as good a 'holiday' experience as we can. And the 'holidays' would not have been possible without the wonderful commitment of local pubs and restaurants. Weavers (much missed now...), Cobbles and Clay, No. 10, The Cheese Shop (also much missed), Sonia's Smile,

things to do? What could be better than seeing people come alive, try something new, laugh until they cry, make new friends and enjoy 'life in all its fullness'.



In the past the church was always at the centre of village life, and not just on Sundays. Did you know that Thomas Cook the travel agent was originally a Baptist Minister? Its true! Making other people smile may not grab headlines and will not pay bills, but it feels like a very good use of a couple of days in Holy Week. So if you feel in need of a 'Holiday at Home' and are interested in coming to Austria (in Haworth) on Monday April 14th then please get in touch:- Rev. Chris Upton on 07976 287117 or chris@altruists.org



Grace enjoying her first plate of pasta ever in Italy 2009.

Firth's Boutique, and Just Desserts have all contributed and all the Haworth pubs have given wine and beer.

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Keighley & Worth Valley Railway

The next few weeks are very important to the Railway as we mark two occasions that are very important to us: one is 'Go Local Sunday' on April 15, which is a chance for local residents (in the BD20/21/22 postcodes) to join us for a trip for free, so that they can enjoy the attractions on their doorstep and we can say thank you for your continued support.



As well as journey on the Railway, the Bronte Parsonage, East Riddlesden Hall, the Vintage Carriages Museum and others also open their doors for free to the local community and vintage 'bus transport is provided

by the Keighley Bus Museum Trust. The Railway's Preservation Society was established over fifty years ago by local people who didn't want their local service to be lost, which is why recognising the important of the community around us is so important and why we are so keen to support the 'Go Local' initiative.

The second event is our annual Railway Children weekend 3-5 May. When the film was released in 1970, passenger numbers soared, resulting in us having to build the passing loop at Damems that allows us to operate two passenger trains at once and so we were literally able to double capacity to cope with demand. Over forty years later, we know that the iconic family film continues to be a favourite of many of our passengers as they ask to be shown Three Chimneys and the location of Mr Perks' office and cottage. The film is very dear to my heart, because after watching it every Christmas from a very young age (and I still try to now!) it's the reason I was so keen to get involved with the Railway when I moved to Oxenhope many years ago. We celebrate the film during our special Railway Children weekend during which passengers can enjoy recreations of key scenes from the film, take a guided tour of the main location for the film, Oakworth Station, and travel in some of the vintage carriages that were used in the film itself. Dr. Matthew Stroh, Chairman KWVR

We hope to see you at one of these events, or on any weekend that we are running trains. If you live in BD20/21/22 you can apply for a Local Resident's Railcard, giving discounted travel on all normal services.

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The Kiss by Sam Shendi

Damside Mill

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Le Grand Depart 100 day cultural festival is in full swing around Yorkshire, and Damside Mill will present a special exhibition of contemporary artists with international reputations who are based in or have a connection with the Worth Valley.

From Thursday 16 April, the Damside Gallery will show new works by sculptor Sam Shendi (Royal British Sculptor Society winner 2013/4), painter Judy Sale, and photo artist Jo Holland.

Gallery owner Anthony Hartley said, "The Worth Valley has a long history of creativity in manufacturing, design and art. We are proud to be a continuing part of this, and to offer at Damside a new space for a more contemporary creative perspective than the traditional art and crafts often associated with the area."

The exhibition will be open from 16 April, Thursday to Sunday, 10am – 4.30pm until July 6. visit by appointment on other days or times.

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was there to toast the success of this year's events – the traditional festival in the Old Schoolrooms, Haworth, April 24 -26 and the Tour de France Beer Festival July 3-6, which will have a bit more of a continental flavour.

The Hollywood Project, backed by Worth the Tour, is shouting out about all things Yorkshire in the shape of evolving 10ft letters on the hillside off Shaw Lane, between Oxenhope and Penistone Hill. The sign will end up with a welcome message to our thousands of Tour de France visitors in July.

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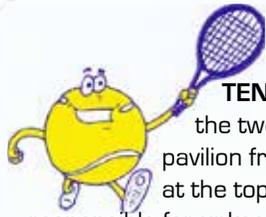
3. Gently take the chocolate cases out of the moulds, and carefully squidge the filling into each one, leaving space for a chocolate caramel egg, or



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4. Sandwich together, and decorate.



