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photography from his purpose built studios in Oakworth. As well as his studio work, David combines photography with a love of travel and subsequently travels extensively photographing landscapes, and wildlife all over the globe. David Driver's collections of limited edition prints have become much sought after and can be seen and purchased on his website. www.hobcotestudios.co.uk My sources suggest that summer is currently forecast to begin on a warmer than average note with temperatures above the norm for this time of year. Fingers crossed, they've got it right; there is so much going on in terms of galas, fairs, fetes, and outdoor events in the weeks ahead. One thing is sure, the calendar is brimming with events to suit most, no matter the weather.

New in June is the start of a bimonthly column, **Behind the Scenes at the Museum**, written by Jenna Holmes, the arts officer at the Bronte Parsonage Museum (p21); we hope you find it both engaging and informative.

The '60's Weekend in Haworth is gaining momentum; take a look at the schedule of events on p14. Hope you can make it. Peace & Love x o x



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Summer is here whatever the weather The trees are in leaf. the hedgerows are teeming with flowers ,honeysuckle and wild roses.

meadow sweet. lemon balm and tiny wild strawberries. The meadows are filled with buttercups, wild clover, poppies and cornflowers. This is a time for picnics barbecues and hazy summer evenings in the garden. It is during the summer months that Britain's natural produce is at its best. Our warm, wet summers provide not only the lush, green environment in which to enjoy summer outings- our beautiful English countryside; the gentle summer rains also provide the moisture required for the plumping of our soft fruits, strawberries, raspberries, cherries and plums.

When the sun is shining and time allows, there are few pursuits more pleasurable than the family picnic (or an intimate picnic by a quiet riverside), beach barbecue or garden lunch. There is something quite delicious about taking ones favourite summer nibbles out into the open air and enjoying a leisurely lunch whilst reclining under azure skies, bathed in the warmth of the hot summer sun. Picture a basket filled with fresh cheeses, honeydew grapes, mouth-watering olives, fresh crusty bread and the best butter that you can find; slivers of prosciutto, salami or chorizo, smoked chicken or a lovely lean slice of home-cooked ham, perfectly firm tomatoes sprinkled with a little sea salt and a crisp fruity wine. The air is filled with birdsong,

the scent of summer blossoms and the murmur of a nearby stream. There are aruvere and caramelised onion tartlets. mini tarte paysanne (a French tart made with ripe tomatoes. Dijon mustard cream and thyme), wedges of juicy melon, sweet fragrant peaches and gloriously aromatic English strawberries. If your ideal picnic needs to include something sweet and indulgent (mine most certainly would), and transportation allows, little dishes of crushed meringue, Scottish raspberries and whipped cream make a light but lucious ending to a summer picnic. Meltingly light slivers of orange and almond or lemon and almond cake pair very well with a handful of plump, juicy raspberries.

Open-air cooking adds another dimension to alfresco dining .You can cook almost anything on a grill or barbecue, although veal and some of the more delicate fish do not take well to this method of cooking. Peppers, tomatoes, large mushrooms and corn cobs can be brushed with butter or oil and placed directly on the grid; other vegetables ,potatoes for example, need to be placed on foil. I like to marinate meat before barbecuing. Make a selection of salads and sauces and pile some warm, crusty bread into baskets, open some wine and enjoy a tasty open-air lunch.

A garden lunch or dinner can be as simple or extravagant as you wish. Hang lanterns in the trees. decorate the table with candles and flowers from the garden, and let your imagination run riot. Heres hoping for a lovely long hot summer and all that it brings; lots of gorgeous summer food and happy times spent sharing it.

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A good beginning never ends

We all know that babies and young children learn through - and love, music! Just as it's never too early to begin reading to your child, likewise, it's never to soon to sing, dance or act out to music with a young child. In fact the research about music and children's development is truly jaw dropping and shows it can have a remarkable effect on all areas of learning.

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Hanorth 1960s Weekend 19th 20th 21st June 2009

Friday 19th Record Hop Disco Old White Lion 7.30pm £5 Saturday 20th (Times are approx.) 09.30-10.30am Static display of vintage cars, scooters, motorcycles etc. at various locations around the village. Activities begin on Main Street/Mill Hey 10.30am 11.30am onwards Ian Long (Author) – Book signing 12.00noon-onwards Fairground ride Haworth Village Associatio Tombola/burger/hotdog bar '60s t-shirts, Carouse, Face Painting, Badge making John & Yoko in the street. Live music on the street 12.30pm 60s Fashion Parade 1-2.30pm Elvis on the steps 'Pop in the Park' - 60s Disco music in the park 2-4pm Hoola Hoop competition, Children's Fancy Dress 3pm Vehicle parade 5pm Tractor run '60 Dance - live music/DJ with The Flying Hotrocks 7.30pm (Haworth Community Centre) £6.50 Other activities Fancy Dress & Karaoke **Kinas Arms** '60s night - Lee Grant vocalist Royal Oak

