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T'Owd Man's Mutterings



A new T'Owd Man image for Bonsall

The new T'Owd Man image created by Brett Biedscheid. More details inside on page 5.



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 DIARY

St James

May 2019

5 9.30am Morning Worship

12 9:30am Eucharist

19 11:00am Morning Worship

26 9.30am Eucharist

Village Life Church

Sunday 10:30am Morning Worship

10:30am UNO Sunday School

Monday 6:00pm Prayer Meeting

Tuesday 2:00pm Craft Club

Wednesday 7:00pm House group

Family Funday Sunday
will be on Sunday 2 June
10:30am to 11:30am followed
by lunch at 12:00pm

Our coffee morning is on
Tuesday 28 May 10am to 12pm.
A warm welcome to everyone.

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CHURCH NEWS

It's Easter as I write and what a glorious time; life is bursting out all around us. No wonder many visitors come to enjoy the peace and beauty of Bonsall. We have welcomed a new vicar to St James Church, the Rev Carla Vincencio Prior. She is busy settling into life in the Wirksworth Team Ministry and Bonsall in particular, and hopes to contribute to the next edition of Mutterings.

All over our nation and the world life is in upheaval. Quite by chance, I found a poem I was sent 40 years ago, based on Psalm 139; a favourite Psalm which is a challenge and a comfort - "God knows everything about me; His hand guides and supports me; He knit me together in my mother's womb; recorded all my days in His book before I was born; as I trust He will guide me in the everlasting way" This applies to everyone all over the world!

"Twixt gleams of joy and clouds of doubt our feelings come and go; our best estate is tossed about in ceaseless ebb and flow. No mood of feeling, form of thought, is constant for a day; But You O Lord, You change not; the same You are always. I grasp Your strength, make it my own, my heart with peace is blest; I lose my hold and then comes down darkness and cold unrest. Let me no more my comfort draw from my frail hold of Thee; in this alone rejoice with awe, Your mighty grasp of me. Your purpose of eternal good let me but surely know; On this I lean, let changing mood and feeling come or go; glad when your sunshine fills my soul, nor desolate when clouds are overcast; since You within Your sure control of love, does hold me fast." John Campbell Sharp.

Judy Land

Wesleyan Reform Chapel, The Dale

Sunday service are at 6.15 pm during May.

Sunday 12 May 6.15 pm we have a London City Missionary with us.

Friday 17 May 2.00 - 4.00 pm Cuppa and Cake

All are welcome to share with us.

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(See Newsletter)

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p.m.

Contact Fr. Robbie O'Callaghan
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listing ongoing events.

Our Lady and St. Joseph's Church 1 St. Joseph Street, Matlock

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Sundays 10.30 a.m.

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday
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Friday 6.00 p.m.

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CHURCH FLOOD- LIGHTING

This month is special for Glen Griffiths when he lovingly remembers Steph particularly on the 7 May.

May 30 is when John Taylor, Wendy, Neil and their families remember Rita on her birthday with much love.

If anyone is still to make their donation for the lighting could they please send it to me as soon as soon as possible, and I will publish the total contributions in next month's edition.

This is the last month the spire will be lit, so please let me know by the middle of August if anyone would like to name a family member or friend to be included in the September edition.

Di Moor

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LETTERS



I was pleased to see the update in the March 2019 Parish Council minutes on action(s) being taken to address concerns regarding vehicle speeds in our village and welcomed the further positive discussions at the April meeting. Having spoken to many villagers, I am aware of the shared concern regarding this issue, in terms of the safety of pedestrians, cyclists and pets / wildlife, the environmental impact of noise / vibration and the negative impact on people's health, well-being and quality of life.

20sPlenty is an initiative gathering pace, nationally and internationally, to limit traffic speed in residential areas, both urban and rural. Hopefully over time we can realise the full benefits of this initiative in Bonsall and I very much welcome the Parish Council's commitment to, and raising awareness of this important issue. I would hope that in time the normal speed within the boundary of our village is accepted as 20mph.

