The Workshops

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Together Everyone Achieves More



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Hello everyone

Welcome to July's bumper edition of The Wren.

We have had a lovely month making the most of the wonderful weather with trips out here, there and everywhere. We've also had lots of visitors to the workshop including Clare Grainger, The High Sheriff of North Yorkshire and Marton Cum Grafton WI who came for a painting workshop one evening.

Next week sees us holding our Annual Golf Day followed by our stall at The Great Yorkshire Show; look out next time for a write up and lots of lovely photos of both events. Meet The Team Get to know the magazine team

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We are out at lots of events over the coming weeks; a full list is included in the magazine. Whether it's the Real Food Market at Ripley, one of the car shows or one of the agricultural shows, there is something for everyone and we look forward to seeing you there.

Until next time





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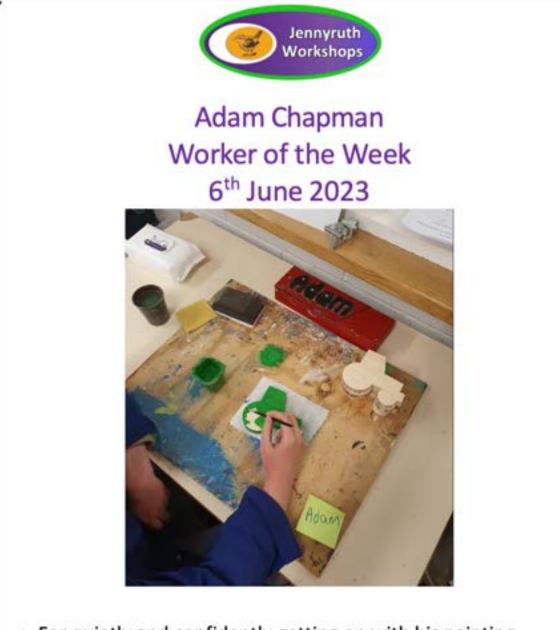
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Our Amazing WOWs

Every week we celebrate the incredible achievements of one of our workers. Last month Adam, Jessica, Rachael, Lucy, Emma, Victoria, Sam, Ryan, Daniel and Chris received Worker of the Week (WOW).



- For quietly and confidently getting on with his painting.
- For not rushing his work and taking pride in what he completes.
- For answering the door well.
- For politely waiting if people are in front of him at the lockers.
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Emma Schofield Worker of the Week 16th June 2023



- For being lovely, caring, kind and tuning into people's feelings.
- For looking out for people at the lockers.
- For always helping out on a Monday in the messroom and making sure that it is tidy.
- For making sure that Jerry has some water and giving Reggie some treats.

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Victoria Thomis Worker of the Week 19th June 2023



- For being helpful
- For staying on task
- For getting on with work straight away



CEO





Sam Manning Worker of the Week 20th June 2023



- · For working so hard at his painting
- For having really good manners
- For being really welcoming to visitors
- For being very helpful in the kitchen at lunchtime

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Daniel, Ryan and Chris Workers of the Week 29th June 2023



- For perseverance when it comes to tagging bird boxes
- For working as a team and supporting each other when carrying out a difficult packaging task.
- For being positive, cheerful superstars.



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Visits and Events

Gardening Group trip to Newby Hall

Our gardening group went to Newby Hall. We started with a drink and cake at the cafe. Then we went to the teddy bear exhibition and we saw the King Charles the bear. We walked through the gardens and managed to spot the team from Gardeners World. They were filming one of their presenters Frances Tophill in the gardens.

While we walked around the garden we gained inspiration on how we can make our garden more wildlife friendly. There were a lot of flowers and some of them we were able to smell and touch.

We took a break for lunch in the picnic area. We had a look in the shop and the garden centre on the way out before driving back to Jennyruth Workshops.

Andrew says "We walked round the garden and we met Frances Tophill filming for Gardeners World. I asked her how Alan and Monty Don were. We had a drink and a cake at the cafe."

Emma Schofield says "It was great and we met the Gardeners World people. We went to the Bear House and we saw the King bear and the throne and Crown we made him."



Marton cum Grafton WI Workshops

On Thursday 8th June, the Marton Cum Grafton WI ladies came to visit the workshop.

