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There is nothing quite like a wedding to lift ones spirits. It is a magical day full of high hopes and expectations of a bright future.

Of course, the imminent British Royal wedding captures the imagination of a nation, and in our media rich 21st century,

ury,

the whole world will be watching and joining in the spectacle on April 29th.

Let's face it, Britain rules the world when it comes to ceremony and a sense of occasion. I'm sure we won't disappoint; and what a fabulous way to showcase the nation on the run up to the olympics. Here we have a uniuqe opportunity to lift the spirits of the globe and raise the expectations of the nations. I'm told the royal wedding ceremony is likely to attract record breaking viewing numbers with an estimated 2 billion viewers on TV and another 400 million via radio and online streaming video. Thats alot of eyes on Britain this month!

Royalist or not, you may feel compelled to gather with friends and family in the Aire Valley, organise a street party, or pile in to one of our local pubs to celebrate, participate, and view history in the making. I've already bought a spiffy Emma Bridgewater tea towel to mark the occasion.: 1

. Liz Barker





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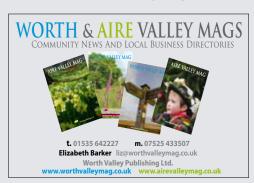
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A Season to Celebrate

by Nikki Carroll of Firths Boutique in Haworth

Wondering what you're going to wear when your invitation to the Royal wedding does eventually drop through the letter box?

Well wonder

no more, here's a few helpful hints as to what's on the altarwalk this year!

For the lady who loves the latest trends, consider a one shoulder dress. These will grow in popularity this season and are certain to be seen on bridesmaids and quests alike.

For those who are comfortable with their upper body, there are some very



chic strappy dresses available. A great look is a strappy dress worn with a short fitted bolero that looks almost like long sleeves. The shrug can be removed after the ceremony if desired, to reveal the dress for the reception and later on the dancefloor.

Elbow length sleeves can be more flattering than regular short sleeves because they end at a more slender part of the arm. They are also a great way to show off gorgeous bracelets.

Bright colours are a must. Whether it's

cherry red or tangerine, ves tangerine is the 'in' colour, it's bright and bold and by suiting most complexions it's guaranteed to make an appearance at nearly every spring/summer wedding. If this is too eccentric, opt for the cherry red and team it with black for a dramatic entrance, or

stand out from the crowd in a stunning striking combination of flattering black and white.

you and yours

29th April, 2011 at 11.00 a.m.

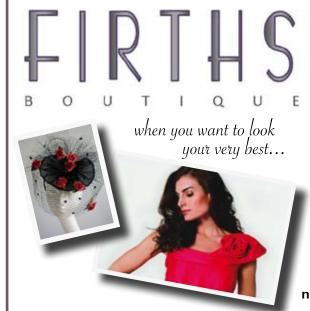
Too daring? well opt for a garden print, prints are available in various styles. remember that bright and bold coloured prints are the main objective this season. Maxi dresses continue to be strong especially in the floral prints on silky chiffon fabrics.

Another major trend for 2011 wedding attire is

shorter lengths. There are more knee length dresses out there than ever before, many of which are so chic that a bridesmaid would be as happy to wear them as the bride's mom will be. So by all means show off your great legs!

Fashions fascination with the fascinator is still running high in 2011 and compliments any outfit whether it's a small daytime headband or an elaborate headpiece, they are a great way to express yourself. If you're confident enough and tall enough, there's some fabulous bespoke hats out there.

Whatever trend you follow remember that dresses are the key this season, there are plenty of dresses out there to suit your body shape, style and personal taste. If you look fabulous vou're sure to enjoy the wedding even more. If you look great, you'll feel great!



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Spring Wedding by Andrew Motion

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In silence on my square of garden-ground Where I could dim the roar of arguments,

Ignore the scandal-flywheel whirring round.

And hear instead the green fuse in the flower

Ignite, the breeze stretch out a shadow-hand

To ruffle blossom on its sticking points, The blackbirds sing, and singing take their stand.

I took your news outdoors, and found the Spring

Had honoured all its promises to start Disclosing how the principles of earth Can make a common purpose with the heart.

The heart which slips and sidles like a stream

Weighed down by winter-wreckage near its source -

But given time, and come the clearing rain.

Breaks loose to revel in its proper course.















