



T'Owd Man's

# Mutterings

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## **Gardens Galore - anticipating Bonsall Open Gardens 2014**



*In folklore T'Owd Man is a spirit that inhabits mines and caves. T'Owd Man of Bonsall is a carved figure of a miner that was taken to Wirksworth when St James church was being refurbished in the 1860s. It was said that strange noises coming from the old Ball Eye mine at the end of Church St. were of T'Owd Man muttering.*

## CHURCH NEWS

They say life is but a vapour  
Just a blip on a radar screen  
Not the dates on your tombstone  
But the dash in-between (Chris Rice)

I cannot believe the speed of life.  
This month marks the halfway point  
of 2014. Where has the year gone?  
Have I achieved what I wanted, have  
I fulfilled the resolutions I started at  
the beginning of the year? Is life going  
the way I expected? Am I on target to  
becoming the person I want to be?

I don't know about you, but I want my  
life to count for something, and when  
I see how quickly life goes by, I am  
astounded again at how much time I  
waste and how little I have to show for  
my labour.

And I think it is not about our success,  
our social status, our possessions.  
Ultimately these things only give us a  
short-lived satisfaction. But for me it is  
about who and how I love people, how  
I raise my family, whether or not I am a  
positive force in the universe. The book  
of proverbs says 'As water reflects the  
face, so one's life reflects the heart.'  
Our lives are the scrapbooks of our  
character. What we do shows who we  
are.

What does your life show about you?

There was once a Native American  
chief who sat his grandson on his  
knee and said 'There are two wolves  
at battle in your heart. One who is evil,  
angry, proud and greedy. And one  
who is good, loving, happy and kind.'  
The grandson asked 'And which wolf,  
wins the battle?' The chief answered  
'Whichever wolf you feed the most!'

Which wolf are you feeding?

**Matthew Quinn**

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Tuesdays – Thursdays 9.30 am.

Sacrament of Reconciliation –  
Fridays 6.30–7 pm,  
Saturdays 10.30–11 am,

Adoration Thursdays  
and Fridays 7 am–11 pm

Contact Fr. Bernard Needham  
(582804)

There is a fortnightly newsletter  
listing ongoing events. On  
Sundays breakfast is available  
in the church hall after the 8.30  
Mass and tea/coffee and biscuits  
after the 10.30 Mass. All are  
welcome.

## CHURCH DIARY

### June

#### St James

- 1 9.30 am Morning Worship
- 8 9.30 am Eucharist
- 15 11.00 am Morning Worship
- 22 8.30 am Eucharist
- 29 9.30 am Eucharist

Volunteers are needed to clean the  
Church during the months of February  
- June and September. If you could  
help please contact Norma on 826350.  
Thank you.

The Church will be decorated with  
flowers and open for refreshments  
during the weekend of Open Gardens.  
Everyone is very welcome.

#### Village Life Church

- Sun 10.30 am Morning Worship
- 10.30 am UNO Sunday School
- Tues 9.30 am Prayer Meeting
- 7.00 pm Craft Club
- Wed 7.30 pm House group

Sunday June 1: Family Fun Service  
with lunch. 10.30 am start. All wel-  
come.

'Call in for Coffee' will be on Tuesday  
24 June 10 am – 12.00 pm. A warm  
welcome to everyone.