THE HAWORTH TENNIS CLUB

leases the two tennis courts and pavilion from Bradford Council at the top of Butt Lane and it is responsible for upkeep, but allow us to run a club as long as the courts are available to the paying public. Each year we have about 60 – 70 local members. Apart from a very modest annual subscription, there is nothing else to pay for and play is only limited when other members are on court. i.e. play can be for 24 hours 365 a day a year! It is quite rare for members having to wait for a court - usually one can play whenever one wants. But there is a court reservation system in place. All members have a key which gives access to the pavilion and courts. The keys are colour coded and changed with the changing of the locks at the start of each season.

The club's annual general meeting will be held at the Old Police Station House, Mill Hey, at 2 pm. on Saturday, 12th April, 2014. All members and potential members are welcome. Any requests for an item on the agenda to me please in good time. There is no intention to increase or reduce the subscriptions, which stand at £20 and £10, £5 key deposit and £50 for a family. I will change the locks, weather permitting, straight after the meeting. 2014 subscriptions are then payable to me and new membership cards will be issued and keys exchanged. I will circulate an application for membership form to those whose E mail addresses we have. Some hard copies will be in the pavilion. Cheques should be made out to "Haworth Tennis Club".

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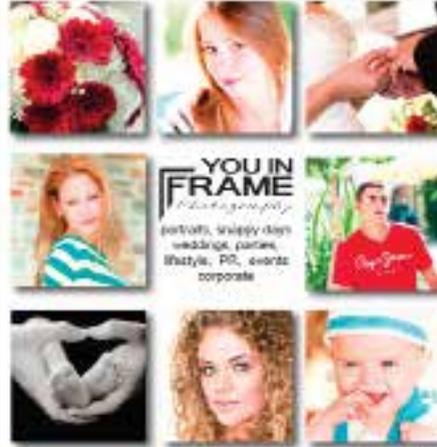
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fields of vision

A competition is launched to find 'Yorkshire symbol' for huge land art project, as Keelham Farm Shop backs Yorkshire Festival's 'Fields of Vision'

Fields of Vision, an idea put forward by the Worth Valley Young Farmers Club, is being delivered in a bespoke partnership co-ordinated by the rural regeneration specialists, Pennine Prospects, and involves a number of local artists as well as local arts festivals and community groups throughout the county. The project will see a series of huge field-scale land art installations, visible by land and sky forming the backdrop of day two of the Tour de France Grand Départ.

Until now, the project partners have been working exclusively with commissioned artists to create the designs but with Keelham on board and a spare field in need of an original design, the team decided to launch a competition open to anyone with a good idea. Entrants must draw a simple, bold design which, to them, symbolises Yorkshire. A winner will be selected by a panel of judges including Victoria Robertshaw, co-owner of Keelham Farm Shop; Andrew Wood, club leader of the Worth Valley Young Farmers' Club; Elizabeth Barker from local community group Worth the Tour; Geoff Wood from public art consultancy, Working pArts; and Ian Thompson from design agency, Thompson Brand Partners. The winning entry will be interpreted on the site by the Fields of Vision team to create a vast and vibrant grass-roots installation.

Comments Victoria Robertshaw, co-owner of Keelham Farm Shop: "At Keelham we love Yorkshire and farming is our lifeblood, so we are really excited to support one of the sites in the Field of Visions project."

The field - located in Hainworth, in Keighley, Worth Valley - can be viewed from the Sue Belcher Community Centre where local people are now sowing seeds for a new community garden which will be the best viewing spot from which to admire the stunning land art below.



Victoria Robertshaw from Keelham Farm Shop, Andrew Wood representing Worth Valley Young Farmers, Liz Barker from Worth The Tour, and Geoff Wood of Working pArts pictured at the Sue Belcher Community Centre with the Hainworth 'Field of Vision' site visible in the background.

Adds Victoria: "We're delighted also to help the local community garden to get off the ground, by donating bulbs, seeds and pots. The project team will be working with local schools and students will be encouraged to grow coloured turf which will be planted at the centre to help mark the viewing spot."

To enter go to www.keelhamfarmshop.co.uk and download an entry form which can be posted back to Keelham Farm Shop, Brighthouse and Denholme Road, Thornton, Bradford, BD13 3SS or emailed to help@keelhamfarmshop.co.uk.

The closing date for entries is midnight April 22nd, 2014. The winner will be announced on the Keelham website and in the Keelham Shop on Friday 9th May 2014 and the art work will be completed in the field to view early June 2014.

[The Hainworth site is also supported by the generosity of Alfie's Restaurant in Keighley.]



TOP TECH TIPS by Michelle Thompson at CloudFree IT

Adios XP! Looking forward, not back.