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With the
wedding of
Prince William
and Kate
Middleton
this month
we turn our
attention
to things

matrimonial and take

a special look at wedding photography.
In days gone by I think we can all remember attending weddings where the pictures after the ceremony were an interminable ordeal that seemed to go on for hours.

Thankfully those days are a thing of the past largely due to the invention of digital cameras coupled with the skills of snappers like our talented local resident Paul Barker. Paul has worked as a professional photographer for the UK newspapers and international news agencies for over 20 years, covering events as diverse as the funeral of the Princess of Wales, and the Champions League Finals, to the Live 8 concert in Hyde Park. He now applies his experience and time-honed techniques to produce the highest quality

reportage style wedding photography.

"I am usually asked to take some formal

shots, especially of the happy couple, immediate family, bridesmaids etc, but now most couples want a far more relaxed style of wedding photography and that is what I do best. Sometimes great shots just

present themselves, other times they need



a gentle nudge; having the ability to capture those moments in a creative way is where 20 years experience comes into play".

Paul offers a variety of levels of service starting with coverage just at the church up to capturing the full day, from the bride getting ready to the first dance. Prices include all the images from the day copyright free on disc so couples are free to order their own prints, books, dvd's etc.

"A wedding is a once in a lifetime event so getting the pictures right is a one shot deal. Some couples feel they can make their own albums or DVDs which can save quite a lot compared to the all in package fees that I have seen some photographers charge. I do provide a full range of 'post production' services, the costs for which are just a reflection of the time involved, but getting a great set of images from the day is the most important thing."

For more information take a look at www.weddingreportagephotography.co.uk or call Paul Barker on 01535 643686 or 07830 207123, though if you are looking to book for the 29th of April 2011 then I'm afraid you are out of luck because Paul will be in London covering the royal wedding for one of the UK's national newspapers!













JJB Reviews

April 2011 Film Highlight

Rango (PG)

Director: Gore Verbinski

Cast: Johnny Depp, Isla Fisher, Alfred Molina, Bill Nighy, **Ned Beatty**

In a day and age where animation is becoming a powerful type of film genre, and a very profitable one at that, it is rare to see something new outside of Pixar, the dominant digital leader in the industry. Rango is an animated Western which has depth on a wondrous scale: some of the themes are interesting and quite thought provoking.

As a Chameleon lost in the desert comes upon a town called Dirt. where water is currency and running desperately low, outlaws are causing mayhem, providing him the opportunity to grasp

the admiration and attention which he has always craved in an isolated existence; in the process he discovers his identity. In fact this is a real film fans treat referencing the Spaghetti western, particularly Sergio Leone's Fistful of Dollars trilogy, as well as other films including Star Wars, Apocalypse Now and Chinatown. Rango is voiced brilliantly by a great cast,



Depp in particular and the animation by Industrial Light and Magic (ILM) and Hans 7immer's music are both a treat for the eyes and ears. Rango despite referencing other films varies from anything else with its odd host.

of animal characters and strange charm. This film may be a little intense for some kids but will be appreciated by adults and people over the age of 10. Plus it features a villain called rattlesnake Jake, who has a machine oun on the end of his tail: what more could you want? In all seriousness though, I can't see this not being on my best of 2011 list, oh and it does all this without 3D!

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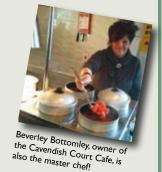
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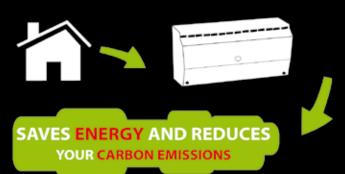
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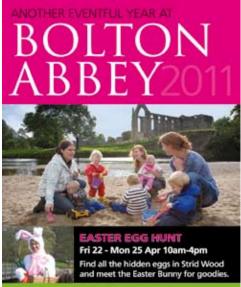
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20 Apr River dipping and make a boat that floats 27 Apr Hidden Nature Trail

