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### We're WORLD CHAMPIONS!

At long last, we've finally become cricket World Cup Champions! A fantastic conclusion to an incredible competition held on home soil, so I'm sure I don't speak alone on saying 'a job well done by our lads'... At the time of going to print, let's hope Ben Stoke's heroics in the 3rd test don't pail into significance as we embark on more glory in the 4th test of The Ashes.

After a fantastic event season in our beloved valley, including the Yanks Weekend and the third outing of the Cotton Clouds Festival, more is still to come on the near horizon with the annual Party in the Park musical extravaganza this September... Don't forget... You still have chance to WIN another Family Ticket inside.

As always, we have plenty of local

stories and features inside for you to read and enjoy...including an exclusive interview with MARTIN KEMP, who will be spinning his 80's classics at two sell out crowds over the coming weeks in Uppermill.

As always there are a number of other FREE to enter competitions with some excellent prizes up for grabs, including a Charles Vermont ladies boutique

voucher.

Until next time everyone, many thanks for your continued support. Please stay happy and healthy, and don't forget to get in touch with us on Facebook and Twitter! We'd love to hear from you.

Have a great couple of months and see you next time for a festive cracker!



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### EVERY DAY IS DIFFERENT IN FAMILY LAW

Pearson Solicitors and Financial Advisers have strengthened their Family team this summer with the appointment of solicitor Emma Kendall.

A solicitor with 10 years experience Emma will be specialising in divorce and all aspects of matrimonial law with a Resolution friendly approach to clients, as well as considering closely the financial implications of divorce for her clients moving forwards.

Traditionally September is a busy time for family lawyers, summer holidays take their toll with the needs and expectations of families stretched over 6-8 week school holidays. Many families undertake that last family holiday or wait until the 'new term' to split and have a fresh start and so Emma expects a busy time ahead of

Commenting on her new role Emma said: "I have always been interested in family law, every day is different and it makes a difference to people's lives — helping them when they are at their lowest ebb.

"I really am focussed on achieving the

best result for my client but ensuring that it is dealt with in a respectful way and having worked in Oldham I always admired the way Pearson worked and wanting a new challenge it seemed the perfect opportunity to grow an expanding department."

She joins a team of 8 in the family department at Pearson Solicitors and Financial Advisers, alongside specialist childcare and child proceedings solicitors, other divorce lawyers and supporting staff. The Oldham based firm, with offices also in Tameside and Hollinwood, North Manchester, also has in house financial advisers who work alongside the family team advising clients on pensions, as well as conveyancers and a Will team to help guide clients holistically through the divorce process.

In the majority of cases there will be financial matters which need to be resolved following divorce, matrimonial assets such as the marital home and other property, pensions and business interests may need to be re-distributed between the parties and consideration given to claims for

Welcoming her to the firm, Practice Manager, Joanne Ormston, said: "Emma is a well- qualified and very professional solicitor and great addition to our team. She brings with her not only experience, but a very kind, gentle and welcoming presence, something essential when working in the field of family law and is able to put clients at their ease."

The family team at Pearson are also

celebrating success as two of the solicitors, Lucinda McWatt and Rebecca Wolfenden have recently passed the Resolution Accreditation. Lucinda came in the top 3 in her category and her colleague, Rebecca, also achieved additional success in the Children Law Accreditation Scheme, dealing with the areas of the law related to children. It is a recognised quality standard for practitioners representing children in children law proceedings. The accreditation enables professionals such as guardians to identify suitably qualified practitioners when children need representing.





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### **AFTERNOON TEA WITH EDWINA CURRIE**

The Saddleworth WI members, friends and supporters turned out in their droves last Sunday, 14th July, to have afternoon tea with former MP and reality TV star, Edwina Currie. The day was a sell out with over 130 guest buying tickets. The Oak Room at the White Hart, Lydgate was the perfect venue for this event showcasing Saddleworth WI, The White Hart and, of course, our beautiful countryside.

Edwina was blown away by the turn out and at one time was heard to say 'WOW' when looking out over the room at the start of her talk. The tables had been set for a delicious afternoon tea, served by Charles and his team to whom we are truly grateful, with each table being named after places in Oldham and Saddleworth. Edwina held the room captivated with her explanation of "Lies, Damed Lies and Politicians".

Her talk was peppered with insights from her time in politic and, of course, the high profile headlines she attracted at the height of her career. During her time in government she introduced cancer screening for women and the first AIDS campaign. The furore around her comments about salmonella in eggs brought about changes resulting in the UK now having the safest eggs in the world. She invited the audience to ask her questions and when the

"John Major" subject came up, like a true

politician, she batted it away with great political expertise and she gave us all a master class in how to handle difficult questions.

Edwina made sure that she went to every table in the room before the event and during the break to try and speak to everyone, and was even up for selfies, of which many have appeared on Facebook. She is donating her fee to Tideswell Male Voice Choir of which her husband, John Jones, is a member and she is President. Her diaries at the time of publishing, had been called "the best record of a woman's experience in parliament". Edwina brought copies of the book to sell and sign and sold out within minutes. She is the author of many books and these titles can be found in ebooks. A friendly and relaxed speaker, she left with a lot of fans!

In the 20 years since leaving politics she's been a regular reality TV star, notably Hell's Kitchen, I'm a Celebrity, Strictly, Wife Swap and Family Fortunes. She's won Celebrity Pointless with Diane Abbott MP and Celebrity Mastermind twice.

Edwina says "Well, that went well!" and she is certainly correct in that comment. One of the member when leaving the event commented "how are we going to top this next year"

From the smiles, cheers and laughter around the room we think we can safely say that Sunday 14th July was a great success and the WI hope that they will be able to equal or better this sometime next year.















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### Saddleworth Rotary gets a taste for it at Uppermill's newest dining experience

After a busy summer, the Saddleworth Rotary Club were offered a special treat by being invited to try the new Sorella Italian restaurant on Uppermill's High

With 32 members and their partners, the venue was full to capacity, as family owners Meriton, Bislim, Ardhetare and head chef Xhelal, as well as their team worked hard to deliver a perfect pre-opening night. There was even live music by the talented George King.

New Rotary President, Mr Ian Brett was also in attendance with his wife Gill and

"The new place looks fantastic and the food was exceptional. This is a great new addition to the village."

Rotary member Gill Bussey added,

"Bill and I have been friends with the Hoxha family for many years after eating at Mazzo in Royton. When they invited us to have a Rotary dinner here prior to the official opening, then we were very honoured and they guys certainly didn't disappoint. Everyone at Rotary enjoyed their evening and certainly wish the family well in their latest venture.



Musician George King entertaining a packed house



New Saddleworth Rotary President Ian Brett, along with wife Gill prior to enjoying their meal at the newly opened Sorella restaurant in Uppermill.









### SORELLA, a true taste of the Mediterranean now open in Uppermill.

After several years of satisfying the masses with their unique Italian flavours in Royton, Mazzo and Vicino family owners have decided to establish themselves over the hill as a popular spot for dinners looking to enjoy delicious, authentic food from the Mediterranean.

Now those same tasty delights can be enjoyed at Sorella in Uppermill as the Hoxha family opened the doors to their third restaurant on the high street at the end of August.

"We've chosen to call it Sorella which means sister as it is our sister restaurant and will be run by our sister Atdhetare,' explained Bislim, who runs Mazzo as well as Vicino tapas bar with his family.

"It will be a true Italian Cucina with authentic food, like Mazzo. We hope diners will come in and spending a relaxing evening with family or friends.

"We're not another bar and people can't come in just for a drink - it will be purely a restaurant."

Sorella has a stylishly simple and fresh look, created by Bislim's second sister Arneta, who is an architect.

An extensive refurbishment over the summer has seen a complete transformation of the interior, with everything but the flooring and bar top being replaced.

There is now a larger kitchen which can meet the demand for 40 people seated inside as well as another 20 outside on

the terrace.

Atdhetare added: "It has been a long time coming and now we're really excited to show people what we've done. We hope everybody enjoys the food and atmosphere have we created."

Sorella will be open on Wednesday to Sunday from 10am-9pm offering breakfast until 2.30pm, a lunch menu, and then dinner from 5pm.

Following the Saddleworth Rotary who came on the

28th August (see page 8), family, friends and Mazzo regulars gathered to celebrate the opening on the following day before the doors were officially opened to the public on Friday, August 30.

Visit Sorella at 38 High Street, Uppermill, Saddleworth. Advance bookings advised by calling 01457 877477. Also visit their Facebook page: www.facebook.com/ Sorellauppermill/



A Hoxha family affair. Sorella restaurant owners Bislim, Xhelal, Atdhetare and Meritone.



Local rugby league legend Kevin Sinfield MBE enjoying the new Sorella's with wife Jayne.



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# The YAIKS YAIKS returned to returned to celebrate the 40th Anniversary

This Summer's Yanks weekend ensured fun for all the family. Very mixed weather failed to dampen the spirits of thousands of attendees who came to enjoy this ever popular weekend. Locals and visitors came together to enjoy the annual spectacle, taking place this year on the 9th, 10th and 11th of August with many choosing to dress up in traditional 1940s civilian and military wear once again.

of the Wartime classic!





From left to rigtht: Alan Noble - Royal Regiment Fusiliers, Alan Clark - Royal Regiments Fusiliers, Stewart Taylor - Royal Electrical Mechanical Engineers, Terry Windsor - Royal Electrical Mechanical Engineer, Stuart Grantham - Parachute Regiment, Trevor Warren - Parachute Regiment and Shaun Taylor - Royal Artillelry.



Tommy Buxton SAS - Special Air Service - Royal Marines

This year celebrates the 40th anniversary of the 1979 filming of the movie Yanks, which starred Hollywood stars Richard Gere, Vanessa Redgrave and Lisa Eichhorn. A number of the scenes were filmed in areas of the Saddleworth Valley including Dobcross and Uppermill and close towns including Stalybridge.

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People flock to Saddleworth from far and wide with some coming from as far as Australia to enjoy the festivities. Speaking to a visitor from Nottingham "Yanks weekend is just the best and I look forward to it every year. It is a shame about the weather but is just great to see how so many different people from all different ages really make the effort."

On its 17th outing of staging the event, Saddleworth once again transformed itself for the three day festivities with flags, bunting and even sandbags, decorating most businesses. There was once again something for everyone, with dancing, parade, renactments and sing-a-longs. Unfortunately a fly past by a vintage bomber had to be cancelled because of conditions... which was a shame.

"Unfortunately we are always at the mercy of weather, so had to make the difficult decision." one organiser told us.

Sunday's parade through the heart of Uppermill included Jeeps, tanks and cars, as well as a Sir



Winston Churchill look-a-like who waved to the masses from an open top car. There was also a parade of Royal British Legion veterans, led by the Oldham Scottish Pipe Band.

Everyone enjoys recreating the 1940's wartime atmosphere, with many visitors and locals dressing up as 1940s: soldiers, airmen, sailors, wrens and land army girls.

The weekend also hosted a 1940's style dancing to help everyone get everyone in the mood. Music was provided by Max Debon and the Debonaires, as well as Paul 'Peaky' Shelby and Trina from the Backstep Boogie Club who were spinning the discs to get

the crowds in the mood at Saddleworth School.

Those that visited Dobcross will have been lucky enough to be entertained by the talented Bailey Dolls who performed not only at the Swan but also at Dobcross Band Club. Those who are fans of the film, will be aware that Dobcross was a significant location in the film.

As it was the 40th anniversary of the film's release, many were crossing their fingers for a special appearance from the stars of the film but sadly this will have to wait for another time...although Lisa

Eichhorn has enjoyed several trips to the location from her home in the States.

This was certainly another successful Saddleworth event. which has left many counting down the days to next year's festivities. Lets hope the weather makes an appearance enhance everyone's enjoyment.





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Great turnout for annual extravaganza in proper summer weather

This years 45th annual Saddleworth Rushcart weekend celebrations took place on Saturday 24th and Sunday 25th August. The crowds turned out in force to see this very unique gathering of Morris men, as the good weather certainly made an appearance throughout the weekend. The Saddleworth's Morris Men paid tribute to the victims of St Peter's Field 200 years on. They also remembered the life of popular and multi talented musician, Ged Casserley, as well as commemorated the Manchester Arena terrorist plot victims.

Every year the Morris dancers draw in crowds of hundreds of spectators with their elaborate outfits and complex dance routines. The flowers on their hats infused with their loud clogs ensure that the traditional Morris dancers put on a spectacular show

year on year, with this year being no exception. The famous Rushcart is made by the Saddleworth Morris men throughout August. It is traditionally stacked with Pule Hill rushes which can reach up to 14 feet high. The side the cart is decorated with flowers and ribbons with a banner on the front.

A single man or 'Jockey' rides on top of the cart as it is pulled through the villages of Saddleworth by the many Morris men who have travelled to this beautiful part of the country to take part in this famous event.

This years 'Jockey' was Carl Taylor who proudly waved his copper beer kettle throughout the day. The weight of the cart and the Jockey can sometimes exceed two tonnes so the act of moving the cart along the undulating terrain of Saddleworth is a daunting act to say the least.

In taking on the role of jockey - first given to Lennie Butterworth in 1975, Carl paid tribute to "great friend, Saddleworth Morris fan and local legend" Ged Casserley.

"This was my first Rushcart without him," he said. "Ged was genuinely more excited than me when he found it was my turn on top of the cart this year."

Although the Rushcart draws much of the attention as it is pulled through the Saddleworth villages, the real fun starts on the Sunday outside St. Chads Church following a brief service. The afternoon descends into a collection of more dancing, music and entertainment, as well as a gurning, wrestling and 'worst singer' contests.

Expect more of the same in 2020 with even more sunshine. To find out more about the Saddleworth Morris men, please visit: www.saddleworthmorrismen.



















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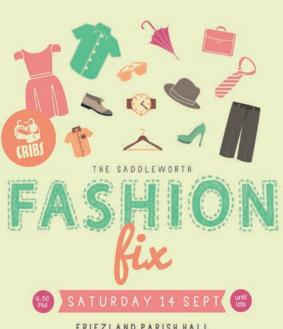
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Having injected their passion and enthusiasm into The Three Crowns Inn, David Harrop and partner Holly Neal are planning to do the same again to The Clarence in picturesque Greenfield.

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# Out and about A.H. - Bussy Atting & Dh Brilden Brilden



### Sun, Sand and Snow for Bugsy Boys' Benidorm or Bust

Best buddies Paul, Richard, Jon and Karl racked up 1600 miles on a journey that saw them driving their 'Bugsy-mobile' from Manchester to Benidorm to raise cash for charity. In their bespoke 1930's Bugsy Malone themed 'banger', an old Chrysler Voyager, wearing trilbies and carrying inflatable tommy guns, this fundraising foursome joined 150 other cars on the Benidorm or Bust annual charity rally.

Setting off from Dr Kershaw's Hospice in Royton, the gang drove 280 miles to Dover, to join the other rally cars, before hopping on a ferry to Calais. The next 3 days saw the gregarious gangsters driving most of the way in convoy through Orleans, Toulouse and Tarragona, with the final stretch seeing them arrive in Benidorm. Wanting to make the most of their 'trip of a lifetime' the lads took a bit of a detour to see the amazing sight of the Millau Viaduct in France (pictured).

"We must have been quite an odd spectacle for the locals" said lead driver Paul Baddeley, "A bunch of gangsters, in pinstriped suits and trilbies, having our photo taken on our 1930's style car which was covered in bullet holes".

Adding to their trip was the chance to make a snowman, in

the middle of summer!

"We drove through the Pyrenees where the road climbs to about 3,500ft, so we were hoping we'd find some snow, which we did. Making a snowman was another opportunity not to be missed" said Richard.

Richard added "We all had an amazing time, we met lots of great people and saw some fantastic sights, all in an old banger that didn't let us down.

Their final destination was the sea front at Benidorm where rows and rows of the expedition's rally cars were auctioned off to the highest bidder.

About seeing the car sold Jon said "It was sad to see our banger go, it had served us well and served our community well as without it, we wouldn't have been able to raise money for Dr Kershaw's"

On their 1600 mile European rally adventure the gents raised an astonishing £1657.81 – appropriately £1 for every mile!

