

Bradford Councillor Surgeries at the Contact Point

Bradford Councillors for the Worth Valley, Peter Hill, Kris Hopkins and Glen Miller will hold regular drop in surgeries at the Worth Valley Police and Community Contact Point, Changegate Haworth from 2-3 pm

Saturdays
12th April
10th May



Worth Valley residents can also contact

Cllr. Hill on (01535) 646999

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HAWORTH . CROSS ROADS . STANBURY
NEWSLETTER

Local Information gathered by Local People

BRONTË SPIRIT



breathing life into Haworth's old school room

Haworth's 'Captured Past' exhibition opens

When the Rev Patrick Brontë built the *Old School Room* between his Church and parsonage, he could not have imagined that 176 years later the building all his children taught at would not be able to fully serve the district. Today, the Old School Room is feeling and looking its age, and is in need of urgent restoration. Brontë Spirit, a partnership formed between the Brontë Society and St Michael's and All Angels Church, is hoping to raise money to fund the restoration, and return the building to full public use. An initial bid to the Heritage Lottery Fund secured funds to begin planning work, and as part of this, and Brontë Spirit's commitment to allowing access to an internationally important local heritage site, an exhibition of historic photographs from Haworth and district has been organised. The display will cover many aspects of local life over the past 150 years, and has been put together in association with local historian Steve Wood. The exhibition is free (donations gratefully appreciated), and will be open daily from the 21st March 2008 until September, in the main hall of the Old School Room between 1-4pm every day.

It is hoped that this will be the first part of raising awareness in the Old School Room, and also provide a forum for public views as to its future via a simple questionnaire.

Sponsored by : **Haworth, Cross Roads and Stanbury Parish Council**

Parish Council Column

First, some good news. At the January meeting of the Parish Council our budget for 2008-9 was approved with a small increase of just 13p a for a band D property, which amounts to less than 1% across the board. Our ability to keep our precept below inflation is due in no small part to prudent financial management. The budget included a new idea of nominating a special project for the Parish. This year we want to provide a bus shelter outside the Baptist Church in West Lane. This has been on our wish list for over six years, but it is only now that everything is coming together to make it happen. If successful, it will be a great benefit to the residents of the sheltered housing nearby. Hopefully we will receive permission for the project from the Church to make some alterations to their boundary wall to accommodate the shelter.

On another note, we are increasingly concerned about young people drinking alcohol in public. This often leads to anti social behaviour in our parks and elsewhere. Many of our residents are reluctant to enter our parks at night as they feel threatened and time and time again, plants and equipment are damaged, with empty cans and bottles littered about. There have been a number of reports of older people buying alcohol for younger friends and even of parents dropping their youngsters off at the park gates with a four pack. It should be noted that supplying minors with alcohol in a public place is a criminal offence and one that the police will always prosecute. I am asking parents in our parish to be aware of this problem and to make sure their children are not involved. Remember, your council tax is paying for the damage that is done. Help us to save your money.

Peter H. Hill
Chairman Haworth, Cross Roads & Stanbury parish Council

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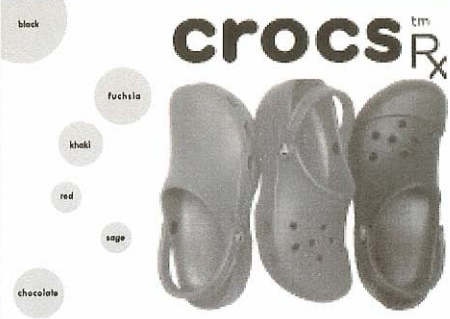
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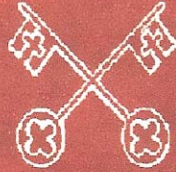
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- ◆ Never give your bank account details or other personal information to people you don't know.
- ◆ Never ring an 090 number unless you're certain how much the call will cost and know what you are likely to receive.
- ◆ Never send money off in response to bogus psychic mailings. Identical letters predicting good or bad luck are sent to thousands of people.

If you suspect a scam, before sending any money call Consumer Direct for clear, practical advice on **08454 040506**.

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Bandstand Update March 2008

What a wonderful thing is the web. Those of you cognisant with the wonders of modern technology, are no strangers to the way our lives have been opened up by the world wide web phenomenon. What has this to do with the Bandstand project?

It has been brought to our attention that our local village website has a far reaching audience.

