

Saltaire Sentinel

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A CHANGE OF TUNE WEEKENDS NOT SO NOISY AFTER ALL

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EARLY MUSIC

Ensemble **Diamanté** promise to bring a refreshing approach to baroque music when they present a programme of Bach, Telleman, Corelli and Vivaldi at the United Reformed Church on **Wednesday August 12th** beginning at 8pm.

Although the musical interpretation by the four young members of this Anglo-Japanese ensemble, based in Holland, is often innovative, their instruments are either genuine, or faithful copies of, Baroque originals. Tickets, at £8 (£6) are available from the Early Music Shop, Saltaire Tel: 288100.

Manager of Victoria Hall Stacey Clarkin, will not be applying for an extension of licencing hours to allow “the playing of recorded music” until 2am at weekends.

The announcement followed a flurry of protest from residents of houses near the Hall, expressions of concern from the Village Society and local councillors – and a request for clarification of the situation from this community newspaper.

Explaining her original intention to reduce the administration and related costs of applying for Temporary Event Notices as and when required by including the request for extended hours on “occasional Friday and Saturday evenings” in the current ‘Variation’ application, Ms Clarkin said, “**The objections to this request and the views of the local community have been thoroughly considered.**”

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ALL OUR USUAL
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TRADERS’ ASSOCIATION

Victoria Road Traders will be meeting again on 5th of this month, with Georgia of Magic Number Three at the helm, with a view to agreeing a co-ordinated approach to such matters as how to promote themselves and the World Heritage Site and how to make the most of the annual Festival. A meeting last month was attended by four of the traders but several apologies were offered and expressions of enthusiasm were sufficient to warrant optimism regarding the imminent re-forming of the Saltaire Traders’ Association.

Watch this space!

**The *Saltaire Sentinel*
John Nicholson
Poetry Evening
SALTAIRE BOOKSHOP
217 Bingley Road**

Thursday, August 27th 6.30-8pm

Come along and read your poetry, or simply enjoy listening to others.

Alternatively, forward your poems to the editor (address below) or deposit them at the shop.

Poems may be in any form and of any length (within reason!) but should be on the subject of Saltaire and/or Airedale, as the annual ***Saltaire Sentinel* John Nicholson Poetry Prize** commemorates the ‘Airedale Poet’ (1790-1843).

WHATEVER IT IS – SAY IT IN THE *Sentinel!*

E-mail: saltairesentinel@btinternet.com

Deadline: 20th

SALTAIRE BOOKSHOP

217 Bingley Road

August 13th

6.30-8pm

Local poet

Joy Howard

launches her new
collection,

Exit Moonshine

£2.50 includes

refreshments and raffle.

Editorial

THE FESTIVAL AND THE *Sentinel*

The Saltaire Festival will be taking place yet again next month and this newspaper will, as always, seek to play its proper part.

Will organisers seeking promotion of events please note the following points: Relevant information needs to reach the editor's desk as early as possible.

Priority is unashamedly given to those events most clearly generated by, as well as of particular interest to, the local community.

The *Sentinel* does not seek to compete with, or assume to complement, the excellent publicity already provided by the Festival Committee. Rather, an important part of its role is to ensure that other matters of local news are not overlooked. **Thank you**

James Duncan Editor

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LICENSING *Continued From front page:*

“As a result, we have now informed the Licensing Team that we no longer request to extend these hours until 2am on Friday and Saturday evenings, but wish that the current hours, until midnight, remain as they are.”

Cllr. Martin Love (Green Party) was quick to welcome this announcement, commenting: “It is important that everyone involved in Saltaire works together to keep the village a unique and pleasant place to live ... Stacey Clarkin’s actions in taking note of the objections is a sign that she is doing so.” Interestingly, Ms Clarkin had already told **Roger Clarke**, for the *Sentinel*, “It is of upmost importance to me to ensure that the decisions I make within my capacity as Victoria Hall Manager are made with consideration of the residents of the village. Victoria Hall was, after all, originally built as a central community building and it is my firm intention to ensure that it is continued to be seen and used in that way.”