Plenty of dates in the next few months are going to be important for one reason or another. End of the football season in May (C'mon Liverpool!), 20th World Cup in June, the Tour de France Grand Depart in July. Lots to look forward to. There's one date of particular importance coming up much sooner though... 8th April 2014.

If you're a Windows XP user, take note. 8th April is when Microsoft finally pulls the plug. No more support or updates. A shock? Where have you been for the last few years? Thinking 'Cripes! How will this affect me?'. Read on...

Q. Why end support of a popular and stable product? **A.** It's business. New cars wouldn't sell, if old ones were safer. Same with computers. Businesses cling on to legacy products for too long, thinking it will save them money. It rarely does, because productivity is hindered. There's been 3 new versions of Windows since XP. OK, so one of them (Vista) was 'something of a let-down', shall we say, but technology has moved on. A lot. The new Microsoft products are designed to work well together. If you want Office 2013 you need Windows 7 or 8. If you want to get the best out of Microsoft's cloud-based Office 365 you really need Office 2013 (although it will work OK with 2010 and some functionality will work if you use Office 2007). If you're unwilling to try new things, you won't know what you're missing!

Q. But if I don't want to (or can't really afford to) upgrade to a newer version of Windows, will XP just stop working on 8th April? **A.** No! XP will still work. You just won't get any new Windows updates to fix security issues or any help from Microsoft. Most anti-virus

providers will continue to release updates for their XP-compatible products for a little while longer (maybe a few months, maybe a year, but definitely not forever). You may have to download these manually. You're bound to forget at least once, leaving your computer vulnerable.

Q. Will my XP computer get hacked? **A.** Maybe. Stick to well-known trusted secure websites. You'll be less likely to encounter malware, which is, typically, the way hackers go about getting onto your computer these days, but there's no guarantees. Better to upgrade or replace your PC, or disconnect it from the internet permanently. If you can't, then accept that it just won't be secure, and your data won't be safe.

Q. So should I use a more up to date computer to do online banking and shopping then? **A.** Yes.

Q. Will my applications still work if I stick with XP? **A.** Yes, but only if you don't want to upgrade any of those either! Microsoft isn't the only company wanting customers to upgrade to new product versions, you know!

Q. If my XP computer has software problems, will they still be fixable? **A.** Probably. Independent support providers won't forget XP overnight, but they will get 'rusty'. I see the occasional Windows 2000 or Windows NT PC in our workshop, but when I do it's only oldies like me, who have hands-on experience of these products. Don't expect to find XP compatible drivers for new hardware either. If a part (e.g. graphics card) fails on an XP PC you may be offered only used parts.

So long XP! A great product of its time, yes, but 'so 2001'. Like the original iPod and the Mondeo Mk2 (and you know how out of date they look now...)



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SPRING NEWS

Well its 6 months now since our beautiful little boy 'Jonas' was born, yes folks I had a baby, myself and Darren are over the moon. Before Jonas, I was also helping new Start up Businesses through the West Yorkshire Enterprise Agency passing on advice and expertise.

So this year I now find myself as a working mother! with not

only the joy of bringing up Jonas, but organising two Beer Festivals in 2014: Haworth Beer Festival 24th, 25th, 26th April and Le Tour Beer Festival 3rd - 6th July.



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Tom said: "Graeme and I worked together at a healthcare company but were made redundant in 2009 and saw an opportunity to set up on our own.

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Sun 6th April The Oxnop Singers present 'My Kind of Music' at Oxenhope Community Centre 7.15pm. Showtunes, TV themes and popular classics, with guests the Hall Royd Band. Tickets are £6 including refreshments and are in aid of St Martin's Hospice. Contact on 01535 646158 or 644995.

Tues 8th April Ritardando's at Exley Head Ladies Circle at Exley Head Methodist Chapel 7.30pm.

The all male concert group are back by popular demand and will be performing songs, sketches and poems. Tickets are £4 including refreshments. All welcome. Tickets available on the door or from Glenis 01535 640346.

Weds 16th April Easter Egg Painting at Bronte Parsonage Museum 11am-4pm.

Dry and paint hard boiled eggs into colourful Easter decorations. Event is free with admission to the Parsonage.

Wes 16th April Laneshaw Bridge - 8 mile walk. Take Bus 663 from Haworth at 09.40, then 25 bus from Keighley at 10.15. Start from Laneshaw Bridge road junction at

10.50. Steven Wood & Ian Palmer invite you to join them on a free historical walk in the Haworth area. Be prepared for cold & wet weather & wear walking boots-. Take a packed lunch & a hot drink.