A Gentleman who is a member of the Bronte Society but now living in Hong Kong did a random Google search on Haworth and came across our website with the news of our funding appeal efforts for the Bandstand. This prompted a generous gesture in the form of sending to the Friends of Haworth Park two £5.00 Bronte Society Gift Vouchers that he had been sent and rather than consign them to the bin as he had no way of realising their value himself in far away Hong Kong, he sent them to us where they can be recycled to a good cause.

We have some brilliant news for you this time as The Ward Investment Fund that is being distributed around our area from the recent sale of Leeds Bradford Airport has granted the Bandstand project £10,000.00 which is a tremendous boost and brings the total raised so far to £11,302.95. Please keep those donations coming in and we can start building the base this year. Building the base will give us a platform for further fund raising events. Lets pull together and get this Bandstand built.

250 years for West Lane Methodists

This year, 2008, marks the 250th anniversary of the building of the first Methodist chapel in Haworth, the congregation being at least 13 or 14 years older. The first "society" - an organisation within the Church of England - was formed in 1744 or 45 by Thomas Colbeck a young Keighley grocer and draper. He was inspired by the preaching of one John Nelson a stonemason of Birstall, between Bradford and Leeds, who became a Christian after hearing John Wesley, a charismatic preacher and the founding father of Methodism.

From small beginnings was built up a lively force within the Church of England thanks to William Grimshaw, the evangelical curate totally committed to his calling at a time when many of his fellow clergymen were absent from their parishes and indifferent to their church. After allowing John Wesley to preach at St Michael's Parish Church in 1747 Grimshaw became a Methodist and thanks to him the "Haworth Round" - a link between societies as far away as Whitehaven in Cumbria, was formed in 1748. He had the first chapel built and inscribed with words still to be seen above the window in the porch at the chapel entrance at the back of the building "To us to live is Christ. To die is gain. AD 1758."

To describe 250 years' history in a few words is difficult but in this time hundreds of children and young people have been given a Christian grounding and elementary education while adults have enjoyed various sporting and social activities. The village cricket club owes its life to us!

During World War 2 the Sunday School building had been requisitioned and when it was returned to the trustees in 1947 was found to be in need of major repair, as was the chapel. The estimated cost of repair to the chapel alone was £5000 and the decision was taken to demolish. The school was redesigned to include a chapel and on June 14th 1952 after spending £5,700 the premises were re-opened and became the centre for social life.

We are now in the process of looking at possible grants to upgrade our building and attempts are also being made to tidy the graveyards which have been badly neglected over the years.

We are planning a variety of events for our anniversary year. On April 20th the Rev Steve Wild, who has appeared on TV, will lead lively worship at 10.30am and 3pm and on May 4th Rev Dr Lewis Burton, who lives in the village and is involved with the Bronte Society, will lead traditional anniversary services. In September we celebrate the harvest festival, in October the Rev Peter Whittaker, chairman of the Methodist West Yorkshire District will be our preacher and in December we plan a Christmas tree festival to coincide with Haworth Traders' festive season.

We will be running the traditional NAAFI Cafe at the traders' Forties Weekend in May and a mini market with refreshments and stalls on August Bank Holiday Monday.

Looking back over our long history we can see how things have come full circle. In 1758 when the first chapel was built numbers were small and so they are today. But the fellowship is as warm as ever with people caring for each other and the singing still lively in a denomination said to have been born in song. Do come and join us any Sunday at 10.30am.

Sylvia Thompson

Do you want to play cricket? Haworth Cricket Club Junior Section is looking for young players to join us!



For 2008 we will have a new Under 15 team at Haworth CC as well as our under 13s and U17s. To do that we will need more players - **lads and lasses** - who want to learn how to play cricket.

Come along to our junior practice nights from 10 April on Thursdays from 6.00pm to 8.00pm (or until it's dark sometimes if it's a nice evening!). The Under 13s play on Sunday mornings from 9.30am to 12.30pm.

Haworth CC has two fully-trained and police checked coaches to ECB Level 1.

If you want to know more can your parent or carer please contact **Assistant Coaches
Kath and Trevor Gower**

On Haworth (01535) 642965.

We'll be pleased to answer any questions!

Why not pay a visit to our websites at

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UWVHG HISTORY WALKS 2008

JOIN STEVEN WOOD AND THE UPPER WORTH VALLEY HISTORY GROUP FOR A SERIES OF FASCINATING WALKS EXPLORING THE HISTORY OF HAWORTH TOWNSHIP.

