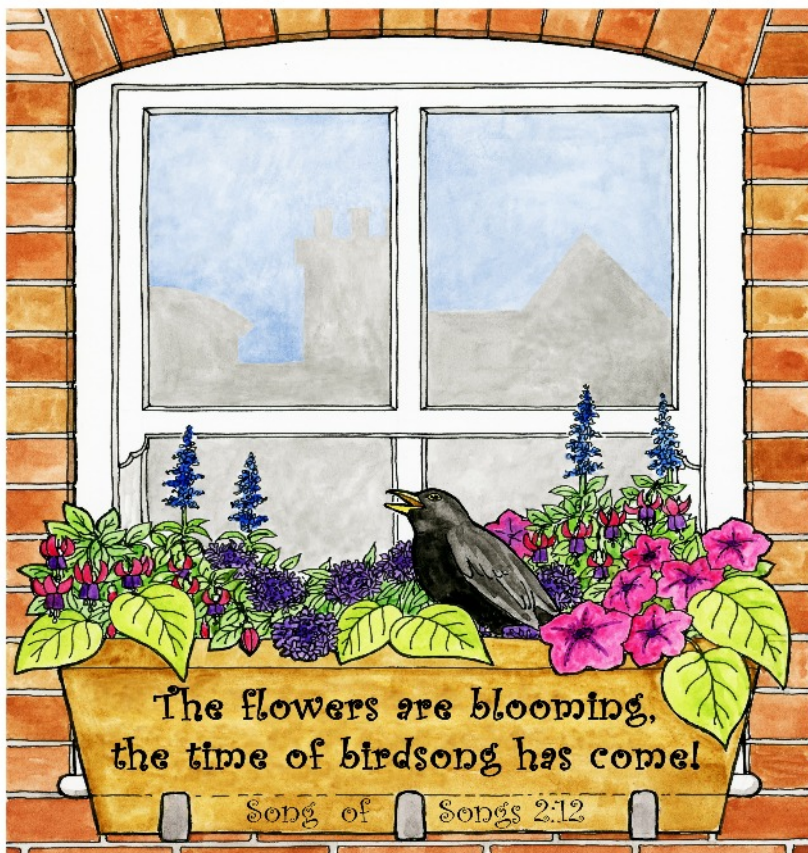




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<https://www.calderdalemethodistcircuit.org.uk/about-us/walking-way.html>

<https://www.facebook.com/walkingthewaycalderdale>

MESSAGE FOR JUNE

As we enter the month of June there has been an explosion of life bursting before our very eyes as we look at nature. This is a favourite time of year for me as I love being surrounded by the beauty of creation and the natural world. Longer, warmer days all help us to feel better within ourselves and having a sense of well being.

As we journey through June it also means we are half way through the year and January 2024 seems like an age ago. So much will have happened in our lives over the last six months, things that bring good memories and give us a sense of a future to look forward to.

This month at The Piece Hall the events will come thick and fast with people and bands playing who are current as well as some who we can remember first time around.

Living in Halifax (Calderdale) is a blessing and is part of our journey of where we live and the things we do. We have wonderful countryside, canals, small communities and towns which are all interesting in their own way. There might be the odd thing we might moan about, but on the whole it is a good place to be.

At the end of May it was Pentecost and this reminds us of the time when Jesus returned to heaven and left a gift. The gift being the Holy Spirit is given to all who are followers of Jesus and it is this gift that enables Peace, contentment, love, respect, compassion and appreciation to exist within.

If anyone has been to a Christian funeral recently you might hear these words of Jesus in one of the readings or prayers. *'Peace I leave with you, my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.'*

Perhaps we might like to think about these words as we journey through life and as we notice things around us.