"The driving force behind our Benidorm or Bust experience was to ultimately help people in our community and, to reach our goal, our community pulled out all the stops. With our sponsors and the help of places like Atlantic Salvage, LH Painting and Decorating and SJ signs, we wouldn't have been so successful" said Karl. "It is a wonderful feeling to know we've all grouped together to make a difference to others.

Lillie Winterbottom, Dr Kershaw's Community Fundraiser said of the friend: "What has stood out throughout this entire experience is the positivity and enthusiasm these guys have for doing something special for the patients at Dr Kershaw's. They all have an infectious sense of fun and adventure which has raised many smiles and lots of funds for patient care at the Hospice"



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# LADIES – WINE, DINE AND SHOP FOR



WILLOW WOOD!

There are many ways to support Willow Wood, but if you enjoy fashion, shopping or lunching with friends, there are two fantastic ways to help and have a great time into the bargain.

The first one to put in your diary is the Fizz Fashion Show on Thursday 17 October. Held in the lovely function room at Ashton-under-Lyne Golf Club, it's a great opportunity to update your Autumn and Winter wardrobe, as well as getting your pick of the party outfits. Make a real evening of it with family and friends; following the fashion show there'll be ample time to try and buy while having a cheeky drink or two - and as 10% from each sale will be donated to Willow Wood, you'll be helping us with every purchase!

And if you'd like an opportunity to show off your new outfit, book your place for the Willow Wood Ladies' Winter Wonderland Lunch. Following the success of last year's event, it's once more being held at Oaklands Hall, Hyde, on Wednesday 11 December. Elaine McConnell, event organiser for both the fashion show and the ladies' lunch said:"The lunch is an ideal opportunity to get together with friends and relax before the frenetic activity leading up to the festive season.

"There's a delicious three course lunch followed by afternoon entertainment. It really is a good way to indulge in a little 'me time', and take the pressure off for the day. We've also got the Pop-up Fashion Boutique and the Body Shop coming, so there'll be time to browse and maybe even finish off your Christmas shopping.

Tickets for the Fizz Fashion Show are just £6, and the ladies' lunch is £34.50 – great value for a very tasty meal and a packed afternoon of entertainment. To book your place please contact the Willow Wood fundraising office either by emailing fundraising@willowwood.info, or ringing 0161 330 7788.



# THE DYSARTS ARMS One of Mossley's finest enjoys a fresh lease of life

Our treasured area has many hidden treasures, but one in particular has been getting both locals and visitors excited on the cusp of the Mossley border.

The Dysarts Arms, on Huddersfield Road has been taken over by well known entrepreneurs Jason and Dave, who are aiming to make this historic Inn a destination of choice this coming season.

Having managed both The Royal George and The Clarence, Jason, joined by talented Chef Dave Spencer have injected a fresh lease of life into the place having gained positive experience within the hospitality sector.

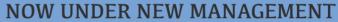
They are currently applying their knowledge and enthusiasm into good use, along with the rest of the small team, to make The Dysarts Arms the place to be. Its cosy interior, outside garden terrace and private car park make it the perfect setting for either an intimate dinner for two or a

private party with friends & family.

One thing you can guarantee at The Dysarts is incredible value for money and with a new menu, then it really worth a visit, maybe after a walk around Dovestones. down the stunning Huddersfield Canal.

This locals favourite also has a great selection of real quality ales which include Robinson's award winning ales, as well as a selection of other lagers, cider and Guinness on tap.

For all up and coming news and events, then please go to the facebook page or contact Jason and the team on Tel: 01457 237 898. They look forward to seeing you soon!



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### Early Bird tickets for Marsden Jazz Festival are now on sale!

This year's Marsden Jazz Festival runs from Friday 11th to Sunday 13th October, and tickets for the award-winning festival are now on sale.

Headliners include the all-female Crissy Lee Orchestra, re-imaginings of 70s and 80s pop hits with the Beverley Beirne Quintet, Snake Davis Trio, Shirley Tetteh's brand new commission just for the festival, and Mercury Prize 2019 nominees SEED Ensemble, who will bring the festival to a close at 6pm on the Sunday evening.

The festival has also made it through to the final of the prestigious Parliamentary Jazz Awards in London and has been shortlisted in the Venue of the Year category alongside jazz clubs in Bristol, Dorking and Brighton. The winners will be announced in November.

Marsden Jazz Festival attracts thousands of visitors each year and takes place in 25 venues across the village of Marsden - it's impossible to visit over the festival weekend and not know that the festival is happening!

The headline venues at the festival are the Concert Stage where seated concerts with an interval will be held; the Club Stage, the more informal venue where you can dance the night away with friends; and the New Stream Stage, for those who like their jazz a bit edgy and unpredictable.

Other venues include pubs and clubs, two churches, a youth stage in the park, and an outdoor stage on a bridge over the River Colne.

There are also a number of performances by youth groups on the dedicated youth stage, the Bandstand in the Park as well as events for families. These include the very popular Street Parade and Band Battle, as well as a workshop with musicians from Leeds College of Music, musical adventure events in Tunnel End Woods, and a concert for children on the Club Stage at the Mechanics.

The Market in the Park will also return to Marsden Park for another year, featuring local arts and crafts alongside live music, as well as a new Street Food Alley by St Bartholomew's Church, which will serve food and drink throughout the daytime and evening at the festival keeping visitors well-nourished for a day of jazz exploration.

In short - there's something for everyone at Marsden Jazz Festival.

There's a limited 20% early bird discount selected tickets. See marsdenjazzfestival.com/whats-on more details and to book tickets.

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### READERS COMPETITION

For your chance to WIN tickets to the Beverley Beirne gig on the Concert Stage at Saturday 12th October OR 2 tickets to the Mansion of Snakes gig on the same date, then simply send your name, contact details and gig you would like to see to paul@aroundsaddleworth.co.uk by MONDAY 30th SEPTEMBER.

Best of luck!















### business meetings and family gatherings.

Festive party bookings for December are now being taken, so please remember to book early. For all up to the minute news, menus and details of forthcoming events, please go to the website and facebook page.

No 11, Station Road continues to be a refreshing addition to the local restaurant scene, so for further information or to book, then please call Tel: 01484 443976.



### No 11 Station Road, Marsden

Team celebrates successful first year and becoming main sponsors for this year's Marsden Jazz Festival

One year on and No 11 Station Road has well and truly positioned itself on the culinary map and become a the go to place for locals and visitors alike.

The enthusiastic team in place continue to impress with their forward thinking approach and have enjoyed becoming a valuable location within the Marsden community.

So much so that they have become the main sponsors for this year's Marsden Jazz Festival in October. The festival promises once again to provide the masses with a full weekend of excellent music and No I I Station Road will undoubtably be at the heart of it. It will surely be the perfect way to round off a great first birthday for the team by partying with the Festival crowds.

"We can't wait for Jazz Festival to start." Manager Amy told us. "The team love working together and we are all looking forward to the challenges ahead this coming year. We hope to create both menus and an atmosphere which will exceed all our all visitors expectations."

Fully licensed, No 11 also hires out the 'Blue Room' which can cater up to 20 guests, which is perfect for small parties, baby showers,









The wonderful Mark Llewellin and Jane Hodson.

### **LOCAL STARS TURN OUT** FOR WILLOW WOOD

Willow Wood are proud to announce that the well-known, and well-loved, local celebrities Mark Llewellin and Jane Hodson will be donating their services as Master and Mistress of Ceremonies at the forthcoming Willow Ball.

Mark is a patron of the Hospice and has hosted a number of fundraising events at Daisy Nook Garden Centre, where he juggles his directorship with after-dinner speaking, hosting events and writing. Jane is also no stranger to Willow Wood, they were co-hosts of the Ashton Variety Show, produced and directed by Mark at the sadly missed Tameside Hippodrome. They have worked together for 27 years after meeting while working on a radio documentary and have delighted audiences ever since as after-dinner speakers, broadcasters and more.

The Willow Ball is being held at the Best Western Smokies Park Hotel on Saturday 5 October, with the wonderful Andy Powell and His Swing Band as the headline entertainers. This eight piece band will be playing a mix of classic American standards together with more up-tempo hits to get everyone on the dance floor.

Elaine McConnell is the organiser of the Ball and said "I can't tell you how much we're all looking forward to the evening. It's a celebration of Willow Wood's 20 years here at the heart of our community,

and we'd love as many of our supporters as possible to join us for an amazing night out. As well as the Andy Powell Band we'll be having a number of other guests - we can't tell you who they are, as we don't want to spoil the fun!

"I'd also like to take this opportunity to thank local businesses Your Tax Shop who have taken out the Platinum Sponsorship Package and the Liz Pollard Consultancy for their Bronze Sponsorship. By making these fantastic donations, they are ensuring that more of the proceeds will come back to Willow Wood where they will be used to care for our patients and their families."

Whether you would like to book two tickets as a special night out with a partner, or a table of ten as a thank you to clients or colleagues, Elaine urges you to book early. "We've already sold around half of the tables, so please don't leave it too late. Just go to www.willowwood.info where you can book online, easily, quickly and securely.'

### 150 years of song

Following their weekly rehearsal on the 28th August 2019, members of the Saddleworth Male Voice Choir congregated in the Uppermill Conservative Club to honour three of their members with long service awards.

John Lapworth who sings with the bass section has served 40 years. In 1979 John was a member of the Bamford Chapel Choir in Rochdale and was invited to join SMVC by Walter Brisk who was musical director of both choirs. He has really enjoyed his time singing with the choir, both at concerts and festivals in the UK, and the overseas visits to Germany, Holland, Italy and Slovenia

Stuart lles joined the first tenor section of the choir in 1969 and has completed 50 years service. Stuart has held several posts on the choir committee, having been choir secretary for 10 years, membership secretary for II years and is currently the choir librarian, a post he has held since 2002. He has also sung with the Colne Valley Male Voice Choir for the past 33 years and was made an Honorary Life Member of SMVC in 2013.

John Redfearn has completed an astonishing 60 years membership with the choir. John's father was a founder member of the choir and John became a member when he completed his post school studies. He has had a phenomenal relationship with the choir, having served in every position on the committee and even marrying the choir's founding MD Denis Jones's daughter back in 1967.

John says, "Several members and friends of both our families have been involved with and supported the choir on many occasions. I recall one particular performance of Messiah conducted by Denis when I, my father, brother, wife, her mother, uncle and cousin all took part in the chorus. John was made an Honorary Life Member of SMVC in 2012.

The event concluded with a presentation to Mr. Malcolm Hill, who has completed 35 years as the Choir President.



Rear L to R, John Redfearn (60 yrs), Malcolm Hill (President), Dorian Kelly (MD), John Watts (Chairman), Front L to R, Stuart Iles (50 yrs), Brends Iles, Dilys Redfearn, Margaret Hill, John Lapworth (40 yrs)



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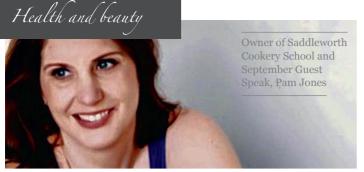
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## Saddleworth WI welcomed Darcy Browne as August's Guest Speaker.

Darcy spoke to the members of her time in Kenya earlier this year. Having just finished her degree Darcy decided to put her free time to good use and opted to work with the charity Team Kenya. She travelled from village to village, visiting local primary schools and getting to know some of the children. Darcy spoke with passion and emotion when she recounted the culture experienced on her visit. She told the audience that the classes at these schools had approximately 100 children in them, that some of the children didn't have shoes, would walk many miles to get to classes and would spend over 11 hours a day in school because it was safer environment for them to be in.

Darcy said she witnessed the poverty and hardship endured by the children and the lengths that they go to to get an education. Most of the children would sit on the soil floor of the classroom with only the lucky few able to afford a chair to sit on. The audience enjoyed every minute of her talk, made all the more interesting with the photos Darcy showed though-out.

The August meeting was also the final night for Saddleworth WI's donations for the "Smalls for All" charity, led by Saddleworth WI member, Cathy Wilde. Over the last few meetings Cathy has been encouraging members to donate bras and panties to this charity and has done an amazing job, collecting over a 1000 bras and over 60 packs of panties. They have now sent these donations off to Africa to be distributed.

The Guest Speaker in September is Pam Jones. Pam is the owner of Saddleworth Cookery School in Diggle. The Saddleworth WI Skills group recently held a workshop there learning how to make tapas. The group enjoyed it so much they thought the members might want to learn a bit more about the cookery school and how Pam came up with the idea. She will tell all about her journey from being a teacher to successful business owner.

There are many things in the pipeline including the annual Fashion Show on Thursday 24th October from 7 pm in The Oak Room at The White Hart, Lydgate.

The Pop-Up-Shop will offer many bargains. The items for sale are mostly garments from well-known high street retailers and are sold at a fraction of the cost. The show is also open to non-members, so if you would like a ticket ( $\pounds 5$  each) please call 07763 028466.

If you would like to be a member of Saddleworth WI or learn more about what they do, then why not come along to one of the monthly meetings. They meet on the first Wednesday of each month from 7 pm for 7.30 pm in the Oak Room at the White Hart, Lydgate. You can come along as a visitor and pay £3.00. For further details visit them at www.saddleworthwi.com

From L to R: Saddleworth WI member, Cathy Wilde and August Guest Speaker, Darcy Browne





# HOW TO HELP YOUR CHILD WHEN THEY ARE ANXIOUS OR STRESSED

By Sarah Howard

In her regular column Sarah Howard from The Therapy Rooms in Springhead talks about things that may be affecting you and your life.

Key facts reported from data published by the NHS in 2018 showed that one in eight (12.8%) 5 to 19 year olds had at least one mental disorder when their assessment was carried out in 2017.\*

At this time of year as our children start to go back to school it can be a particularly stressful time for them. So it may be a good idea to find some time to check in on any child in your care.

Start by noticing their behaviour, ask yourself are there any changes to the way they normally act? Look out for any of these behaviours...

- Struggling to concentrate
- · Having difficulty sleeping
- Changing their eating habits
- · Showing anger or irritability
- Crying
- Feeling tense or fidgeting
- Clingy
- Feeling unwell or having a tummy ache
- · Change in behaviour, tantrums etc

If your child is displaying any of these then they may be feeling anxious or stressed. They may have difficulty understanding their emotions, after all they are new at figuring out their feelings and they don't always know how to handle them. This is where you can help, by speaking to them about it.

#### Here are my tips for when speaking to your child

- Find a time when you know you won't be disturbed
- It's essential for you to remain in control
- Stay calm & mindful when speaking
- Use age appropriate words
- Ensure your child feels safe
- Give them time to express their feelings
- Remind them that any feelings they have are only temporary
- Pay attention to physical symptoms, you may need to see your GP
  Pay attention to any concerns they have, what you may think trivial, a child
- can think it's catastrophic.

If your child feels understood and listened to any feelings of stress and anxiety should start to subside.

If you continue to feel concerned about their behaviour then always consult with your GP or health advisor.





# They've Done It!!! Anna & Kate make the cut for Alopecia UK

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Local sisters Anna and Kate have been growing their hair for the past 18 months or so in order to do a Sponsored Hair Cut for Alopecia UK.

The kind hearted duo managed to cut off 18 inches of hair each which was then donated to the Little Princess Trust' who provides real hair wigs to children with hair loss, while the money raised will be going to Alopecia Uk. Both of these charities are close to the ladies hearts, as they have supported a family member who has been affected by alopecia.

Anna said "Despite us having our hair cut by our own hairdressers, at separate premises, we both had exactly 18 inches to donate!!"

A HUGE thank you goes out to Bryn Chapman from Bryn Daniels Hair Company, who not only gave Anna her new style, but donated his fee to the fundraising

campaign.

"I think he thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to finally get his hands on my locks and get creative, after 10 years of just trims." Says Anna.

"After cutting my ponytail off, I told him I was completely in his hands now, but I love it, thank you Bryn, you did a great job and I've received many compliments."

"A HUGE thank you also goes out to everyone else who has donated, with £695 being raised so far. We have been blown away with the support shown and

can't thank everyone enough. Your donations will be put to good use at Alopecia Uk.