ALL WELCOME – ALL WALKS HELD ON THURSDAYS AND ARE FREE

These walks will look at many of the ancient boundaries in and around Haworth Township. These boundaries are some of the oldest surviving landscape features. We will also be looking at many other points of historical interest along the way.

The walks vary from 5 to 8 miles in length. There is a good deal of rough moorland walking involved and good boots are essential. Take a packed lunch and hot drink. Wet weather is always likely – be prepared.

Most walks start at Haworth Tourist Information Centre at the top of Main Street at 10 a.m.

The Crow Hill walk starts at Stanbury bus terminus at 0950.

(664 Stanbury bus from Rawdon Road, opposite park gates, at 0938.)

The Cock Hill walk starts at the old RAF station on top of Cock Hill at 0935.

(500 Hebden Bridge bus from Sun Street, Haworth at 0918.)

All walks finish in Haworth – although we may try to get the bus back from Stanbury after the Crow Hill walk.

THURS:	WALK	LENGTH	START
17 th APRIL	Long Bridge & Brow Moor	5½ miles	TIC 1000
24 th APRIL	Cock Hill to Haworth	7 miles	Cock Hill 0935
1 st MAY	Top of Stairs & Oxenhope Stoop	8 miles	TIC 1000
8 th MAY	Ponden Mill & Oldfield	5½ miles	TIC 1000
15 th MAY	Crow Hill	8+ miles	Stanbury 0950
22 nd MAY	Oxenhope Edge & Noonan Stones	8 miles	TIC 1000

NB. There are two more walks looking at local boundaries which you may like to join - the Cross Roads boundary walk & Reg Hindley's Oxenhope boundary walk.

Cross Roads parish boundary walk Saturday 7th June. Meet opposite St. James's church at 11am. 9 miles - opportunities to drop out at several points. Leader David Oates.

Oxenhope boundary walk Sunday 15th June (to be confirmed). Details from Steven Wood on the UWVHG walks or from Reg Hindley 01535-643087.



COMPUTER CLASSES

The Contact Point is again organising Computer Classes for the Summer Term. Classes available are: Beginners (for complete beginners - you do not even need to know how to switch one on for this class!); Word Processing and Desk Top Publishing, for those who want to improve their skills, and Digital Photography - why not brush up your techniques ready to process all your summer holiday photographs?

The Beginners class will be on Monday afternoons, from 2.00pm - 4.00pm. It will run for 11 weeks and will cost £38.50 plus a £5.00 registration fee, payable 'up-front'. There will also be an amount of £1.50 towards the room hire cost payable each week on attendance. This class will have breaks on May 5th and May 26th because of the Bank Holidays.

The Word Processing/Desk Top Publishing class will be on Tuesday mornings from 9.15am - 11.15am. The Digital Photography class will also be on Tuesdays, from 12.00 - 2.00pm. Both of these will run for 12 weeks and will cost £42.00 plus a £5.00 registration fee payable 'up-front'. There will also be an amount of £1.50 towards the room hire cost payable each week on attendance. Both these classes will have a break on 27th May, Bank Holiday week.

All classes are in West Lane Baptist Church, Haworth.

If you are interested in learning more, maybe to keep up with your children or grandchildren, then why not give it a go?

Places are limited so please ring the Contact Point on 01535 644001 as soon as possible to book a place.

HALL GREEN BOOKPOINT

Hall Green BookPoint, a Christian bookshop and library, is open Fridays and Saturdays from 1 pm to 4 pm underneath Hall Green Chapel at the corner of Bridgehouse Lane and Sun Street, Haworth. Please call in to see our selection of books to buy and borrow as well as cards and gifts. Why not call in for a warm welcome and a free cup of tea or coffee? If we don't offer, ask us! If you want to see something different this year on Saturday May 17th at the Forties' Weekend, call in to see 'Still Carrying the Torch', a film telling the story of Louis Zamperini, an Olympic athlete in the 1930s who survived captivity in the war and went back to show forgiveness to his captors.

DOORSTEP SALESMEN

Are you fed-up with doorstep callers? Pop in to the Contact Point to pick up a "Doorstep Alert" sticker to deter salesmen from knocking on your door and ask for any other information which may be useful.

Dispose of your personal documents safely - all documents with personal details on, even just your name and address, should be disposed of safely. The Contact Point has a shredder available for all to use to help you do just that. It will even shred your old and out of date credit and debit cards!

What's On ?