Every Blessing,

Rev Paul

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WORDSEARCH CLUES

Erasmus, patron saint of sailors

Do you like messing about in *boats*? If so, then you'll have heard of St *Elmo's Fire*. It is the *light* that is sometimes seen on *mastheads* of boats after *storms* at *sea*. St Elmo is another name for St Erasmus, a *fourth century* Syrian *bishop* who was not

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afraid of violent storms. *Legend* has it that one day when Erasmus was *preaching* outside, a *thunderbolt* hit the *ground* right beside him. That might have distracted modern bishops, but not Erasmus – he just kept on preaching. His *courage* won him the *respect* of *sailors*, who made him their patron *saint*. Erasmus finally *died* during the Diocletian *persecutions* in 300AD, and his feast day is 2nd June.



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LOCAL HISTORY

Editor: This month's Local History is taken from the Halifax Courier dated November 1979 when Mrs Eve Chapman wrote under the title of 'Looking Backward'

NOISE AND COLOUR OF THE STREET TRADESMEN

We complain about the noisy streets today, with motor bikes, roaring past and lorries and even the occasional (in Halifax!) 'plane passing over.

But it has had its noises in the past! Dozens of them. Today the milkman - who comes at a civilised hour in any case - announces his presence with an occasional rattle of bottles.

In our youth, milk was delivered at least twice, sometimes more often, each day.

I wonder if any Pellon residents remember "Old Midneet" who came late enough to justify (in part) the name he was given. The horses stamped, the big churns were lumped on and off, the brass measures hanging on the side of the churns rattled. But above all, the milkman shouted, "Milko" or some such variation, for there were more milkmen than customers, all determined to get a share of the trade.

The "Pot Man" - with a big brass bell - was another regular, perhaps weekly, street crier. Although we called him the "Pot Man", he sold all household needs, from pots and pans to paraffin, bakng tins and firelighters.

He also accepted old rags in exchange for his goods, that is if a less reputable hand-cart hadn't been round and persuaded the children to bully their mothers into parting with rags for coppers, or more likely for goldfish or balloons.

A few of them offered yellowstones or whitestones for the "flags and doorsteps" of houseproud mothers. A sad family story tells of Lily, who raided the washing line to get rags for a balloon" Retribution was swift!

The "Pot Man," or more properly the hardware merchant, also carried firewood in bundles but - especially when work was scarce - young fellows would set themselves up in business with a few bundles of hand-chopped sticks, a praiseworthy effort which gained sympathy from housewives who knew only too well that the "dole" had run out! There were no melodious (?) Chimes to announce the arrival of the ice cream man (whom we erroneously supposed to be Italian) with his "Hokey-Pokey a penny a lump." Cornets and "pies," which were rather like cornets with the tailpiece cut off, were a ha'penny and wafers for the affluent were a penny.

His cry added to the cacophony of the street but it wasn't long before the children made more noise than he did as they followed the van, hoping for the occasional broken wafer! "Knives to grind - scissors to sharpen" was delivered in a sort of phonetic "Ny-gri-sis-sharp" as he trundled his machine across the streets.

Country districts had more itinerant traders, perhaps, than towns. There was the oatcake man, mothers ought the large, wet spongy ovals and dried them on the "creel" - which doubled up as airing line for wash-day - and delicious they were when dry and crisp with lots of butter.

Far back before the 1914 war I'm told that it was a country custom for the Calderdale bakers to cry the streets on Good Friday with "Hot Cross Buns, one a penny, two a penny, Hot Cross Buns." But they were allowed to sell only before eleven o'clock. A curious custom, possibly with a religious significance.

The country districts, too, retained Packmen even in my extreme youth. He carried articles of underclothes and haberdashery (and, if you are too young to remember, that means pins and needles, thread, buttons and press-studs).

I remember my first swimming costume, a decorous affair with longish legs and half-sleeves edged in red, being bought from the Sowerby Packman.

The alternative was a long walk to tram or railways station, which mothers did about twice a year - once for Christmas and once for the entire outfitting of the family for Whitsun. Otherwise, occasional items like my demand for a swimming costume were met by the Packman.

