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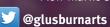
Formed in 1975, The Houghton Weavers made their television debut in the BBC's talent show "We'll Call You". So successful were they that, within a couple of months they were given their own show "Sit Thi Deawn" which continued for six series over seven years and had the highest viewing figures for any regional TV programme.

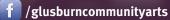
As well as their own show the Weavers have appeared on many other national TV programmes for both BBC and ITV including "This Is Your Life" and "The Video Entertainers".

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Welcome to your November magazine. The cobwebs from Halloween may be cleared away but I suspect there is a pumpkin or two lurking in the shadows. Make the most of them and try our Pumpkin cupcake recipe on page 20.

Of course, that magical season approaches. Whether you celebrate Christmas. Hanukkah. or Winter Solstice. there are a number of opportunities to gather and enjoy dance, song and drama in the community over the next weeks including The Haworth Steampunk Weekend, featured on our cover. We've published a number of options in the community pages and also

a handy pullout quide made possible with the generous support of the Bronte Parsonage Museum. It is produced with you in mind. Enjoy! Liz Barker, Editor





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The Afghan Rug Shop in Hebden Bridge has gone from strength to strength as it enters its third year of trading on Market Street. Their success is due to only stocking handmade, fair trade rugs and kilims, sourced directly from Northern Afghanistan.

James, the proprietor, spent 6 months engaged in reconstruction work in Northern Afghanistan in 2004, which is where he acquired his passion for the rugs, buying many to sell to help pay for his own wedding. 10 years later when he moved to the Calder Valley, he decided to track down his friend and rug-seller in Mazare-Sharif and take a chance on opening a shop.

It's this direct sourcing which makes this shop so special, 'We don't buy in bulk from

London importers, we buy selected pieces direct from my friend in Mazar, who goes to the rug weavers markets and weavers houses for me'. We directly support the families making rugs in the North and last year we were also proud to become corporate sponsors of Afghanaid.org

The Afghan Rug Shop is one of only two shops in the country to receive the Label-Step mark, the label for fair trade in handmade carpets.



Inside Wishbone Brewery

by Anthony Silson

Once a month, down an unassuming street in Keighley, a normally quiet warehouse suddenly bursts into life with the sound of laughter, clinking glasses and the excited chatter of customers deciding what to sample next. This is one of the heartily anticipated open days that Wishbone Brewery puts on to spread the word about what new brews it has created, and give locals a chance to sit alongside the brewing equipment with a pint or two.

With an unwritten mission statement to keep the business "a bit more local and a bit more niche," Wishbone recognises the power of spreading the message

by word of mouth, though social media seems to have its place as well as a perfectly placed article...or a mention on the community radio station (wink).

So what is it about the Keighley and Craven district that has resulted in so many

breweries springing up in the area? Some say the local waters add a special magic and life affirming quality to the finished product, but I prefer to think that it is down to the unique talents of head brewers such as Adrian Chapman at Wishbone and Andy Leman at Taylors. People round here drink locally brewed beers for a reason and with their discerning palate, if it wasn't good enough they'd order something else; they're from Yorkshire, for goodness sake!

Wishbone is one of the youngest operational breweries in the Keighley and Craven Branch of CAMRA. It has been in



Antony Silson loves walking with his two dogs, has a vast music collection, watches a lot of films, enjoys eating cheese and lives in Keighley. His show airs on Drystone Radio Sundays 5-7pm

operation for just over 2 years, which is nothing when you consider Timothy Taylors began in 1858. From Settle to Goose Eye to Bridgehouse, the rise of microbrewers.

> and the continued success of Taylors, is very much a local success story.

These open days at Wishbone are a chance to talk to the brewer, hand around with friends old and new and sample whats on tap. It's not much to look at inside

as it is a working brewery within a warehouse, but the atmosphere, choice of beers and Andy, the friendly barman, always guarantees a warm and welcoming greeting. You can stay for a pint or longer, it's entirely up to you. In these days of seemingly endless pub closures this really is a chance to raise a glass and celebrate twenty first century micro brewing in Keighley. It is alive and well.