When they arrived at the workshops, they signed in and picked up their painting packs from Debs. They split into two groups. Rachel and I took the first group on a tour of the workshops while the others painted and then they switched. [Lucy helped us with the second tour].

Avril and Phoebe made everyone drinks and handed out cake. The ladies continued to paint and did a lot of shopping until the end of the workshop.

I really enjoyed it. I had a lot of favourite parts including doing the dishwasher, helping to tidy up at the end and taking the ladies on a tour of the workshop.

Rachael said, "I enjoyed handing out pictures of the birds to the ladies and using the zettle when they were shopping."

By Jessica Lewis



Our magazine team sat down with Hazel, a member of the Marton cum Grafton WI, to find out more about the role of the WI and how much they really enjoyed the painting workshop.



What does the WI do?

The WI (Women's Institute) is an organisation for women. Each WI group has a meeting once a month, our group is based at Marton cum Grafton village hall. At each meeting we start by going over WI business, we then have a guest speaker (which is different every month) before tea and cake. Jamie came to show us how to Morris Dance once and Beth did a talk about Jennyruth Workshops several years ago. We also have a yearly outing and this time it was to Jennyruth Workshops.

What made you want to join the WI?

There were 2 reasons really. Firstly I moved to Norwich, East Anglia, because of my husband's job and knew no one in the area so I joined the Tharston and District WI to make friends. Secondly, my grandma, mother, aunt and several of my mother's cousins and aunts were all members of the WI in Morpeth, Northumberland. They enjoyed going to meetings with no men and learning something new.

How long have you been a member of the WI?

Since 1983. Very few months do I miss meetings because I love meeting friends every month and learning new things.

What events do you plan for the WI?

In Marton cum Grafton we plan 2 events for non-members. The open garden teas where we have to organise who's making the cakes, who's making the teas and who's in charge of the washing up. We also run a coffee morning where we have to decide who's making cakes and, of course, who's making the bacon sandwiches. For members, we have to plan our annual outing, this year was to Jennyruth Workshops. There are important parts to plan such as how to get there and who's coming.

Do you have many trips out with the WI?

We have 1 trip out a year but there are 78 WIs in the North Yorkshire West Federation and as a federation, they organise 4 trips a year. You can choose which of those trips you go on....I recently went to RHS Bridgewater and Jodrell Bank to see the big telescope.

What has been your favourite talk or guest speaker?

We had a talk about bees and bee keeping. It was interesting how the bees go out to find the flowers and then come back and do the waggle dance to let other bees know how far the nearest flowers are. This is all in the dark so they feel the vibrations of the waggle dance.

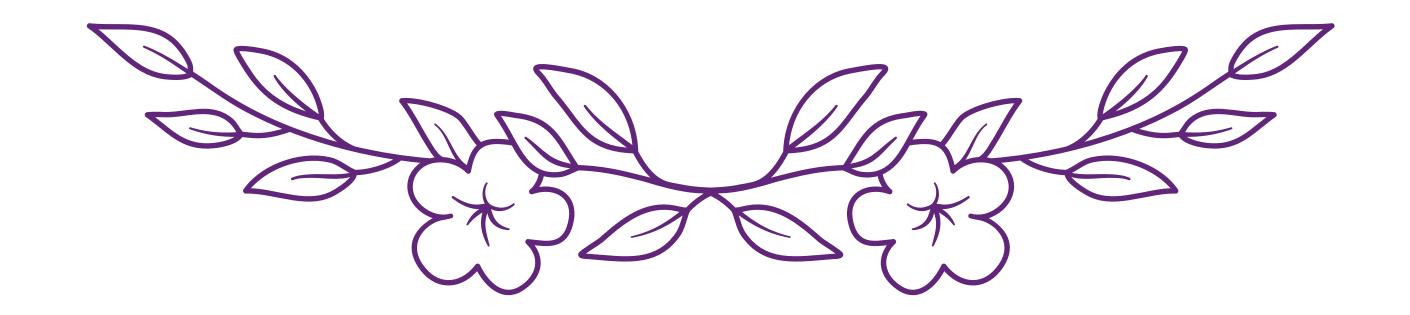
How did you hear about Jennyruth Workshops?