In the town, especially on Saturday evenings, as I grew older and was allowed out, I recall a variety of street noises.

The local newspapers had to be prepared to work all hours to get out special editions if a crisis occurred after the last edition, which was usually about seven o'clock. The King's illness, a railway crash, the progress of the war, all these caused screaming boys to hurry through the streets yelling "Special." And of course there was the Sport Special - "The Green Final" - which came out late to catch football and other sporting results. These sports specials vanished with the coming of radio and TV but many men could make "The Green Final" compulsive reading for hours!

There were other town noises too; the Halifax Blind Society, if memory serves correctly - had a barrel organ as a collecting stand and somehow I associate it with Crown Street though doubtless the organ moved.

In these days of super-refined easy pouring salt in pretty containers, it is a far cry from how salt arrived in homes a couple of generations ago. The salt was in blocks rather larger than a building brick and needed the application of the rolling pin to get it to cookability size. The seller's visits were irregular, so every mum stocked up when he called. I think in the early days that salt came from Cheshire to that little hamlet on the Hebble we have learned to call "Salterhebble." He rang his little bell and yelled "Saaaaaaalt" and we knew there'd be no "playing out" until we'd filled the old stone jar kept for the purpose. But if salty fingers produced a rare thirst, there was always plenty of lemonade, either home made or from the "Pop Man," who called on Thursdays, New Delight was the firm's name and new delight it always was to us.

SUNDAY, 16TH JUNE

How did Father's Day start? Mother's Day has been celebrated for hundreds of years, but Father's Day is a little more recent.

The day probably originated in the US and there are several stories of how it started.

The most popular, and likely account, is that it started with woman called Sonora Louise Smart in Washington.

After her mother died in childbirth with her sixth child, her dad brought up the family.

In 1909, Sonora heard a speech in church about Mother's Day and thought dads should also be celebrated.

Several local clergymen accepted the idea and it's believed that 19 June 1910 was the first unofficial Father's Day.



ST. MALACHY'S NEWS

Our Parish Priest is Mgr Michael McQuinn

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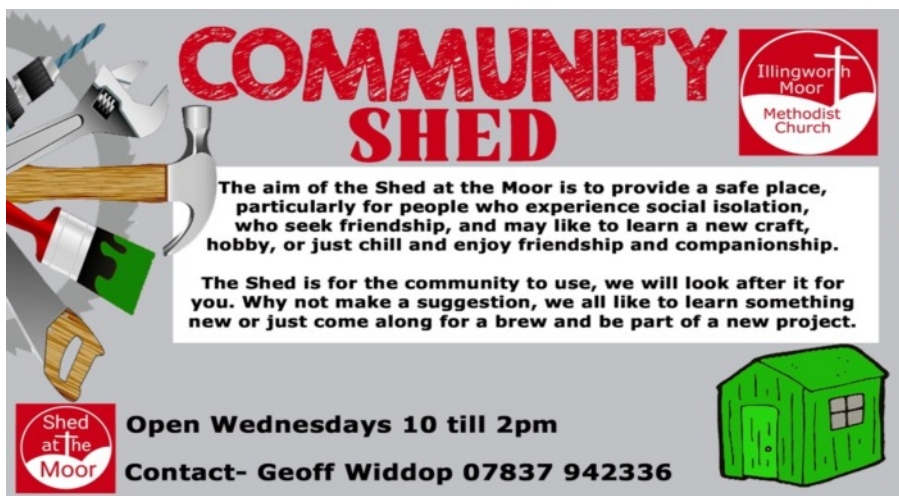
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COMMUNITY SHED

Illingworth Moor Methodist Church

The aim of the Shed at the Moor is to provide a safe place, particularly for people who experience social isolation, who seek friendship, and may like to learn a new craft, hobby, or just chill and enjoy friendship and companionship.

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Shed at the Moor

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Contact- Geoff Widdop 07837 942336

DO YOU FORGET WHERE YOUR KEYS OR WALLET ARE?