The next open house sessions are on Saturday 11th November from 12 noon to 7pm. and Saturday, 16th December 12 noon to 9pm. (Tell Andy you read about it in the Aire Valley Mag) www.wishbonebrewerv.co.uk

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SMIthy'S Tech TIPS

by Liam Smith

DISITAL CONTENT CONSUMPTION:

Who would have thought that streaming services such as Netflix and Amazon Prime would have become so popular in such a short time frame? Well, as hard as it is to believe, this is slowly becoming the norm for media consumption. So much so, that the two streaming giants could overtake the cinema market share by as early as 2021. For a point of reference, VHS, DVDs, and Blu-Rays have never overtaken any British box office market to date.

So what is streaming? Streaming is the transmission of audio and video over the internet to computers, mobile devices, and TV streaming boxes, with the latest addition of the Smart TV. Smart TV is a technological convergence between computers and flatscreen television sets and set-top boxes. With advancements in technology, the traditional methods of using an aerial and a satellite to watch content are becoming less compelling given the plethora of content readily available to those that meet these requirements. When you compare the cost of purchasing a single DVD or a Blu-Ray disc for every movie you want to watch as opposed to a monthly or yearly subscription, it's no surprise why this is becoming the preferred alternative for watching digital content.

Streaming isn't a complex ordeal, and once you're set up to stream, it'll be just like watching television, only without the irritating advertisements that break off the immersion of a film or a series every 15 minutes or so.

It's easy to get lost in the world of technology these days, but that's where this column will come in handy. Over the coming months, I will endeavour to clear up misconceptions you might have about smart home technology, as well as a sneak peek at what is just around the corner.

Q. Is it better to buy a smart TV or get a cheaper TV and a set-top box?

A. A smart TV costs around £100 more than a comparable set that lacks smart services. However, that price difference is quickly evaporating, and soon most sets will have smart services built in. The price difference can also be deceiving, because higher-end TVs often offer more than just connected services. Usually, smart TVs also include better video processing — in other words, better picture quality — and expanded features. such as more HDMI ports on the back. That means you get more for your money than just an internet connection and apps.

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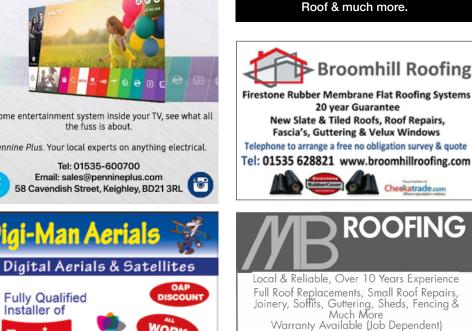
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WORTH VALLEY

This is the time of year when we get draw breath between an intensive programme of operation and the Santa season. We have enjoyed Flying Scotsman's visit to the line; run another very popular Beer & Music event; welcomed passengers on board cream tea specials; hosted a number of visiting engines to our gala event; gave a handful of lucky people a chance to drive and fire a steam locomotive on our footplate experience days; and run seven days per week between May and September.

draw mme We to er s a a a ce by Matt Stroh, Chairman of KWVR

After the Railway returned to weekend-only operation, our Civil Maintenance volunteers take over the line to undertake tasks that. can't be done with the Railway running, and this year the waterproofing of the bridges near Oakworth meant we had to run a special service during the middle weekend of their work. We are now back to a complete branch line Railway thanks to their efforts. There is other work on-going, most notably the replacement of the ageing shed roof at Haworth, which has required some ingenious approaches to the scaffolding to allow the shed to remain operational during the works. We have to keep investing in the infrastructure to make sure that the wheels keep turning on our 150 year old Railway. With an increasingly-elderly fleet and infrastructure, we have to be prepared for more costly and challenging maintenance work on our structures. locomotives and rolling stock.

As well as the behind-the-scenes maintenance, there is the work you can see, for example the on-going renovations at Oakworth Station, which are currently focused on the Ladies Waiting Room and the recent release into

traffic of a newly-overhauled carriage. Early next year, we hope to welcome back into the operational fleet two more steam locomotives, including the lvatt-designed number 41241, which hauled the reopening train back in 1968. As we get ever-closer to the 50th year of operation, we hope that 41241 can help us recreate that reopening train on the afternoon of June 29th.