#### Wesleyan Reform Church

All Sunday Services during June are at  
6.15 pm

Friday 20 June 2.00 - 4.00 pm Cuppa &  
Cake Afternoon

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## OBITUARY

### Dorothy Smith

Born on 25 July 1921 in Darley Dale to parents Lillian and Stan, Dorothy was educated at Churchtown School. On leaving school she worked as a clippie on the Bakewell run of the Silver Service buses during the war. She met her husband, Allan, at a dance and they were married in St. Helen's Church, Darley Dale on 6 April, 1942. They moved to Bonsall in 1947 after Allan returned from the war and Dorothy lived on High Street for the next 66 years. She and Allan both loved ballroom dancing and went every week - Dorothy continuing to dance until she was 87. She was very particular about the appearance of her home, with fresh flowers in the windows and always carrying a duster in her apron pocket to flick away any specks of dust. She was also very particular about her appearance, with her hair done, make-up on and all her clothes matching. She enjoyed TV sports and quiz programmes; in fact anything that taxed her brain. When she was 91, Dorothy decided she would like to live at Valley Lodge Nursing Home and she spent the last year of her life there. She passed away on April 26, 2014. Her daughter Jenny adds: "Having spent most of her life on High Street, it was only fitting that she made her last journey from the home she loved. Thanks to everyone for the cards and donations to the Air Ambulance. Also a huge thank you to the Fountain Tearooms for the lovely buffet to celebrate Mum's life."

### Jennifer Doxey and family



## NOTICEBOARD

### Thank You

Following my recent stay in hospital, I would like to thank friends and neighbours for the cards, help and kindness shown as I continue to make a full recovery.

Regards,

**Jennifer Doxey**

### HELP for the Carnival needed 26 July

Bonsall carnival committee is a very small group of people who organize the carnival and the following week, even after calling on the help of our spouses, partners and children we don't have enough helpers. We greatly appreciate the loyal group of people who offer to help on the day and during the rest of the week, however, we really could do with more people.

Roles people could help with are:

- Stewarding Saturday and Friday
- Car parking at the mill
- Carnival stalls
- Setting up and clearing away
- Baking a cake for the village hall teas or scones for the marque on Sunday
- Marshalling events during the week

If you feel you could offer the odd hour or more please let a committee member know or ring Hazel 824724. Thank you.

We look forward to Carnival day and people can get involved by decorating their house, dressing up, entering a float or getting involved with a well dressing, which all helps to creating a wonderful atmosphere for young or old.

**Hazel Baldwin**

### Stalls on Carnival Day

If anyone would like a stall on the 26 July please contact Hazel on 824724.

**Hazel Baldwin**

### Found

Fujifilm camera lens cap found in fields above Ember Lane and High Street.  
Tel: 823243

**Claire**

## WHAT'S ON

### June

#### Kings Head

Pie Night - every Wednesday

Steak night - every Thursday

Karaoke - 14 and 28 June

Quiz night - every Sunday

#### Barley Mow

Film night - first Thursday of month

Open music session - every Friday from 9 pm

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See [www.barleymowbonsall.co.uk](http://www.barleymowbonsall.co.uk) for full details

### Carnival Lights and Fire

Would you like to help village children make their own lanterns, or perhaps you'd enjoy making your own giant lantern? Could you help us create a fabulous fire picture? If you have a little time to spare, please give me a call on 825267.

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### When we were young

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We drank water from the garden hose, not from a bottle. Take-away food was fish and chips - no pizza shops, Mac Donalds, KFC, Subway or Nandos. Even though all the shops closed at 5.00 pm and didn't open on a Sunday, somehow we didn't starve! You could only buy Easter eggs and hot cross buns at Easter time. We could collect old drinks bottles and cash them in at the corner shop to buy toffees, gobstoppers and bubblegum ... and we never ate a whole Mars bar. We ate cupcakes, white bread and real butter, milk from the cow, and drank soft drinks with sugar in them, but we weren't overweight because .... we were always playing outside! We rode bikes or walked to a friend's house, or just yelled for them! We would leave home in the morning and play all day, as long as we were back when the streetlights came on. No one was able to reach us and we were OK. We spent hours building go-carts out of old prams and riding them down the hill without brakes. We built tree-houses and dens and played in the streams. We did not have Playstations, Nintendo Wii, X-boxes, or video games; not 999 channels on SKY; no video/DVD films or colour TV; no mobile phones; no personal computers; no internet or chat rooms.... instead we had friends and went outside and found them! And only girls had pierced ears! We were given air guns and catapults for our 10th birthdays. We fell out of trees, got cut, broke bones and teeth without any lawsuits from these accidents. We ate worms and mud pies, and the worms did not live in us forever. Our parents told us to ask a stranger to

help us cross the road. Not everyone made the rugby/football/cricket/netball team and those who didn't had to learn to deal with disappointment. We had the freedom to fail or succeed, and responsibility, and we learned how to deal with it all. Our teachers hit us with canes and gym shoes and threw the blackboard rubber at us if they thought we weren't concentrating. We can string sentences together and spell and have proper conversations because of a solid three R's education. The idea of a parent bailing us out if we broke the law was unheard of. They sided with the law.