It may be irritating, but don't worry – it does not mean that you are losing your memory.

Instead, it is merely your brain forgetting them on purpose, so that it can store other information.

That is the verdict of two academics whose book *The Psychology of Memory*, sets out to explain why we forget some things that we assume we should always know.

Dr Megan Sumeracki and Dr Althea Kaminske argue that storing and retrieving information is far more complicated than people think.

Dr Kaminske of Indiana University School of Medicine said: "Because we are most aware of our memory when we have trouble remembering something, our intuitions about how memory works might be a little biased.

"For example, I spend an embarrassing amount of time looking for my phone, water bottle, and keys. You may be unsurprised to learn that our memory systems are not necessarily designed to remember where we put our phones. Or keys. Or water bottles.

Co-author Dr Sumeracki of Rhode Island College added: "A degree of forgetting is natural to allow the brain to remember more general information. Memory does not work like a recording device, they say, but 'more like a Wiki page' because details can be edited."



WHITEHILL ALLOTMENTS

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So says a new study out of North Carolina State University. It goes on to say that watching birds is even more beneficial to us than watching other forms of wildlife.

The new study found that birdwatchers' recorded 'distress' levels dropped by 13.7 per cent, compared to that of nature-walkers' at 6.9 per cent.

The study suggests that the reason may be that birds provide their own narrative and sense of drama, which can be enough to lift someone watching them out of the everyday.

The author and presenter Kate Humble agrees. "There is something reassuring about life continuing and nature just getting on with it, even if it feels like the rest of the world is falling to bits. Birdwatching makes me feel part of a bigger, richer, beautiful picture."

"Birds give me an excuse to explore and find some solitude and calmness away from the bustle of life," says James Lowen, author of *52 Wildlife Weekends*. "It helps put me in my place."

BEECHWOOD PARK CLEAN UP DAYS

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Saturday 28th September



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FORGET THE LIFT. USE THE STAIRS

Climbing stairs may be a hassle, but they could cut your risk of early death by a quarter. So says a recent major study on heart health.

The study was presented to the recent European Society of Cardiology conference, and said that people who climb stairs regularly can achieve a 39 per cent lower likelihood of dying from heart attack, heart failure and stroke.

One of the researchers, Dr Sophie Paddock, of the University of East Anglia and Norfolk and Norwich University Hospital Foundation Trust, in Norwich, said: "If you have the choice of taking the stairs or the lift, go for the stairs as it will help your heart."

"Even brief bursts of physical activity have beneficial health impacts, and short bouts of stair climbing should be an achievable target to integrate into daily routines."

Physical inactivity is associated with one in six deaths in the UK, according to a report compiled by the Office for Health Improvement and Disparities.

Dr Paddock said: "Based on these results, we would encourage people to incorporate stair climbing into their day-to-day lives. So, whether at work, home or elsewhere, take the stairs."



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WORDSEARCH



In order to keep a true perspective of one's importance, everyone should have a dog that will worship him and a cat that will ignore him. - Dereke Bruce

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ALL IN THE MONTH OF JUNE

It was:

100 years ago, on 8th June 1924 that George Mallory, British mountaineer, disappeared on Mount Everest. His body was found in 1999.

90 years ago, on 30th June 1934 was the Night of the Long Knives: Hitler's execution of a number of senior Nazi officials and hundreds of other (perceived) political opponents.

80 years ago, on 6th June 1944 that D-Day and the Normandy Landings took place. More than 150,000 Allied troops landed on the beaches of Normandy. The Battle of Normandy ended on 25th August. Allied victory.

Also 80 years ago, on 13th June 1944 that Germany launched the first V-1 flying bomb ('doodlebug') attack on London. 9,521 V-1s were fired at London and south-east England during the war.

75 years ago, on 8th June 1949 that George Orwell's novel *Nineteen Eighty-Four* was published.