01 Jun Who am I?

27 Jul River dipping and make a bee home 03 Aug Photography Trail 10 Aug River dipping and



17 Aug Hidden Nature

24 Aug Nature Detective 31 Aug Make a Bug Hotel

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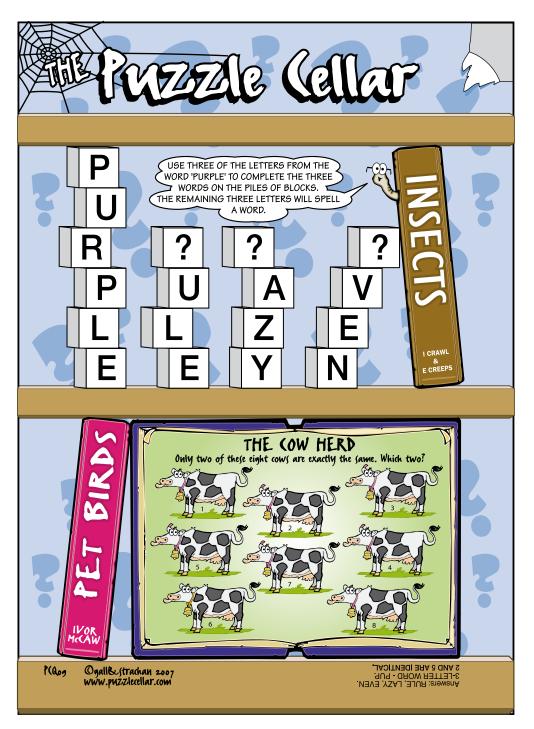
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It's easy to play Sudoku! Simply fill every column, row and 3x3 box so they contain every number between 1 and 9. See page 28 for the solutions

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in the Aire Valley?

Can you identify the building or landmark indicated by the red cross in this photograph?

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The winner will be selected from all correct answers received by April 20, 2011.



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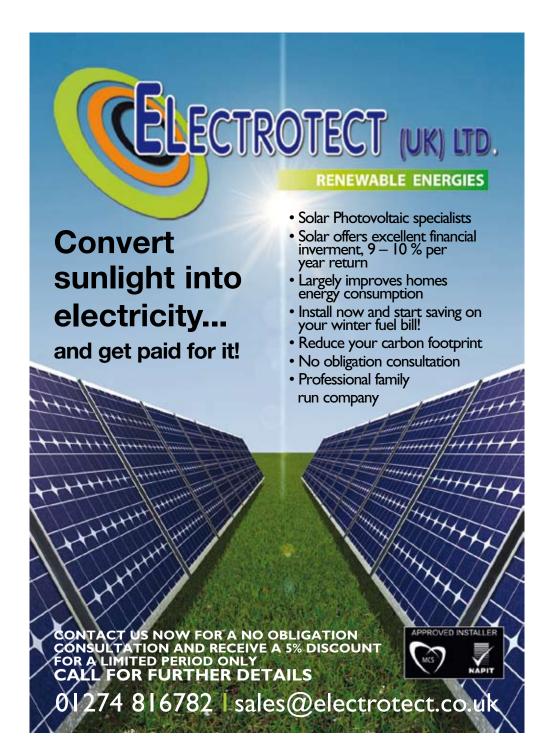
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Greg Barker, the climate change minister. said the proposals out for consultation aimed at rebalancing the subsidy scheme introduced last April in an effort to prevent larger scale solar projects "soaking up" all the cash. "The FITS (Feed In Tariffs) scheme was never designed to be a profit generator for big business and financiers. Britain's solar industry is a vital part of our renewables future and our growing green economy. The new tariff rates we're putting forward for consultation will provide a level of support for all solar PV

and ensure a sustained growth path for industry." he said. The Department of Energy, the source

for the FITS scheme, is still guaranteeing a certain level of income from the panels on your rooftop or in your garden. As it stands, 41.3 p is the maximum amount per kWH households receive for generating electricity at home from solar panels. The government said that its move would bring Britain into line with the feed-in tariffs offered in Germany, France and Spain; it is important in these financially challenging times to get the balance of the scheme right.

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- **Q.** My grandchildren have been playing on my Windows XP PC during the school holidays. The little tinkers have downloaded and installed several games that I really don't want. There's no "uninstall" option on the Start Menu so how on earth do I get rid of these unwanted games?
- A. First of all, well done, you, for not wading in and deleting program files, willy-nilly! If you had deleted any system files by accident, that could have meant a "world of pain and re-installation work!" There are two safe ways to remove unwanted applications or games. As you already know, the first way is to look on the Start Menu, click on "Programs" (or "All Programs" if this were windows

Vista or Windows 7], find the unwanted application's folder and see if there is an option to "Un-install." As there is no "uninstall" option available in this case, we'll go for the second option.