Marton cum Grafton is where the base for the workshops used to be, and Barrie and Sue used to take my little girl to Sunday club in Bertha the minibus. We knew that you had moved to just outside of Ripon so we rang up to see if we could come and visit and do something while we were here.

What made you want to do a painting workshop at Jennyruth Workshops?

You sent us some lovely pictures of birds we could paint and also we'd never painted wooden birds before so it was something new and you had all the facilities. The other thing was you were offering tea and cake which is always a big selling point.





What was your highlight from the painting workshop?

The fact that the birds that I painted actually looked good. A lot of thinking was involved with trying to remember how to mix colours. I was so proud that I even took my birds to a meeting in Ripon to show them off. I even took the opportunity to tell them how great the workshop! My mother came, who's 91, and she's put hers along her mantle piece. My highlight was I've got 3 lovely birds that I painted and it was great to have lots of different colours.

Did you enjoy the detail painting?

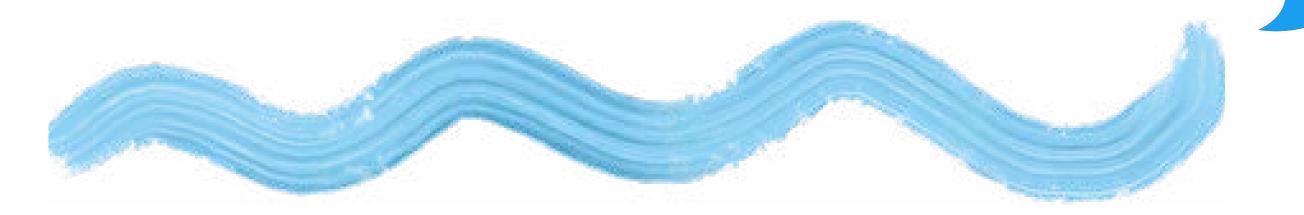
They were tricky to paint but that was good because we had to concentrate and ended up with proper birds. The eyes and the feet were difficult but I enjoyed having to be careful and the little brush helped.

Which was your favourite bird?

The one I painted the best which was the blue tit.

Would you come back again?

I think we would but it may be in a few years time. I am recommending you to other WIs as we had such a lovely time. I would recommend you to any organisation as you did a great job. It was great to see the workshop and how clever you all are. You make such good stuff and everyone was very pleased with their purchases.



Visit from Hampsthwaite C of E Primary School We had 14 children come from Hampsthwaite C of E Primary School to

look around Jennyruth Workshops and carry out a very important job.....they were presenting us with a cheque for £100!



We gave the children and their parents a tour of the workshop before they did a spot of shopping!

Beth enjoyed showing the children around the workshop.

Chris loved showing them around and chatting with the children out in the garden.

Ryan enjoyed showing them the garden. He especially loved telling them about our bird boxes and having the picture taken.

Sinderby Craft Fair

Daniel and I ran a stall at Sinderby Craft Fair in the Sinderby village hall. There were lots of other stalls there selling clothes, honey, jewellery and pottery.

We sold a few of our products and talked to lots of customers who wanted to know more about Jennyruth Workshops.

By Jamie Allen

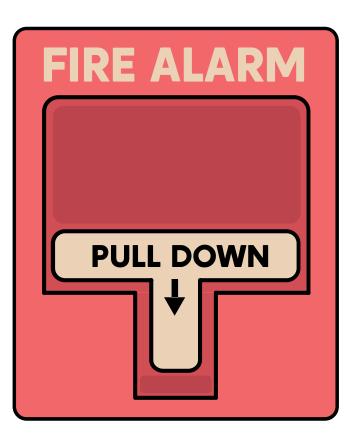


#TestItTuesday

Simon, Linda, Ryan H, Jessica, and David M went to Morrisons supermarket to meet with Commissioner Zoe, and her team, to hand out the Test it Tuesday wooden spoons. We engraved the spoons on the laser printer with a picture of a smoke alarm for the commissioner and her team to hand them out to the public.

We spoke with Commissioner Zoe, a police lady and some firemen who were all interested in who we are and what Jennyruth Workshops make. We told them all where we are and hope they will come to visit soon.