70 years ago, on 7th June 1954 that Alan Turing, British mathematician, logician, cryptanalyst, and computer scientist died. Noted for his contributions to code-breaking during World War 2. Considered the father of theoretical computer science and artificial intelligence. Prosecuted for his homosexuality.

60 years ago, on 4th June 1964 that the Beatles' first world tour was held. Over two months they played 30 concerts in seven countries, beginning in Copenhagen.

50 years ago, on 28th June 1974 that chemists at the University of California, Irvine, published the first report that warned that chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs) could damage the Earth's ozone layer. CFCs were widely used in refrigerators, air conditioning systems and as aerosol propellants.

40 years ago, on 3rd to 6th June 1984 that Indian government troops stormed the Golden Temple in Amritsar, which was being held by a Sikh militant group. More than 1,000 people were killed, including the group's leader. The resulting anger and fighting led to the assassination of Prime Minister Indira Gandhi that autumn.

30 years ago, on 6th June 1994 that the highest individual score in first-class cricket was achieved. Brian Lara scored 501 not out while playing for Warwickshire against Durham. It is the only score of 500 or more in first-class cricket history.

25 years ago, on 8th June 1999 that former British cabinet minister Jonathan Aitken was sentenced to 18 months in prison for perjury and perverting the course of justice after he admitted lying during a libel action against The Guardian newspaper and Granada TV. He served seven months, and is the only British cabinet minister to have been imprisoned.

15 years ago, on 25th June 2009 that Michael Jackson 'the King of Pop', American singer, songwriter, and dancer, died of an anaesthetic overdose, aged 50.

10 years ago, on 29th June 2014 that the jihadist group Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIS or ISIL or Daesh) formally changed its name to the Islamic State and declared itself a caliphate. It was formed in 1999 as an affiliate of the terrorist organisation Al-Qaeda.



What a busy time. The cricket season has got off to a great start after the wet pre season. Indeed at times we have had some warm sunshine and hopefully there is more to come and what better place to watch or play cricket than Illingworth.

The senior teams have had a very positive start to the season. The 1st XI are in top position in the Premier League and have progressed to the 2nd Round of the Parish Cup but there are plenty of challenges to come in a long season. They are only just in front of Oxenhope, Thornton and Booth The 2nd XI are 5th in their league and a win in the first round of the cup and the 3rd XI are equal top of the league so there is much to celebrate but there is a long way to go.

Junior activity is underway with Under 9s, and 11s both taking part in the Halifax Junior League but we could still do with more players. Even if you have never played before there is still time to start. Junior training takes place on Friday evenings from 6.30 pm. All Stars Cricket has also started. It is all part of a fun Friday Night project on every Friday night into the Summer starting from 6.30 pm until 7.30 pm for 5-11 year olds to introduce both girls and boys to cricket and lots of other games and good exercise. Mums and Dads, Grandparents and friends are all welcome to come along and watch. The bar will be open so adults can enjoy a quiet drink at the same time.

Off the field there is always plenty going on.

Some of our old boys are making a name for themselves in the sporting world. Alex Lees and Durham CCC were involved in a vast run fest in their opening match at Edgbaston against Warwickshire. Lees began his season with a score of 145 which enabled him to reach 10,000 first class runs. Durham were responding to Warwickshire's 698-3 declared Durham's opening partnership fell 34 runs short of the 377* record set at the Oval in 1960 by Billy Ibadulla and another of Illingworth's former players Norman Horner.

In a different sport, football, another of Illingworth's former players Carl Rushworth could be a surprise name in England's Euro 2024 squad as the goalkeeper, on loan from Brighton to Swansea City continues to impress. He has just finished the season with two Swansea City Club awards and a big future is predicted for Carl.

Another past star Illingworth player Stuart Law has just been appointed as Head Coach of the USA national team for their upcoming three match T20 series against Bangladesh just ahead of the ICC T20 World Cup. We wish Stuart, who is still in regular contact with our club, all the best of luck in his latest venture.

