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Keighley BID brings the beach to Airedale Shopping Centre, including donkey rides and Punch & Judy! (page 20). Freebies in the magazine this month include a children's ice cream from 3 Acres, page 5. And The Octagon Bar in Sandbeds launches Friday Fizz which features a coupon for a FREE mini bottle of prosecco for our readers; see page 23.



Liz Barker

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It's nearly 150 years since the Railway first opened in 1867 and in 2018 we will be celebrating 50 years since the Preservation Society reopened the line in 1968.



Both events were all about connecting the valley: the first opening was to connect the mills and the

second for the villages, with local people not wanting to see their local Railway close. Since 1968 the focus has shifted as we now fulfil an important role preserving our industrial heritage and, particularly with us being known as the location for the filming of the Railway Children, our passengers want to understand the history of the line and relive a golden age of rail travel.

Making connections is still what we are about, and helping our passengers to appreciate all that the valley offers beyond a trip on the train is at the heart of a number of recent initiatives.

One such is that we are working with the Brontë Parsonage to fund jointly a vintage 'bus service running between Haworth

Station, Main Street and the Parsonage over the summer. We are keen to make it as easy as possible for our passengers to enjoy both the Railway and the nearby attraction of Haworth and the Parsonage in particular, but we know that the hill can be too much of a challenge for some of our visitors. We hope that the combination of the 'bus, which is free to Railway Rover and Parsonage ticket holders, and the discount that we and the Parsonage are offering each other's visitors, will help drive - quite literally - more visitors.

At Ingrow Station, in partnership with the two societies based there, we have launched 'Rail Story' which links the museums on the site with the Railway's station to explain to visitors the history of rail travel, with the Bahamas Locomotive Society focusing on the locomotives that haul trains, and the other focused on historic carriages, all restored to a fantastic condition, but which still run on Vintage Train days on the Railway. There are a number of launch special events planned, so please check the website for details, and we plan to develop the site further over the coming years to offer even more for visitors to enjoy.

I do hope that will join us over the summer and make use of the vintage bus service as well as see the developments at Ingrow progress. We run trains every day until 11th September and don't forget to apply for a local resident's discount card if you live in BD20, 21 or 22 to get the best value tickets.

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Wendy Spencer – Business & Operations manager at Airedale has been part of the KBA steering committee since the awards started in 2013. Wendy is an integral part of the organising group setting the award and application criteria, collating the entries coming in and working alongside the judging panel to ensure the applicants are all judged in a fair & transparent manner. She said the Keighley Business awards are now an integral part of Keighley's calendar – the awards present a fabulous opportunity

to local businesses to showcase what they have to offer, whether retail, financial services, manufacturing, creative & digital or sole traders offering gardening services, they welcome applications from all businesses.

The 2016 glittering award ceremony was once again held at Victoria Hall in Keighley with Harry Gratton from BBC's Look North as compere. The overall business of the year was awarded to Acorn Stairlifts.

Wendy and the KBA steering group would like to thank all of the sponsors who without their kind sponsorship the awards could not go ahead. This year's sponsors included Keighley BID (headline) Hayfield Robinson (Associate) and the category sponsors included Rotherwood Recruitment, Timothy Taylors, Barclays Bank, Airedale Springs, Feature Radiators, Keighley College, Waddington Turner Walls, Keighley News & Airedale Enterprise Services.

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Summer is here and once again the Brontë Parsonage Museum is working with Keighley and

Worth Valley Railway to encourage residents and visitors alike to explore both local attractions. Helping us to develop partnerships like this are our newly appointed Outreach and Events Officers, Diane Fare and Lauren Livesey. Together with Sue, our Learning Officer, they are looking forward to forging new and stronger links with our audiences, both in the local community and beyond. This month we hear from Diane.

Tell us a little about yourself:

I spent many years teaching English Literature and American Studies at various universities before taking some time off work to raise my family. During these years I started volunteering for Hebden Bridge Arts Festival, eventually joining the Board and becoming the Volunteers Coordinator, which involves looking after the volunteers, running the box office and coordinating the Front of House staffing for festival events. I returned to part-time work with Calderdale Libraries and Museums Service last summer before joining the Parsonage team as a Museum Assistant in November.