Though there is still time to donate, should you wish to do so, simply visit our fundraising page, select donate and follow the instructions, www.alopecia. org.uk/anna-kates-sponsored-haircut-for-alopecia-uk

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It is due to their excellent ethos that their customers continue to return for further authentic Thai massage, aromatherapy massage, sports massage and more, bringing with them referrals to their friends and family.

They pride themselves on providing some of the best services in the

industry, in the very best facilities with the highest of hygiene ratings. All treatments are carried out by experienced, fully trained and qualified therapists, who have been expertly trained in all aspects of traditional Thai massage, Swedish massage, herbal ball massage and more, who ensure that all the facilities are fresh and ready for use by each new customer.

Samai Thai Spa believe that if your body feels better, so does your mind. It is their goal to encourage wellness and to have them feeling great every time you leave.

To book an appointment or for more information, then please call 0161 628 5702 or go to www.samaispa.co.uk

Gift vouchers are also available for that perfect present for someone who deserves to be pampered.

### **SUMMER COMPETITION WINNER**



Competition Winner Michaela Morton (centre) who shared her prize of a £50 voucher with mum Susan (left). "It was a great experience! We'll certainly be back for more treatments." Said Michaela.

Like many of you Michaela correctly answered that BANGKOK is the Capital of Thailand. Well done Michaela, we hope you enjoyed your prize!



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Nicola Casey specialises in weddings, which Nicola feels is important when choosing a make-up artist for your special day.

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### Charlotte Rose

Charlotte Rose is a passionate wedding hair specialist who dedicates her time and expertise from the start of your bridal journey, through to the big day.

Charlotte is a self taught hair enthusiast/ freelance hair stylist who started styling hair at the age of 17 and has never looked back. Charlotte has over 7 years in the bridal/ wedding industry.

#### Charlotte Rose

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Nicola and Charlotte can work as a team or solo, based at Jo Ferns Salon, 85 Oldham Road, Lydgate OLA 4JF 01457 820348, but will travel.









# Colour and Style in Greenfield and Meltham

It's fair to say there is always something going on at Allegro Optical and as usual we have plenty to report on the goings on at The Greenfield Centre since our last article.

In July the group joined forces with Scona to host an evening of style and colour. The two businesses invited people to come along and enjoy an evening with speakers talking about wellbeing, styling and colour. National Dispensing Optician of the Year, Sheryl Doe talked about the benefits of wearing the right colours and how they impact on our emotions, styling to suit shape and personality.

Guests were taken on a journey of colour and style, with advice on how to discover their perfect colours with the use of a colour wheel. They discussed what colours look good with different skin, hair and eye colours. There were plenty of handy tips on what styles of clothing, spectacles and sunglasses suit different personalities, face shapes and build.

Those attending enjoyed a prosecco reception and nibbles supplied by Scona of Greenfield. Everyone left knowing how to create the illusion of being perfectly proportioned, able to accentuate their best features and camouflage those they're not quite so proud of, along with a goody bag.

So successful was the event that the group is planning to hold a similar event in November. Watch out for the next edition of Around Saddleworth,

where we will be delighted to announce the details of a fabulous pre-Christmas sparkle event, with advice on what to wear this festive season.

### National Newspaper coverage

Having celebrated no less than 5 national and regional awards since their opening in January Allegro Optical are never out of the headlines for long. In fact, the group has recently been featured in The Times for their pioneering work in the field of musicians eye care.

Dubbed "The Musician's Optician" the groups two practices in Greenfield and Meltham are now attracting musicians from all over the world. Allegro Optical is the only optician in the UK to be registered as BAPAM (British Association of Performing Arts Medicine) Practitioner.

Since opening in Greenfield the team at Allegro Optical has provided eye tests for over 1000 new customers and 238 free hearing tests.

Managing Director and National Dispensing Optician of the Year, Sheryl Doe said; "We are delighted to welcome clients, both local and from all over the world to Greenfield and Meltham. We have been overwhelmed

by the support we have received from the local community and we are delighted to be a part of it".

With branches in Greenfield and Meltham there are appointments available to suit everyone. To book your appointment call Greenfield on 01457 353100 or Meltham 01484 907090 and experience the award winning service everyone is talking about.







On Saturday 3rd August 2019, James Matthews married the love if his life Miss Georgia Couzens at the Picturesque setting of St. Clements Church in Rochdale. The beautiful service was officiated by Rev Mark Coleman, which was followed by a lavish reception at the Splendid Saddleworth Hotel situated within the stunning Castleshaw Valley.

The summer wedding party included James's parents Ray and Rosalia Matthews as well as Georgia's parents Gregory and Jayne Couzens. The honour of best man fell to Jamie Noke's who did a splendid job. The usher roles were undertaken by

Samual Howard, Sebastian Couzens and Paul Ainsworth. The bride's chief bridesmaid was dutifully performed by Alicia Matthews, who was helped by fellow bridesmaid, Amber Couzens who was simply magnificent throughout the day.



The Bride wore a stunning wedding dress by Adele Howarth. This creation consisted of a bodice with a Samira Embroidered Motif shimmers with every movement, and the flowing Soft Netting skirt with a sweep train which looked simply beautiful.

The bridesmaids complimented Georgia perfectly in baby blue dresses with crystals on the bodice including soft tulle skirts which were by dressmaker Lynn from Sew Fabulous in Rochdale, as were the cravats. In addition, the gentlemen wore Stylish top hat and black morning suits with grey pin striped trousers, supplied by Denis Hope of Rochdale.

The couple's wonderful wedding cake was expertly created by Confetti and Crumbs and consisted of 5 Tire wedding cake with sugar iced flowers, flavours tiers of cake - Fruit Cake, Carrot cake, Chocolate Orange, Lemon Drizzle and Toffee cake.

During the service, the couple

exchanged beautiful rings by Mutters and Sons. The whole day was captured perfectly by photographer
Christopher Lewis Photography and videographer Sky Weddings. The flowers were expertly created by Love My Flowers and consisted of White Roses and Blue Hydrangeas.

Very special mentions must go to Peter Aust the excellent Toast Master, Rollers who supplied the wedding cars, page boy Ralph Allcock and ring bearers William Howard & Tyler Allcock, as well as all the friends & family who made this special day possible.

Following their big day, the couple honeymooned in New York and Mexico.

The whole team at the Around Saddleworth & Tameside Magazine would like to take this opportunity in wishing Georgia and James a long and happy life together.













The hottest 8os club night is coming to town - when actor, TV personality and star of Spandau Ballet Martin Kemp will be spinning the biggest and best hits of that decade!

Currently selling-out venues across the UK, Martin's sold out appearances at Uppermill Civic Hall on Saturday 14th September and Saturday 5th October promises to be a couple pure 'Gold' nights!

After making his name in Spandau Ballet where he played bass with his older brother, Gary Kemp, who was the guitarist, synthesizer player and songwriter and other bandmates Tony Hadley, John Keeble and Steve Norman, Martin also found fame as an actor making films such as The Krays and starred as Steve Owen in EastEnders in the years that followed.

We caught up with Martin as he performs his two much anticipated D) sets in the heart of Saddleworth..

Hi Martin, we know you have a hectic schedule so many thanks for answering these questions for us for our forthcoming edition.

You're currently touring the country with your 80's DJ sets, how did this project come about? And how does it feel touring solo as opposed to with a

"We started a year ago as a one off but it just exploded, and from experiencing the sense of euphoria in the room I wanted to carry on. I've done so much without my band it feels weird when they are with me!"

Who was the first person you ever saw in concert, and the first album you bought?

"First live concert was Deke Leonard's MAN, and the first album I bought was 'Me & My Life' by The

We are looking forward to welcoming you to Saddleworth for your two sold-out shows. Have you been to Saddleworth before, and if so have you any memories to share (good or bad!)

"First time to Saddleworth, but I want everyone singing along to every

Do you have any more TV work in the pipeline? Could you ever be tempted by a role in Coronation Street - or was Eastenders the only soap for you?

"I'm in the middle of working towards something that will be revealed soon, but can't say just yet. Going back to a soap?

"Who knows which way life is gonna take me!

You had a very successful movie The Krays - starring alongside your brother Gary; have the two of you any more plans to work together, either in film/TV or musically?

"I hope I can work with Gary again, he's the best."

What would you say is the secret to a long and successful career? And what have you learned from your experiences in the industry?

"The secret to a long career I think is to always treat it as a hobby!"

If you weren't a successful actor/ musician, what might you be doing?

"I might be a footballer ... (yeah

Finally, can you give your crowd a teaser for your Saddleworth gigs, with 3 tracks you're going to play to get them all dancing?

"Mmm three tracks I'm gonna play? I love .... nah, come to the gig and sing along, you will know every single tune! And no one is allowed to wake up the next day without a sore throat!!! "

Many thanks for your time again Martin and good luck with the tour!



Exclusive Interview





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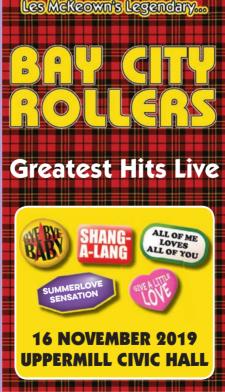
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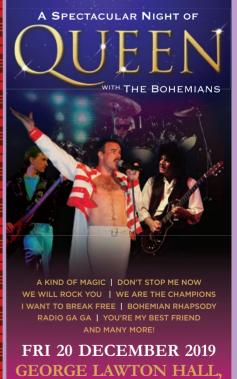
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# Royton, Oldham's rising star!

# Reflections of Yesterday by Mark Sheppard.

Just over 200 years ago, Royton was described as a village and chapelry, which was increasing in population, and was rapidly assuming the appearance of a regular town seated within a deep valley. It was here, as, in most parts of the parish, that cotton manufacturers were extensive with the Union Mill being the most prominent.

In addition to which valuable branch of trade, coal was found under a considerable portion of the land. The place of worship at this period was a small Episcopal chapel of St. Paul's, erected in 1754 on land previously bestowed by Thomas Percival, Esq. of Royton Hall. This mansion was long in the possession of the Byron family, who lived there until 1622, and were ancestors of the truly illustrious poet of that name.

After Mr Percival, the hall was possessed by Sir Joseph Radcliffe, but in 1829 it was described as falling into decay. It was largely rebuilt in the 18th Century. For many years the hall was leased to various people and during the First World War it would become home to a number of Belgian refugees along with their families. It was then demolished in 1939.

In 1828, the most notable inns at Royton were the Blue Bell, Dog and Partridge, Spinners Arms and the Spread Eagle. Interestingly the Bulls Head and the Unicorn Inn offered a stagecoach service to Manchester, as Royton's population grew extensively. While the woollen industry remained the main stay of Saddleworth, cotton would very much be part of Royton's economy, as was Oldham and the surrounding district. Earlier in 1811, a mere 20,000 spindles were recorded in Royton, however, this would soon change, with the boom of King Cotton. Coal was being mined at a depth of nearly 900 feet at Royton in 1832.

Royton Spinning Company's limited first mill was built in 1871, a second mill was added in 1882. Royton Wakes was held in August, and attracted over 20,000 visitors, with the sports being the main attraction.

In 1851, the population of Royton was nearly 7,000. This had increased by a further 10,000 residents by 1911. Royton Town Hall was opened in

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### Royton feature



1880, the adjoining public library was added in 1907 with funds from the Andrew Carnegie foundation. In 1910, the swimming baths opened much to the delight of local residents.

People from Royton are called Roytoners or Roytonians. Historically, Royton was chiefly distinguished by the presence of the Byrons and Radcliffes, both lines of dignitaries who lived in the locality. John Lees of Turf Lane in Royton was an inventor who made a substantial improvement to machinery for carding cotton in 1772.

John Hogan was a Royton-born recipient of the Victoria Cross, the highest military decoration awarded for valour "in the face of the enemy" to members of the British and Commonwealth forces. Although described as the "quintessential Cockney kid" Jack Wild was born in Royton in 1952, eight years before he moved to London with his parents in 1960. Wild

played the role of the Artful Dodger in the 1968 musical film Oliver!, and was nominated for an Academy Award for Best Supporting Actor performance.

Other notable people from Royton include actor Kieran O'Brien, who gained notoriety for his role in the 2004 film 9 Songs, glamour model Michelle Marsh and radio and television presenter Nick Grimshaw.

As many of Britain's high streets are feeling the economic pinch, Royton strives to grow and development. With many new businesses, trendy bars and restaurants, as well as leisure facilities and essential amenities within easy reach, Royton is certainly on the up and certainly worth a visit this season.











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### The Bulls Head Excellence from nose to tail

We first caught up with Head Chef James Taylor at this years Cotton Clouds Festival in Greenfield. With a queue of hungry punters to satisfy, James and his team were working tirelessly from their outside kitchen to serve up a whole host of mouth watering treats to revellers. Having sampled the goods whilst enjoying Peter Hooks set, it was then that we decided to take a trip James' latest venture, The Bulls Head in Heyside.

James already has an excellent reputation as an innovative and forward thinking chef after running the acclaimed Beastro restaurant in Manchester's Spinningfields along with wife Heather. Although a successful business, the daily grind of getting to and from the restaurant with a young family was proving hard work, so as luck would have it, the Bulls Head (next door to the family home) became available, and so, the next chapter of their lives began.

Re-opened in June, the locals were unsure what to expect with the new owners. However, they shouldn't have worried, as the family were local themselves after all.

With two rooms which have been tastefully decorated, this lends itself to offer both a restaurant area and the bar area where you can also enjoy a meal.

As James like to be adventurous and create something special you can be sure of a culinary adventure to remember. He prides himself on using every bit of the animal he's cooking from 'nose to tail', and ensures that he only uses the finest and freshest ingredients in his dishes which he sources personally.

The ever changing seasonal menu will certainly impress everyone on your table. Coupled with the friendly, welcoming charm of Heather, the couple are certainly onto a winning thing at The Bulls Head. Once seated we were treated to a selection of dishes suggested by James himself, so who were we to argue.



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To starters we were presented with a starter of Wild Lancashire mushrooms cooked in a white wine, shallots and cream served on a homemade crumpet which was simply fantastic.

Then came a dish which I personally love. Its one of those dishes you attempt to cook yourself at home, but never quite hit the heights, unlike James. Again cooked to perfection, if Corn beef hash made with salt brisket, new potatoes, carrots, kale and topped with a poached egg doesn't float your boat, then nothing will.





We ended our feast with a good old home made Eton Mess. Simple in presentation but certainly not in flavour. Delicious. We'll certainly be back for more. Thank you James and Heather.





For bookings or more information on up and coming events, including the Special New Years Eve 20 course extravaganza and the 'Nose to Tail' Supper Club (please see above), then simply go to the website, facebook or give Heather, James and the team a call.

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### Cotton Clouds

Liz Webster with husband Dave

### Friday's review by Alistair Cochrane



The second, ever, Friday at Cotton Clouds can only mean two things; great music and some even greater downpours. Once again, brolly's and anoraks were the order of the day as music lovers from near and far, tucked themselves onto the Saddleworth cricket club pitch.

Spirits were dry and soaring at Cotton Clouds despite the real clouds looking much more menacing above. Even upon entering the festival the palpable atmosphere of excitement only highlights just how much of a stalwart this event is becoming in the local calendar. The sounds of Alabama 3 rings around the valley, Lead singer Larry Love stalking the stage with his low, growling tones

The real beauty of Cotton Clouds lies in the selection of acts, stalwarts such as Alabama 3 play their tried and tested sets, new, up and coming acts are trying and testing their material out on the festival crowds and seizing the opportunity at that. It seemed almost written in the clouds that this fair-weather journalist would swiftly be forced into one of the tents, just in time to catch a set from one of said up and coming acts. Manchester-based II piece, Agbeko were warming the crowds with their unique African, jazz styled rhythms, taking the Greenfield audience on a global music tour.

Believe it or not, the rain was actually stopping by the time the set had ended, there were Pterodactyls flying around as well, at which point it seemed a good time to leave the Cotton Clouds ale for the time being. In the

meantime. Northern-Irish rock favourites, Ash, were entertaining the main stage, playing from their songbook of hits and thanking their good fortune to have landed a dry-ish time slot. Tracks such as Girl from Mars and Shining Light had fans singing along and dancing joyously to the energetic set.

