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COMMUNITY NEWS AND LOCAL BUSINESS DIRECTORY

May 2023

A close-up photograph of a brown and white owl perched in a field of purple and yellow flowers. The owl is the central focus, looking directly at the camera with its large, dark eyes. The background is a soft-focus field of purple flowers and yellow daisies, creating a vibrant and natural setting.

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 As the spring sunshine graces our landscapes, there's no better time to venture out and embrace the beauty of the season. You'll find a host of options for things to do and see; check out the community pages.
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"We are looking forward to putting together a wonderfully stylish evening for Sue Ryder, raising as much money as we can. It will be a great opportunity to relax, join with friends and help an extremely worthy cause." Owner Jill Ross explains.

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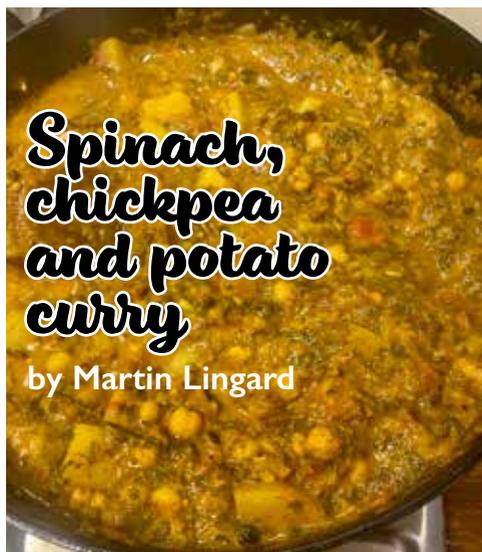
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by Martin Lingard



This was one of my favourite things to order at a Jamaican restaurant I used to go to when I lived in Coventry. I've missed eating it since I came up here so I've recreated

it myself, by trial and error. This is the closest I've got and I'm pleased with how it has come out. It should be served with a Jamaican roti flatbread but I cheat and buy ready made naan breads from the supermarket. This is cheap, healthy, filling and vegan if you use the coconut milk option rather than the single cream. The turmeric, cumin, coriander, allspice, cayenne, fenugreek and cayenne can be substituted with 3 tablespoons of a mild curry powder if necessary.

This feeds 4 people well.

Ingredients

2 tablespoons of groundnut oil

1 large onion, finely chopped

4 garlic cloves, finely chopped

1 Scotch bonnet chilli, halved (if you don't like hot spice, remove the seeds or use half a teaspoon of dried chilli flakes)

1 bunch of spring onions, finely chopped
 1 small bunch of fresh thyme
 1 tablespoon of freshly grated ginger
 ½ teaspoon of turmeric powder
 1 teaspoon of ground cumin
 1 teaspoon of ground coriander
 12 whole allspice berries (or 1 teaspoon of ground allspice)
 ½ teaspoon of ground cayenne pepper
 ½ teaspoon of fenugreek powder
 1 x 400g tin of plum tomatoes
 2 x 400g tins of chickpeas
 600g potatoes, peeled, diced, rinsed and drained
 500g of frozen chopped spinach, boiled and drained
 0.5 litre vegetable stock
 400ml coconut milk (or single cream)
 Salt

Method

Take a large stovetop pot with a well-fitting lid, place over a medium heat, add the oil and chuck in your onions. Soften for several minutes, stirring frequently and turning the heat down to low before they start to brown. Add your garlic and stir as it softens for another minute or two. Now add your Scotch bonnet chilli, spring onions, thyme, ginger and turmeric, cumin, coriander, allspice berries, keep stirring for another minute or so, adding a splash of water if the spices start to stick to the bottom of your pot.

Now lob in your tomatoes, chickpeas, potatoes, spinach, stock and cream. Turn up the heat, bring to a gently simmer, pop on a lid, reduce the heat and leave to simmer for a good 40 minutes, stirring once or twice.

Test the potatoes are soft with a fork. If they are, mash a few of them up with the back of the fork to thicken your sauce. If still firm, add a little more water and test again in 5 minutes or so.

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It may be 80 years old now but 1940s/50s style jive dancing is still very popular today throughout West Yorkshire and especially in the Bradford and Keighley.

People of all ages and backgrounds meet up most weekends to spend an evening strutting their stuff on the dance floor to some great music.

Many who tried it once to see what all the fuss was about became hooked and drawn in to this tremendous local social scene, making new friendships along the way.

So, what is the great draw, the one thing that has people coming back time after time for more? It is hard to say because it is not just ONE THING but a combination of many parts. Music, dance, friendship, laughter, feeling part of something special, a fantastic social scene...take your choice! The end result is a brilliant night out for all those attending a 1940s/50s jive dance event.

Initially some people (who cannot Jive) attend with friends and just soak up the atmosphere to start with, but secretly inside wish they were out on the dance floor with the rest of them enjoying all the fun.

The answer to that problem (not being able to Jive) is to learn. Cast away your negative thoughts of 'I have two left feet,' or 'I could never do that,' etc., and give it a go... it may look complicated but it is far simpler to learn than you think. There are only three foot steps to master; bet that surprised you!

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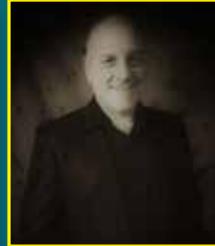
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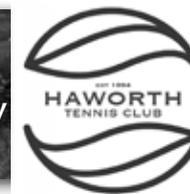
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A preview of new installation **Hardy and Free** by Bradford-based artist and photographer **Carolyn Mendelsohn**, celebrating the powerful connection between the Yorkshire landscape and the women who live and work here.



