

# FUN ON FUNICULAR SWEET SUCCESS IN STORE

*Celebrating  
 Saltaire  
 All Year  
 Round*

ShIPLEY Glen Tramway will be playing its part in all the fun of the Festival this month, being open, as usual, on each Saturday and Sunday from noon until 4.30pm.

**Dina Plowes** writes:

Why not enjoy a trip on the famous funicular, which, having been kept running, against all sorts of adversity, since 1895, is the **oldest working cable tramway in Britain?**

And there is more! Help to support our success by treating yourself to a bag of traditional sweets, selected and weighed to your taste. Of course, all this depends on the efforts of a team of dedicated volunteers – and more are always needed.

**If you can help**, please complete a Volunteer Form, to be found at either ticket office or ring Diane on **07711857796**

As Dina says, **“There may be secret surprises to be discovered there.”**

More at : [www.shipleyglentramway.co.uk](http://www.shipleyglentramway.co.uk)

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*Plus*  
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*Plus*  
**ALL OUR USUAL UNUSUALS**

## CHURCH STALLS

The grounds of the local United Reformed Church, at the bottom of Victoria Road, will provide a beautiful setting for a host of stalls selling crafts of all kinds in aid of a wide range of charities on **Saturday, Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>** from 10am. **Admission Free**, with an appropriate variety of entertainment and refreshments available. (In addition to all the hard work involved in many community events of this kind, church members welcome all to worship every Sunday at 10.30 am.)

## HELP NEEDED

The *Sentinel* always seeks to reflect – and record for posterity – life in Saltaire as it is experienced by the people who live here, as well as the way it is observed by visitors.

Consequently, it **continues** to reiterate: **Your news and views are always welcome.** Furthermore, in order to survive, this local **Community** newspaper **urgently** needs *your* help with reporting, **deliveries** – and even editing!

**Please contact us at the e-mail address below.**

## LATE SUMMER CONCERT FEATURES LOCAL CELEBRITIES

**Colin Coates and Eddie Lawler** present ‘Reflections of a Bygone Era’ in a special performance, hosted by Manorlands Hospice Shipley Support Group, at St. Peter’s Church Lounge, Moorhead Lane, on Monday, **Sept. 19<sup>th</sup>** (2pm). **Tickets** cost £8, which includes the price of light refreshments.

**For more information**, contact Simon Hudson: [scghudson@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:scghudson@blueyonder.co.uk) or **07793 754218**

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

[sentinel@saltairevillage.info](mailto:sentinel@saltairevillage.info)

**The Deadline is always 20<sup>th</sup> of the month prior to publication.**

**Saltaire History Club**  
**FACT OR FICTION:**  
**WHAT HAPPENED WHEN THE BBC**  
**CAME TO SALTS MILL IN 1938?**

The next meeting of Saltaire History Club, on **Thursday, September 8<sup>th</sup>** (7–9 pm), in the Resource Centre of Shipley College's Exhibition Road building, will be seeking the answer(s). The evening's talk will be: **'WOOL: A Story of the West Riding - Saltaire Voices on the Air in 1938'** by **Dr. Christine Verguson**.

**Dave Shaw writes:** Christine spent 30 years at the BBC in Leeds as librarian, researcher and journalist before taking her doctorate at the University of Huddersfield, researching the history of the BBC in Yorkshire between 1945 and 1990.

**In addition** to Christine's talk, we will spend time looking at other aspects of Saltaire life in 1938, a year that proved to be an interesting period in Saltaire's ongoing history.

Like all meetings of the History Club, the evening will be an informal gathering over light refreshments, and a great opportunity to meet with local folk with an interest in the unique history of Saltaire and its locality.

**As always, all are welcome – and it's still free!**

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## **TRACKING THE BRONTËS**

**Eddie Lawler** brings his musical tribute to the Brontë family, which celebrates the 200th anniversary of Charlotte's birth in Thornton and is presented with soprano **Charissa Hutchins**, to Saltaire United Reformed Church at 7.30 pm on Thursday, **September 15<sup>th</sup>**, as part of the Festival. Described by Eddie as "a one-hour whistle-stop journey", the work was highly praised when performed recently in Leeds, with comments including "Well constructed, the original music is GREAT and it really made the Brontes come to life, along with the context of the history of the time....I wanted MORE" and "imaginatively and beautifully told through stories, photographs and song, all set against the emergence of the railways. Most enjoyable." **Tickets**, at £5, are available from Saltaire Visitor Information Centre and [www.salttairefestival.co.uk](http://www.salttairefestival.co.uk)