Back in the tent, it appeared the roof was soon to be lifted off by Manchester Hip Hop ground, Mouse Outfit, whose fast-flowing rap and heavy, jazz-influenced beats were providing a bounce to the evening. There wasn't a still pair of feet in the tent as their infectious sounds lit up the now darkening evening.

Evening had set in, the hills providing little more than a silhouette background with the orange streetlights glittering in the distance. Back down to the ground the stage was set. Peter Hook and the Light taking the headline slot and providing a more than suitable

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James Taylor, Head Chef & owner of The Bulls Head in Heyrod serving the Cotton Cloud revellers.



The second pic is Peter Hook bringing a great first day to an end

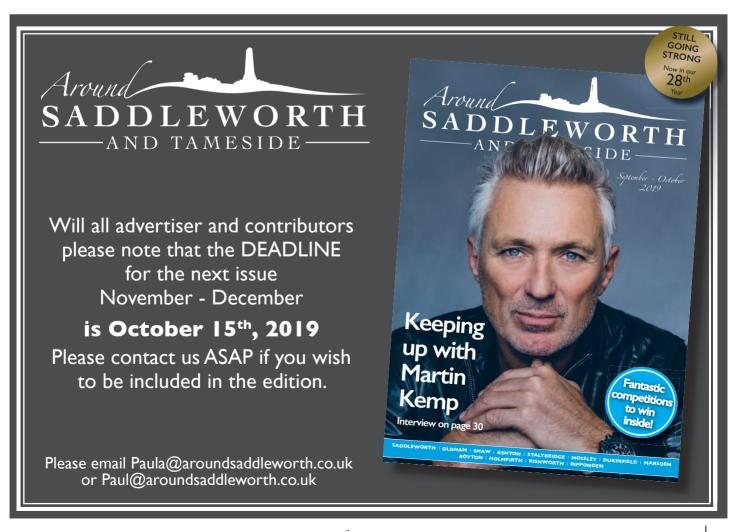


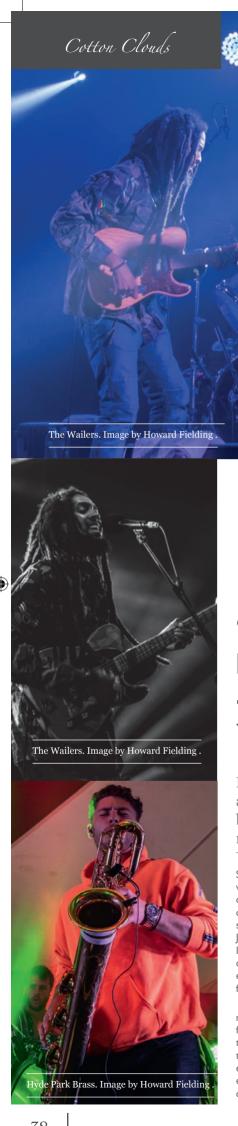














Saturday review by Tom Rogers

'You've got yourself a lovely part of the world here and that's coming from a Yorkshireman!'

- Joe Carnall (Good Cop Bad Cop)

It's one of those festivals where that term doesn't apply. A mixed bag, Cotton clouds delivered on all bases this year, offering every genre, and pleasing the masses.

For me, it all started at half 12 in the Spinning Rooms tent. The Flatlines were kicking the day off, with a modest crowd but played with passion. In front of me, I saw a band with potential something that I'll be seeing selling out Jimmy's or Deaf Institute in a few years. It was the ideal start to what was a confusing mish-mash of enjoyable experiences that I'd think upon fondly for years to come.

Sam McGurk started us off on the main stage, sharing his Jake Buggy vibes, followed by a band in Tim Peaks Diner that I had heard people talking about the night before - Dirty Laces. A strong early-afternoon crowd, an entertaining, engaging frontman and electric chemistry between the band made for

a thoroughly enjoyable set.

Colby Fletcher came onto the main stage with some gusto, Singer Jake had recently returned from a tour playing with The Specials and has now settled in a house in nearby Mossley. A homecoming gig on a fitting stage.

There has to be a time at every festival when people think it's okay to unwind and enjoy yourself - Patawawa made that happen. The two lead singers got everyone up on their feet, as they danced around the stage, using every single inch to their advantage, and turning heads of the more conservative festival-goers out there. A strong turnout for the Matlock band.





Images on this page by Nick Maw

Cotton Clouds

A familiar face was up next. Joe Carnall, formally of Milburn and current lead singer of Good Cop Bad Cop graced us with his presence on the Spinning Rooms stage. His set was just electric, holding onto a fully packed out tent throughout with his exciting new tunes and engaging banter. This is the one I was most excited for and oh boy, he did deliver.

As I walked out of Spinning Rooms, heading to the bar, my head gets turned by an 'effing and jeffing' reverend on the stage....Oh My God! It's The Church are one of the best finds of 2019 - offensive, hilarious, cringe-worthy, they were magnificent. Everyone around me is dancing and singing along, and I couldn't help but join in. I remember saying after, 'What the hell did I just watch? Where can I watch them again?"

BBC Radio and Television legend, Mark Radcliffe and his 'band' UNE were just something else. And I'm not sure in what way I mean that. His Bowie cover,

brilliant. His banter in between songs, hilarious. Worth the below-par original music that you could never tell if they wrote as a joke or not? Undecided.

Reverend and The Makers turned the volume up to 100. No one could resist bopping along to the tunes of the 'Heavyweight Champion of The World' hitmakers. John McClure is a natural in front of a crowd, getting what looked like every single one of the 5000 people at the festival moving, engaging with the audience in a way that made everyone feel included, forcing every single person to fall in love with them in less than an hour.

The true winners of the night were Hyde Park Brass. Only in Saddleworth, home of the Whit Friday Brass Band Contests would a brass band draw in such a crowd. Stretching seven or eight rows out of the Spinning Rooms tent, the Leeds based band get started with their outstanding set, playing dance and

pop bangers, one after the other until we were all at their mercy. non-believers converted, the tent was alive with dance, people jumping and raving, losing their mind to possibly be the best brass band in the

As the day drew to a close, everyone's attention was set on the Main Stage. The Wailers were headlining, and it couldn't have been a more ideal choice. Through the madness of the day, so many genres, ups, downs, dancing and swaying, The Wailers gave us a muchneeded chill pill. Closing on a day that we could never forget, we were treated to all of the classics, one love, We Jammin', Redemption Song, and so many more that filled our hearts with joy and would end up acting as the sign off at the end of a festival that had been oh so good to us.

The countdown begins for Cotton Clouds 2020... Can't wait!







Reverend & The Makers







## Poppet's Place, the style experts host successful Charity BBQ



On Friday 9th August, the newly formed Poppet's Place style team hosted a charity Fashion BBQ for Christie's which went down a storm and deemed a huge success.





From midday. friends, family and customers came along to the venue and home of owner Marie Travis to enjoy a wonderful afternoon and evening of fundraising fun. fashion, food and much needed fizz. It was absolutely packed and a great day was had by all. As the ladies perused the many fashion brands and items on sale, the men and children happily socialised and tucked into the tasty BBQ food.

With lots of raffle tickets sold with some fantastic prizes on offer, over £700 was raised for the Christie's charity. Donations are still coming in, so the team are aiming to reach the £1,000 target.

The Mayor of Oldham, Ginny Alexander was in attendance to support both Poppet's Place and this great cause, and spent a couple of hours socialising whilst enjoying a burger!

Marie said "We were totally overwhelmed by the support, and want to thank all those who attended, bought raffle tickets, and made donations."

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The lovely Marie is helped by her team of fashion hungry enthusiasts. After a career in sales and over 2 years in perfecting her knowledge of the industry, Marie is excited about starting her new venture in Saddleworth which is going from strength to strength.

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If anyone is interested in organising a special fashion event at local venues or at home, then send Marie and the ladies at Poppet's Place a message on Facebook today where you'll also find all the news and details of forthcoming events and latest styles for the coming season.

Looking good just got better!



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#### Dovestone W.I.



a Krav Maga self defence workshop, which, at the start, was full of slightly apprehensive ladies who turned, in the space of two hours, into confident warrior women, amazed at

their new found skills, taught to them by Karl Mcvety and

Chris MacDonald.



Some of the brave ladies then took part in the Pretty Muddy Race, a charitable event at Heaton Park, racing together but sponsored for their own individual charities, clambering up and over all sorts of obstacles and emerging extremely muddy but very happy at the finish.

The July speaker was Joan Harthan who gave a very interesting and informative insight into her work as a published author, dream worker and a Shamanic

practitioner and at their 21st August meeting, historian John Wallace provided an entertaining and informative talk about the Yanks in Britain between 1942-1944 and their influence 'Over paid and over here', covered everything from the uniforms to the music that the G.Is brought with them.

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On the 18th September, the guest speaker will be Andy's Man Club. This organisation was set up three years ago to encourage men to talk, open up and seek counsel. They have helped to raise much need awareness and support for our menfolk and they continue to grow in membership across the country at their support meetings.

On the 16th October, Professor Isobel Pollock-Hulf OBE will be talking the ladies through her journey of how she triumphed in a male dominated industry to be the first female in engineering to be awarded an OBE and to become one of the most highly thought of female engineers in the world receiving many accolades, medals and awards for her

The Monday Meet Up at the Reclamation Rooms on the first Monday of each month is going from strength to strength.



This is open to all ladies from 6.30 to 9.30. It is free for members with a small charge for non-members. As well as the craft area and craft demonstrations, the book club meets from 7pm till 8 pm followed by their singing group, The Dovestone Divas from 8.15 pm to 9.15 pm. You can take part in any of the activities or just come along, for coffee, cake and a chat. It is a great opportunity to meet people and make new friends. At the Monday Meet Up on the 2nd September Alison Keane will be sharing and demonstrating her love of all things macramé.

The Countryside Safety Marshal scheme is still in operation when needed although the persistent and heavy rainfall has calmed things down! The Countryside Marshal Facebook page has further information for anyone interested in volunteering.

Meetings are held at in the Wimberry Suite at the Royal George on the third Wednesday of the month starting at 8.15 pm. New members and guests are very welcome.Guests can attend two taster meetings before joining. The annual subscription, renewable in lanuary, is on a

sliding scale and is currently £21 for the remainder of the year. They require a donation of £1.00 per member and £3.00 per guest at each meeting towards refreshments. Please meet in the downstairs bar from 7.15 pm to register. The group are pleased to announce that from January 2020, they will be moving their meetings to the third Tuesday of the month at the earlier start time of 7.30

The group are continuing with our collection boxes at our meetings, currently for for the Red Box Project and MASH, Manchester. The June collection for 'Smalls for All,' supporting women in West Africa, was very successful and 300 bras are currently on their way to Edinburgh to be sorted and packed, thanks to Transpennine Express who have transported them to Edinburgh free of

Further information on all future events, Monday Meet Ups, trips, theatre outings, food and drink, can be found at www. DovestoneWI.Com or their Facebook







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#### Saddleworth in **Bloom 2019 Results** A riot of colour

The judging of the Annual Saddleworth in Bloom competition took place on Tuesday 16th July 2019 with the presentation evening taking place at Uppermill Civic Hall on the evening of Thursday 1st August (Yorkshire Day).

The panel of judges consisted of the Vice Chairman of the Parish Council, Councillor Barbara Beeley, Councillor Pat Lord, who took photographs of all the entries, Mrs Norma Gregory, representing the Chairman's Charity Committee and Matthew Suett, Greenspace Officer (Landscape Management) from Oldham Council whose professional knowledge provided invaluable guidance to the judging panel.

#### The following categories were judged:

Small Garden (under 125 square metres);

Medium Garden (over 125 but under 250 square metres); Large Garden (over 250 square metres);

Container Garden, Community Garden and Best Blooming

The judges' decision was as follows: Winners:

Small Garden Steven Morrison, Greenfield and Charina Dwayre, Springhead (joint winners)

Medium Garden William Dean and Eileen Lovsin, Dobcross Large Garden Susan and David Haines, Grasscroft

Container Garden Ann Smith, Dobcross Community Garden Outram Mews, Uppermill

#### **Best Blooming Pub**

The Old Original, Scouthead and The Old Bell, Delph (joint winners)

#### Highly Commended:

Small Garden Chrissy Foy, Greenfield Medium Garden Dr Eamon & Pauline O'Daly, Uppermill Large Garden Nicola Jeffrey-Sykes, Uppermill

Best Blooming Pub The Cross Keys, Uppermill Commended:

Small Garden Fiona Turner, Greenfield Medium Garden Julie Cohen, Diggle

Large Garden Glynis Bruce, Denshaw and Tom Adamson,

Container Garden Pam Lord, Uppermill and Josie Campbell, Uppermill

Community Garden Ann Coude, Greenfield Best Blooming PubThe Three Crowns, Scouthead

The standard of entries was very high and the judges' decision had not been easy. The Parish Council would like to congratulate all the winners and thank everyone for supporting the competition.

Roll on next year!









#### The Greenfield Centre

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Formerly known as Lifestyle Gym on Wellington Road (opposite Tesco), the building has been completely refurbished and continues to attract visitors.

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Continuing the theme of health and fitness is Allegro Optical, a multi award-winning optician who moved into the Greenfield Centre in January. Managing Director and co-founder Sheryl Doe is the current National Dispensing Optician of the Year.

It's been a bit of a whirlwind of a time for the team at Allegro Optical since they opened in January. They have welcomed nearly 1000 new customers and have scooped no less than 5 local and national awards in the process.

In March the group won the Yorkshire and Humber "Federation of Small Businesses" (FSB), "Scale-Up Business of the Year" award and Senior Dispensing Optician and Co-Founder Sheryl Doe, won the coveted "Dispensing Optician of the Year" award at the National Opticians Awards in Birmingham. In addition they have won awards for services to the Arts for helping musicians with eyesight problems. In some cases, saving their musical careers.

In May the team also received the National (FSB) "Chairman's Award" for triumph over adversity, following Managing Director Stephen Tighe falling seriously ill just months after founding the company. He was hospitalised for almost three months. Stephen is back at work full time and is leading the team forward.

In June, Allegro Optical also scooped "Family Business United" (FBU) "Yorkshire Family Business of the year". "We are trying to represent our fabulous part of the world with above and beyond levels of service and professionalism," said Stephen. "Our aim has always been to provide first class eye-care in a friendly and relaxed environment. To treat all our customers as if they were family members and to ensure that everyone receives the very best advice and service at all times." The group currently employs seven family members across two generations.

The group also specialise in musicians' eye care and have become the leading authority in the field. They are also the first and only optical group to gain registration with the British Association of Performing Art Medicine (BAPAM). Many Musicians travel from all over the world for a consultation with the team in both Greenfield and Meltham.



"We're looking forward to a bright future and are delighted by the warm welcome the people of Saddleworth have given us. Our Saddleworth based staff include Uppermill based Optometrist Sara Ackroyd, Dispensing Opticians Sheryl Doe and Claire Atkinson who is from Mossley, not forgetting Clinical Support Technician

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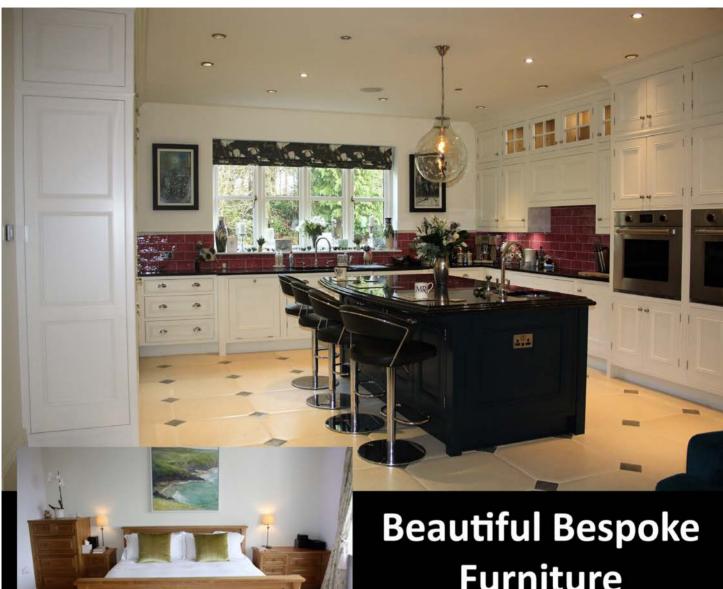
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### Open Garden Event raises more money for charity

An open garden event in Grasscroft was a blooming great success as it raised £1,404.55 for The Christie NHS Foundation Hospital.