Ripon Wetlands

Anna, Jackie, Daniel, Ryan R, Ryan H and Dawn went to Ripon Wetlands to look for birds and other wildlife. Daniel borrowed Steve's binoculars.

We parked near one of the ponds and then walked to a bird hide where we saw two swans.



We walked through the long grass along a Sensory trail. Ryan H spotted lots of molehills. We walked across a little bridge and through a willow arch to get to a shelter.





The shelter had a map, which Daniel was very excited about, and lots of information about local wildlife.





We were able to take a little path into the reed beds to look for frogs but we didn't see any.



In order to deserve a cake at the end we thought we better do some more walking. So we walked (galloped for Ryan R) all the way to the canal. We kept a lookout for birds and spotted a cabbage white butterfly.



We popped into the Forge cafe for a hot drink and cake before heading back to the workshop.





Ryan said, "I enjoyed it. I liked walking, using the binoculars and looking at the maps. We saw where the horses race."



Daniel said, "I was looking at the map. I spotted two swans through the binoculars. I liked walking through the sensory garden."



Springwater School Moving On Event

Rachael, Hannah and Emma S went with Richard and Anna to Springwater School's Moving On Event.



A great opportunity to talk to their 16+ students about Jennyruth Workshops as a place to attend once they finish school.

Visit from the Shears Foundation

We first met Bruce Warnes at a Local Fund Event we attended in Harrogate in 2022. Bruce runs the Shear's Foundation alongside his brother-in-law Mark. The Shear's Foundation was set up in 1996 and every year provides grants to many small charities across the North East.

We invited Bruce to visit earlier this year in relation to a grant application we were making. He was so impressed by what he saw he asked if he could bring a group of The Shear's Foundation trustees to look round too. They were all very impressed by what they saw and are looking forward to visiting us again once the extension is completed.

Walk Around Studley Deer Park

Shaun, Ben, Matthew, Tom H, Richard, Avril and I went for a walk around Studley Deer Park. We wanted to have a look in St Mary's Church but it was closed.

I was in charge of holding Reggie's lead on the minibus but Richard held it when we were walking around because he was very strong. We walked up a big steep hill to the church and I could feel it in the back of my legs.

By Rachael



Visit from the High Sheriff of North Yorkshire

We had a visit from Clare Granger, High Sheriff of North Yorkshire. We loved showing her around the workshop and telling her all about the work we do here.

"I was so incredibly impressed by all that you are doing at Jennyruth. It is so fabulous to see all the work that is going on and the dedication of everyone, staff and workers alike. There is such a wonderful atmosphere of constructive activity, everyone is working very hard, doing their very best and producing such excellent results. I am thrilled with my purchases and so impressed by all the fabulous things that are being produced!" - **Clare Granger, High Sheriff of North Yorkshire**



Stall at RHS Harlow Carr

On Saturday 24th June I helped out on the Jennyruth Workshops stall at Harlow Carr.

It was a lovely warm day. There were quite a few other stalls selling garden ornaments and plants plus a flower arranging demonstration where people could make their own flower decoration to take home. I made my own flower decoration and I wore it in my hat.

I helped to sell a few things and I was handing out leaflets to customers. Before I finished for the day I had a chocolate ice cream in a tub.

By Victoria Thomis



On Sunday Jerry, my mum Emma, my sister Katie and I helped out on the stall at Harlow Carr for Jennyruth Workshops. We arrived at Harlow Carr at 1:15pm and met Richard, Martyn, Simon and Carole. It was great to see so many members of the public willing to chat and support our small but mighty charity at Harlow Carr. It was great to see all the products brought from the workshops for the customers to buy. At the start of the stall, it was quiet but it soon picked up. I chatted with customers about what Jennyruth Workshops does as a charity. Some of the parents who have younger children bought Paint Your Own packs. I enjoyed the stall and left at 2:30pm. The weather was sunny but warm and Jerry behaved really well amongst the crowds and busy public at the stall. It was also great to see what other stalls were there as well at Harlow Carr.

By Tom Oates



Trip to Monk Park Farm

After a very busy month we went on a whole workshop trip to Monk Park Farm; our partner and regular collaborator.