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## **OUR FAVOURITE THINGS**

Whether or not there are "raindrops on roses" during this month's Festival ("crisp apple strudel" seems more likely, via the Continental Market), some of "*Our Favourite Things*" will be on display, under that title, on Saturday, **September 17<sup>th</sup>** (9am-1pm) at the Salt Building (opposite Victoria Hall), thanks to the Saltaire Stories team [*see opposite*] putting together an exhibition based on the development of the Saltaire Archive.

**Admission free.**

Following on from this (2pm), at the same venue, but with an entrance charge of £6 (£4 conc.), Dan Salt and Jamie Roberts (who are, of course, favourite *people*) will bring personal memorabilia to inspire interesting discussion. (Refreshments will be provided.)

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## **FESTIVAL TICKETS**

Many Saltaire Festival events are free. Where tickets are required they can usually be obtained either on the door or from the Visitor Information Centre in Salts Mill. For more details, visit the ever improving website at

[salttairefestival.co.uk](http://salttairefestival.co.uk)

## **COLIN'S COLUMN**

On the Saturday, July 11<sup>th</sup>, 1868 the *Yorkshire Post and Leeds Intelligencer* reported: "Mr T.Salt, the owner of the property at Saltaire, has caused notice to be given to such tenants as hold licenses as grocers to sell beer that they will not be allowed in future to sell beer, and that they must not renew the licenses which are just expiring. Neither beer-shop nor public-house is allowed to exist at Saltaire, and the present step is said to be taken in consequence of evils found to arise from the workpeople in the establishment having such ready access to liquor."

It is clear from other accounts in the local press that Titus was keen for control of licensing to pass from the Inland Revenue Office to the magistracy. A comment which would seem to support this view, and concluding a long, informative letter on the subject to the *Leeds Mercury*, published on October 20<sup>th</sup>, "Permit me to say, that no body of persons can deplore the 'system' more than the Revenue officers generally do" is of particular note because it comes from J.B.Smith, Officer of Inland Revenue, residing at 6 Albert Road (since re-numbered 11) Saltaire. (Titus, Mr.Smith and their many comrades against 'Arms' were granted their wish the following year.)

It would be interesting to find out when the grocers in Saltaire started selling beer again, as we know they were doing so during the First World War.

## **PETER RANDALL**

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and still**

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the Opera**

**SALTAIRE  
HISTORY  
EXHIBITION**

**1853 Gallery**

**THE HOME**

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retail outlets

**ADMISSION FREE**

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## **HELLO FROM SALTAIRE STORIES**

Saltaire Stories is the educational programme of Saltaire World Heritage Education Association (SWHEA), which was registered in 2014 as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation. We think you have heard of Saltaire Stories already – some readers will be quite involved with our work.

**This message is from the Board of Trustees:**

We want to update readers who know a little about Saltaire Stories, and to strengthen our links with other organisations.

Our website: [www.salttairstories.org](http://www.salttairstories.org) shows the journey we've made from discussions in 2009 about the educational potential of Saltaire World Heritage Site. We are driven by our vision of Saltaire as a "world classroom". The quickest summary of our progress is in our newsletter, which can be found on the website. Similar information has appeared in print as part of a supplement to the *Saltaire Sentinel*, thanks to Roger Clarke.

We want also to thank the volunteers who give their time alongside ours – people like Alice Manning, who helps with technology, a team of skilled Volunteer Archivists, and others who are coming forward to share skills. Please contact us with any questions, ideas, or skills to offer. We propose to send occasional brief updates like this, and hope that you will share bits of news from Saltaire Stories with others who are interested. We are fundraising for our Development Phase HLF bid at the moment. If you would like to know more, or wish to donate, please contact us via [salttairstories@gmail.com](mailto:salttairstories@gmail.com)

## **WASHHOUSE GARDEN BIN BY BUS STOP BLUES**

Dina Plowes, who, as regular readers know, takes a great interest in the Washhouse Garden on Caroline Street, and works hard to preserve it, says: Big thanks to whoever has done a recent tidy up - BUT Please don't put the garden waste in the rubbish bin by the bus stop. The street cleaner has a real problem with it as litter then overflows into the street. If you want to take part in the tidy and need somewhere to dispose of waste ring me on **07905000545** and I'll bring a suitable container!