New players, members, spectators, visitors and volunteers are always welcome. Come and have a look for yourselves at our facilities. The club will be open on Tuesday and Friday evenings and on match afternoons and for junior match evenings and we will be pleased to welcome you.

**Illingworth CC Home Fixtures for June/early July – All matches
1.00 pm start.**

Saturday, 1st June – 1st XI v Warley & Elland

Sunday, 2nd June – 2nd XI v SBCI 2nd Rd Crossley Shield

Saturday, 8th June – 2nd XI v Warley & Elland

Saturday, 15th June – 2nd XI v Great Horton PC

Sunday 16th June - 3rd XI v Blackley

Saturday, 22nd June – 1st XI v SBCI

Saturday, 29th June - 2nd XI v SBCI

Saturday, 6th July – 2nd XI v Bridgeholme

For more information have a look at our web site illingworthcc.co.uk or ring Andrew Smith on 07979-645379.

Andrew Smith

Club President

Sequence & Ballroom Dancing

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Everyone Welcome - Singles and Couples

Tuesdays and Thursdays 1.45 pm to 4 pm

£2.50 per person includes tea and biscuits

For more information ring 01422 248080

SMILE LINES



Advice to young clergy on preaching

‘Consider the postage stamp. Its usefulness consists in its ability to stick to one thing until it gets there.’

Descriptions

Dust: Mud with the juice squeezed out.

Inflation: Cutting money in half without damaging the paper.

Raisin: Grape with a sunburn.

Mosquito: An insect that makes you like flies better.

Beauty salon: Where women curl up and dye.

Cannibal: One who is fed up with people

Committee: A body that keeps minutes and wastes hours.

Newspaper headlines where you know what they meant, but....!

Couple Slain; Police Suspect Homicide

Red Tape Holds Up New Bridges

Man Struck by Lightning: Faces Battery Charge

New Study of Obesity Looks for Larger Test Group

Astronaut Takes Blame for Gas in Spacecraft

Kids Make Nutritious Snacks

Local High School Dropouts Cut in Half

Hospitals are Sued by Seven Foot Doctors

Typhoon Rips Through Cemetery; Hundreds Dead

Maths lesson

The only place where you can buy 64 avocados without anyone wondering why.

Keep it short

The minister stood up and said: “Good morning, ladies and gentlemen. You’ll be glad to know that when I asked my secretary to type this sermon out for me I asked her to eliminate any thing that was dull or confusing. So, in conclusion....”

Notices outside a church: *Worn out? Come in for a Service!*

This church is not just four weddings and a funeral.

With June weddings in mind

“If we did become engaged, would you give me a ring?” she said.

“Yes, of course!” he replied. “What is your number again?”

Mother-in-law *Young man asked to describe his mother-in-law: “Generally speaking, she’s generally speaking.”*

Weight *Signing the register at a wedding, the groom had difficulty in making his ball-point pen work. “Put you weight on it,” said the vicar. So the groom complied: ‘John Smith (twelve stone, four pounds)’*

Love *They say he married her because her aunt left her a fortune. He hotly denies it, saying that he would have married her whomever left her the fortune.*

Request *A clergyman phoned his rural dean. “I regret to have to inform you that my wife has just died. Could you please send me a substitute for the weekend?”*

With Fathers’ Day in mind...*I took the wife’s family out for tea and biscuits. They weren’t too happy about having to give blood though. - Les Dawson*

CONTACTING AN OLD FRIEND CAN BE NERVE-WRACKING

Have you been wondering about an old friend with whom you have lost contact? Do you feel a bit hesitant about contacting them again?

You are not alone.

It seems that rekindling an old friendship can be as nerve-wracking as speaking to a stranger, according to the findings of a recent study by the University of Sussex.

The study found that although nine in ten of us have lost touch with an old friend, and although we would greatly welcome a message from them, we personally feel nervous about making the first move.