We had a fantastic time! At the entrance, we were all given bags of food to feed the animals with and we then went inside the petting barn. We wandered about, looking at the animals and fed some of the goats. There were lots of baby guinea pigs that Ben enjoyed stroking.

A lot of the workers went on the Barrel Ride because it took us into one of the fields were we able to see more animals. Jonathan especially enjoyed it because it was his first time on the ride. We shouted "Ey Up!" as we went round the field.

After lunch we all had an ice cream. Beth had 2 flavours. We then went to watch the Pig Racing. Ryan H was very excited about the pig race and although he didn't win he thought it was great fun to watch them running really fast.

We all really enjoyed our trip to Monk Park Farm and had a group photo with a goat, which was very funny, and with Gunther the Gnome. Before we left we had a big photo shoot with the tractor in the courtyard.

We all had a fantastic day and hope to come back again soon. It was the highlight of my week!

By Jamie Allen



"It was really good seeing all the animals and going on the barrel ride and the little train." - **Alex**





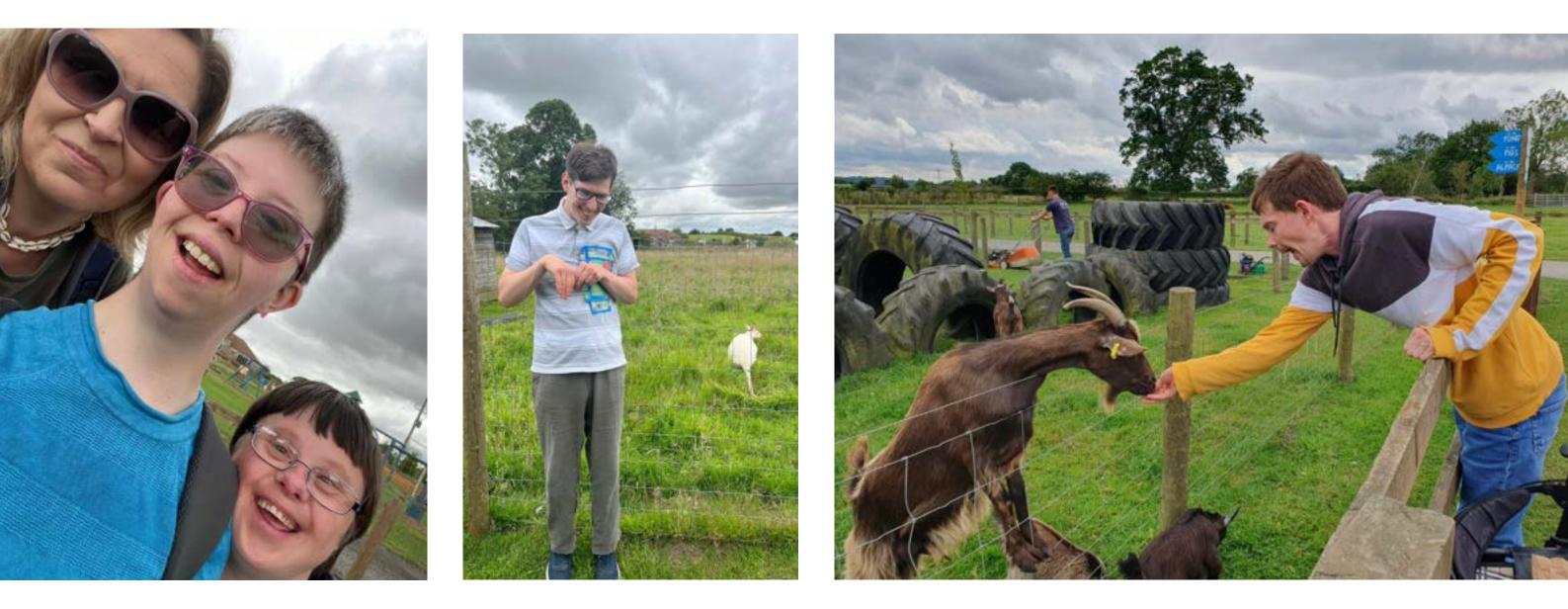
"I had fun taking the group photo because a goat was in it." - Emma S