April 2008

1st April, Tuesday

Cross Roads and Lees Church & Chapel Ladies Group,
Salsa Dancing Demonstration by Lily Connor
7.30pm St James Church Hall, Cross Roads

2nd April, Wednesday

Worth Valley Book Group
"Resistance" by Owen Sheers
7.30pm The Contact Point, 28 Changegate, Haworth

3rd April, Thursday

Upper Worth Valley History Group
Open Archive
1.00pm - 3.00pm, Contact Point, 28 Changegate,

5th April, Saturday

Coffee Morning and Bring & Buy Sale
Theme - Tulips from Amsterdam. Gift and book stalls,
refreshments. Admission free.
10.00am - 11.30am, Lees Methodist Church

5th April, Saturday

Fayre in support of Haworth Cat Rescue
9.30am - 11.30am West Lane Methodist Hall, Haworth

14th April, Monday

Stanbury & District WI
Peace Campaigning by Mrs S Boyes
7.30pm, West Lane Baptist Church, Haworth

18th April, Friday

Daphne - An Evening With Justine Picardie and Lady
Tessa Montgomery.
Novelist Justine Picardie will be reading from her new
novel "Daphne" and discussing the Brontes and Daphne
du Maurier with du Maurier's eldest daughter Lady
Tessa Montgomery. Tickets £10 in advance from
jenna.holmes@bronte.org.uk or call 01535 640188.
Includes champagne and canapés.

20th April, Sunday

As part of the 250th Anniversary year.
Rev Steve Wild, a lively preacher seen on television,
leads worship at
10.30am and 3.00pm, West Lane Methodist Church,
Haworth

21st April, Monday

Haworth, Cross Roads and Stanbury Parish Council
Full Parish Council and Annual Parish Meeting
7.00pm, St. James Church Hall, Cross Roads

27th April, Sunday

Café Church - starts with a buffet lunch, followed by
worship and fellowship in the Hall, set out café style in
informal surroundings. Led by Rev Alf Waite.
1.00pm Lees Methodist Church **NB No 10.30am
service today.**



May 2008

1st May, Thursday

Please note the Upper Worth Valley History Group
archive **will not be open today** because of the group's
walk - see page 8.

3rd May, Saturday

Coffee Morning and Bring & Buy Sale
Theme - Apple Blossom. Gift and book stalls,
refreshments. Admission free.
10.00am - 11.30am, Lees Methodist Church

3rd May Saturday

Fayre in support of Haworth Cat Rescue
9.30am - 11.30am West Lane Methodist Hall, Haworth

6th May, Tuesday

Cross Roads and Lees Church & Chapel Ladies Group,
"Norway Inside Out" by Revd Tracy Rishton
7.30pm St. James Church Hall, Cross Roads

7th May, Wednesday

Worth Valley Book Group
Book to be advised.
7.30pm, The Contact Point, 28 Changegate, Haworth

12th May, Monday

Haworth, Cross Roads and Stanbury Parish Council
Annual Meeting of the Parish Council & Planning
Committee

7.00pm, West Lane Baptist Church, Haworth

12th May, Monday

Stanbury & District WI
Tarn Moor Memorial Woodland - Mrs W Pratt
7.30pm, West Lane Baptist Church, Haworth

19th May, Monday, until Friday 25th July

Elmet - a special exhibition.
Photographs by Fay Godwin from her collaboration
with Ted Hughes, "Elmet". Free on admission to
Bronte Parsonage Museum. For further information
contact bronte@bronte.org.uk or call 01535 642323
25th May, Sunday
Café Church - starts with a buffet lunch, followed by
worship and fellowship in the Hall, set out café style
in informal surroundings. Led by Maurice Baren.
1.00pm Lees Methodist Church **NB No 10.30am
service today.**

THE ROTARY CLUB OF HAWORTH & WORTH VALLEY

STROKE AWARENESS DAY

SATURDAY, 26th APRIL 2008

Why not come along to St Michael & All Angels Parish Church, Haworth and have your blood pressure tested.

There will be a Doctor at the back of the Church from 11:00 a.m. Testing will be done in private.

Please remember that high pressure can be dangerous but once diagnosed is easily treated.

If you have not had your blood pressure checked of late, you owe it to yourself to have this done.

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Haworth West Lane Baptist Amateur Operatic Society

The Society is staging a
Spring Concert at 7.30 on
Friday 16th and Saturday
17th May. This coincides
with the Haworth 40s
weekend, so the concert will
include songs, sketches, and
humour from the period, and
will go under the name of
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and will include tea and biscuits.
Tickets and information will be available
shortly from Vera on 01535 643425.

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