Clearly, it is not simply the recorded music which worries people living nearby, but the inevitable nuisance which accompanies it, and opinions voiced last month indicate that concerns may yet remain ongoing.

Eddie Lawler had been among the first Saltaire dwellers to express interest when news of the plans first came to light. “I am personally objecting to the application,” he wrote, “On consideration I think that Victoria Hall should never be used as a late-night venue. Neighbouring residents are well aware (and tolerant) of comings and goings at the Hall, but they have a right to a normal human night's sleep without disturbance.” Eddie went on to point out that as the wedding-parties in question are in any case mostly the celebrations of non-residents, “there is little or no community benefit from the College's intentions in this respect.”

Cllr. Kevin Warnes (Green Party) voiced a similar opinion: “I have objected to the music extension to 2am on the grounds that the noise cannot be contained in the building. Simple as that. My view is that if people want to hire venues to 2am, with all the attendant disturbances that then carry on for another hour or so, they should do so in places where residents will not be disturbed. And we already know that the current arrangements disturb nearby homes.”

[**Note:** While the making of noise by means of recorded music may not be legally extended, Victoria Hall's extended licence to serve alcohol until 2am at weekends remains as valid as it has already been for many years.]

Roger Clarke's series on the Saltaire Archive continues:

I recently received the following correspondence from Cllr. **Martin Love**:

Having just read your article in the *Saltaire Sentinel* regarding the Shackletons, I thought you might be interested in the attached census document from 1901, which includes their house. The reason I have a copy of this page can be found at no 5 Whitlam St, where my great-grandparents William and Margaret lived at the time with their children, including my grandfather, John. They moved about the village quite a lot as they had been on Helen St in 1891 and Shirley St by 1911, where my great-grandfather died in 1919. Margaret died living in Ada St several years later. Who knows where else they were in between? Do you know if there is an archive of the houses rented out by the mill owners?

That's fascinating, Martin. I don't know of any such record, although frustratingly I've had a donation to the Archive of pages torn from a record of rents in the village. Peter Randall (the barber) donated them, torn out by his relatives before the book was burned by order of the Mill. The pages only contain references to his relatives the Firths. Sadly, so much Saltaire history disappeared in this way. Thanks for sharing it.

The Saltaire Archive Exhibition is open to the public in Resource Centre, Exhibiton Building, Exhibition Road, Tuesday-Friday, 10am-3pm, until Aug 17th

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**NON-STOP
BIBLE
READING
MARATHON**
Aug 27-31
Begins 8pm,
Thursday 27th

Saltaire United Reformed Church

This event is being organised in memory of the Rev. John Jenkins who was minister of the church from 1988 until his death aged 56 in 1995. All the money raised is for the Restoration Appeal of this important Victorian Building. There will be a competition, with a £20 prize, to estimate how long the reading will take. Entry forms are available from the church and should be left, with £1 entry fee, in a sealed envelope, with a member of the team before 8pm on 27th.

JENNY WAS LONDON'S LOSS

Last month, we reported on the retirement of Jenny Cassidy from her role as Chair of Friends of Northcliffe. Roger Clarke has been talking to Jenny about the ten years of hard work from which she has earned the admiration and affection of the local community and about her plans for the future: When I asked what the job had entailed she said "filling in a few forms and charring meetings", but we all know that the effort which she has put into the voluntary role over the past ten years has involved far more than that. Jenny came to this area from London where she was employed by the Department of Social Security and later by the Department of Health. When these services transferred their base to Quarry House in Leeds, Jenny came with them and has not looked South again. Early retirement saw her become involved in Lepara, the Leprosy Relief Association for four years; Shipley Information and Advice Service; and finally she managed Bradford Bereavement Support, of which she was manager for four years until retiring in May. She somehow managed to fit in courses in Personal and Professional Development, a Counselling Course and a Degree in Social Studies, completed in 2003. Although she now claims to have finally retired, it seems far more likely that she will soon be looking for other worthy causes which need her skills of team building, organisation and enthusiasm. Thank goodness that you headed North, Jenny - London's loss has been our gain. [Northcliffe is part of the Saltaire village buffer zone and what happens there has an impact on the World Heritage Site of Saltaire.]