Hardy and Free by Carolyn Mendelsohn is a new installation commissioned by the **Brontë Parsonage Museum** as part of its **Contemporary Arts programme**. The Contemporary Arts programme showcases a vibrant range of work by artists and writers aiming to unearth new connections with the life and literature of the Brontës, and the Museum collection. Recent exhibits include *Secret Life in the South Pennines* by Angie Rogers and *Fragments of a Dress* by Bingley-based textile artist Hannah Lamb. Inspired by the wild spirit of the Brontës, **Hardy and Free** celebrates the female connection to nature and examines how living in tune with the land can be an inspiring and important aspect of everyday life for Yorkshire women. The installation combines projection, soundscapes, personal

items and photography to tell the unique stories of twelve women living and working in the Bradford district, and the landscapes that inspire them.

"I wanted to create work that would be a telling of the stories and a celebration of the women who live or have a relationship with Yorkshire from a range of backgrounds and ages - with a rich variety of stories and connections to nature."



– Carolyn Mendelsohn

During the early months of 2023, Carolyn invited women of differing ages and backgrounds to take her on a journey to places that are special to them. The result is a stunning audio-visual installation that transports you beyond the walls of the Museum to magnificent Yorkshire landscapes, featuring images of well-known local landmarks Brontë Falls and Top Withins, as well as more personal locations such as Bradford allotments and working farms, setting the scene for a powerful collection of personal stories.

Hardy and Free by Carolyn Mendelsohn opens on **Friday 5th May 2023** and runs until **Monday 1st January 2024**.

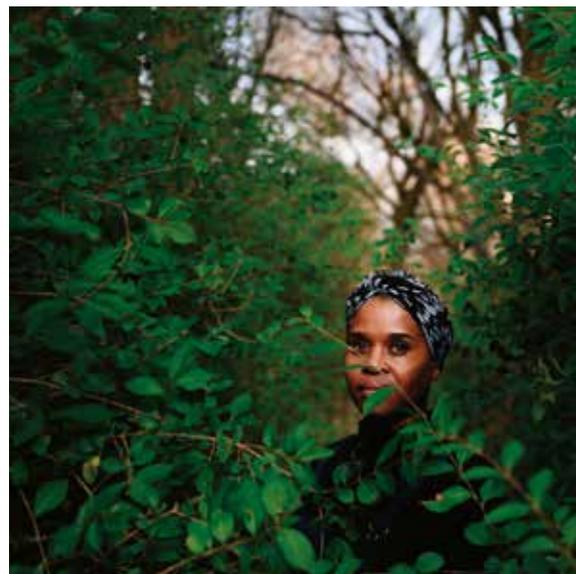
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Answer 2:

Question 3: Who was the first monarch to use the Imperial State Crown during the coronation ceremony?

Answer 3:

Question 4: Which monarch's coronation was delayed by several months due to the need for extensive repairs and renovations to Westminster Abbey?

Answer 4:

Answer 5:

Answer 6:

Answer 7:

Answer 8:

Question 5: Who was the first English monarch to be anointed with holy oil during the coronation ceremony?

Answer 9:

Question 6: Who was the first monarch to wear a purple velvet robe during the coronation ceremony?

Answer 10:

Question 7: Who was the first monarch to have a coronation service conducted in English, rather than Latin?

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For postal entries: FAO The Editor, Aire Valley Magazine, Crosslands Barn, Main Street, Stanbury, Keighley BD22 0HB All decisions are final and made at the discretion of the editor.



Question 8: Who was the first monarch to be crowned with St. Edward's Crown, which is the traditional crown used in the coronation ceremony?

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Helen McClorry commented:

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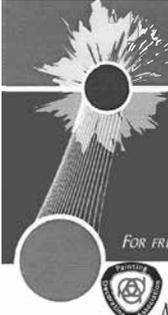
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Of course, we continue to run our schedule of events and operating days as normal, as well as continuing our programme of maintenance and overhauls to keep the wheels turning. We also are excited to be looking to the future and developing the Railway. We have recently had our plan approved to permit public access for the first time to the water tower building at the end of Platform 4 at Keighley Station. This follows works at Oakworth in recent years, at which we can now provide guided tours of the Midland Railway goods shed, giving visitors a chance to appreciate and marvel at the history of the 150+-year-old Railway. As well as the special events,

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The Land Trustees wanted William Grimshaw to be their priest in 1742 and the Vicar of Bradford (he was the boss then) didn't. The matter went to (ecclesiastical) court and the Trustees won. A different Vicar of Bradford wanted to give the job of Curate at Haworth to Patrick Bronte in 1819 but the Trustees hadn't been consulted and refused him so

By the time you are reading this in early May 2023, St Michael's church in Haworth should be (hopefully) appointing a new priest (Peter Mullins having retired last September). There is a unique organisation in Haworth who have a veto on who the priest is and provide a fascinating twist to the Haworth Church story.

In 1559 (before even I was born!) the people of Haworth got a letter from the

the Vicar made Samuel Redhead the priest, again, without talking to the Land Trustees. The people of Haworth weren't having this so they made such a noise with their clogs that Redhead couldn't be heard, had a man riding up and down the aisles on a donkey and encouraged a drunken chimney sweep to hug Redhead. On Redhead's 3rd Sunday he had to flee to the Black Bull pub for sanctuary and they had to smuggle him out of a back window! At last the Vicar spoke with the Trustees who (because they had been asked (nicely?)) accepted Patrick Bronte in 1820 and the rest (as they say) is history.

There will be interviews for a new priest in Haworth (and Crossroads) on May 4th. Will this result in stamping clogs, a donkey in church, a drunken chimney sweep flying prayer books and wrestling in the aisles? We will have to see! ~ Chris Tordoff

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