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The couple's eye-catching garden has scooped numerous accolades over 15 years, and includes a fountain, a planted wheelbarrows, perennials, shrubs, an array of flowers, begonias and bedding plants



Everything was blooming brightly in the sunshine for the charity afternoon, which was officially opened by the Mayor of Oldham Cllr Ginny Alexander and her consort Adrian Alexander. Cllr Alexander, who nominated The Christie has one of her chosen charities this year, cut the ribbon, which was held by Sam and Ava Bell, to launch the event. A record amount of 110 people visited throughout the afternoon to marvel at the beautiful setting and helping to raise £903.55 on the day.

The silent auction saw the City memorabilia raise £110 and the United

£75, which along with donations, helped bring the total amount – a record for the couple's open garden events.

Tom said: "The weather was kind and it was so nice to see so many people there. The atmosphere was brilliant. Some people have made many donations as they couldn't come on the day and wanted to support the event and charity."

"The positive feedback about the event and the garden has been great. We wanted to put on a really good display as well as raise money for the charity. A special mention must go to Newbank Garden Centre. They were unbelievable and so kind to support us with a generous donation towards the planting of the garden so it would look its best for the event."

Thank you also goes to Gordon Rigg Garden Centre, B&Q, Tesco and Yorkshire Bank for their generous support towards the planting. Smith Knight Fay Oldham also supplied several VW merchandise Raffle Prizes.

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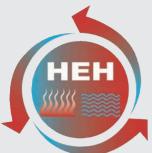
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All markets are free to enter from 10am to 3pm with free parking available.

They will have their trusted regular stall holders in attendance with new goods including clothing, bags, beauty, jewellery, hand made items and craft as well as local food produce.

The TSIT fundraising stall will also be there as well as the charity Café serving hot food and cake all day.

New for 2019 the charity are featuring the traditional Civic Hall flea market, with a dedicated chamber room for people to pick up a bargain or two from pre-loved items.

The events help to continue to raise funds to help local children and families living with Leukaemia.TSJT have been grateful to have received such good local support and hope this continues so they can sustain the work they do to improve quality of life for children and their families.

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## 8 STEPS THAT WILL MAKE YOU A BETTER PUBLIC SPEAKER:

By Rubbi Bhogal-wood

I was recently selected from over 200

applicants to share my 'idea worth spreading' at TEDx Oldham. Many business owners tell me they want to speak in public but lack the confidence. Here are 8 tips to get you started.

- Get a clear brief: Ask the organiser questions like who will be attending, the event theme, length of speaking slot.
- 2) What's Your Point? If you were to summarise in one sentence what your speech is about, what would you say? Keep that answer front of mind as you write the speech.
- 3) Prepare Early: As soon as you've confirmed the practical details, start to jot down your speech ideas. Pour your ideas out of your head and on to paper.
- 4) Make it personal: Any speech you make is instantly made better by including a personal story or anecdote. People remember stories rather than facts. They humanise you and help create connection. Having rapport with your listeners will certainly add to your confidence on the day.
- 5) Get Writing: It's time to start writing. Don't get caught up trying to produce the final version in your first sitting. I wrote over 10 drafts for my TEDx Oldham speech before reaching a version I was happy with.

- 6) Practise, Practise, Practise: To give a great speech that your audience connects with you must know your script inside-out and feel the words you've crafted. This is best achieved by practicing your speech often. If possible, practise your speech at the venue complete with lighting and sound.
- 7) Enjoy the Moment: After all your hard work preparing and writing the speech it would be a shame not to enjoy the moment. Before you walk on stage breathe deeply and calmly for a few minutes. Then smile at your audience and begin confidently.
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## SADDLEWORTH'S O'DONNELL SOLICITORS SHORTLISTED FOR PRESTIGIOUS LEGAL AWARDS

Local legal firm O'Donnell Solicitors has been shortlisted for the Law Society's prestigious Excellence Awards 2019.

O'Donnell Solicitors has been shortlisted in the Small Law Firm of the Year category in the awards, generally considered as the highest accolade for law firms in England and Wales.

The awards are highly competitive; with all 14,000 legal practices across England and Wales being eligible to enter. The Law Society president Simon Davis describes being shortlisted for an Excellence Award as 'to be recognised as among the very best of the profession'.

O'Donnell Solicitors join 10 other firms from across various parts of England and Wales on the shortlist and the winner will be announced at a gala award ceremony in London on 23 October 2019.

Rebecca O'Donnell, Director and Head of Private client said:

"The Law Society Excellence Awards is one of the most highly respected awards in our industry. The whole firm is buzzing with excitement – it's a real boost and is something that each and every member of the team has played their part in."

The news of the Law Society Award comes shortly after further recent award recognition - this time for the firm's conveyancing department. O'Donnell Solicitors has been shortlisted for the LFS Small Conveyancing Firm of the Year Award - a national awards programme designed to highlight those leading the way in the field of residential property. The firm's property department, which has continued to expand since the appointment of Claire Egerton as Director in January 2018, enjoys an ever-growing reputation in the local area but also nationally, working alongside both local and national housebuilders. The O'Donnell team also specialise in new-build property conveyancing.

O'Donnell Solicitors was established in December 2015 by James O'Donnell and Rebecca O'Donnell. Based on their objective of providing city centre quality legal advice to individuals and businesses in their local area of Saddleworth,



the firm has gone from strength to strength and now has two branch offices, thirteen support staff and two further Directors – Anthony Jones, who specialises in family law, and Claire Egerton, who heads the firm's residential property department. Two assistant Solicitors complete the firm's current team – Suzzanne Gardener specialising in dispute resolution and employment Law and family Solicitor Krista Enziano.

Providing a comprehensive range of specialist legal services, including private client, property (residential and commercial), family law, employment law, dispute resolution and commercial/corporate law, the firm has a reputation for providing 'straight-talking' advice to its clients in a modern and vibrant surroundings having invested heavily in the best technology.

Rebecca O'Donnell continued:

"We've come a long way since setting up the firm three and a half years ago and in that time the firm has been lucky enough to be shortlisted and win a number of awards on a local basis. To receive national recognition in the form of these two award shortlisting's is extremely exciting and humbling.

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However, once you reach the stage whereby you have started to accumulate some wealth and perhaps other assets including property, it's important to put steps in place to afford a level of protection. Unfortunately, many people fail to recognise this point in their life, therefore running the risk of their assets falling into unwanted hands or becoming liable to tax should unforeseeable circumstances arise.

Here are three ways in which you can address the issue of protecting wealth.

#### Make a Will

First and foremost, you should make a will. Despite the fact that a will is such a fundamental method of seeing that your accumulated wealth and assets are distributed according to your wishes, over 50% of the population do not have one. Without a will, everything you own will be shared out according to the rules of intestacy — which isn't always the way you might want.

If you already have a will in place, ensure that it is reviewed regularly to account for the law as it evolves and any changes in family circumstances.

#### Make Lasting Powers of Attorney

One way to ensure your assets will be protected if you no longer have the

capacity to look after your affairs is to put Lasting Powers of Attorney in place. These documents, which can be prepared in relation to personal or business matters, allow you to hand over responsibility to a trusted individual/set of people if you are incapacitated for any reason. Due to the increase in life expectancy over recent years and the resulting increase in long-term health issues, Lasting Powers of Attorney are becoming an increasingly popular way to protect wealth and assets.

#### Think about Inheritance Tax (IHT)

Although there is now an allowance for a main residence alongside the existing nil rate band of £325,000 per individual, Inheritance Tax still poses an issue for many couples and families. It is often possible to structure an estate with the aim of reducing the amount that may be

payable and sometimes, it can even be possible to mitigate IHT altogether by investing in certain types of asset or gifting assets to others.

There are complex rules that apply to Inheritance Tax including a set of limits and allowances that a solicitor can advise you about.

Although there are many other ways in which individuals, couples and families can look to protect their wealth, the above represent a good starting point. Should you wish to speak to us about any of these methods, please get in

For further advice or assistance on any aspect of Wills or estate planning, please contact Rebecca on 01457 761320 or email Rebecca@ odonnellsolicitors.co.uk.

Rebecca O'Donnell is Head of Private Client at O'Donnell Solicitors.

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#### Divorce and the family home

#### **Divorce and finances**

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#### What will happen

There are a number of options. Which one is right for you will depend on your objectives, your respective financial positions, and practical factors such as commuting to work or school.

If everything is agreed, your agreement should be converted into a court order by a solicitor and approved by a judge so that it is final and binding once your divorce comes through.

A property adjustment order will be made if the house is being transferred into either party's sole name. This sounds ideal but it is only possible if that person is able to prove to a lender's satisfaction that they can take on the existing mortgage and, often, afford some extra borrowing to "buy out" their ex-spouse.

Orders for sale can also be made. The property will be sold and the proceeds divided in appropriate proportions, which will usually depend on the parties' respective financial needs. This would happen if you both wanted to move out or if neither party could take on the mortgage alone.

Occasionally, a deferred order for sale or trust can be put in place, enabling a party to occupy the house for a defined period (e.g. until the children reach a certain age). You usually need strong evidence to justify this because it restricts the other party's ability to borrow money and ties you together financially beyond divorce.

#### What you can do

Firstly, it is important that you thoroughly understand your situation. I advise you find out the following:-

How much your house is worth? A formal valuation may be needed later but start to educate yourself now about the local property market by researching sale and sold prices of similar properties on your street or in close proximity to your home.

How much cash would be realised if the property were sold? How much do you owe any mortgage lenders and what would you have to pay in estate agent and legal fees? Get an up to date mortgage redemption statement or phone your mortgage company to find out what is outstanding and if there are repayment fees. Call local estate agents and conveyancers to find out what they charge to deal with a sale.

Who actually owns your house? If only your spouse does, you nevertheless have certain rights to occupy your marital home before the marriage is formally dissolved upon divorce. Your solicitor can register these rights with the Land Registry. This is especially important if you are concerned that the house could be sold or extra borrowing secured against it without your consent.

Once you have knowledge of your situation, take legal advice and you can then make an informed decision so you are not only doing what is best for you but also what is achievable. It maybe that you can then start realistic dialogue about the family home or if you do not feel able, a solicitor can correspond with your spouse for you so to settle matters how you wish.

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#### **OVER TO YOU QUENTIN**

By Mike Kemble

It's hard to imagine Quentin Tarantino's new film, Once Upon a Time in Hollywood is only his ninth in his whole career. It's been 27 years since his very first as Director of Reservoir Dogs (1992). A bombastic low-fi gangster flick that introduced a refreshing and confident auteur onto the scene, with its sweet popcorn rat-a-tat whip of cooler-than-cool dialogue interspersed with a killer soundtrack than brought a new-found appreciation amongst viewers on the delights of 'Little Green Bag', 'Hooked On A Feeling' and 'Stuck In The Middle

Like all true artistic greats, it was his second feature that delivered his true masterpiece, in the shape of Pulp Fiction (1994). This year being its 25thanniversary, it's scary how little it has aged, and you'd be hard-pressed to find any film since, and possibly before that can lay claim to being it's equal amongst the genre-bending blackcomedic criminal underworld of Los Angeles life.

His next film, Jackie Brown (1997), played things out a little slower from the immediate bounce of his previous two films, but in Pam Grier, he cast another faded star back to the fold in a film that helped share his love of the

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blaxploitation movies he grew up on in his youth.

His other cinematic obsessions relate to Kung-Fu classics and American Westerns, and both genres influenced where he went next, with Kill Bill: Volume I (2003) and Kill Bill: Volume 2 (2004); and Django Unchained (2012) and The Hateful Eight (2015). Each one entertaining in their own way, but never reaching anywhere near the highs of his previous three films, and in this regard the same could be true of everything he has directed since. However, in between his Kill Bills and Westerns came an at times delightful World War II revisionist drama in Inglourious Basterds (2009), that whilst falling apart at the end brought some wonderous scenes along the



way that are amongst the best in cinematic history. Which takes us to the present day and 'Once Upon Time....'. A fabulous fusion of a film within a film, mixing Western yarn-sensibilities through a tinted orange glow of late '69 LA Americana. There's a monotonous ebb and flow from the beginning, taking you on a journey that doesn't appear to be going anywhere slowly, yet unlike Inglourious Basterds, the ending is a wham-bam-thank-you-ma'am of a punch that somehow brings what went before to a delightful climatic conclusion that ultimately leaves you wanting more. Tarantino has come out on several occasions saying this will be his last as Director, forever. But surely, somewhere, there's another complete end-to-end masterpiece within him that matches or at least comes close to his opening sets. So come on Quentin, don't let us down now, lets make it 10 out of 10.

It - Chapter Two (6th Sept): The killer clown, Pennywise is back on the scene, almost three decades after the original film was set, with James McAvoy and Jessica Chastain bringing some Hollywood clout to the table in another epic battle between good and of wild teenage guerrilla bandits somewhere in the heart of South America in this dystopian thriller directed by the excellent Alejandro

Loro (20th Sept): Paolo Sorrentino directs the always brilliant Toni Servillo, who plays Silvio Berlusconi in all his seductive and corruptive best looking at the life and times of the media tycoon and once Prime Minister of Italy, and the excess folly of those that seek absolute power.

Pain and Glory (4th Oct): Pedro Almodovar directs this very personal account of a film director in his physical decline, reminiscing on time gone by; love lost and the void of life without cinema.

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The Lighthouse (18th Oct): Robert Eggers builds on his outstanding first feature, The Witch (2015) in this gripping and brilliant horror in the shape of two powerhouse performances from Robert Pattinson and William Defoe, who are the lighthouse keepers on a remote island in 1890s New England.

See you next time for some festive magic! Mike



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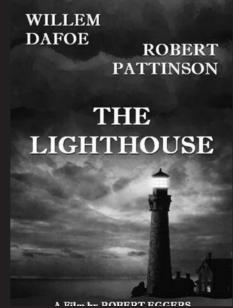
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Monos (13th Sept): Think Lord of the Flies mashed with Apocalypse Now as chaos entails between a group







By Philip Howe (Raymond James)

When stock markets go up it is described as a Bull market, when they fall it is a Bear market. We have been experiencing a Bull market now for over ten years. History tells us this cannot continue indefinitely, so the question is are we at the top of the market or do we have further to run?

Just because markets have been going up for a long time this does not mean they have to fall soon. A catalyst is required to bring about a downturn in

markets and this is normally linked to either an overheating in prices, or a recession.

In 1999 we experienced a rapid rise

in the markets driven by the technology boom. The bust that followed was caused by an over inflating of prices with expectations of future earnings far in advance of reality.

In 2008/9 we faced the Great Financial Crisis, a completely different reason for markets to tumble but the outcome in terms of stock market returns was largely the same.

Since then markets have risen, not completely in a straight line, but generally if you stayed invested you made money.

One of the most common metrics used for valuing stock markets is what is known as the PE ratio. This is a ratio of Price to Earnings and simply put the higher the number the more expensive it is. A high number in itself is not a bad thing but when an entire market reaches historically high levels then it is a good time to show caution.

Take the UK stock market, in 1999 the PE ratio was in the high 20s. The historic average is closer to mid-teens so one can see that the market in total was expensive. What is known as a "bubble" had formed.

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Today the PE ratio of the UK stock market is a lot closer to its long term average at just over 15.

Whilst many would say that economic growth has been positive for a long time it is also fair to say that the rate of growth has not been as dynamic as previous economic cycles. This means that economies, and stock markets, have taken longer to recover and then grow than in previous cycles. We are still in an environment today of low growth, low inflation and low interest rates. This economic environment has supported stock markets and could continue to do so for a while yet.

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July networking and trade event deemed a success

On Wednesday 17th July, Milan Bar in Lees provided the ideal setting for the first networking and trade event hosted by the newly formed BNI Paramount.