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**ADVERTISING
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All the establishments featured in this column and the one opposite serve as outlets for this newspaper and are promoted on that basis. No financial transaction is involved. Enterprises and initiatives are mentioned elsewhere, as are events, in the context of their interest and benefit to the local community; not for the profit of individuals or businesses.
Please note that space in the *Sentinel* is not for sale but neither is it offered free for commercial advertising.

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VILLAGE WEBSITE

The *Saltaire Sentinel* is available online, via the not for profit Saltaire Village Website, thanks entirely to Pamela Reynolds, who manages and maintains the site at

www.saltairvillage.info

CHRIS ON PLINTH

Sentinel reader and well-known local resident **Chris Gill** will be truly in the public eye when she takes to the Fourth Plinth in Trafalgar Square to play her part in Antony Gormley's art work for an hour from 4pm on **Thursday, August 13th** Chris told us she was "really excited" to be selected and explained how she will be flying the flag for our region. It should be possible to watch Chris' exploits, and find out exactly what she means, live on the One & Other website.

SALTAIRE POLICE AND COMMUNITY CONTACT POINT

(At the Victoria Road entrance to Salts Mill)

Open Wednesday
10-00 -1.00 p.m.

Come along and talk, or contact us on:

01274 537416

contactsaltair@yahoo.co.uk

THE CHOICE IS YOURS AT KATH'S LATEST EXHIBITON

Visitors to 'Choice', Kath Libbert's latest exhibition, in her famous Jewellery Gallery on the second floor of Salts Mill, are invited to take part in 'The People's Choice' by making their own selection, writing comments about it and having their photograph taken wearing or holding the piece. All the comments and photographs will be posted on the Gallery walls up until a special event on the last day of the exhibition, **September 27th**, when the 'People's Choice' will be announced. Kath told us "So far we have had a good response to this, with lots of photos up on the wall already." Everyone who makes their *Choice* will be entered for a prize draw to win £100 to use at the gallery.

Full biographical details of all the jewellers taking part in *Choice* and lots of images of their work can be found at www.kathlibbertjewellery.co.uk

LOCAL HISTORY ON CD-ROM

The burial grounds belonging to St. Paul's Church, Kirkgate are the only consecrated ones within Shipley, Heaton and Saltaire and many people from the surrounding area are also buried there. Bradford Family History Society has produced a fully searchable CD-ROM containing transcriptions of the burial records and monumental inscriptions for both the churchyard and the Hirst Wood burial ground, as well as data from the garden of remembrance. The CD has background information about the church with transcriptions of the war memorial and several photographs and is available, price £11.10 (including p&p within UK), from Mrs Sandra Hodgson, 14 Greenville Drive, Low Moor, Bradford, West Yorkshire, BD12 0PP. Please make all cheques payable in sterling to "Bradford Family History Society". (For payment by credit card please use the web-site: www.genfair.co.uk)

CRICKET IN ROBERTS PARK

Saltair First XI

Saturday, August 15th v **Baildon** (1pm)

Saturday, August 22nd v **Hanging Heaton** (1pm)

Watch this space for details of the *Sentinel* Ball and the match for the *Sentinel* Shield.

HALF MOON MUSIC

The Half Moon Cafe, Roberts Park

Free Acoustic Music at the Half Moon Café, Roberts Park, on Sundays 2 – 4pm

August

- 2nd TC and Paul Folk and Blues
- 9th Tim Moon Original Songs
- 16th Luke Hirst Songs to guitar
- 23rd Bella Gaffney Songs to guitar
- 30th Gerry Cooper Blues Guitar

FANNY'S ALE HOUSE BLUES

There is now a blues and jazz evening of music based on the jam session / open mike concept every Sunday at Fanny's Ale and Cider House, Saltaire Road, organised by local bluesman Mike Gilbert, welcoming musicians to strike up an acquaintance and an augmented chord.

WORLD HERITAGE WHEELIE

Does **NOT** talk rubbish



"No-one could accuse me of making a racket in the early hours – could they?"