Tell us about a typical day:

Lauren and I deal with group bookings, so we spend time responding to queries from all manner of groups – schools, colleges, coach parties, book groups, WI groups,

family groups or friends celebrating a special birthday – and suggesting ways in which they can enhance their visit. We are also responsible for Museum events, not only ensuring they run smoothly but also helping to develop the programme. One of the most exciting aspects of our new role is the prospect of building meaningful relationships with local community groups and other venues and cultural organisations across Yorkshire and beyond, and so we might spend some of our day discussing how best to make this happen.

What is your favourite item in the Museum's collection?

It's very difficult to limit myself to one item, but I find Anne's collection of pebbles from Scarborough beach very poignant, given that Scarborough became her final resting place, and perhaps also because I love that stretch of Yorkshire coast.

And your favourite Brontë novel or quote?

Jane Eyre is probably my favourite, perhaps because, like many others, it was my gateway in to the world of the Brontës, but I do have Agnes Grey on my bedside table at the moment, which I feel has been neglected and deserves more attention. I'm currently reading Charlotte Brontë's letters, and one of my favourite quotes is from 1845: 'I long to travel, to work, to live a life of action. Meantime, life wears away. I shall soon be thirty, and I have done nothing yet ...' How wrong Charlotte was!

Anything else you'd like to tell us?

Just that I'm very excited about this new role, and I'm proud to be part of a dedicated and enthusiastic museum team. Lauren and I are already looking ahead to the next four years of bicentenaries and are thinking about how we can build on our existing partnerships and forge new ones throughout Yorkshire and beyond.

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Whilst the world is celebrating the 200th anniversary of the birth of Charlotte Brontë in 2016, there is a local connection with her which doesn't seem to get a lot of notice. Charlotte's father, Patrick Brontë, the Haworth Rector, was something of a social activist. It is well documented that he put a lot of effort into trying to improve the lives of his parishioners.

During the 1840's you couldn't get in the car or on the hopper bus to go places, you had to walk (unless you were one of the very lucky few who had a horse!) It was common for those who attended St Michael's and All Angels in Haworth (Patrick's church) to walk there 2 or 3



Saint Gabriel's Church, Stanbury

times on a Sunday. Those of Patrick's flock who lived in Stanbury and the surrounding countryside would have gone through a lot of shoe leather. Patrick initiated the building of a 'Misson Church / School' in Stanbury in 1848, although with that being the year that both Branwell and Emily Bronte died, he would no doubt be preoccupied with the loss of his

children. Patrick's curate, Arthur Bell Nicholls, took a particular interest in the project and oversaw its building. It is believed that Charlotte taught in the Sunday School at Stanbury Church and in 1854 (with the reluctant agreement of her father) she and Arthur Bell Nicholls were married. Who knows – perhaps love blossomed within the walls of Stanbury Church?

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- 40g whole almonds, skin on, roughly chopped
- 10g butter
- 1 endive
- 4 small nectarines; 20g rocket
- 120g gorgonzola, broken into pieces

The last time I was in London I treated my friend Nel to dinner at Ottolenghi's Nopi restaurant in SoHo. We were celebrating Nel's birthday, though I would have come up with any excuse to sidle over to Nopi; it had been on my 'hit list' for a while. The food was fabulous. However, I was surprised that it was the uber fresh salads that resonated with me for the days that followed, despite the more complex dishes being wonderfully sublime and equally worthy. This Sweet Summer Salad is on par with the sentiment I am referring to as my Nopi experience. Make sure the nectarines and cheese are

ripe and flavoursome; this is essential. The beetroot dressing is dazzling red. Rather than keeping it discrete, as here, you can also toss the ingredients in it.

Serves four

Method:

Preheat the oven to 180C/350F/gas mark 4. Wash the beetroot, wrap it in foil and bake for two hours, or until very soft, then peel.

To make the dressing, put the beetroot, honey, mustard, garlic, vinegar, salt and pepper in a food processor. Process for a few seconds, then incorporate a quarter of the oil at a time. It should be smooth and homogenous.