All of this work progresses largely unnoticed, and takes a huge effort from our volunteer team and handful of paid staff. It all in involves a lot of hard graft, as well as planning, compliance and paper-work activity. At the same time, we need volunteers to operate the Railway, to run the stations, shops and buffets; drive the locomotives and guard the trains; and to operate the level crossing gates and signals. As you will appreciate, this requires us to ask a lot of volunteers, and so we are always keen to welcome new recruits to the team, especially as we plan our celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the reopening of the Railway by the Preservation Society. I do hope that you will consider joining the volunteer team to help us celebrate our 50th next year.









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The college is also developing employer boards who help steer the curriculum and the strategy for future training. Engineering is a great example of this with companies such as Gesipa, Byworth Boilers, Airedale Springs, Keighley Laboratories and Acorn Stairlifts involved in the board. Working

with the college, they host open evenings and factory tours to promote engineering to schools.

The growth has seen investment in many areas including fabrication and welding which now offers welder coding and certification. The new Textile Academy has over £30,000 of sewing and cutting equipment that matches the best available in industry and has brought back textile apprenticeships to Keighley College for the first time in over 30 years. The investment continues and the college is now looking at growing and broadening its engineering offer for September 2018 and will also be offering higher level apprenticeships in the near future.

"Manufacturing is no longer the dark, noisy, dirty world it once was. It is clean, noise free and uses some of the latest technologies. We really need manufacturers to be shouting more about the great things that are going on and the possibilities this offers to young people," said Chris Stott, Head of Business Engagement at the college.
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1/2 teaspoon ground ginger

1/2 teaspoon ground cloves

1/2 teaspoon ground allspice

1/2 teaspoon salt

1 tablespoon baking powder

1/2 teaspoon bicarbonate of soda

110g butter, softened

200g caster sugar

5 tablespoons brown soft sugar

2 eggs, room temperature

180ml milk

250g pumpkin, cooked and pureed

Cinnamon cream cheese icing

200g cream cheese, softened 50g butter, softened 350g icing sugar

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1 teaspoon vanilla extract

1 teaspoon ground cinnamon

Method

Preheat an oven to 190 C / Gas 5. Grease 24 muffin cups, or line with paper muffin cases. Sift together the flour, 1 teaspoon cinnamon, nutmeg, ginger, clove, allspice, salt, baking powder and bicarb; set aside. Beat 110g of butter, caster sugar and brown sugar with an electric mixer in a large bowl until light and fluffy. The mixture should be noticeably lighter in colour. Add the room-temperature eggs one at a time, allowing each egg to blend into the butter mixture before adding the next. Stir in the milk and pumpkin puree after the last egg. Stir in the flour mixture, mixing until just



incorporated. Pour the cupcake mixture into the prepared muffin cases.

Bake in the preheated oven until golden

and the tops spring back when lightly pressed, about 25 minutes. Cool in the tins for 5 minutes before removing to cool completely on a wire rack.

While the cupcakes are cooling, make the icing by beating the cream cheese and 50g butter with an electric mixer in a bowl until smooth. Beat in the icing sugar a little at a time until incorporated. Add the vanilla extract and 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon; beat until fluffy. Once the cupcakes are cool, ice with the cream cheese icing.

And to make Pumpkin puree...

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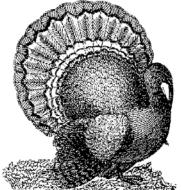
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Church, Sutton An Evening of Music with Nikki Barrett. Tickets £8 (inc glass of wine). For tickets call 01535 634116. Raising funds for St Thomas Church.

Fri 17th Nov 7pm **Big Fat Quiz at Glusburn Institute.**

Sun 19th Nov 7.30pm Film Night at St Stephens Church Hall, Steeton. Film A United Kingdom (12A) True story of the marriage of the King of Botswana to an English woman. www. steetonfilm.org

Weds 22nd Nov 7.30pm Christchurch, The Grove Ilkley. "Wheatley to Ben Rhydding" - an historic presentation by Mike Dixon. (Tickets £5: Ring 01943 608479 or 01943 603209)

Fri 24th & Sat 25th Nov 76th
Gang Show 1st Kildwick & Farnhill

Scout Group. At Glusburn Institute 6.45pm (doors open). Call 01535 653511 to book tickets or email richtilly@aol.com

Fri 24th, Sat 25th & Sun 26th Nov Steampunk Weekend in Haworth.