With over 35 local businesses in attendance showcasing their unique products and services, the venue was a hove of activity from start to finish and was deemed a massive success by organisers.

The weather was certainly a hit as the general public and BNI members enjoyed refreshments on the terrace in between speaking to the many businesses on show. There were also a number of guest speakers and demonstrations throughout the day which proved very popular and informative.

Based at the White Hart in Lydgate, BNI Paramount are a group of local Oldham business owners who meet every Tuesday morning to discuss their businesses and help each other grow through referral networking. The group are growing quickly and their goal is to have 30+ members by September which will generate over £1,000,000 of business between them.

So, if your serious about growing your business and increasing your sales, would like to be part of this growing networking group and would like an invitation to meet the members, then contact Rachel Freeman (rachel@seftonandco.com), Gary Vère(gary@verenorth.co.uk) or Tom Croft (info@croft-electrical.co. uk) who will be happy to answer all your questions and get you put on the guest list.

The next event will be on the 19th September held at the Oldham Events Center (Oldham Athletic FC) between 5pm - 8pm. The event is hoped to raise money for Dr. Kershaws and will include food created by Master Chef Winner Simon Wood. For further details, then please see the poster on this page or contact any of the BNI Paramount representatives above.







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### Come on in - We're open!





By Christine Harrop

Following the successful Ladies Day at Ascot the team have been having a short breather before the next event – still in the planning as we speak!

Ladies Day finally raised over £4,600 which is incredible for 120 paying ladies. This is a massive chunk of money towards the Carbon Base Plate required at the Christie Oldham.

Next year we have the task of wondering should we extend the size of the venue to accommodate more guests and ultimately raise additional funds or remain with the same numbers. To date the tables already

booked and confirmed means we only have 2 tables to sell. Should we take the option of extending, we have a marquee and dining furniture gratefully offered to us so it is just down to the outside TV costs! It all sounds so simple!

Please stay in touch with the team on Facebook and any updates on forthcoming events will be posted.

See you next time!





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- 5 Goat's milk cheese (4)
- **9** Appreciative (8)
- 10 Uncommon (4)
- I Basic unit of heredity (4)
- 13 Capital of Inner Mongolia (6) 14 Horned African animal (Abbr.) (5)
- **15** Agile (4)
- 17 Keen on (4)
- 18 Avian incubators (5)
- 19 Drinking vessel (6)
- **2** Easy stride (4)
- 23 Separate article (4)
- 24 Old liners (8)

- 26 Sweet palm fruit (4) 27 Armed robbery (5-2)

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- 8 Tavern (8)
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Saddleworth's OFF THE RAILS Comedy Club events

Saddleworth Rangers return to the Royal George on Saturday 7th September to raise both laughs and funds! The ubiquitous Mick Ferry will be headlining the show with Jenny Collier opening. Jenny moved from the sleepy Welsh mountains to London to launch her career in stand up comedy. So far the highlights have included appearing on a BBC panel show with Jo Brand and the lowest point when an audience member told her 'You should be a stripper.' although she claims these are both secretly highlights. Andrew White and Rob Riley fill in the gaps. £15 on the door or £12 from The Royal George or via the Off The Rails website.

Mick Ferry returns (See! We said he was ubiquitous!) on Sunday 29 Sept to introduce one of the most distinctive acts on the circuit! When a legend reaches a certain point in their career, it's time to ease up on doing legendary things and reflect on an exemplary life. Sol Bernstein has reached that point, and he invites us to listen to his tales

of the high life with the biggest names in showbiz, musings on how the world has changed, and being just an ordinary Jew with world-beating wit, unbounded talent and death-defying



chutzpah. Stockport's Steve Shanyaski and Ben Turner complete the line up. £10 online or from the venue.

If being a great cause was enough to sell out a show Saturday 19th October



would be sold out already! OffThe Rails have teamed up with CRIBS International who do vital work with refugee families in a camp near Chalkida, Greece. We don't have the full line up just yet but vegan, dog owner, father of two, Batman fan, comedian, actor, writer, radio presenter and 2011 Celebrity Mastermind winner Justin Moorhouse will be on the bill plus acts to be confirmed. £15 on the door or £12 via the Off The Rails website with paper tickets at The Royal George soon.



Steve Gribbin has been a firm favourite at Off The Rails for two decades and we can't wait to hear his new gags and scurrilous songs on Sunday 27th October! Now, that in itself would be cause for great celebration but Cockney comic and former football hooligan Eddy Brimson ("The crowd loved him"...The Guardian) is here too alongside Chester's Danny Mcloughlin and new act Sam Serrano!

Enjoy!









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September and October forthcoming events and activities.... 8th



September

Farmers Market

9 am – 2 pm at the Saddleworth Museum. Free entrance.

8th September

The Last Day of the art exhibition "Painting from Observation" by Alan J Thornton"

I – 4 pm in the community gallery at the Saddleworth Museum. Free entrance.

9th September

Family History drop-in and help desk service by their volunteers. I – 4 pm at the Saddleworth Museum. £5 including museum galleries admission.

11th September

Coffee Morning 10 am - 12 noon
Only £1.50 and includes a

pot of tea or cafetière of coffee with biscuits.

14th September

Stage 8 Tour of Britain events

A parade of vintage cycles (weather dependant) with volunteers in period costume. Crafts for children inside the museum galleries (admission prices apply) and refreshments in the community gallery.

15th September

Preview Day of "Art Exhibition"

by the Springhead Group of Artists.

Meet the artists. I – 4 pm
in the community gallery. Free entrance.

19th & 20th September

Heritage Open Days at the Saddleworth Museum. In the community gallery a rolling slide show with hundreds of old photographs of Saddleworth's "gone but not forgotten" buildings and landscapes for £3. This ticket will then provide free admission to the four museum collection display galleries. There will also be a special point of sale for "Saddleworth Past

Times" available for £4.95

20th September

Fun Team Quiz evening with Supper at the Saddleworth Museum.

7pm for 7.30 pm prompt start.

£6 per team and places need to be reserved from the museum reception. Tickets are now available.

23rd September

Family History drop-in and help desk service by the volunteers. I – 4 pm at the Saddleworth Museum. £5 including museum galleries admission.

6th October

Friends of the Museum Autumn Luncheon at the Saddleworth Museum. Ipm for 1.30 pm. £25 per person. Full menu and invitation packs are now available from museum reception. Either pick up a pack between Ipm - 4 pm any day or email friends@saddleworthmuseum.co.uk if you would like an email version or a pack posting to you.

9th October Coffee Morning.

10 am - 12 noon.

£1.50 includes a pot of tea or cafetière of coffee with biscuits.

13th October Farmers Market.

9 am - 2 pm at the Saddleworth Museum. Free entrance.

#### 13th October

The Last Day of the art exhibition by the Springhead Art Group.

I – 4 pm in the community gallery at the Saddleworth Museum. Free entrance.

14th October

Family History drop-in and

help desk service by their volunteers.

Ipm – 4 pm at the Saddleworth Museum. £5 including museum galleries admission.

#### 19th October

The Preview Day of "The Locals" by the Group of Fourteen local artists. Meet the artists. Ipm – 4 pm in the community gallery at the Saddleworth Museum. Free entrance. This exhibition will be on until 17thNovember. The group will have one wall of paintings dedicated to those works of art in a "silent auction" with proceeds going to the "Save Saddleworth Church – St. Chad, Church Lane, Uppermill" restoration appeal. More details of this appeal are available on

www.cofeinsaddleworth.org.uk

28th October Family

History drop-in and

help desk service by the volunteers.

Ipm – 4 pm at the Museum.

£5 includes museum galleries admission.

The Saddleworth Museum and Gallery in Uppermill is an independent and accredited museum relying mostly on volunteers. The museum charity number is 528225. More details are also available on our museum website

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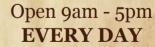
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#### **ELMET BY FIONA MOZLEY**

Review by James Ashmore

This utterly astonishing novel, shortlisted for the Booker Prize in 2017 and subsequently robbed of the title, is easily one of the best novels of the last ten years. The fact that this is Mozley's debut is even more astonishing; you will not find a more accomplished first-time work.

As much a character in the book as the central trio of Daniel, Cathy and their Daddy, John, is the rural Yorkshire landscape, the Elmet of the title, "the last independent Celtic kingdom in England" that "originally stretched out over the vale of York" we discover from Ted Hughes at the start of the book. These are the "badlands" and Mozley mines their historical and geographical significance to create an entirely new genre - Yorkshire Noir.

Her description of place is masterful: "An ancient forest ran in a grand strip from north to south. Boars and bears

and wolves. Does, harts, stags. Miles of underground fungi. Snowdrops, bluebells, primroses. The trees had long since given way to crops and pasture and houses and railways tracks and little copses, like ours, were all that was left." Here, in their copse. John is slowly building a new life for his family, crafting all they need from the landscape that surrounds them. But John, a huge, rope-muscled brute, has a violent past, a role as an enforcer for monied landowner, Mr Price, that just can't be forgotten. The dangerous existence he's left behind now stalks his whole family and is exacerbated when John is persuaded to help support a renters' revolt, an uprising against Price and his ilk. Only by reverting to the man he used to be can John see a way through to safety.

John may emanate sheer physical strength and power, but it is in his children where Mozley lays the heart of the story. Daniel, who often curses what he sees as his cowardice, lacks



masculine traits so celebrated by those he meets in his father's world, the Travellers and their bare-knuckle prize-fighters, but he is gentle and kind and is seen

as the last hope for the family who must be protected. Cathy, however, is rangy and strong, and has to be the one to stand up for both of them. Constantly underestimated by the endless men and boys who line up to demean her, it is in Cathy that Mozley shows us what true strength actually is. There is an inevitability to Cathy's journey, one that will end in blood and

Lyrical but brutal, Mozley's novel will remain with you long after you turn the final page. It's an explosion of a book, one that feels like it was blasted out of the crags and moors of Yorkshire itself.

#### THE STORM KEEPER'S **ISLAND BY CATHERINE DOYLE**

Review by Louise Ashmore

We often meet adults in the shop who have busy lives and struggle to find time to read. One good way of getting back into reading again is to try young adult or 9-12 books which can very often have fantastic stories that appeal to adults just as much as children. The Storm Keeper's Island is one of the best books for this. Not only has it captured children's imaginations, but also every adult we've sold it to has loved it as well.

The book is set on the island of Arranmore, just off the west-coast of Ireland, where a brother (Fionn) and his sister (Tara) have been sent to stay with their grandfather whilst their mother is unwell. Strange things start to happen and they realise that there is magic on the island. Not only are they witnesses to it but they are more central to it than they could have ever imagined. Their grandfather, who has taken care of the island for many years starts to develop Alzheimer's, and is determined to ensure that the island will be well looked after into the

The descriptive language, particularly of the magic and the power that the weather has over the island is beautiful. Doyle manages to capture the love-hate relationship between Tara and Fionn perfectly and the book's dramatic scenes are complemented well by their scenes together. Sensitive issues such as grief are tackled well and ensure that the book is so much more than an adventure book.

This is a perfect time for both children and adults to read this book as the sequel, The Lost Tide Warriors, has just been released and is every bit as wonderful as its predecessor.



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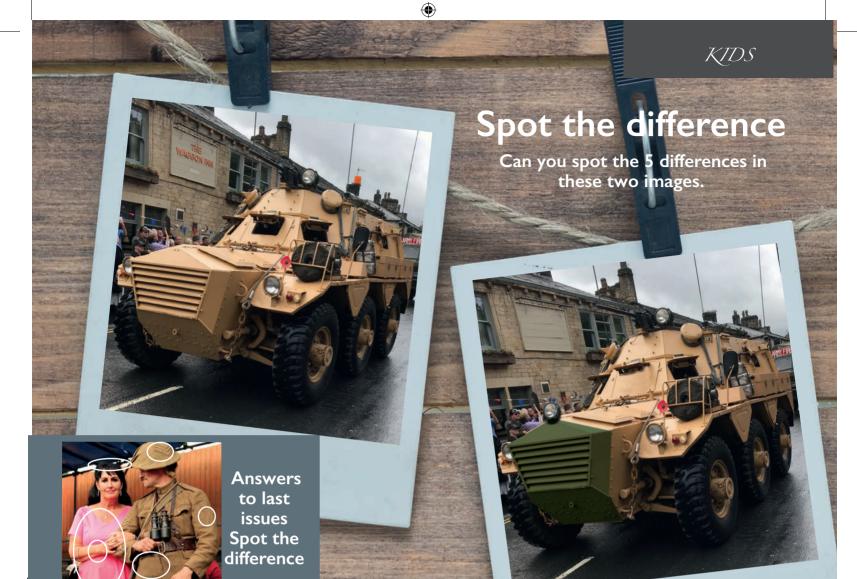






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As children nervously start new schools this September, they step outside their comfort zones. It may be scary, but they just need to take small steps – to spot the other child who is desperately in need of a friend: not to be afraid to ask the obvious burning question – because most other children will be relieved they did it first; be the first to offer to help someone else when they are struggling. All these steadily build confidence and inner courage and is as important a lesson as anything else they will learn in school.

Contrary to common belief, courage is not something anyone is born with. Rather, it is something that can be cultivated and honed.

Acquiring courage does not necessarily mean doing something dramatic or astoundingly heroic. Every day, many ordinary folk summon uncommon courage to overcome both physical and psychological barriers in order to achieve a variety of necessities and goals.

Courage is the mental and emotional

preparedness and ability to deal with difficult, challenging, and sometimes seemingly impossible circumstances. It is the ability to confront fear, pain, danger, uncertainty, intimidation and other threats.

Rishworth School encourages students to embrace a life-long love of learning, curiosity and discovery; a sense of responsibility, purpose and ambition; a capacity for both self-reliance and co-operation; and values, such as honesty, dependability,



and respect for others.

Without courage, however, nothing is

When students work to develop their inner courage, they both empower themselves with the ability to confront problems head on, as well as acquire the skills required to deal with life's inevitable challenges.

It is important for children to do the things they typically shy away from. Building courage in this way can help them when it's time to have to confront a very big problem, make a tough decision or step in to a life changing situation.

those little signs of courage in the students starting new classes and new challenges this year, and I will wish them all the best of luck. I will remind them that starting new things is scary, but when faced head on can be

To those returning to school, I will encourage them to lead by example and challenge them to be brave enough to try harder, aim higher and achieve their ambitions.

As adults, we must continually shake ourselves up and exercise small scale acts that might mature into something impressive, leading by example with the courage to be courageous!







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Our grow/cook/eat/entertain project is going so well. Residents at Holland Close, Chew Vale, Wood Square and Lido House have enjoyed delicious soups and breads made fresh before being delivering hot to the venues. Later in the afternoon we have a fun interactive workshop where we teach/learn the benefits of the ingredients. Could you list 10 benefits of Leeks, Carrots or Tomatoes? Our members and guests can!

Martial Arts classes are going really will with the students preparing for their Orange awards. They are learning so much and we are very grateful to Sensei Richard and Sensei Dave for all their hard work.

As you know our focus is always on

learning in a fun environment. Our art teacher Jacquie has been working with several members to make clocks. A great fun art class, add a bit of construction work and we have a fully working clock. Members and staff will now work together to raise the skills of members who may not yet be fully able to tell the time. We won't be late for anything ever again!

Many of our members interact on a daily basis with healthcare professionals, carers or PAs; they tell us that sometimes communication can be difficult. Through the medium of drama and role-play we are developing workshops which we hope to offer to interested groups. Safeguarding through the eyes of our members will be discussed: also what they need/ want from carers/PAs, trying to eliminate the mis-match between what the client/carer feel is needed. We already have a group who have expressed an interest in working with us. This is exciting and a really important way for our members to be empowered.

Caring for the environment around is so important, isn't it? Here at Funky Fitness and Fun we want to make a difference. Our walking group has decided to incorporate litter picking, such a simple idea supporting our environment. We are creating a dance to accompany a beautiful song written especially for us, which will challenge all of us to think about our

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### Beth Collins



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Destination: History at Durham University

#### Elijah Wolstenholme



Fine Art A, English Language A\*, Politics A. EPO A\*

Destination: Politics at Newcastle University

OSFC is celebrating its best ever A Level pass rate, at 99%, well above the national average. In addition, a higher number of subjects have a perfect 100% pass rate. The college continues to build on its superb record for A Level studies, with 381 students achieving at least AAA or equivalent.