Sauté the almonds in butter and a pinch of salt for three to four minutes, then set aside to cool. Trim the base of the endive and carefully separate the leaves. Halve the nectarines, remove the stone and cut each half into three wedges. To assemble, spoon some dressing in a circle in the centre of a serving plate. Top with four or five endive leaves, hollow side up. Drizzle with oil and arrange the nectarines, rocket and cheese inside the leaves. Drizzle more oil around and about, and sprinkle with almonds.

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Say you saw it in the Worth Valley Mag!

Brian thinks he needs a pension...



Meet Brian.

Brian has a bit of money in the bank and plans to pay off his mortgage before retirement. But his house has not increased in value as he expected and having just enrolled in the Company pension scheme he is now thinking that he would like to get all his affairs in order.

Brian decides to look into pensions and gathers up some information

“There is so much choice - Where do I start?” Let’s look at a simple personal pension” Brian thought.

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Still reading.....“you may also want to think about what circumstances may change your **attitude to risk** and what other types of risks may affect your retirement provision. It is always best to seek financial

advice on such matters.....” [“Oh here we go” snorted Brian “it’s just a means of them making money.”] He slams the brochure down on the table “this is far too difficult” he moans. “Anyway I am now in the Company pension scheme. That’ll do.”

Brian has his mind changed—a little...

Later, Brian asks his colleague if he has a pension. “Yes” said Rich—“had one since I was 18 years old”.

“Well you don’t need that now then do you Rich, as there’s a company scheme in place!” scoffed Brian

Rich was quick to respond “I do. My Mum had to go on working a long time past when she wanted to finish as she couldn’t afford to stop, even though she was in the Company pension scheme. She had severe arthritis and was in pain all the time” he said sadly

“Best to understand what both a personal pension and a company scheme have to offer, I suppose, to make sure you have enough to stop work if you really have to.” Brian goes away thinking. Eventually he decides to take some financial advice to see what is best for him.

Brian meets with a financial adviser

The adviser meets with Brian and advises

“As you have a company scheme starting up, I will look into the details of this before advising you further on a personal pension. I want to give you the confidence that you have the right plans in place so that you have the chance of retiring or taking your pension, when you wish.”

The adviser clearly and simply explains attitude to risk to Brian and looks at his current financial position. He takes his time understanding Brian’s needs and considers his circumstances in the round.

“Well I really didn’t think I needed an adviser before, but I am pleased I met with this one. It has straightened a few things out for me and I am now much clearer.” “Yes, really nothing to be worried about at all” he said, sighing with relief.

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Say you saw it in the *Worth Valley Mag!*

40th Oxenhope Straw Race



The idea for the Oxenhope Straw Race was birthed in 1975 when two friends were having a drink in an Oxenhope pub. It was around harvest time and one of them mused over the idea of staging a race in the village that included stopping for a pint at each of the then five pubs and the Social Club; his companion warming to the theme suggested perhaps they could carry a bale of straw? And so the Straw Race was born.

That first year a handful of locals took part and I'm told in those days there was prize money of £10 to the winner.

From there it began to grow and became more and more popular drawing people from far and wide. We have one team that joins us each year from Australia and we even attract teams from Lancashire! Today the race attracts hundreds of entries with around 500 people taking

on the challenge. The original organisers soon realised that the race could be used to benefit the local community by having teams raise sponsorship which was then passed onto Manorlands Sue Ryder hospice. As the race grew and with it the sponsorship, the donations were widened to other local charities.

Now the race raises in excess of £10,000 every year and over the course of its history has raised somewhere in the region of £400,000, something which the community of Oxenhope can be extremely proud.

The course is 3.1 miles long or for the youngsters just under 5 kilometres; and the race record is just over 14 minutes which is nothing short of Olympian in achievement as far as I'm concerned. That record is held by Will Smith and Ian Holmes who have been the winners for the past

14 years. If they win again this year, we're considering letting them keep the trophy! Not everyone is quite so swift; the majority of teams take a more leisurely approach and allow themselves time to soak in the atmosphere. On a beautiful sunny day there is nowhere better than Oxenhope and its surrounding moors and countryside.