Over the last couple of weeks, I personally have witnessed three 'near misses' in the village, all due, at least in part, to vehicles travelling at an inappropriate speed. These were on Yeoman Street, Clatterway and Black

Tor Road. The speed at which some vehicles travel up and down Clatterway and through Nethergreen is entirely inappropriate, having little regard for other road users or for local residents. The same applies on Black Tor and, it is clear from talking to others, in other parts of the village including The Dale, Yeoman Street and High Street. Sadly it appears that the drivers concerned are often village residents.

Perhaps we could adopt the mantra of "drive past others homes as I would wish others to drive past mine". Together we can make Bonsall an even better and safer place to live.

Many thanks

Colin Draycott

I have had what I believe is a very good idea to help Bonsall to take back ownership of the image of T'Owd Man.

All the villages in certain parts of England (e.g. Suffolk and Sussex) have rather nice big village signs at the entry points by road, bearing the name, arms and related images.

Bonsall could have two of these proudly showing T'Owd Man.

They could be funded by donation and any help the council might offer.

It is vital that we stop Wirksworth from monopolising the image (and now making money from the branding too).

I speak as a former resident of Wirksworth - I suppose that I am poacher turned game-keeper!

Kevin Botting

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Christian Aid Week

Christian Aid week this year is 12 May - 18 May.

Please be generous when collectors call at your homes.

Anyone willing to help with collecting and delivering envelopes please contact **Krystina Johnson** Tel. 823591.

CARNIVAL NEWS 2019

A huge thank you.

I am a relative newcomer to the village, but I remember clearly that the summer before we moved here we attended the carnival and were blown away by the event. The weather was glorious and there was a fantastic community feeling and energy which only made us more sure that our decision to move here was the right one. Now six years later I find myself (as chair of the carnival committee), writing to you about some of the people who made it possible on that day seven summers ago, all the summers since and for many summers before that one. Richard Webster, Hazel Baldwin and Mark Sobey have given, between them, over 50 years of commitment, time, energy, expertise and dedication, to not just the Saturday but to the week-long calendar of events that this village enjoys every year. I can't do the maths but that is thousands of tireless hours.

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stand down, and I wanted to say a huge thank you to them all on behalf of the carnival committee and the village for what they have done over the years to make Bonsall Carnival week one of the highlights of the year for us all. 'Thank you !'

Publicity Officer

Last year, also sadly saw Tash step down from her position and she was invaluable as our 'publicity officer'. So we are in need of someone who would be happy to take on that role for us, as all the present members of the committee already have jobs that they take on to make the week 'happen'. Tash has left with us all the information that she gathered, contacts etc., but someone with a bit of time who would be happy to send some emails and contact the press on our behalf etc. would be greatly appreciated! We only meet once a month as a committee there are only three meetings left until July. Please do get in touch if you would be happy to give us a hand.

Help

Needless to say any physical help on the Friday before carnival and on the day and beyond would be greatly appreciated and is vital if we are to have all the things in place that you are used to seeing. But there are also behind the scenes admin' jobs, that don't take too long, and can be done at home if that is more convenient. Any help is gratefully received.

Our Carnival does not just happen, it only works because of the time and dedication that the committee

and its supporters give, in both the lead up to, and throughout Carnival week, so a big thank you to you all !

Do get in touch if you think you can help in any way, thank you.

Marion Heasman

The Queens Head 821816

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Well Dressing..... was it you ?

As usual our fantastic village well dressings will be on show for carnival week. Last year someone in Uppertown mentioned to a carnival committee member that they would be interested in doing a well in Uppertown this year. However we can't recall who it was – was it you ? If so please give me a ring on 821816 and we can get it organised. It has been a couple of years since Uppertown had a well and it would be nice to have one there again this year. On that note does anyone remember where the well board for Uppertown is to save making a new one, thank you.

If anyone else interested in lending a hand and a bit of time with the well dressing this year then there are a number to choose from and anyone one of the folk who produce them would be pleased to see you I know, do ring me and I'll put you in touch with someone.

Marion Heasman 821816

Bonsall Seniors Outing Saturday 6 July 2019.

By the time you read this notice your invitation for the trip will already have been delivered to your door and you are advised to book your place on the coach early as numbers are restricted to 53 this year. The latest date to book is 17 May but it is advisable to book well before this date to ensure availability.