The most common reasons are fear that the old friend might not want to hear from us, that it would be 'too awkward after all this time', and that we feel guilty that we had not been in touch before.

But Dr Gillian Sandstrom, a psychologist and Director of the Sussex Centre for Research on Kindness, said that the people who pushed past their hesitation and did reach out to an old friend reported feeling happier.

She said that past research suggests that old friends appreciate you reaching out, even more than you expect.



CAR BOOT SALE & TABLE TOP SALE AT OSCA FOUNDATION



Forest Cottage, Cousin Lane, HX2 8 AD

On Sundays 9th and 23rd June

Sellers arrive from 8 am Buyers start 8.30 am

Book your £10 table with Neil 07530874386.

If you prefer to sell outside you must provide your own table.

Light refreshments will be on sale



OSCA FOUNDATION (based at Forest Cottage, Cousin Lane, Halifax, HX2 8DA)

Activities to be held in JUNE

Monday: 6.30 pm to 8 pm Taekwondo

Monday: 6.30 pm to 9 pm (except Bank Holidays) **ANDY'S MAN CLUB**

Tuesday: 12 noon Walking Football (outside)

Tuesday: 2 pm to 4 pm Old Tyme / Modern Sequence Dancing

Tuesday: 6.30 pm to 8 pm Taekwondo

Wednesday: 6.30 pm to 8 pm Taekwondo

Thursday: 9.45 am to 10.45 am Keep Fit

Thursday: 2 pm to 4 pm Old Tyme / Modern Sequence Dancing

Thursday: 6 pm to 9 pm Youth Club 13 years –19 years

Thursday: Halifax Gateway Club 6.30 pm - 8.30 pm Enderby Hall

Floodlit All Weather 5 a-side football 3G pitch available for hire seven days a week at competitive prices.

Halifax Panthers Rugby League Open Age Ladies Team are now based at OSCA Foundation @ Forest Cottage. Fixtures will be held on Sunday afternoons at Four Fields on the OSCA Site.

Ovenden West Riding Junior Football Club at OSCA Foundation, Cousin Lane. Kick off times from 9.30 am through till 12 noon. Teams from u/7 through to u12 for both boys and girls. New and old players welcome. Contact Steve on 07727860731

Ovenden West Riding AFC Junior Football Club are inviting boys/girls at Reception & Year 1 age to commence training on Tuesday, June 4th at Forest Cottage at 5.15 pm. Training will be on their all weather pitch. All abilities welcome. For more information contact Amir Bashir 07711148026

Ovenden West Riding Girls' Football section are looking for new Lionesses to join their u/10 girls training squad. Girls need to be under 10 before August 31st 2023. More information about training contact Heath on 07961209093 or Nial on 07922089240.

Function rooms along with various rooms are available for hire at very competitive prices. Receptions, Funerals, Parties, any form of event can be catered for at very competitive prices.

For further information on all activities give Steve a call on 07727860731.

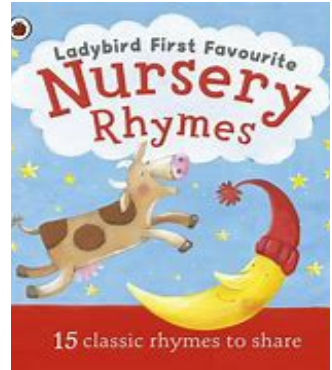
The OSCA Foundation would like to point out that despite the new development in the grounds of Forest Cottage all activities are continuing normally. The work is expected to last for around 12 months.

Editor: By the Revd Peter Crumpler, a Church of England priest in St Albans, Herts.

The wonderful world of Ladybird Books...

I'm really excited about a new exhibition running at my local museum this summer. It promises to prompt joyful memories of childhood for many older people – and maybe remind them of when they first learnt about Jesus.