Most teams complete the course in fancy dress and it is always a magnificent sight to behold. The imagination of people continues to amaze me every year. Some of the homemade costumes take literally weeks to make and often complex engineering projects are undertaken to construct a contraption to transport the bale. The rules state it must be people powered, pushed, pulled or carried but other than that people have free reign and they never disappoint. We have had a full scale tardis; the Red Baron complete with

a scale model bi-plane; A stage complete with Elvis who entertained the crowds along the route; and my personal favourite was a group of guys who all dressed as bottles of Timothy Taylors and built a giant crate to run in.

The fancy dress really does make it a fantastic day out; a true extravaganza. It is impossible to name a favourite of all the fancy dress I have seen in my time as Secretary of the organising committee but some that stand out are the guys who completed the full course in full length skis; Three families who included their children and dressed as the entire cast from the Wizard of Oz; a group of friends dressed as a chain gang who completed the course chained together; a team of Lego men who dressed their bales as Lego bricks. There are so many I can wax lyrical for hours.

Jane Barrett

Sudoku

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The Rotary Club of Haworth & Worth Valley meet every Tuesday at 7.30-8pm at Newsholme Manor, Oakworth.
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Tuesday's 1.00 till 3.00pm Pensioners Club. Bay Horse Oxenhope - All Welcome.

Sun 10th July 12 -5pm Jumble & Pearl Family Pop up Fair at the Old School Rooms Haworth.

Mon 11th July and every weekday throughout summer Keighley & Worth Valley Cream Teas What could be nicer, than travelling through the beautiful Bronté countryside on a sunny Spring or Summer afternoon,

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Mon 11th July Stanbury & District WI 7.30pm at West Lane Baptist Church, Haworth Paper Flowers Demonstration by Jennifer Stacey.
Fri 15th & Sat 16th July 7.30pm Little Red Hen Theatre bring their one-woman play An Evening with Charlotte Bronte. At West Lane Baptist Church Haworth. Call 07971 136509 to book tickets.

Sat 16th July 1pm - 4pm Oxenhope Village Fete on the Millenium Green.

Sun 17th July 7.30 am - 9.30am Bronte Sportive Bike Ride at Keighley Campus.

Fri 22nd July 7.30 pm Eddie the Eagle at Haworth Cinema, West Lane Baptist Church.

Sat 23rd Bingley Agricultural Show at Myrtle Show provides entertainment for all the family with its wide variety of exhibits. The animals, the crafts, the flowers, the vegetables, and all the marquees and stands which create a great agricultural show will be there. There will be attractions for children, slides bouncy castles, everything needed for a fun day out.

Sun 24th July 12 (midday) Manorlands Paint Rush at Marley Sportsground. The route which is 5Km can be run or walked and participants will pass through colour stations along the way where they will be pelted or sprayed with 7 shades of the rainbow. Family funday after the

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Thurs 28th July Oxenhope Antiques & Collectors Society talk by Malcolm Oxley on Medieval Monks & Kirkstall Abbey starts at **7:30pm at Oxenhope Community Centre.**

Sat 30th July to Mon 1st August 10am - 4pm Yorkshire Day Keighley by the Sea. Indoor beach at Airedale Shopping Centre & Church Green. FREE family fun, Outdoor events & activities at locations across town centre. www.discoverkeighley.co.uk.

Sat 30th & Sun 31st July Haworth Craft Fairs 10am - 4pm at Haworth Old School Rooms.

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Sat 30th July Emily's Birthday at the Bronte Parsonage Museum 2pm. Meet at the Museum for a walk and talk up on Penistone Hill to commemorate the anniversary of Emily Bronte's birth on 30th July 1818. www.bronte.org.uk

Sat 30th July at 7pm Jorvik Theatre Group presents Emily Bronte's WUTHERING HEIGHTS at St Michael & All Angels Church, Haworth. Tickets £12 full price & £8 up to 18yrs and 60+ to book call 07594957350 or email jorviktheatre@rocketmail.com.

Sun 31st July 2 pm Concert at Cliffe Castle Museum - Hurricane Blue (Country Rock)

Tues 2nd, 16th & 30th August 1pm - 3pm Family Drop in Craft Activity at Cliffe Castle Museum.