You might want to share this with others who had the luck to grow up before the lawyers and the Government regulated our lives for our own good. So forward it to your kids so they will know how brave their parents were.

**Unknown author** (spotted by **Peter Fellows**)



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## VILLAGE NOTICEBOARD

### Bonsall Carnival Easter Draw Held on Saturday 19 April

Thanks to everybody who partook in this draw. This includes prize donors (individuals and companies), ticket sellers and ticket buyers. There were 26 prizes of which 25 were donated.

The Carnival Committee provided the £50 first prize from takings and paid £30 for ticket printing. 757 tickets were sold with some donations and a very good and useful profit of £693 being made towards this year's Carnival Fund.

The winners were as listed below:

#### WINNERS DRAWN AT BARLEY MOW

1. £50 - Ticket No. 522 - Stacy Newton, Clatterway.
2. Meal for two @ Barley Mow - Ticket No. 280 - Mick Biggin, Church Street.
3. David Allsop's Meat Hamper - Ticket No. 725 - Martin & Vicky, Uppertown.
4. Family ticket to Haddon Hall - Ticket No. 534 - Shaw, Black Tor Road.
5. Tim Gilman's Home Products picnic hamper - Ticket No. 618 - Rickards, The Dale.
6. 2 tickets to Gulliver's Theme Park - Ticket No. 797 - H. Land - Study Drive.
7. Afternoon tea for two at the Fountain Tea Rooms - Ticket No. 641 - Hardy, Arter Hill.
8. Ian Daisley's Picture of Ladybower Dam - Ticket No. 341 - David Allsop, Study Farm.
9. Denby Visitor Centre Tickets - Ticket No. 299 - Chambers, Blakelow Farm.
10. Basket of Hollies Plant Centre - Ticket No. 486 - Jean Hardy, Nethergreen.
11. Family Ticket to Midland Railway, Butterley - Ticket No. 6 - Liz Payne, High Street.
12. Paint Ball Gift Voucher - Ticket No. 467 - Leanne Willmott - Yeoman Street.
13. Half an hour Drum Lesson with Andy Feeney of Pint of Mild - Ticket No. 317 - Walker, Brightgate Farm.

#### WINNERS DRAWN AT THE KING'S HEAD

1. Meal for two @ The King's Head - Ticket No. 65 - Callum Robinson, High Street.
  2. Standard Oil Change, Auto Engineering - Ticket No. 287 - Nora Brown, Moor Farm.
  3. Doro's Special Cake to the Value of £45 - Ticket No. 557 - Mick Boam, Clatterway.
  4. Paul Gould's PG Auto £25 Voucher - Ticket No. 273 - Clare Taylor, Ember Lane.
  5. Family Ticket for Chatsworth House - Ticket No. 464 - Icky Massey - Yeoman Street.
  6. Leigh's Special Bottle Prize - Ticket No. 270 - K. H. Lindsey, C/o King's Head.
  7. Two Tickets for Adults, Heights of Abraham - Ticket No. 66 - Mrs. Pugh, High Street.
  8. Two Adult Tickets to Crich Tramway Museum - Ticket No. 401 - Peter Pumpkin Eater, (Hopkinson) of Yeoman Street.
  9. Alistair Hamilton's Linocut Print - Ticket No. 432 - Andrew Lees, Uppertown.
  10. £10 Easter Egg - Ticket No. 249 - Mandy Brown, C/o King's Head.
  11. Fresh Chicken from Carline Butcher's, Cromford - Ticket No. 363 - D. Horsley, C/o Barley Mow.
  12. Mark's Cider - Ticket No. 268 - Julie, Pig of Lead.
  13. Paint Ball Gift Voucher - Ticket No. 324 - Phil Boam Jnr., Brum Lea Farm.
- Leigh Johnson  
(On behalf of Bonsall Carnival & Well Dressing Committee.)