"I enjoyed feeding the animals in the Petting Barn, stroking the guinea pigs and dancing in Anna's car." - **Tom H**



"My favourite part was having a chocolate and honeycomb ice cream. Mine was free because I spotted farmer Jack first." - **Beth** "I liked looking at the Scottish cows and feeding the goats. The woolly sheep with lots of hair were very funny." - Andrew



"I liked stroking the guinea pigs and feeding the goats from the bridge." - Shaun







"I loved the little ducklings and having a strawberry and mint chocolate ice cream." -Jonathan





















News from the Workshops Building Works

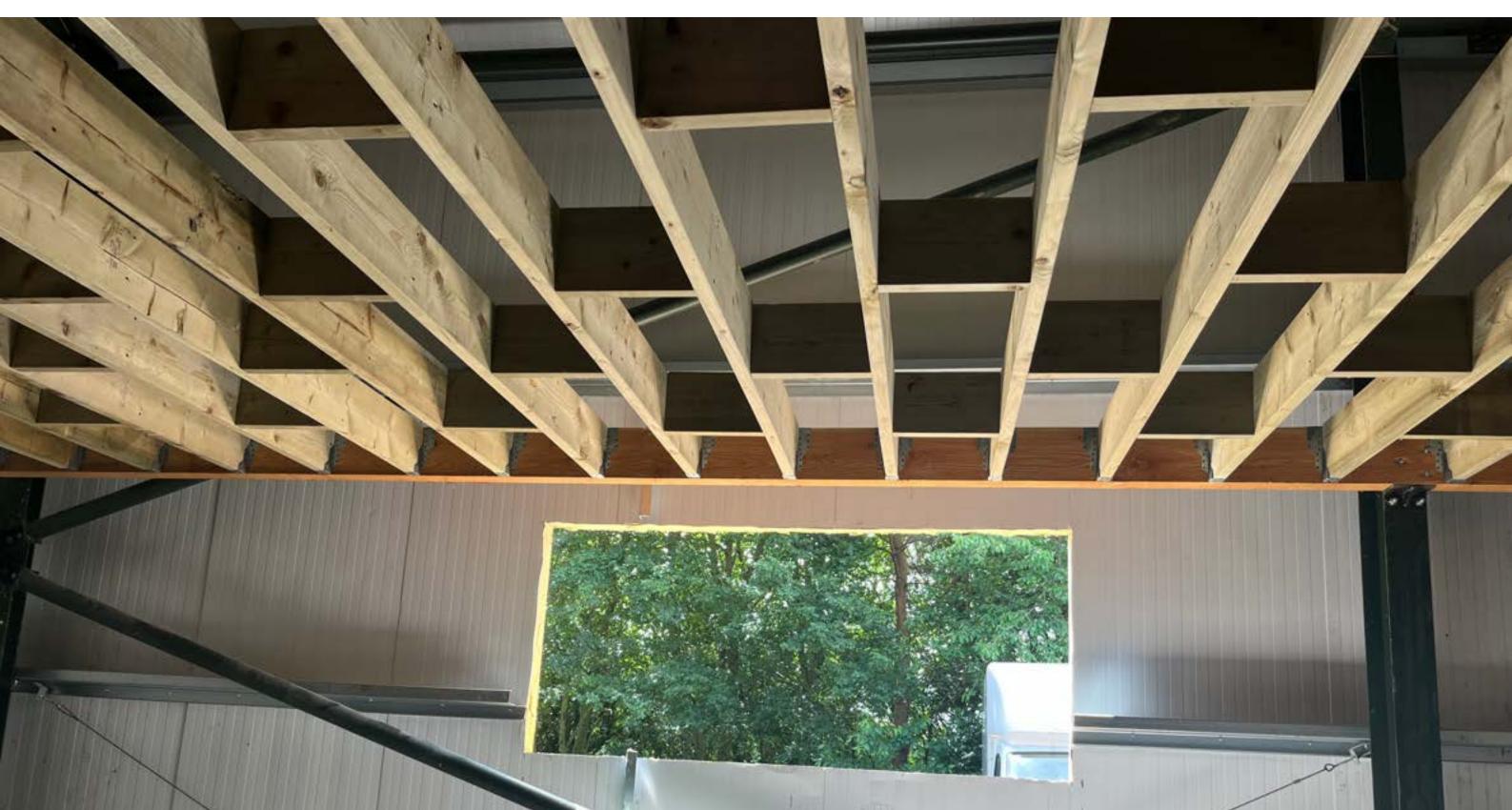
There is light at the end of the tunnel as the extension progresses further! The ceiling joists are now in and holes where the windows will be going have been cut out.