If there is anyone that feels they qualify (60 years and over) who would like to be included on our contact lists / invitations for the outings and Xmas parties etc. please let Di Moor, Linda Cauldwell, Ann Hambly, Pat Spencer, Jenny March or Ron or Janet Brown know.

Ron Brown

Bonsall Seniors Committee

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Friends of T'Owd Man of Bonsall

The Friends of T'Owd Man met in April and everyone agreed that Brett Biedscheid's copyrighted image of T'Owd Man was excellent; our thanks to Brett. This will hopefully be used by village organisations and on village publications (email me if you'd like a copy of the image).

Two of the group were recently interviewed by Radio Derby, broadcast on March 29, which included a contribution from the Wirksworth Heritage Centre Manager. He was asked: "Is it, to an extent, rubbing salt into the wounds of the good people of Bonsall that Wirksworth does seem to have taken this symbol as a bit of its own badge?" He replied "I think you've got to look at it from the point of view of trying to put this whole area on the map and, if we've got an icon which brings people into the area and gets them talking about something, which is clearly a piece of great antiquity, ... then it's doing everybody a good deal and we're all benefitting from it."

The group considers that it is certainly 'doing a good deal' for Wirksworth at the moment, but the benefits to Bonsall are not at all obvious. To correct this, the group is planning further activities to raise peoples' awareness of the proper connection of T'Owd Man to the village. These include a website (www.towdmanofbonsall.org.uk) and the existing Facebook page (www.facebook.com/Bonsalltowdman) will be linked to a Twitter account (@Bonsalltowdman). The group can also now be contacted by email at towdmanofbonsall@gmail.com.

We are hoping that well-dressers can incorporate T'Owd Man's image in their designs, someone dressed as T'Owd Man for the Carnival procession, and possibly a T'Owd Man flag for the Park. The idea of a T'Owd Man walking history trail has received support and the group will be looking to raise funds to research, design and print the leaflets and, if sufficient funds are available, produce story-boards. The group has also produced a petition, and households will be asked if they would like to sign it over the next few weeks, so look out for someone knocking on your door with a clipboard.

The group has received encouragement from the Parish Council and will research the viability of new village signs that depict T'Owd Man of Bonsall. The group will discuss

possible designs and sources of funding at the next meeting at the Kings Head on Wednesday 1 May at 8.00 pm. So if you'd like to be involved in promoting the village's heritage, please come along.

Peter Fellows, on behalf of the Friends of T'Owd Man (of Bonsall).

Village Lunch

This month the village lunch menu was mini-Yorkshire puddings with chicken casserole, peas, carrots and new potatoes, followed by pear crumble and custard. All was delicious and enjoyed with a cup of tea afterwards while stretching the brains with the quiz. Well done to John Sewry's table with a score of 22/26 !

Next month the lunch will be on Wed 15 May so please ring 826309 by Wed 8 May to book your place (if you did not complete the sign-in sheet circulated during the April meal).

Please mention if you have any special food requirements so we can cater for everyone.

Looking forward to seeing you.

Jenny March

PS. Do you have any rhubarb to spare in your garden or allotment? If you have any please call Kay on 821837 because we'd like some for the next Village Lunch.

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Filming in Bonsall

As a retired Educational Media Producer, I am now working on a long-held idea to write and produce a DVD documentary about the four hundred year history of my Bonsall-based family. I do not want it to be a "Who do you think you are" type documentary, but one that tries to show the ordinary lives of the generations of the Frost family who were lead miners, agricultural labourers, spinners and framework knitters, living and toiling in the area until the coming of the free school and the Midland Railway, which opened up new occupations and life opportunities. The documentary will not be a commercially-funded project, just something I have always wanted to do, with the aim of showing today's younger (and future) generations just how different and harder the lives of people in a typical rural Derbyshire family often were.

So during this spring and summer, I would like to film in the Bonsall area, using both drone and ground-based cameras. My colleague doing the drone photography is an approved drone pilot and we will act in a responsible and professional way. At all times, I intend to respect people's privacy and will be filming only from public spaces unless granted permission to film elsewhere. The footage will only be used for my film, but if you have any concerns about my filming in your area, please get in touch with me.