#### Village well dressing 2014

Last year the village produced seven fantastic wells and we hope to do at least the same again this year. The making of the wells takes place during the week prior to carnival weekend. Do visit during the week to watch or lend a hand in producing the wells, as you can imagine they are quite time consuming and any spare time you have would be gratefully received, or just come along to see how it's done.

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We are fortunate to live in an area  
where this ancient tradition takes place  
and in years to come a new generation  
of well dressers will be needed to  
continue it so pop in! Look out for  
where the wells are being constructed  
In July's issue, meanwhile do contact  
myself, Marion (Heasman) if you have  
any questions. 821816

**Marion Heasman**

## Bonsall Open Gardens Weekend 28/29 June.

Thank you so much for the response  
we have had to open your gardens. We  
have to date 22 gardens that will open.  
The allotments are going to fire up  
the new pizza oven and dispense free  
pizzas on the Saturday between 1.30  
- 3 pm, the church will have a flower  
display, the school with refreshments  
and grounds open, 5 peep overs  
and one peep in, and an antiques  
emporium in Uppertown. No prizes for  
who is behind that! So lots to look at  
and hopefully it will bring in the crowds.

We have an article in Derbyshire Life  
Magazine next month about the village  
and its gardens so make sure you read  
it. Now we just have to pray for good  
weather.

If anyone would like to help sell tickets  
at the Fountain please let us know as  
we need volunteers.

**Olly Gerrish**

## The Bonsall Opera. Saturday 28 June at St James's Church

This is the third year of the Bonsall  
opera and it is gathering strength.

This year we have Oliver Gerrish  
(counter tenor) and Meeta Raval  
(soprano) who have now formed the  
New Georgian Opera which performs  
opera galas to raise awareness for  
historic buildings and the Bonsall  
barns in this case! Neil Clarke will be  
performing once again on the piano.

The funds raised will go towards the  
Bonsall Field Barn Project and the  
Derbyshire Historic Buildings Trust.

Tickets can be purchased beforehand  
by emailing [oliviagerrish@gmail.com](mailto:oliviagerrish@gmail.com) or  
telephoning Olly on 01629824408.

They will be available at the Barley  
Mow pub too. Tickets cost £15 each  
and include wine and canapes in the  
interval.

For more details on the events  
please look at the website  
[bonsallopengardens.co.uk](http://bonsallopengardens.co.uk) which is  
being updated.

We hope that together these events will  
bring a big response and will not only  
raise funds for the village but will be a  
lot of fun !

**Olly Gerrish and Liz Stoppard**

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## PARISH & DISTRICT COUNCIL

### Report from Bonsall Parish Council

The Annual Parish Meeting was held on 20 May at Bonsall Village Hall and is an opportunity for any parishioner to attend and raise issues they wish the Parish Council to consider.

Residents from Grangemill and Ible attended the meeting to raise awareness of the proposed erection of 5 Wind Turbines at Manystones Lane, Brassington. The residents have concerns that the proposal will overdevelop the area in terms of wind turbines and the proposal will effectively fill the skyline in Grangemill with turbines and cause shadow flickering in all the houses in the Hamlet as all houses face towards the ridge the turbines will be placed on.

Bonsall Parish Council are being consulted on this Planning Application and Councillors wanted to make sure residents of Bonsall are aware of the application and have the opportunity to make their views heard at the Planning Committee meeting. Information and the application can be found by visiting <https://planning.derbyshiredales.gov.uk/online-applications>. You have to click on the search button and then select 'simple search' and type 'Manystones Lane' into the search box. If any resident has trouble accessing the planning application in this way please contact the Clerk who will arrange a copy of the documents for you.