‘The Wonderful World of the Ladybird Artists’ aims to “uncover the story of the talented artists who illustrated Ladybird books for more than 30 years.” It’s a fascinating exhibition that has already been staged in cities from Canterbury to Northumberland and is at the St Albans Museum until 8th September.



The organisers say: “This colourful, family-friendly exhibition includes rare books, original artwork and artefacts, and reveals how illustrators played such an enormous role in Ladybird’s extraordinary success.”

Ladybird Books also played a vital role in thousands of Sunday Schools and churches in the UK and many other English-speaking countries from the 1940’s until well into the 1970’s.

For many children and young people, these books were their first introduction to the Bible, with numerous parents, grandparents and carers reading them as bedtime stories. ‘Easy Reading’ versions helped many children read about Jesus for themselves.

I’ve been collecting some of the Bible-based copies of the Ladybird books from local charity shops, with titles such as ‘Stories about Jesus the Helper,’ ‘Children of the Bible’ and ‘Two Stories Jesus Told,’ featuring the classic parables, the Good Samaritan and The Prodigal Son. I’ve been struck by the faithful retelling of the Bible stories, and the quality of the illustrations.

These colourful books were a staple of many Scripture classes and Sunday School prize-giving and helped form the Biblical understanding of a generation of children. Today, the books have become very collectible, with prices on the rise.

Ladybird books were, naturally, a product of their times with, for example, the skin tones of Jesus and the apostles often lighter than what reality might have been. The books were produced for a time when Bible stories were more widely known, and families were routinely depicted as mum, dad, a son and a daughter.

In recent years, more bizarre incarnations of Ladybird Books – such as ‘The Ladybird Book of the Zombie Apocalypse’ – have introduced new audiences to the Ladybird style, with an ironic, comic twist.

Personally, I much prefer the originals!



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15th June 10 am -12 noon



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Tuesdays at 12 noon

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"Aiming to keep Calderdale fit and healthy"**

We have an exercise class at Forest Cottage every Thursday at 9.45 am

We have walk-it health walks of 60 - 150 minutes

Monday 1 pm Beechwood Medical Centre - 3rd June

Keighley Road Medical Centre, Illingworth - 10th June

Every Friday 10 am Illingworth Moor Methodist Church Approx. 4 miles



**All of our information is on our website
www.crewheartsupport.co.uk /
crewpartners.hsg@gmail.com**



The Local Activities (LA) Group in Illingworth and Bradshaw was formed specifically to improve the health and wellbeing of **people over 50 in this area of Halifax**. If you are interested in meeting new friends and doing new activities please get in touch:

Join us on Facebook: Illingworth & Bradshaw Local Activities Group /
Ring the Secretary on 01422 249070 / attend one of the activities

The Bowling Section of the LA Group meet every Monday at 10 am at Holmfield Bowling Club, Holmfield until the 30th September

We run day trips to the seaside or places of interest during the summer

THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES RUN EACH WEEK AND TAKE PLACE AT ILLINGWORTH MOOR METHODIST CHURCH, HX2 9LL

TUESDAYS

KEEP FIT from 10 am to 11 am £4.00

Not too hard, but not too easy!

This is a fun aerobic exercise class to get you fit and keep you healthy

NEW AGE KURLING from 11.15 am – 12.15 pm £2.00

Both the above activities are suitable for a range of abilities

SITTING DOWN PILATES from 11.15 am – 12 noon £3.50

WEDNESDAYS

CRAFTY CLUB from 10 am - 12 noon £2.00

Join the friendly group for knitting, sewing & card making .

Refreshments available from the Church cafe Cafe

THURSDAYS

INTERMEDIATE PILATES CLASS from 9.45 am – 10.45 am £4.00

BEGINNERS PILATES CLASS from 11 am – 12 noon £4.00

To improve core stability and strength

THE FIRST SESSION AT EVERY CLASS IS FREE

*****NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME AT ANY OF THE ACTIVITIES*****

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