Members of the Bonsall History Group are greatly helping me by providing



(Above) Frost House at Slaley and (inset) Mike Frost

images and information, for which I would like to thank them. I will be donating all the footage I shoot to their archives for use as they see fit. When finished, I hope to have the documentary readily available at a price that covers duplication costs.

Mike Frost 01773 744910,
mikefrost137@gmail.com

A Bird Walk

Saturday 4 May. 8.00am

**Top of the Dale - outside
Wesleyan Reform Chapel**

Why not get out with someone who can identify the songbirds which you see and hear around you. Now is the time! Resident of The Dale, Mark

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Parish Council Report for April

Report for 16 April meeting

Slinter top Quarry: a large residents' group spoke to express their concern at recent levels of noise, dust and disturbance associated with current activity at Slinter Quarry, and expressed fears of this continuing or worsening if planning permission were granted.

A resident of Church St. said that his home was 1200 yards due north of the quarry and, with the prevailing wind from SW, he was able to hear every aspect of pecker and machinery use on the site, and that Bonsall was unique in the Peak District in that no other quarries have areas of population to the north where sound would be carried by the prevailing wind.

A resident of the Clatterway questioned the need for the extension in view of existing limestone resources and minimal mineral extraction – the Peak District National Park had commented that there was no transport of minerals to Cavendish Mill from the site. Also the current use of the site was causing huge mental disturbance – they were unable to open windows and that windows were constantly covered in fine dust which raised concerns for health. Another resident said that in recent weeks, plumes of dust were visible from the site, and several others reiterated their own concerns about quarry dust in the village and the health impact including for children.

A resident stated that it was not possible to escape the noise from the site by going inside the house as it was still audible and disturbing.

A resident commented on the employment case that had been made for extending the quarry but said that this failed to address the employment impact in the village; 'it will kill the tourist trade in Bonsall stone dead'. Several people made the point that when the quarry was operating it was difficult or impossible to work from home and that this would have long-term implications for village employment.

A resident of Black Tor Road said that they had a 'ringside seat' to view and hear quarry operations as the quarry face was reflecting sound directly back into Bonsall, and expressed concern that there did not appear to be a noise management plan for current

activities or as part of the planning application for future extension.

There was discussion of the fact that the current works on construction of the top bench access were said to have been temporary and to end in May 2018, but that they still appeared to be continuing. Also that activity appeared to already be extending into the area covered by the proposed planning permission. A resident said that he had observed that a lot of the activity in recent weeks is due to moving stone from one side of the quarry to the other, which created constant noise, and at the top right corner of the site a drilling machine had been in use for two weeks, again apparently into the extension area.

Cllr Grover said that there were now 53 pages of comments from Bonsall residents on the planning website. These covered a range of issues including The Pre-Planning and Consultation Process, Ecology and Noise, Conservation Area impact, Tourism and Employment, Quality of Life and Health, Visual impact, World Heritage site impact, and Dust Health and Pollution; and that none of these issues appeared to have been properly addressed in the planning process.

There was also discussion about recent comments by the County Council Planning Enforcement Officer in relation to noise levels, where the official measurement process said that noise was within permitted limits, but that this did not match the experience of residents.

District Cllr Garry Purdy said that he had reviewed the position following a recent complaint and that as a result he was submitting his views to the County Council to raise objections to the planning application.

Councillor Purdy said that in his view

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 directly:

Chair: Cllr Mark Harris, Stepping Lodge, Bell Lane, T: 820285
sandraandmarkharris@btinternet.com

Vice-Chair: Phil Addis
Dale House, The Dale. T 826309
phil.addis@btinternet.com

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Cllr Denise Pountain
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Cllr Richard Grover
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Clerk and Finance Officer:

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there also appeared to be management issues in relation to the current activities on the site, and that he would pass on the concerns of residents about current use to Tim Braund, Head of Regulatory Services at the District Council. The Parish Council agreed to do the same, and also to pass on

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those concerns to the County Council and to ask for a site visit so that the problems could be understood.