Cllr Lane gave her report thanking her fellow Councillors and the Clerk for their work over the past 12 months working to provide some direct services for residents and local groups and brightening the village with the flowers and the Christmas lights. Cllr Lane paid tribute to the recently retired Finance Officer, Derek Robertson, and

welcomed the new Finance Officer, Tony Payne, noting the seamless transition. Cllr Lane thanked Leigh Johnson for his work as Village Handyman and general problem solver, Mick Biggin who continues to maintain the beautiful, eco friendly Churchyard and Peter Spencer who ensures we have, in Cllr Lane's opinion, the best kept footpaths in the county. Our District and County Councillors, Bob Cartwright, Garry Purdy and Irene Ratcliffe who attend our meetings, providing updates on matters affecting the village and deal with issues affecting the village promptly and efficiently – we note the prompt arrival of the sandbags! Cllr Lane thanked them on behalf of Bonsall Parish Council for their help and support over the year.

The Parish Council has now taken on responsibility for the toilets in Bonsall on a lease basis so they will remain open for residents and visitors throughout the year.

Finally as usual there are vacancies on the Parish Council and we would be delighted to welcome anyone who would be willing to give a couple of hours a month to extend the work of the Parish Council on behalf of the village. If you are interested please contact the Clerk or any Councillor for more information.

The Annual Parish Meeting was followed by the Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council where Cllr Lane and Cllr Pountain were re-elected as Chair and Vice Chair respectively.

DCC Cllr Ratcliffe, DDDC Cllr Cartwright and The Clerk are to undertake a walk around the village to identify work required on the roads, this will be reported back at the June meeting – as usual if you have any

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The planning application for the proposed affordable housing in Uppertown is due to be submitted within the next few weeks. Any residents who wish to keep an eye on the Derbyshire Dales Website Planning portal can do by visiting <https://planning.derbyshiredales.gov.uk/online-applications> clicking on the search button and using the search term 'Uppertown Bonsall'. The issue will be debated at the first available Parish Council meeting after the application is available and Isabel Frenzel from DDDC plans to attend as well to answer any questions.

Residents will note that a sealed bid auction is to take place for the old

Churchyard mower, please see the advert separately in this issue for more details.

Bonsall Parish Council are urgently looking for a willing resident to take on the paid responsibility for cleaning the toilets. The job should take no more than an hour a week. Please contact the Clerk if you are interested.

Councillors also wished to publically thank Robert Newton for his continued support in carrying out the internal audit - a critical piece of work in ensuring the smooth running of the Parish Council and his efforts are very much appreciated.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Tuesday 17 June at 7.30 pm at the Village Hall. The agenda can be found on the village noticeboards the previous week and if you would like to attend to raise any matter, please feel free to do so.

## Catherine Rawas

Clerk to Bonsall Parish Council  
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## STOP PRESS

### Euro Election Results

Seat 1 - UKIP - Roger Helmer  
Seat 2 - Conservative - Emma McClarkin  
Seat 3 - Labour - Glenis Willmott  
Seat 4 - UKIP - Margot Parker  
Seat 5 - Conservative - Andrew Lewer

### Parish Councillors

If you have any concerns or requests of the Parish Council, they should ideally be raised in Public Participation section of the monthly meeting. If however there is an urgent matter, while individual councillors will try to assist, a direct response is better achieved by contacting the Clerk to the Parish Council direct:

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**Chair:** Cllr Dorothy Lane,  
55 High Street, T: 824941