Sunday 21st

09.30-10.30am	Static display of vintage cars, scooters, motorcycles etc. at
	various locations around the village.
10.30am	Activities begin on Main Street/Mill Hey
11.30am	Pop in the Park - 60s DJ Disco/live music in the park
11.30am onwards	Ian Long (Author) – Book signing
12.00noon-onwards	Fairground ride, Tombola, Carousel, Face Painting,
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12. A bean supper will be held on Tuesday evening in the church hall. Music will follow.
13. At the evening service tonight, the sermon topic will be "What Is Hell?" Come early and listen to our choir practice.
14. Eight new choir robes are currently needed due to the addition of several new members and to the deterioration of some older ones.

15. Scouts are saving aluminium cans, bottles and other items to be recycled.
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18. The ladies of the Church have cast off clothing of every kind. They may be seen in the basement on Friday afternoon.
19. This evening at 7pm there will be a hymn singing in the park across from the Church. Bring a blanket and come prepared to sin.
20. Ladies Bible Study will be held Thursday morning at 10am. All ladies are invited to lunch in the Fellowship Hall after

the B. S. is done. **21.** The pastor would appreciate it if the ladies of the congregation would lend him their electric girdles for the pancake breakfast next Sunday.

22. Low Self Esteem Support Group will meet Thursday at 7pm. Please use the back door.

23. The primary 7's will be presenting Shakespeare's Hamlet in the Church basement Friday at 7pm. The congregation is invited to attend this tragedy.

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Bales, Sweat, and Beers at Oxenhope Straw Race

If you do nothing else in July, be in Oxenhope on Sunday 5th to witness, or even take part in, the Oxenhope Straw Race. This epitome of British eccentricity. a unique festival of fancy dress, physical prowess and ... er ... beer drinking, will once Club, the Lamb and the Shoulder of Mutton. again grace the roads of Oxenhope on that day, and its 400 participants will shed sweat and tears (but hopefully not blood) to complete the course, entertain the crowds with costumes and capers and, most importantly, raise a lot of money for charity.

For those who don't know the form. racers assemble at the Waggon and Horses to ready themselves for the midday start. At their allotted time, the teams of 2 down a pint and then sprint, run, jog, walk or even stagger down the mile-long drag to the Bay Horse.

Here, the welcoming and enthusiastic crowd cheer them on as they down another pint before collecting their straw bale and carrying it the 1.5 miles up the other side of the valley to the Dog and Gun, stopping off on the way for even more beer at the Social

There are medals for all finishers, plus plenty of prizes up for grabs (9 fastest teams categories. 4 fancy dress categories and one for the highest sponsorship). So there's something for everyone.

The really serious athletes aim for the course record (under 15 minutes for the male team). For the rest, the main prize is the fancy dress. Past years have seen superheroes, cavemen, pirates, the Village People, the casts of The Lord Of The Rings, Star Wars and Indiana Jones, the Jamaican

bobsleigh team, mobile cocktail bars. barbecues and karaokes, dames, doctors and Draculas, and a pageant of other weird and wonderful characters and contraptions parade through Oxenhope. Who knows what we'll see this year!

There is of course a serious side to the race. Every year, around £10,000 is raised in sponsorship, which has amounted to over £300.000 over the years. Every penny is distributed to local charities. So it is very much a community event.

For full details of the race and the social events around it, including entry and sponsor forms, visit the website at www. strawrace.co.uk. And if the race itself is too daunting for you, then just go and enjoy the spectacle on the day. It's guite a carnival!



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May's winner was Marie Hey; the location was Oakworth Fisheries Google Earth ©

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WEBSITES OF THE MONTH

Most of us mentally separate animal and people charities. Haworth Cat Rescue's site demonstrates how in caring for cats it helps people

too. From the elderly who have found a feline companion to ease loneliness, to the father whose son with learning difficulties has gained self-esteem through volunteering, the site invites us all to rethink our attitudes to animals.

There are lots of useful tips about cat care, including what to do if your cat gets lost or needs rehoming. It even has links to the UK National Missing Pets Register and Dog Lost.

Pioneering in the use of Twitter, there are quick links to new social media used by the charity to add momentum to its new centre fundraising appeal. www.haworthcatrescue.org WhatDoTheyKnow

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JUNE AT THE BRONTË PARSONAGE MUSEUM

The Infernal World of Branwell Brontë Friday 5 June 2009, 3.30pm West Lane Baptist Centre, Haworth To coincide with a new special exhibition at the museum focusing on Branwell Brontë.

writer and novelist Justine Picardie and Brontë biographer Juliet Barker discuss the life and creative legacy of the Brontë brother. Tickets £5 on the door

The Brontës and Romance Saturday 6 June 2009, 8pm West Lane Baptist Centre, Haworth This panel discussion, chaired by Justine Picardie, looks at the Brontës' influence on romance novels. Writers Joanne Harris, Amanda Craig, Jude Morgan and Mills & Boon author Kate Walker take part. Tickets £10 in advance from jenna.holmes@bronte.org.uk / 01535 640188.