Twenty's Plenty: the signs have now been printed (thanks again to Ken Clark) and two signs were displayed at the meeting. They should start to go up in the next few weeks; anyone wanting to offer their garden or land as a site please contact the Clerk.

White Low Motocross: the Council heard a complaint from a village resident that they had picked two bin bags of litter from Leys Lane and the surrounding area following the weekend's site use. Another resident reported that the Bonsall Moor Motocross Facebook page now showed opening during the day on Wednesdays and Fridays as well as the usual weekend days, plus a Tuesday evening children's session.

The complainant also reported that on the Tuesday of the meeting the site was being used for a private hire session, which they said meant there would only potentially be one unused day in the next 7 days.

The Council agreed to write to the Peak District National Park Authority to express the view that the use of the site had changed significantly since the new operator had taken over, in terms of frequency and length of use, the number of vehicles and bikes now on site, the noise, litter and disturbance to residents and the environment, and in terms of increased traffic using the village to get to the site. The Authority were asked to take action to stop the current level of activity, and return to the original, in the interests of the village environment and of the national park.

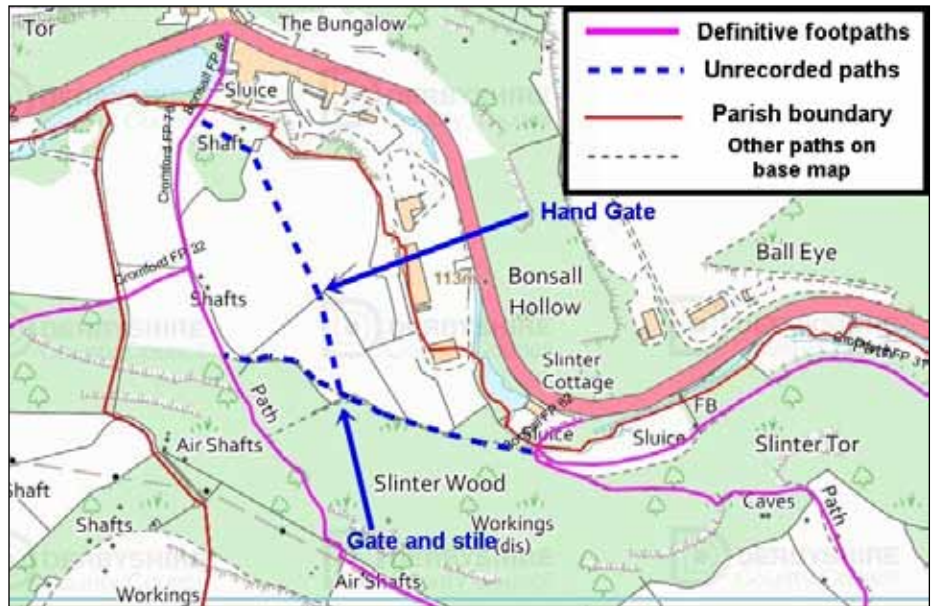
T'Owd Man: the Council approved a sign to go next to the T'Owd Man at the Bandstand explaining the history.

Carnival Procession Drumming

Project: the Council agreed a grant of £150 towards the cost of the project.

Annual Financial Return: the Council approved the 2018-19 accounts and the report for the external auditors. Many thanks to Robert Newton for his voluntary work again in carrying out an internal audit of the Council's finances.

Footpath at Cromford; claiming rights of way: a request has been received from the Peak and Northern Footpaths Society for evidence to support a claim for two paths at the Via Gellia Mill.



Anyone wishing to help on this claim with evidence of using these paths should contact the Peak and Northern Footpaths Society on 0161 4803565 or email mail@pnfs.org.uk

The next meeting will be the Annual Parish Meeting at the village hall on Tuesday 21st May at 7.00pm. The suggested topics for discussion at the meeting are 1) the role of a community trust to manage existing and future village assets; and (2) a Bonsall village sign: ideas for design.

That is followed by the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council at 7.30pm on 21st May. If you have any issues to be raised at the meeting please contact the Clerk Tony Payne with details by 13th May.