**Vice-Chair:** Cllr Denise Pountain,  
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### Councillors:

Cllr Terry Henderson, 17 High Street, Bonsall, T: 825782  
Cllr Veronica Addis, Dale House, The Dale T: 826309  
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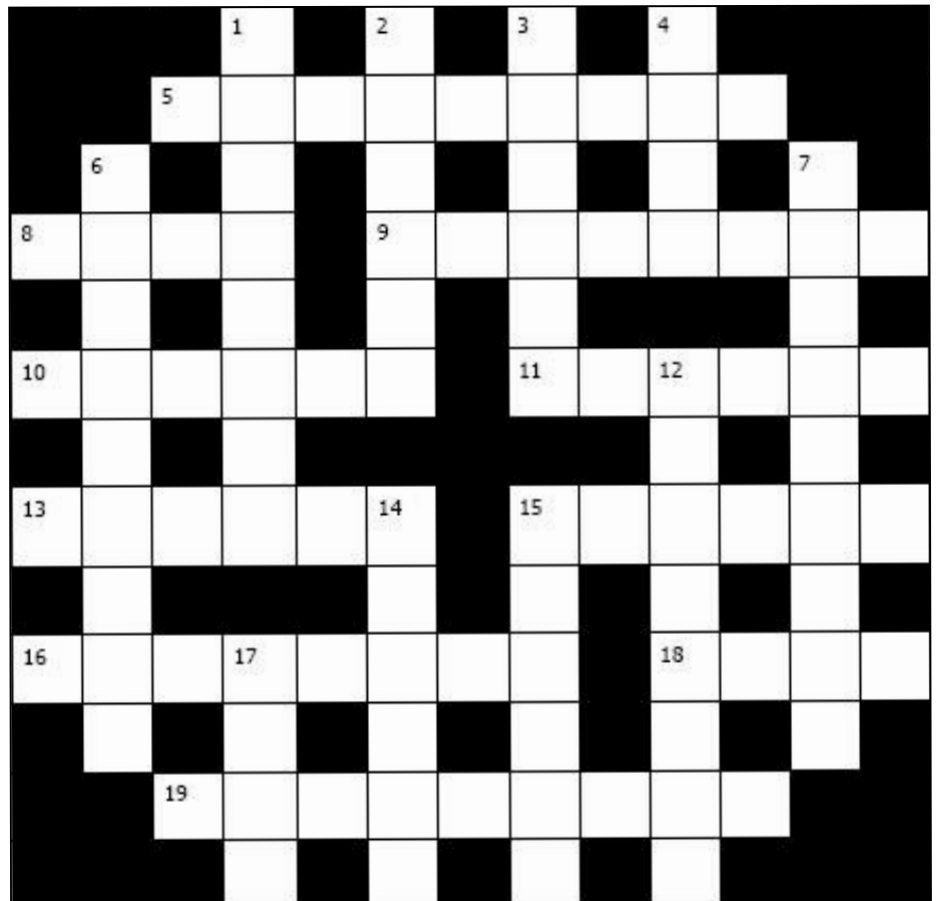


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## CROSSWORD No 51



### Across:

5. As yobs, men run riot - being randy  
dicks, possibly. (4,5)  
8. Rave about Lynn maybe? (4)  
9. Inside, Alistair is a dreamer. (8)  
10. One of 5. Scottish lover inhales  
gas, losing energy. (6)  
11. One of 5. Roald Dahl involved? Yes,  
if he gets rid of lad. (6)  
13. Priest in church could be charming  
and black..... (6)  
15. ....but when added to this, could be  
the future George IV. (6)  
16. Sounds as though the pub ponged -  
at least, that's my gut-feeling. (8)  
18. Seen back inside - naked,  
undressed? Yes! (4)  
19. Voluptuously, little Sarah soaks up  
hazy sun with ecstasy. (9)

### Down:

1. One of 5. Correction: haj at noon,  
NOT afternoon. (8)  
2. Northerner seen in Jane's kimono!  
(6)  
3. One of 5. Soldiers captured in old  
enclosure. (6)  
4. One of 5 who gets out of line! (4)  
6. One of 5 showing prince, queen,  
earl, king in Spain. (9)  
7. Move, please, and walk by the sea.  
(9)  
12. One of 5. Guttled land supports  
queen. (8)  
14. One of 5 who sounds serious. (6)  
15. Grab at dissolute rotter. (6)  
17. He's into one of 5. Yes! (4)

### Answers to Crossword no. 50.

Across: 5. Disoblige. 8. Lima. 9. Bagheera. 10. Stubby. 11. Thisbe. 13. Dorrit. 15.  
Breast. 16. Jane Eyre. 18. Ahab. 19. Character. Down: 1. Micawber. 2. Dombey  
(NK in donkey replaced by MB). 3. Blight. 4. Ogre. 6. Fictional. 7. Tribesman  
(anag. of breast & 1 & mn). 12. Icewater. 14. Tuyere. 15. Bleach. 17. Echo. (these  
last two clues were inadvertently omitted)

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