## **BUSKERS ON A BENCH**

A good opportunity to see the excellent work done by Dina and others (encouraged by this newspaper) and enjoy some great music is presented by this Festival event on Saturday, 10<sup>th</sup> of this month.

## **The SPA**

**21 Titus Street**

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## **ADVERTISING**

Space in the *Sentinel* is  
**not for sale.**

Please note, nonetheless,  
that we are always pleased  
to print, free of charge,  
short articles which feature  
enterprise of interest and  
potential benefit to the  
local community.

## VILLAGE WEBSITE

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

[www.saltairvillage.info](http://www.saltairvillage.info)

### Saltaire Cricket Club TABLE TOP SALE

Victoria Hall

Sunday,

September 25<sup>th</sup>

Doors open at 10 am.

To book a table, contact  
Simon Hicks: 01274 787908

### FIRE STATION OPEN DAY

ShIPLEY Fire Station on Saltaire Road will be open to the public on Saturday, September 17<sup>th</sup> from 10 am. Admission is free, but there will be plenty of chances to make unique purchases, including “infamous” yellow fire helmets and “fantastic” calendars, as the event aims to raise funds for the Firefighters Charity. Visitors are invited to sit on (or in) a genuine, working fire engine, meet the staff and obtain fire safety advice, and then relax, enjoy refreshments and browse the stalls.

[Regular *Sentinel* readers know that the Editor does not have favourites – but you might not be reading this were it not for White Watch.]

## BIRDWATCHING ON BAILDON MOOR

The Airedale and Bradford local group of the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB) present the first illustrated talk of their new season, “Wildlife of the Pennines” by Tim Melling, on **Friday, September 9<sup>th</sup>** (7.30-9.30 pm.) in **ShIPLEY Library**. (Regular attenders please note this late change of venue.) **Debbie White** tells us: Tim has lived in the Pennines for much of his life and has photographed most of the special plants and wildlife of that area. This talk brings together some of his finest images of the birds, butterflies, animals and flowers of the Pennines. It includes several of the highly sought after species, from the rare flowers of Upper Teesdale to birds like Merlin, Goshawk and Nightjar. Admission costs £3 for adults (members and non-members alike), with children admitted free.

On Sunday, **September 11<sup>th</sup>** there will be a free guided walk around Baildon Moor for about two hours, commencing at 9 am in the car park opposite Dubrodden Caravan Park.

For further information on these and other events, call **01274 582078**, e-mail [abrspb@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:abrspb@blueyonder.co.uk) or visit [www.rspb.org.uk/groups/airedaleandbradford](http://www.rspb.org.uk/groups/airedaleandbradford)

### Letters

Sir, I must take issue with you on the claim in the July issue of the *Saltaire Sentinel* that the Victoria pub in Saltaire Road [is], “the only public house in Saltaire”. There are no public houses in the village of Saltaire. This pub, like the Rosse and Fannys, both of which are closer to Saltaire than the Victoria, is not in Saltaire, but is in Shipley. Yours, **Ian Watson** (Volunteer Archivist at Saltaire Archives, Shipley College)

The question of what, nowadays, can be claimed to be within Saltaire remains contentious. Readers’ views on this – and other matters of interest – are invited. **[Editor]**

## BANDSTAND PROGRAMME

**FREE** music in Roberts Park every Summer  
**Sunday at 2pm.**

**This month:**

4<sup>th</sup> Salsa Como Loco

## BANDSTAND GOES TO THE FESTIVAL

**Sunday, Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>**

**1 p.m. Den Miller**

**2 p.m. Mila Lee**

**3 p.m. Nick Hall**

**4 p.m. Vanessa Maria**

[forp@roberts-park.org](mailto:forp@roberts-park.org)

## CUPPACARE

CUPPACARE is a popular café and bookstall, open to the public on most Mondays and Fridays, from 10am to 1.30pm in New Kirkgate, Shipley. We are a non-profit service provided by Shipley Christians Together.

## WORLD HERITAGE WHEELIE

Does NOT talk rubbish



[See left]

**"Well, I'm within Saltaire – whether or not the Editor finds it 'contentious'!"**

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