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As has been the case for many years now, there was a superb 100% pass rate by students completing vocational/Applied General courses. A phenomenal 96.5% of students taking the Extended Diploma achieved the highest grades, with over 1000 Distinction and Distinction\* grades, which are the equivalent of A/A\* grades at A Level. A substantial number



of students complete 'blended' programmes, combining A Level and applied courses and have achieved excellent results in these too. OSFC is also the only college in Greater Manchester to have been selected to offer the new, flagship T-Levels from September 2020.

OSFC students have secured places at Oxbridge and other Russell Group universities and there are many other superb outcomes in terms of both progression to a wide range of universities and to other excellent options including apprenticeships, gap years, Art Foundation courses and directly into employment.

Jayne Clarke, Executive Principal, said "We are once again delighted and very proud of our students' results. Students at OSFC have the broadest of choices, make outstanding progress and achieve superb results year on year. To have achieved our strongest pass rates in the context of the new tougher A Levels is testament to the hard work and dedication of both the students and our staff, who have supported students wonderfully well. We wish all our students the very best of luck on the next steps in their futures, whether this be at university, on an apprenticeship or in employment."





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# **CUT AND COLOUR** FOR KERSHAW'S -WHAT A BLAST!

Colour Blast after party sees awardwinning fundraiser, Keira, chop 12 inches of hair for patient care.



Hundreds of Hospice fundraisers are set to descend on Alexandra Park on Sunday 22nd September for the most colourful event of the year, Dr Kershaw's Colour Blast - Back to the 80's!

Amongst those diving into the multi-coloured mists of paint around the 3K route is Diana Award winner, Keira Arnold, who currently raises funds for 'Keira's Wishes' at Dr Kershaw's Hospice.

Keira has already raised over £14,000 for her fund which fulfils last wishes at the Hospice, and she's got sights set on a trio of fantastic fundraising on 22nd September.

After the colourful capers of Colour Blast, the party will continue at The Coach and Horses, Huddersfield Road, as participants let their hair down in memory of Keira's dad, Stephen.

Having washed all of the many colours of powdered paint from her hair, Keira will be chopping 12 inches of her curly locks off. Not only is Keira raising funds

for patient care at the Hospice. she will be donating her locks to The Little Princess Trust who providing real hair wigs to children and young people

give myself a challenge and I know it is going to a good cause helping other children, while still raising funds for people in my own community.

"I'm kind of nervous because I do like my long curly hair. I will miss my hair being long especially when I am dancing and I do hair whips.

And in preparation for Colour Blast and her notoriously colourful clothing, Keira commented: "I can't wait, I love Colour Blast, getting together with friends and family and being covered in colourful paint, the more the better! This year I will be combining the unicorn and 80's to go with their

g year's theme."

Join on Sunday 22nd of September 2019 as we 'Go Back to the 80's' for this year's annual Dr Kershaw's Colour Blast. Bring your family, friends and workmates to the event that put their colour into your day and raises vital funds to look after patients from your community in our care at Dr



Kershaw's Hospice.

At your own pace, join hundreds of other Colour Blasters, to enjoy the beautiful surroundings of Alexandra Park to dive into the mists of 4 coloured paint stations, to emerge at the finishing line in a beautiful rainbow

As well as getting involved with this amazing family fun day, we ask all our Colour Blasters to help support the care of patients at the Hospice by raising money through sponsorship. Go on - book on to the colourful capers at Alexandra Park and know you'll be making a difference to patients from your community.

#### Standard Prices:

(1st August til 19th September) Adults (18+) £17, Children (4-17) £7 (aged 3 and under - free entry but will not receive paint or t-shirt)

(Family Ticket 2+2 = £45) On the Day Prices: (22nd September) Adults (18+) £20, Children (4-17) £10

(aged 3 and under - free entry but will not receive paint or t-shirt) (Family Ticket 2+2 = £55)

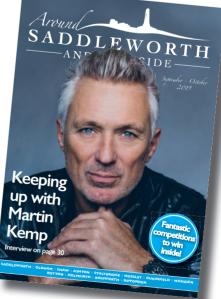
About the haircut, Keira said:"Other people are so kind doing different things to raise funds so I decided to

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# OLDHAM & DISTRICT RIDING CLUB

Summer Review By Heather Howe

The summer has been a flurry of activity, from our annual camp held at Sommerford Park, to team events, training events and shows.

Our annual camp was held at Sommerford park in Congleton, where a record number of riders brought their horses for intense instruction, fun and camping. Our campers had an amazing time, braving extreme variations in weather, from sunburn to flooded tents! Lots of memories were made with new and exciting experiences, conquering some big fences and having the opportunity to relax with friends. We must extend a huge thank you to our camp organisers... Cathy & Charlie Heaven, who provided ODRC members with such a wonderful and enjoyable opportunity; ladies... it was simply the

Moving forwards through our schedule, we have had wonderful opportunities to experience an extensive programme of training, from dressage to show jumping at a new and upcoming equestrian venue...

Higher Counthill Farm. This facility and our event organisers have ensured that no matter what the good old weather of Blighty has thrown at us, we have still been able to march on with the training.

Due to some recent 'wet' weather, it was decided to move an entire show up to Higher Counthill farm, which ensured that our event would continue to run despite our home venue Freizland arena being a tad moist! This particular show held qualifiers for Equifest, a national championship show, and I am pleased to report number of local riders qualified for this national championship....Watch this space!

Our annual Jill Bradley Memorial one day event celebrated its 10th year this summer. Jill Bradley was a very active member of ODRC for many years, and this show was created to celebrate her memory. Jill held a special place in her heart for both eventing and charity work, so these shows have always raised money for one of her favourite charities: RDA- riding for the disabled (who now have a branch based in Saddleworth!), Christies and Cancer research UK.





We are preparing for our final showing show, which will determine the points leader board, not only for our annual presentation, but also for the Northern STARS championship. If you are interested in becoming a member of ODRC please check out our website ahead of next season!

















#### FOR THE PUDDING

230g pitted dates
Ale of your choice,
enough to just cover dates
125g unsalted butter
140g soft dark brown sugar
1 tsp baking powder
1tsp bicarb of soda
3 eggs
½ tsp vanilla extract
200g self-raising flour

#### FOR THE SAUCE

125G soft dark brown sugar 140g caster sugar 50ml ale of your choice 40g unsalted butter – dices 75ml double cream

#### PUDDING

- Cover the dates in ale in a pan and bring to a simmer and cook until all the ale has soaked into the dates. Remove from the heat and allow to cool slightly
- Cream together butter and sugar and then whisk until smooth
- Add eggs one at a time and whisk slowly until incorporated into the butter and sugar
- Once all the eggs have been mixed in add

- the vanilla extract, baking powder and bicarb and gently mix together
- Add flour a little at a time and mix in gently
- Once all the flour has been added gently fold in your warm soaked dates until mixed thoroughly
- Place into a line baking tray and bake at 150 degrees C for 45 minutes – I hour
- Test with a wooden skewer if it comes out clean the pudding is done
- Set aside whilst you make the sauce

#### SAUCE

- Place dark brown sugar, caster sugar and ale into a pan and bring to a simmer
- Then add the butter and allow to melt into the mixture
- Once the butter has melted add the double cream and whisk thoroughly
- Pass through a sieve and serve immediately

#### **TO SERVE**

 Portion a generous serving of the sticky ale pudding and pour over lashings of toffee sauce, and for a super indulgent treat add a scoop of vanilla ice cream

Finally....Enjoy!

### **INGREDIENTS**

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4 Pheasant breast 200G Smoked streaky bacon 1 Bulb of fennel 1 Medium onion 250ml Red wine 250ml chicken stock

Bunch of swiss chard

500g new potatoes

Salt & Pepper

# A RATHER PHEASANT RECIPE

We have a recipe using pheasant breasts, new potatoes and swiss chard by Chef James Taylor from the Bulls Head in Heyside, perfect as a starter or a light bite. The recipe works well with other game if you wanted.

### METHOD

- 1. Chop the smoked bacon in to strips
- 2. Thinly slice the fennel and onion, quarter the new potatoes.
- 3. In a large heavy bottomed pan fry the bacon until all the fat has rendered and the bacon begins to go crispy.
  - 4. Remove bacon and fry the pheasant in the fat for 3-4 minutes, turning once and set aside.
    - 5. Meanwhile boil new potatoes for 20 minutes or until soft in salted water.
- 6. Remove pheasant and fry the onion and fennel in the juices until soft, then add the bacon, pheasant, red wine, chicken stock and red wine to the pan.
  - 7. Simmer for 20 minutes then stir in swiss chard and cook for a further 5 minutes.
    - 8. Season to taste.
- 8. Plate by spooning bacon, fennel and onions onto bottom of a bowl then a few new potatoes and then the pheasant on top, spoon over the sauce.
  - 9. Serve with some crusty breadl (the sauce is good).

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# **ALLURING AUTUMNAL** ATTRACTIONS!

By Tim Naylor (Saddleworth Wine Vault)

Yes, Autumn is almost upon us, and another Summer is nearly done.... Well, I guess that's what happens when you spin unevenly at 100 omph, whilst travelling at 67,000mph at the same time. But never mind, there'll be another one along before we know it.

It's a scary thought, but it'll soon be Halloween – which reminds me of the time when I got so fed up with trick or treaters, that I turned the lights out and pretended I wasn't in. My lighthouse - my rules. Mind you, when I was younger, I used to go out and say I was a werewolf. The first man that opened his door

'But you're not wearing a costume you're just dressed in normal clothes!' 'Yeah, well. It's not a full moon is it?' I

Anyway, last year, having decided to put all that behind me and show my considerate side, I spent all day making treats for the Halloween callers.

I really hope they enjoyed their toffee onions.

Now lets have a look at some

Flines Chardonnay, France 2018

I had to include this one to let all the Flines fans know that an old favourite has made a welcome return. Beautiful



unoaked Chardonnay from the Loire Valley, tropical fruit and flowers on the nose, accompanied by lovely fresh clean notes of those same tropical fruits on the palate. No cloying oak here. Fantastic with pork, poultry, fish and anything with a creamy sauce. Delicious - and great value.



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#### Tra Mari, Rose di Primitivo, Italy 2018

Gorgeous pink from the San Marzano co-operative based in Salento, Puglia (the heel of Italy). Made solely from Primitivo grapes, this is a softly coloured pink, fermented in stainless



steel tanks to preserve the aromatics and freshness of the grape. Intense aromas of wild cherries and raspberries, with an attractive touch of Mediterranean 'maguis' - the local aromatic shrubland. Clean and refreshing on the palate, with those juicy, fruity Primitivo notes coming to

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Nick Tynan who originally set off working for VW, before jumping ship to work for Mercedes Benz where he vorked for them for six years.

Andy Dearden, again another devoted person to the Mercedes Benz brand. He left school at 16 and went to be an apprentice at Mercedes Benz Blackburn. At the age of 28 he left them, and has been with Dronsfields for over two years now

Finally, Mark Jewsbury has been a service manager with Mercedes Benz for over 12 years and is the most recent to join the team. He has worked in the motor industry for 35 years so his knowledge and expertise in the field are exceptional

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- Scrappage savings continue on the Kia Picanto, Kia Stonic, Kia Sportage and Kia Venga.

Kia Motors (UK) Limited has announced its new range of offers across the network, and now available throughout the summer at your local dealers Premier KIA in Dukinfield and Rochdale

Those in the market for a new vehicle can start Summer off right with Kia's SUV Summer event, which will see buyers of the Kia Stonic, Niro (excluding e-Niro), Sportage, Sorento and all-new XCeed receive their first two scheduled services free of charge when placing an order.

Kia's new crossover, the all-new Kia XCeed, launches in July and is available to pre-order from July 8 from all Kia dealers. The athletic and refined model is available for £189 per month, with LED headlights, an 8-inch touchscreen with reversing camera and Lane Keeping Assist as standard. A top-of-the-range 'First Edition' is offered at launch, with an extensive list of premium features including panoramic sunroof, a 12.3-inch supervision cluster, smart power tailgate, JBL® sound system and blind spot warning.

The best-selling new Kia Sportage, available at Premier Kia, continues to offer a perfect mix of appeal and

affordability, available for only £249 per month. On top of the Summer SUV event's free two services, customers can place up to £2,500 in a deposit contribution towards Personal Contract Purchase. The entry-level '1' 1.6-litre petrol is available with Bluetooth, reversing camera and Android Auto ™/Apple CarPlay™ connectivity, alongside a £1,500 deposit contribution and £249 per month on finance

Ben Bird, Director, at Premier Automotive commented: "We welcome everyone to visit our showrooms and discover our fantastic range of Summer offers available now. Come and visit us at Premier KIA on Birch Lane, Dukinfield, or at Molesworth Street, Rochdale. The all new XCeed is also on display and available to test drive today"

A number of models benefit from low-rate 2.9 per cent Personal Contract Purchase deals. These include the all-new Ceed (hatchback and Sportswagon), all-new ProCeed and the seven-seater Sorento. The all-new Ceed is available in monthly instalments of just £169 per month, and the sleek all-new ProCeed shooting brake is available for £219 in sports-orientated 'GT-Line' trim.

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Four time Tour de France stage winner Dylan Groenewegen Dylan Groenewegen headlines first riders revealed for OVO Energy Tour of Britain

Four-time Tour de
France stage winner
Dylan Groenewegen will
return to the OVO Energy
Tour of Britain this
eptember for his third

September for his third appearance in the UK's biggest professional cycle race.

The 26-year-old Dutchman has ridden in the OVO Energy Tour

Images: Dylan Groenewegen and Cameron Meyer

taking wins in the

OVO Energy Tour

of Britain.

of Britain twice
before winning stages
on both occasions, in
Builth Wells in 2016
and Cheltenham in
2017, as well as taking
the Cetaphil Points
classification on his first
appearance.

Joining him on the provisional start list are two further OVO Energy Tour of Britain stage winners, Matteo Trentin and Cameron Meyer of Mitchelton-SCOTT.

Groenewegen won stage seven of the Tour de France this summer, as well as helping his Jumbo – Visma squad to victory in the race's team time trial. The remaining five members of

the Jumbo - Visma team for the OVO
Energy Tour of Britain will be confirmed
closer to the race, but could include
Laurens De Plus, who claimed his
maiden stage race victory at the
weekend by winning the Binck Bank
Tour in Belgium and the Netherlands.
Another rider clinching stage race
success at the weekend ahead of the
OVO Energy Tour of Britain was Ben

Hermans (Israel Cycling Academy) who won two stages and the overall of the Tour of Utah.

The 33-year-old Belgian comes to the race on a strong run of form that saw him win the Tour of Austria in July for the second successive year, and finish runner-up in the

Adriatica Ionica Race in Italy in early August.

Former European champion Trentin won Stage Six of the 2015 in Nottingham, while Australian rider Meyer took Stage Two in Barnstaple last September.

Already confirmed for the OVO Energy Tour of Britain is multi-talented Dutch rider Mathieu van der Poel (Corendon – Circus Cycling Team), who continued his stellar 2019 season by winning the opening stage of the Arctic Race of Norway last week.

Further rider announcements will be made over the coming days in the build up to the OVO Energy Tour of Britain, which begins from George Square in Glasgow on Saturday 7 September and concludes for the first time in Greater Manchester on Saturday 14 September. The OVO Energy Tour of Britain is British Cycling's premier road cycling event, giving cycling fans the opportunity to see the world's best teams and riders competing on their doorstep and helping to build a great cycling nation.

The local route is...The eighth and final leg of the Tour is a 165 kilometre circuit of all Greater Manchester's 10 boroughs including Oldham and Tameside on September 14.

Entering Saddleworth from Mossley by The Royal George pub at Greenfield, the route travels into Uppermill via Well-i-hole and then on to Delph.

There is one of the day's toughest climbs as riders will tackle Grains Road for a King of the Mountains challenge before heading to Rochdale via Buckstones Road.