Work on the park bank: Councillors recorded thanks to Pete Spencer for his work to improve the bank and in repairing and restoring the benches.

Photo : DCC-map PC Cromford Paths

Full details of the meetings can be found in the minutes on the Parish Council page of the village website at www.bonsallvillage.org/, or on the village noticeboards.

Clerk and Finance Officer: **Tony Payne**
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email bonsallclerk@gmail.com.

Grass Cutting at the Park

The Parish Council will be taking on the maintenance of the park in the next few weeks, including grass cutting on the recreation ground.

Anyone interested in applying to undertake this work for the Parish Council please contact Tony Payne on 01629 822311 or email: bonsallclerk@gmail.com.



Pete Spencer on one of the repaired benches

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Matthew Quinn	07988 071682
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Melissa Welbourne	826303
Bonsall Community Library	
St James' Church Phil Heasman	821816
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Carnival Committee	
Marion Heasman	821816
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Chris Broome	824512
Cromford Playgroup	
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Hayley Capewell	07773 149935
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Open Gardens Ollie Gerrish	824498
Pigeon Club Gordon Hardy	823549
School Head Lesley Murhall	822573
PTFA Marion Heasman	07841 619675
School Foundation	
Clerk, Norma Rickards	822257

RESOURCES

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- £16 – both floors

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 - £30.00 for non-village organisations
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 - £20.00 for non-village organisations but not screening a film
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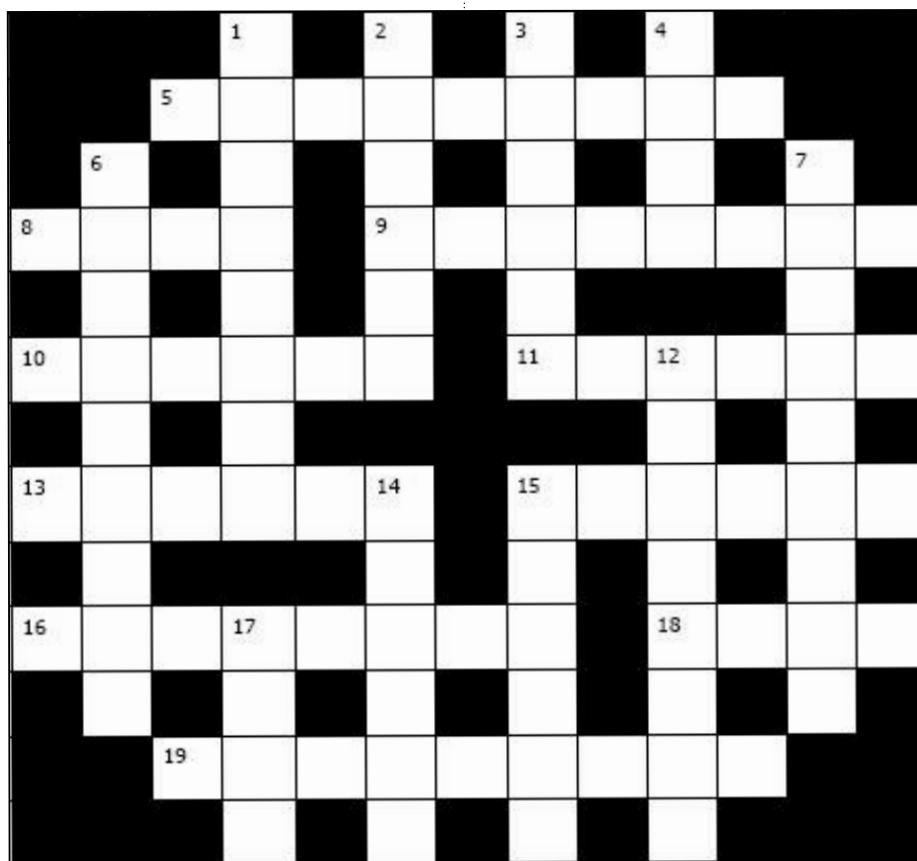
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CROSSWORD #105



Across:

5. 9,16. Randy Scot gains energy after losing appetite at first! (9)
 8. Exaggerated claim about Mr Putin initially! (4)
 9 & 16. Marine lands the hard stuff?? Yes!!! (5,3,8)
 10. A pleasant-sounding example of 9,16. (6)
 11. A 9,16 keen to be kissed by lawyer? (6)
 13. 9,16. Force 9? Not applicable. (6)
 15. Eatery occupied by short Siberian travelling west. (6)
 16. See 9.
 18. Vision that is in German car. (4)
 19. 9,16. Ex-runner takes on Navy with broken nail! Just like number 5. (9)

Down:

1. 9,16. Software found in county. (8)
 2. Traps are found in south Nova Scotia. (6)
 3. Unflappable, Domingo loses nothing. (6)
 4. Fish found deep? (4)
 6. Vessel discovered in main bar - broken, that is. (4-5)
 7. Plain, unloved, embraces man at last! (9)
 12. Vehicle has English off-roader plus one on board - prone to explode? (8)
 14. A vehicle has you on board reportedly. Time added, now scram! (6)
 15. 9,16. Graduate and sailor get together. (6)
 17. Cupid has inflammation rising. (4)

Answers to crossword no. 104.

Across: 5. See 19. 8. Whoa. 9. Dr Watson (doctor = anagram). 10. Pinkie. 11. Shandy. 13. Atomic. 15. Dreamy. 16. Malaprop. 18. Intro. 19 & 5. Fictional Character. Down: 1. Thwackum. 2. Brodie. 3. Scowls. 4. Dent. 6. Christian. 7. Voldemort. 12. American. 14. Curate. 15. Deploy. 17. Aziz.

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OPEN GARDENS

Bonsall Open Gardens Update

With the fabulous weather we have had over Easter, gardeners in Bonsall will have been working hard preparing their gardens, patios and yards for summer. There are some wonderful and unique gardens in Bonsall and walking through the village is truly a delight with the abundance of spring colour. This year we are welcoming a few new small gardens opening around the village in Church St, High St, Clatterway and Uppertown but have also lost a few of our old favourites from the map including Cascades which has always been a big asset in the past. We still have more room on the map and if anyone does want to open their garden, which can be any size or any condition then please either email office@bonsallopengardens.co.uk or call Richard Grover on 07712 865604. Our cut-off date is 1 May and Gardens can be open on either or both days, 1 or 2 June. Alternatively if you just have a street facing garden you can be just listed as a "peep over" without giving access.

We have had couples travel from as far away as Bedford and the Wirral to visit us for the day after just choosing Bonsall from the Open Gardens Directory as it looked interesting! They were not disappointed and they both said that the distance was well worth it and they would happily come again.

Over the last few years the numbers of visitors has increased and although it can be a rather busy and sometimes stressful weekend in the village, there is an upside. Since 2012 Open Gardens has given about £9,000 income to village projects, last year we raised almost £3,000, mainly from Open Gardens map sales which is a huge boost to the village and all of which goes to help associations, groups, buildings and our landscape. This makes a real difference and the benefits to the village are becoming apparent. Gardeners also individually raise money from teas, plant sales and the like for charities both on our doorstep such as the Bonsall Field Barns Project to as far away as education in Uganda.

If you would like to help out but don't have a garden suitable to open there has been an idea to promote hanging baskets to the fronts of houses. Why not have a go at preparing a basket ready to go out on 1 June? If the idea proves to be popular this year then next year, we might think about theming baskets or awarding prizes. Alternatively there are some



gardeners who cannot open their gardens as they need some help and support over the weekend. If you think you could spare a day to spend in someone's wonderful garden meeting interesting people then please let us know before 1 May so those gardens can be included on the map.

There are some excellent artists in Bonsall and last year the Bonsall Art Group had their first exhibition and sale in the Village Hwall over the weekend of Open Gardens, again both raising funds for Bonsall and showcasing talent. There will be another exhibition this, year themed on nature. Please support our artists again, pop in, have some tea and cast a vote for your favourite painting.

If you are new to the village or have friends staying, why not join in and visit the gardens. It's a great way to meet people, discover places and find out about the village.

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