Extraordinary fashion, themed stalls, music etc, Markets will be at Haworth Village Hall & West Lane Methodist Church from 10am (Sat & Sun).

Sun 26th Nov 10.30am - 3.30pm Megan's Santa Paws Party at Victoria Hall, Keighley. Stalls, Gifts, Tan Page, Santa Pawe

Tea Room, Games, Santa Paws Grotto, Dog Show.

Sun 26th Nov Skipton Santa Run

- 5km run, walk or jog round Skipton raising funds for local charities.

Sun 26th Nov Skipton Moor walk (9.5 miles) with Ramblers Association. Meet at 10am Skipton High Street Car Park. Leaders Andrew & Julia 07894 466 418 Sun 26th Nov Annual Christmas Market at Silsden 10am - 4pm at both Silsden Town Hall & Briggate. Sun 26th Nov 4.30pm Keighley Light Switch on at The Airedale Shopping Centre.

Mon 27th Nov - 2nd Dec 7.30pm Goodnight Mister Tom at Keighley Playhouse.

Fri 1st Dec until Fri 5th Jan Saltaire Living Advent at Saltaire Village. Christmas scenes lit up in windows of houses around the village.

Sat 2nd & Sun 3rd Dec Haworth Christmas Markets, Central Park in **Haworth**. Over 30 stalls, gifts, local pruduce, food & drink - fun for the kids too.

Sun 3rd Dec 10am - 4pm Christmas Craft Fair at Glusburn Institute Communuty & Arts Centre.

Sun 3rd & 10th Skipton Christmas Market which runs the full length of the High Street alongside many local charity and gift stalls selling everything you could want for your friends and family. At 4pm the day closes with a procession up the High Street to the Holy Trinity Church grounds, where a traditional Christmas carol service takes place.

Sun 3rd & 10th Dec 9.30am 4.30pm Skipton Town Hall Christmas
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Tickets: Adults £6 Children £5 and include a gift from Santa / mince pies and mulled wine for adults.

Sat 16th Dec Christmas German Markets 4pm - 8pm at The Hive, Elliot Street, Silsden, BD20 ODE

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Q. How long have you been a photographer and how did you get started?

I have been taking photos for fun for many many years. Over the past 10 years I have developed that into a serious love of photography and the work that I now do professionally.

Q. What sort of photography do you do?

I am very varied in the types of photography I do. Event photography, music and bands, landscapes, interiors and exterior building shots, theatre and dance shows, product



photography, press and PR shots plus some weddings and portraits.

Q. You seem to do lots of different types of photography. Which is your favourite?

Event and gig photography are my favourite types of photography. Mostly because of the challenge that they offer. Quickly moving subjects in sometimes low or rapidly changing lighting makes for a lot of fun and requires a completely different approach to anything else that I get involved with. But I also really enjoy working with clients to help them solve their image requirements; to tell a story, or capture a mood.

Q. Are you for hire?

Yes, of course. As a freelancer I am available for hire from any length of time from an hour upwards.

Q. What makes you stand out from the rest?

I think it is a certain understanding of people, composition, light and techniques plus experience; knowing what is required in a wide variety of situations. These days some people think that everyone is a photographer and to a certain extent that is true. However, if you are looking for an image that is a little bit different or you need to capture a special event then hiring a professional photographer provides a reassurance that you will get quality images that can be printed and packaged in high quality. Photography is more than taking an image; it is capturing an emotion, conveying an idea, communicating in its purist's form.

Q. Is photography all that you do?

Photography is by no means all I do. I can help you with short videos, WordPress driven websites and all manner of social media advice.

Q. How can people reach you?

The best way is to call me on **07980 214131** or look on my website at **theimagestudio.tv.**

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Q. What about prices, Do they need to call the bank manager?

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