ITV4 will once again screen live free-to-air coverage flag-to-flag of each stage in the UK, along with a nightly highlights programme of the best of the action.

# MAKING YOUR CHILDREN'S LIVES MORE ACTIVE

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By Andy Yates (Personal Fitness Instructor)

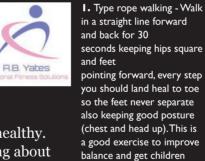
Its so important for kids to keep active and healthy. If you start them from a youthful age thinking about exercise, then they are more likely to stick with it throughout their life time and it will then it will hopefully become a habit rather than a chore.

TV and video games have replaced sports for many kids. They need to spend less time on computer games and more time keeping active which is good for their fitness levels and overall well being. Exercise also helps kids to control blood pressure, develop muscle and bone strength, and improve heart function. It is important for your child to be active. This is a lesson you should teach them at an early age, remember that you're a role model for your child.

I have grown up playing sport and going the gym, now it is a habit and I find it weird not exercising but many people haven't done this so when they decide to look after their body and get active it's so hard to get into.

Whereas if you start your child exercising from an early age they will

get into a healthy and active lifestyle. If you see a young child squat down you will see they do the perfect squat. This is because their mobility is great and they haven't got any imbalances or injuries or poor posture so it is important to keep these movement patterns good so this workout will enable your child to improve their fitness levels and upper body and core whilst improving their motor skills and keeping movement patterns good. I have designed a simple full body children's work out to do which will keep them fit and healthy. Every exercise is for 30 seconds then rest for 20 seconds to bring their heart rate back down then repeat a total of 3 sets per exercise then move on to the following exercise.... Mini workout for children



walking and moving

correctly

2. Balance on one leg for 20 seconds trying to keep your hips straight and not lean to one side with a slight bend of the knee and all your body weight in the middle of the standing foot.

**3.** Plank – keep elbows in line with chest and body in a straight line with feet on the floor and hold this position for 30 seconds and focus on breathing in and out controlled.

**4.** Burpees, squat down to floor then press hands on the floor and at the same time jump both legs back simultaneously until your body is in a straight line then jump both feet back to chest level then jump up to starting position and repeat for 30 seconds.

5. Run forward and backwards focus on keeping tall with a slight lean forward and try not to be too flat footed, then running backwards try and keep toes pointing forward and keep in a straight line.

6. lateral side step, so many people

struggle moving laterally as it's not a movement we do often so next exercise is a lateral side step for 30 seconds, side to side keeping toes pointing forward and try not to catch your feet (little steps). Put 2 markers around 6 meters apart and that's the distance to move to laterally.

**7.** bear crawl, this is a functional exercise which

works your core legs and upper body whilst improving stability. You basically crawl like a baby on hands and knees however your knees are elevated just above the floor keeping your back flat and move opposite leg and opposite arm forward at the same time keeping your eyes just in front of your hands. If you are struggling to motivate your child to do this work out, as children can be hard to persuade why not consider a gym that offers teenage gym sessions or personal training where the trainer will have more authority. Another fantastic way to trick children into exercise is swimming which will get their heart rate up and it can be fun and easy to do. Make sure your children have at least one active hobby that continues through primary and secondary school this will keep them healthy, social and active. Get your child active now and in turn they will be thanking you for a lifetime of health and happiness.







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# FA GROWING THE CLUB – 3D DYNAMOS

NEW - Saddleworth 3Ds Football School for 7-12 year olds – Better Never Stops

With the new committee in place, 3D Dynamos have developed a twelvemonth strategy and are working on longer term plans for growing the Saddleworth-based football club. Lesley Milne (Club Secretary) and Howard Gaunt (Club Treasurer) recently attended an FA workshop to assist in 'Growing the Club'. Following a debrief at the subsequent committee meeting, approval was given to set up a new Saddleworth 3Ds Football

School for 7-12 year olds; adding to the long running Soccer School for 4-6 year olds. This will commence in September at Waterhead Academy from 7.00-8.00pm and is open to boys and girls of any ability, whether they are already a member of the club or not. If you are interested then please feel free to contact John Lees (Under 10s Coach) or Lesley Milne for further details.



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3D Dynamos 1st and Reserves on the move to the Lancashire Amateur League

Another initiative of the twelvemonth strategy was to move the adult section of the club into the Lancashire Amateur League and onto pastures new. Steve Laithwaite (1st Team Manager and Chair) and Neil Beevor (Reserve Team Manager) see this as a big step forward and are looking forward to the challenges ahead. Steve said 'After a successful eight-year spell in the Huddersfield League - a league title and three cup wins - we felt it

was the right time for a change. New shirt (Saddleworth Round Table) and Match Day training tops (The Gate Inn, Diggle), different teams, new grounds to visit and with the current squad of players we believe both teams can make a quick transition and rise to the new challenges. Pre-season started on Monday I July and the season commenced on Saturday 17 August for the 1st team with a trip away at Wardle FC, with the reserves facing Accrington Amateurs at Firgrove on Saturday 31 August.

# SADDLEWORTH VILLAGE OLYMPICS

2019 Preview

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Not long to go now before the 34th 'Saddleworth Village Olympics' get underway and the excitement and tension is rising! Around 1000 children will compete across 18 disciplines in 7 'village' teams covering the 13 villages that make up Saddleworth. Children will pit themselves against their friends and neighbours to win points for their village or their school's village, with the village(s) with the highest points claiming victory in each discipline and one overall winning village in both the junior and senior categories.

Children from all of the Saddleworth villages have been training hard, making new friends, having fun and trying new sports since June (some even through the winter and spring) and are ready to give it all their all to win medals for themselves and their village team.

The Saddleworth Village Olympics kick off with an opening ceremony, which this year will have a very different feel about it....with a brass band, coloured flags and gymnastic ribbons, cheerleaders, the coming together of the seven Olympic Rings

and a little surprise! The Village Olympics don't organise or fund themselves and we're delighted to have received help and very generous support from local businesses in Saddleworth and Oldham to make the event extra special this year.

This year we're especially pleased to welcome the Saddleworth Round Table as our main sponsor for the Village Olympics, and as part of this partnership they will have a tent at the opening ceremony promoting their winter activities, including the Oktober Pie fest and Santa dash. Matthew Sykes from the Round Table commented "This event is unique and really engages children of all ages and abilities to get involved in sporting activities across all villages and shows just how important our communities are"

Adrian Green, Chairman of the Saddleworth Village Olympics welcomed the Support saying "the work and effort that goes in to making the 3 weeks of competition a success if nothing short of phenomenal. We just couldn't achieve this without the



efforts of the committee, the coaches, the parents, the enthusiasm of the children or the support of organisations like the Round Table, so thank you - You're amazing!"

Many small local businesses who have donated money and raffle prizes as part of our 'Proud Sponsor' initiative, so please make sure you visit them, if only to say thank you. If you'd like to make a donation as a 'Proud Sponsor' or would like to suggest any other funding raising ideas then they should e-mail svogames@gmail.com

The Olympics start on Saturday 7th and finish on Sunday 22nd September.

If you are new to the area or unfamiliar with the Olympics then you can find out more information on their website which is www. saddleworthvillageolympics.co.uk.





# MOSSLEY TO HOST CHARITY MATCH FOR MAYOR'S HOMELESSNESS FUND

A team of ex-professional footballers and formerly homeless people supported by Emmaus Mossley are gearing up for a charity football match against Greater Manchester Police (GMP) Tameside.

The Emmaus Vs GMP Tameside
Charity Football Match will take place
on Sunday 8 September at Seel Park in
Mossley. Taking part in the game will
be former professional players Daniel
Nardiello and Guy Branston, and
Greater Manchester Mayor Andy
Burnham.

The charity match is being organised by GMPs Tameside Division with support from Emmaus Mossley, Mossley A.F.C and Oldham Athletic Community Trust. The family-friendly event will also include local club mascots, inflatable activities, charity raffle and face painting. All proceeds from the event will be donated to the Great Manchester Mayor's Homelessness Fund.

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Harry Barlow, Community Leader at Emmaus Mossley, said: "We're all looking forward to the rematch and bringing the community together for an enjoyable day for a good cause. Helping people less fortunate than ourselves is a big part of the Emmaus ethos and a real motivation for the players taking part.

"I would like to thank everyone for their continued support of Emmaus Mossley and all the people and organisations who are supporting this charity match."

The Emmaus team will consist of formerly homeless people who are now supported by the charity, staff members and special guests. Emmaus communities support formerly



homeless people by providing them with a home, support and work in a community setting. Each Emmaus runs different social enterprises, providing work and development opportunities whilst generating income to sustain the work of the charity.

PC Steve Naylor from Greater Manchester Police, said: "Following the success of last year's charity match, myself and Harry felt we had to do it again, but this time even bigger and better. We have increased the number of activities on offer and increased the youth tournament to eight teams, in the hope that we can raise even more funds for such a worthwhile cause.

"Homelessness is still a recurring issue for many people throughout Manchester, including here in Tameside.

I have visited a Bed For A Night shelter myself and can see the great work they are doing to help people who find themselves out on the streets. For this reason, my colleagues and I at GMP Tameside are happy to give our own time to support the

The Emmaus Charity Football Match will take place on Sunday 8 September from 2pm at Mossley A.F.C, Seel Park, 11 Market St, Mossley OL5 0ES.
Entertainment for all ages will be on offer throughout the day as well as food, drinks and a charity raffle.
Admission will be £5 and free for under-16s

To find out more or support Emmaus Mossley head to www.emmaus.org.uk/ mossley

# STALYBRIDGE CELTIC UPDATE

Stalybridge Celtic Foundation are pleased to announce the sponsorship of a new playing kit for one of our adult PAN-disability teams, Stalybridge Celtic Blues. Ahead of the new Cheshire East Ability Counts League season, the Blues, who won the League One Division of the league last season, will be competing in a new strip, courtesy of the Dukinfield and Stalybridge Rotary Club.

Stephen Gilligan, President of The Rotary Club of Dukinfield and Stalybridge said 'The Rotary Club of Dukinfield and Stalybridge is proud to sponsor the Stalybridge Celtic Blues this season and wish them the best of luck in the season ahead. Our members will try to get along to as many games as possible this season to cheer on the blues and look forward to a long relationship with the Stalybridge Celtic Community team.'

Stalybridge Celtic Foundation, Community Officer, Mike Smith— 'We are very grateful to the Dukinfield & Stalybridge Rotary Club for a terrific gesture to sponsor our Blues Team in their games next season, they look very smart indeed, a massive thank you to Stephen and Judi for making it happen' The three Stalybridge Celtic Foundation adult PAN-disability teams have now finished for the 2018/19 season, with two of the teams finishing on a high note.

After competing in the Cheshire East Ability Counts League for seven months, they took two teams to the Cheshire FA HQ in Northwich (20th July) to play in the Ability Counts Cup, which brings together teams from the East and West Leagues.

Stalybridge Celtic Blues and Stalybridge Celtic AFG (Alternative Futures Group) were both placed in the 'Plate' competition, with teams representing Stockport County FC, Chester FC, Tranmere Rovers FC, Ellesmere Port and Chris Hill Community Sports (Buxton), so six Pictured at the Pre-season Friendly v Marine AFC, where the Foundation held a Disability Team 'Open Day' are (L to R) - Judi Kelly (Rotary Club), Gavin, Lee, Sam, Anthony, Joanne and Michael from the Stalybridge Celtic Blues team.



games each on the day.

The Blues came fifth out of the seven, so well done to Chris, Lee, Wayne, Adam, Stephen, Sean, Michael, Daniel and Danny, a great effort, with Stalybridge Celtic AFG finishing first and facing Ellesmere Port in the semi-final, where they won on penalties to book a place in the Final against Stockport County, who had won the plate for the previous three years.

Weekly Training Sessions start again for the 2019/20 season from Thursday 5th September 2019 at Ashton 6th Form College.

Stalybridge Celtic Foundation are once again pleased to offer the support of Stalybridge Celtic FC for five local charities throughout the course of the 2019/20 season at Bower Fold.

The Foundation will be handing over five of their Home fixtures this season to enable each charity to come along and raise awareness of the work they do in our community and at the same time, raise valuable funds.

Last season they helped to raise a fantastic £1,546.21 in total across the five charities.

This season's designated fixtures are as follows -

Saturday 5th October v FC United of Manchester (Reuben's Retreat)
Saturday 23rd November v Buxton FC (Willow Wood Hospice)
Saturday 1st February v South
Shields FC (Kidscan UK)
Saturday 14th March v Morpeth

Town FC (The Anthony Seddon Fund)
Saturday 25th April v Matlock
Town FC (Home Start HOST)

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# PARTY IN THE PARK 2019 PREVIEW

14th year of one Saddleworth's spectacular & best loved events promises to be the best yet!

After an already fantastic summer of events, Saddleworth is once again gearing itself up for another end of season classic.

An expected 1,200 revellers, come rain or shine are expected to come out in force to enjoy an afternoon and evening of merriment at Delph's annual Party in the Park knees up.

Once again this fabulous event will be held at Delph & Dobcross Cricket Club, and this year organisers are confident this will be one of the biggest and best since it all began back in 2005.

Last years lineup included the likes of Queen tribute band, Mercury, Malcolm Pitt with the magical sounds of Lionel Ritchie and Danny Lowrie, who is regarded as the best Robbie Williams tribute act in the country, as well as

Ska Britannia and top local bands Flatline and Neon.

This year, once again hosted by the one and only MIKE SWEENEY (musician and BBC GMR presenter), you can expect top performances from RULE THE WORLD (UK's No I Take That Tribute Act), top Blondie and Debbie Harry tribute) FIONA SHAW, Michael Jackson tribute, FOREVER JACKSON and TANNI (Playing all your Bob Marley & Reggae favourites) to name just a few. Always a highlight, Delph Band will perform during the Proms finale and amazing firework display.

Mr Phil Beck of the Wake Up Delph Committee said:

"We're looking forward to another great year in our 14th year. A massive thank you to everyone who has

helped put this year's show on so far, not only from Delph but elsewhere. Without them it simply couldn't happen and a huge thank you must also go to all our sponsors, as well as the groups who book the Corporate packages and finally the fantastic on going support from the people and families of Delph and surrounding areas who will hopefully make this years party so very special. We have a superb line up of local and visiting

artists so, weather permitting, this should be a cracker!"

Party in the Park is organised every year to raise money towards the Delph Village Christmas Lights and other village community projects.

For your chance to WIN a FREE FAMILY TICKET for this year's event, then please enter the competition below the poster.





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# **FAMOUS FRETS**

Local guitar enthusiast takes a close look at some of the worlds mosts influential guitars in a new book

Steve Clarke has been a guitar technician for over thirty years and during this time he has re-fretted, repaired, altered, customized and created relic lookalike guitars. He is totally passionate about what he does and this is reflected in every job he undertakes

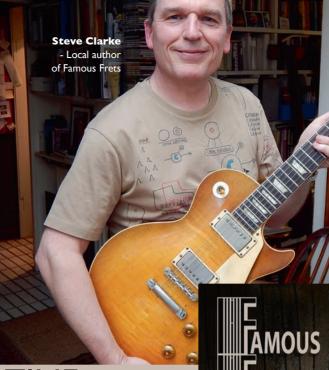
Famous Frets takes a look at some of the recognisable guitars Steve has worked on. Guitars used by some of the biggest names in rock music from Pete Townsend and George Harrison to Prince and Keith Richards. Steve has worked as an advisor to Bonhams on vintage and collectible guitars and has written articles for The Guitar

In Famous Frets he attempts to find

out why the iconic guitars favoured by famous historic musicians sound the way they do and to establish whether custom parts were fitted. Over the decades, the guitars issued by Fender and Gibson changed, sometimes due to shortages of materials, other times the change was down to new manufacturing technologies. The outcome was not always for the best! Steve's unique situation has allowed him to pull the guitars apart and examine them in detail. Backed up with high quality photos of each instrument, Famous Frets gives both

guitar fans and fans of the musicians an

incredible insight into the instruments that helped shape and define their



# COMPETITION TIME

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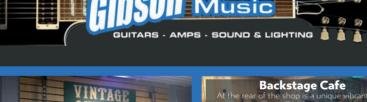
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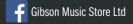
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