- I. Click on Start Menu, then 'Control Panel' (usually on right of Start Menu)
- 2. Look for 'Add/Remove Programs', 'Programs' or 'Programs and Features' (depends on Windows version & Control Panel view in use). Double-click to open.
- **3.** Find the application you want to remove in the list of applications
- 4. Click on the application once
- **5.** Click on the 'Remove' button (or the 'Uninstall' option).

The un-installation of the unwanted software will begin. Follow the on-screen instructions. If this method doesn't work for your particular unwanted programs, it would be advisable to consult a professional or attend one of the surgeries below.

It's not always easy to find the right words to describe a query or a computer problem, so why not demonstrate what's annoying you instead? This month two "Drop-in Surgery" sessions are planned at the Keighley Table Tennis Centre, 2nd floor, Keighley Business Centre, South Street on Tuesday 5th April, 2-4 pm, and 7-9 pm. You can bring your own laptop or show the CloudfreelT team your problem on one of theirs. In return for a small donation to their nominated local charity of the month, the lovely folks at CloudfreelT will be happy to share their knowledge and smooth your furrowed brow!









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Sat 2 Apr - Mon 2 May Paws for Pet Supplies on Main St.in Crosshills supports National Pet Month promoting responsible pet ownership with 3 events: Apr 2, (unusual Rats), Apr 9 (Cats) in conjunction with Keighley Cat Care and Apr 16 (host, dog pychologist). Contact Abi 01535 631 378 or www. pawsforpetsupplies.co.uk.

Sun 3 Apr KWVR Mother's Day Lunch on Steam Train, Keighley Station. Booking number 645214.

Sun 3 Apr 9 am BIG K: 10k Walk Victoria Park, Keighley Walk or run for your mum on Mother's Day in aid for Sue Ryer Manorlands Hospice. A multi-terrain suitable for all abilities. Enter on line: andrew.wood@suerydercare.org or phone 01535 640176 Entry fee: Adults 9£, 11-16 year olds £5, and £15 on the day subject to capacity.

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Tue 5 Apr 10:30 am Spring Walks Little London (12.8km) circular walk. Pkd lunch. Meet Jeff Brodrick at at Saltaire Railway Station entrance. A mix of paths and pack horse trails take us to this once thriving outpost twixt Bingley and Ilkley.

Tue Apr 5 12:30 pm Keighley Civic Luncheon Club Meeting with Lord Mayor of Bradford at Steeton Hall. New members are welcome. The Annual Subscription is £5.00. For further information ring 01535 658 044.

Tue 5 Apr 2-4 pm Census Advising Keithley Town Hall Struggling to complete your census form? Help is here in a free surgery with Census Advisors.

Tue 5 Apr 7:30 pm Fashion Show, "Buy on the Night", High Street ladies clothes at bargain prices at Exley Head Methodist Chapel. £1 entrance tickets available from Glenis Hey 01535 640 346.Tea and biscuits available.

Fri 8 Apr 7:30 pm An Evening of Medianship, Glusburn Institute, Colne Road. Tickets £10. Licensed bar. Contact 01535 630 223/online: info@ glusburninstitute.org.uk

Sat 9 Apr 11–3 pm Glusburn Brownies Coffee Morning fund raiser cake raffle stall. Come join us at Cross Hills Rest Center to suport the Brownies.

Sat 9 Apr 7 pm GTS Production of "Honk" the puurfect musical story of Hans Christian Andersen's "The Ugly Duckling." Glusburn Institute, Colne Road. Tickets £4/£5. Contact 01274 815 524/online info@glusburninstitute.org.uk

Sun 10 Apr 3-4 pm Sponsored Welly Walk St. Ives Estate Bingley for the whole family in aid for Cancer Support Bradford and Airdale. Entry fee £12 family, £5 adults, £2 children, Under 5 years - free.

Mon 11 Apr 7:30 pm Gilbert & Sullivan's The Sorcerer Bingley Arts Center. Tickets £5-13. Contact 01274 535857.

Wed 13 Apr 10:40 am Spring Walks Baildon Boundary (18km) circular walk Pkd lunch. Meet Colin Pitts at Esholt Village Pay and Display car park. Public transport users alight at Hollins Hall Hotel and walk down Station Road to Esholt Village. An undulating walk through fields and woodland, returning along the canal and river.