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books. Every night, after their father

had gone to bed, the sisters would

walk. one after the other. around

the dining table late into the night

discussing their work. After Emily

room) Charlotte and Anne circled

together until, in the end, Charlotte

walked the room alone. In the many

writers such as Mrs Gaskell, Virginia Woolf and Sylvia Plath, as well as

millions of readers. have made the

pilgrimage to Haworth to see the

very room where Jane Eyre and

Wuthering Heights were written.

Now the museum is exploring the

ways in which contemporary writing

takes shape, so that the Parsonage

isn't only a shrine to long-gone

writers, but a place that inspires

new talent too. In Writers' Rooms,

us their writing spaces in a series

of prints by photographer Eamonn

McCabe, who publishes a different

Guardian. One photograph shows

writer's room every Saturday in The

children's author Jacqueline Wilson's

a new photography exhibition at the

Parsonage, modern-day writers show

years that have followed, famous

died (possibly on the sofa in the same

Behind the Scenes at the Muse by Jenna Holmes, Arts Officer, Brontë Parsonage Museum

neat study with pretty decorative teapots, while in another, science fiction writer Russel Hoban's room is filled with mountains of discarded papers, junk and creative debris. The writers point out objects of significance on their desks and tell us the stories behind them, just as the Brontës might have done about the objects on display in the museum cases.

Popular writers, such as Sarah Waters, Tracy Chevalier and Barbara Taylor-Bradford, will be visiting Haworth too this year, to read from their books and share with local audiences their writing processes. There will also be event days for local people to come and try their hand at creative writing activities. We hope that through this column, we can communicate with Worth Valley readers some of the insights into life 'behind the scenes' at the Brontë Parsonage Museum; the people who work here, the visiting writers and artists who continue to draw inspiration from within its walls. and the secrets and stories that surround it.

Writers' Rooms by Eamonn McCabe is on at the Brontë Parsonage Museum until Monday 6 July 2009. The exhibition is free with normal admission to the museum.

TOP TECHIE TIPS

This month we're going to take a look at computer viruses and how to avoid them. There are literally thousands of different sources of malware that the pc is susceptible to; they come in a number of different forms, and though some are relatively benign, the majority will cause severe problems. In the 'olden' days, viruses tended to cause corruption of your system and loss of data. Now things are far more sinister, with some infections logging your keystrokes as you type then secretly emailing details to unscrupulous individuals who will then extract your credit card numbers and other personal details.

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need any because they only look at "safe" web sites, think again. An unprotected computer is likely to be compromised within half an hour of being connected to the internet. There are 2 parts to anti-virus software, the first is the actual program that runs in the background scanning your computer, and the second is the database of viruses so it knows what to look for. There are lots of different titles out there. some are significantly better than others but none of them guarantee to be 100%effective, so think twice before following strange web links or opening dodgy looking emails. BitDefender Antivirus Plus 10. and Symantec Norton AntiVirus are two programs that are effective and reputable. Because they try and sneak in unnoticed,

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chairs a panel discussion on the influence of the Brontës on romance novels. Writers Joanne Harris, Amanda Craig, Jude Morgan and Mills & Boon writer Kate Walker will take part. Tickets £10 in advance from jenna.holmes@bronte.org.uk / 01535 640188.

Sun 7 June Laycock Gala 1.00 pm procession to Gala Field with stalls & events John Baxendall 605257 Sun 7th June 165th Anniversary Celebration at St. John's Church, Newsholme. Family Service "A Glimpse of Newsholme Past" 11:15am Wed 10th June History Walk - Lumb Foot, Blue Stone Delf, Griffe Mill. -Haworth - Stanbury Meet at Haworth Tourist Information Centre at 10 a.m. Sat 13th June Oxenhope Preschool are holding a Car Boot & Table Top Sale from 10am - 1pm at Oxenhope Community Centre £8 per car or a

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table.Please contact Heather on 0798 3661537.Refreshments available. All proceeds towards Oxenhope Preschool. Sat 13th June Haworth Primary

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Sat13th & Sun14h June Bradford Mela, www.bradfordmela.org.uk/ Sun 14th June Scartop Sunday School 2:30 & 6pm Anniversary Celebration Services (Refreshments served between Services) For more details contact Kath Snowden 01535 642915 All welcome.

Wed 17th June History Walk -Coombe Hill Cross and Wolf stones Ponden 6.5 miles. Meet south side of Ponden Reservoir near sailing club (SD 992369) at 10 a.m.

Wed 17th June 2pm, Cobbles & Clay café, Haworth Bronte Book Group, This new monthly book group will focus on contemporary women's writing.
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