Thurs 17th April Oxenhope Gardening Club in Oxenhope Community Centre, Shaw Lane 7.30pm.

David Allison, national editor of Simply Vegetables magazine, will be talking about planning the season ahead. He will also demonstrate how to make a hanging basket and have some plants for sale. Admission charge for non-members is £3.

Fri 18th - Mon 21st April Haworth Craft Fair at Bronte School Room 10am-4pm. Admission is £1 with a free hot drink from the Home Front Kitchen.

Sat 19th April Haworth & Oxenhope District Bridleways Group Easter Treasure Hunt meeting at 10.45am Penistone Moor main car park. Optional fancy dress for horse and rider. Prizes for 1st 2nd and 3rd place treasure hunt winners.

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Thurs 24th-Sat 26th April St. George's Heritage Fair and Street Market on Low Street and Church Green Keighley. St Georges Celebrations with a traditional street market, a Victorian Flea Circus, Punch n Judy and a traditional steam organ; laugh at the eccentric Sister Ruth and more. Market on all three days - street entertainment on Sat 26 April.

Sun 27th April Go Local - Free Event for postcodes BD20, 21 & 22 (bring proof of residence) to Bronte Parsonage, KWVR, East Riddlesden

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Sat 26th April Study Day: Words of War at West Lane Baptist Centre, Haworth 10am-4pm. Led by Chairman Knight and Luke Spencer, this study day looks at the connections between WW1 and literature. Tickets cost £20. To book contact louisa.briggs@bronte.org.uk, call 01535 640188.

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A Brief History of Cricket in the Upper Worth Valley and Haworth in Particular!

Cricket in Haworth today owes its existence largely to the two churches on West Lane – Haworth Methodist and Haworth Baptist Churches.

It all started as a way to get the local young men into church on Sundays – they could play cricket on Saturdays! By 1890 there were seven Haworth cricket teams mentioned in the Keighley News - Haworth Wesleyans, Haworth Red Rose, Haworth White Rose, Haworth Victoria, Haworth Britannia, Haworth White Star and Haworth CC.

Haworth Wesleyan CC became Haworth Methodists CC before becoming Haworth CC, and Haworth West Lane Baptist CC became Haworth West End CC. Some of the reasons for the distancing of the churches and clubs over the years came about due to a clash between the churches' ideals and club necessities, for instance selling raffle tickets for fundraising.

Haworth Wesleyan Cricket Club was formed in 1887 and by 1899 the club had a team in each of the Craven Senior and Junior Leagues. They soon joined the new Keighley and District League Senior Section then gained admission

into the West Bradford League. The Club remained there until its demise in 1984 when they joined the Craven & District Cricket League.

In the late 1940's, members collected small change in buckets to buy a field behind the houses on West Lane. The Grand Opening took place in June 1951 on the field where they still play. The club changed its name at some point to **Haworth Methodist CC** and in the late 1980's a grant from the Foundation for Sport and the Arts and the Football pools, paid for a new pavilion. In 1992 their name was changed from Haworth Meths CC to **Haworth Cricket Club**. Recently, a grant from the Big Lottery Fund enabled the club to extend their pavilion which has enabled the club to expand its community work. In 2012 Haworth CC became the Craven & District League Champions for the first time in their 125th Anniversary year. Haworth West Lane Baptist Cricket Club was formed in 1900 from the Young Men's Class at the Sunday School. In 1906, through the kindness and generosity of Mr Kershaw Barrett, the Club moved to the field at West End which has been the Club's home ever since. The club played in the Keighley & District League and voluntary subscription raised £170 to build a pavilion which was opened in 1921 (as seen in the photographs). In 1923 the Club applied and entered the West Bradford League and remained there until 1979 when they entered the Craven & District Cricket League.

In 1969 the club had changed its name after being forced to relinquish its connections with the Church and was later renamed Haworth West End Cricket Club. A new stone pavilion was built around 1993 after receiving a grant from the Sports Council - this is still in use today. The year 2000 marked the Centenary Year for the Club and a special event took place.

In the near future, both clubs are gearing up to enjoy an bumper weekend when Le Tour de

France rushes past both grounds and cycling fans and tourists want to see what we're lucky to have all the time! Catch us open on Sunday 6 July 2014!

Many thanks for the historical information of Haworth West End CC and Haworth CC.

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Haworth CC website: www.haworthcricketclub.org.uk and Val, Brian and Graham Ratcliffe.

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