Sat 16 Apr Live Music! 52 SKIDOO! from a three-piece Harlem Swing Band - a "Fats Waller Revival" Glusburn Institute, Colne Rd. Tickets only £7 Doors open 7.30pm Licensed Bar

Sun 17 Apr Noon KWVR Guided Tour & Lunch on Steam Train, Keighley & Worth Valley Railway Booking 645214
Wed 20 Apr 11 am Older People's Focus Group at Victoria Hall, Saltair
Hear latest news and discuss issues in



the district, followed by lunch (voluntary contribution £3.50).

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Fri 22 Apr 11 am Spring Walks Calvary on Good Friday (8km) circular walk. Pkd lunch. Meet Peter Beaumont outside llkley Railway Station for a walk up the hill to Calvary. Then along to Nesfield and returning through fields and woodland.

Mon 25 Apr 11 am Spring Walks Newsholme Valley Views (10.5km) circular walk. Pckd lunch. Meet David Anderson at Chapel Lane, Laycock village for a remote walk with steady climbs.

Tue 26 Apr 10:30 am Spring Walks Around Brass Castle (9km) circular walk Pkd lunch. Meet Barbara Walker opposite the Busfeild Arms, East Morton. Explore

Morton Moor with it's cup and ring marked rocks, the remains of a stone circle and grouse butts.



Thurs 28 to Sat 30 April St George's Weekend Celebrations KTC 618252 Sat 30 Apr - Sun1st & Mon 2nd of May KWVR Action-packed weekend; reenactment of Railway Children film in period costumes, guided tours of scene locations. Contact 01535 645214

Mon 2 May 7:30 pm Carrie'sWar film Keighley Playhouse; timeless tale of the adventures of Carrie Willow a young girl evacuated from London during WW II. £4 -£6. Contact 08451 567 859.

Dead Easy Ginger Cake

by Nel Hargrave of worthbaking.co.uk



Easter is a time we love to spend getting our gardens, pots, window boxes and tubs ready for the summer. After an hour or two of hard(ish) work, what could be better than to sit down in the garden with a cup of tea and a generous slice of homemade cake and survey the fruits of our labours?

This cake is just about as perfect as it gets, incredibly quick and simple to make you don't need anything more complicated than a saucepan and a spatula - not even a cake tin!. And it must be good for you as it contains Guinness, which my Nana swore by as an important source of iron; this cake however tastes far nicer than a plate full of spinach.... It also lasts really well in a tin for a week or two, staying incredibly moist and improving in taste every day.

For the Cake:

Large can of Guinness (440 mls) 250g butter 200g caster sugar 75g dark muscovado sugar 500g self raising flour About a third of a jar of stem ginger in syrup 4 teaspoons of ground ginger 2 teaspoons bicarbonate of soda 2 tablespoons of milk

Heat the oven to gas mark 3 / 150 C / $140 \, \text{fan}$

In a large non-stick saucepan (about 22 cm / 9 inches wide), melt together the butter, sugars, Guinness and about 2 tablespoons of the syrup from the stem ginger. Finely chop 2 or 3 of the ginger stems and add these along with the flour and ground ginger and stir well. (don't worry if it looks a little lumpy). Mix the bicarbonate of soda with the milk in the bottom of a cup, and pour into the batter and mix well again.

Put the saucepan into the oven and bake for around 45 minutes (until it is starting to come away from the sides and a skewer comes out cleanly). Allow to cool for about 10 mins, and then ease a plastic knife or thin spatula around the edge of the cake to release it, and upend it onto a wire rack to cool.

For the Icing: just beat together 200g softened butter, 300g icing sugar and a tablespoon of stem qinger syrup (with a little hot water if needed) and pile on top of the cooled cake. A little more chopped stem ginger and the zest of a lemon will finish it off beautifully.

Now take it with your cuppa out into the garden, sit back, and be proud of your afternoon's work!







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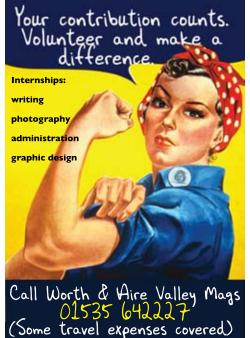
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