Sat 6th Aug 12 (midday) Oakworth Fairy Fest at Holden Park. A magical, mystical event in Holden park with adults as well as children in fairy

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Sun 14th & 21st August 2pm Concert at Cliffe Castle - Jasmine Kennedy (acoustic singer/songwriter).

Sun 17th July & Sun 7th, 14th & 28th Aug Bandstand Concert at Central Park Haworth Bradford Council's Sport and Leisure Service present a series of Bandstand Concerts across the District. Come along and enjoy being outdoors listening to music in a park near you! www.bradforddistrictparks.org

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Sun 28th Aug Haworth Oxenhope Lees & Crossroads Gardeners & Allotment Holders Association will hold their annual flower vegetable and produce show. It will be held at the Haworth Village Community Hub, Butt Lane Haworth. The event starts at 2.30pm cup will be presented at 4.00pm followed by an auction of produce in aid of Manorlands. The subjects in the photography class will be summer blues and steam. Schedules are available from Ruth 01535 643437 or Haworth.show@gmail.com anyone who would like to sponsor a class in the show please contact the above gmail.

Sat 3rd Sept Keighley & District Agricultural Show Family Day Out - Everyone Welcome Fur & Feather - Pygmy Goats - Livestock - Equestrian - Handicraft/Produce - Horticulture - Flowers - Vintage Tractors - Trade Stands - Craft & Local Food and many other attractions. Visit our website www.keighleyshow.co.uk.

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Sat 3rd Sept 7.30pm Late Summer Soiree at St Gabriel's Church, Stanbury. Music, song & laughter. Pie & pea supper. Call 07753 842246 or email stgabrielstanbury@gmail.com for tickets which are £5.

Sun 4th Sept 12-5pm Jumble & Pearl Family Pop up Fair at the Old School Rooms Haworth.

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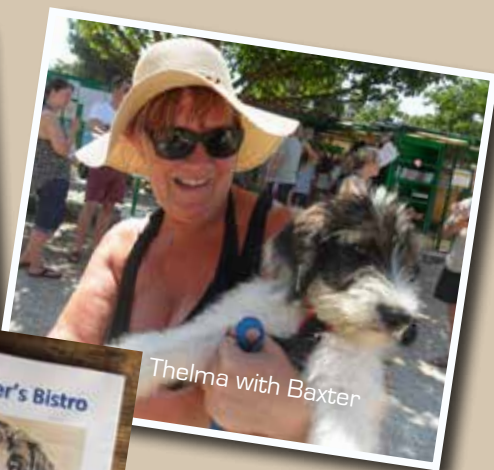
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Humphrey with Thelma & Don



Thelma with Baxter



Welcoming immigrants of the canine kind comes naturally to Thelma and Don Jones from Oakworth. They have been adopting dogs from Greece for several years now. Their wonderful furry friends from the EU have been an integral part of the family for over a decade.

"It started when we went on holiday to Skiathos. There was a dog shelter on the island and we would walk the dogs for them when we visited." explained Don.

"We have always been great animal lovers. One dog in particular captured our hearts. It was a very large Newfoundland named Humphrey that had been left behind."

The Jones family was smitten and went to great lengths to adopt and move Humphrey 1,800 miles to his new home in Oakworth. He spent many years with them and because of his size and loveable nature became known and recognised in the local community.

The latest addition to the Jones household arrived in 2013 and is called Baxter. He is a mixed breed, also a large dog, with an equally large and affectionate personality. Over the years Thelma and Don have continued to support the Skiathos

Dog Welfare Association, the charity that has given them so much pleasure and joy through the dogs.

The current campaign to raise funds for the charity comes in the form of a Doggie Cookbook. 'Baxter's Bistro' is the idea of Thelma Jones. The recipe book includes dishes tried and tested by Baxter himself! Thelma carefully researched the ingredients and all are safe and suitable for a healthy dog's diet.

All proceeds from the sale of the cookbook will go to Skiathos Dog Welfare Association.

Baxter's Bistro is available to purchase for £5 from Worth Valley Pet Shop, Mill Hey, Small's, North St. Keighley, Hot Dogs Grooming, Oakworth, and also online: EBay, search Dog Treats.

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