The whole process has felt like a bit of an adventure. Seeing different trucks appearing and delivering building materials has been very exciting to watch. All of the workers, staff and volunteers are looking forward to it completion!

By Jamie A, Tom O, Jonathan and Rachael







New Addition



A very exciting new addition to the workshops has been our Luton Van complete with a tail lift.

A big thank you must go to the Clothworkers Foundation for their grant which has helped hugely towards the cost of the van.

The van is a big game changer when it comes to taking stock to shows!



Jennyruth Workshops: Memories, Stories and Pictures

We would like to produce a follow up to Barrie and Jonathan's book about their travels and the early days of Jennyruth Workshops.

We are asking friends, workers, families, carers, staff, trustees and anyone with memories and stories about Jennyruth to share these stories, memories, and photographs for our book.

You can write your contribution to the book yourself or ask someone to help you at home or at Jennyruth.

You can write about:

- products you have made
- visits and trips you have been on
- your best thing about being at Jennyruth Workshops
- events and shows that you took part in
- things you have produced for The Wren in the last few years
- visitors you remember
- TV or Radio interviews
- your proudest times at Jennyruth Workshops
- anything that you want to share about your life at Jennyruth Workshops

Start thinking and writing now! Talk about your ideas with each other, a member of staff or volunteers

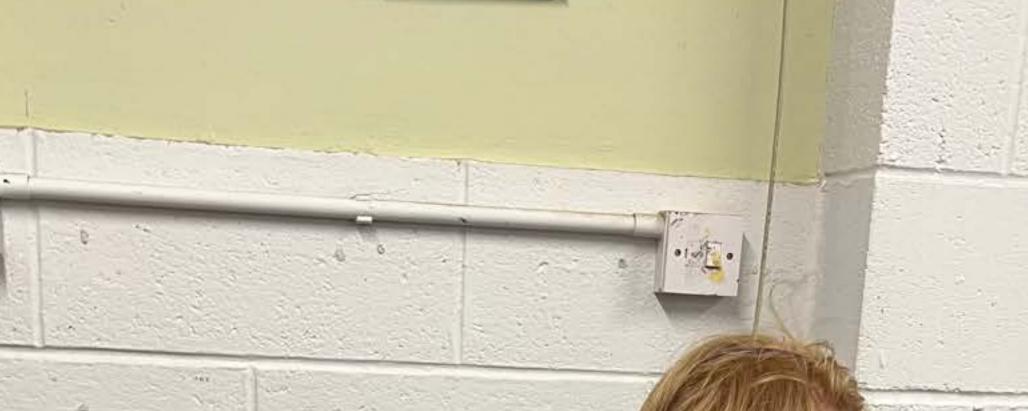
Rachael's Photo Snaps

Rachael was our Head Photographer for this edition of the magazine! She had great fun taking action shots of staff, volunteers and workers.











Volunteer Spotlight

The magazine team interviewed Rachel Kidd to find out more about her life and what made her decide to start volunteering at Jennyruth Workshops.

Why did you want to volunteer at Jennyruth Workshops?

I like to keep busy and I love working with people, especially all of the lovely friendly people here!

What are your hobbies outside of Jennyruth Workshops?

Gardening, knitting, yoga, baking and walking (I am walking up Snowdon later this week).

Do you like sport?

I've played netball for years, I was the Centre position which meant I could go almost anywhere on the court.

Tell us about your family.

I have 4 children, Molly, Jess, Martha and Max, and 5 Grandchildren, all girls! I see my grandchildren every week and it's my favourite thing to do.
I have a famous brother, he played keyboard and trumpet for the band Simply Red. He then left to join a band called Olive and did lots of writing for groups such as The Lighthouse Family and The Pussycat Dolls.

Do you have any bad habits?

If you ask my husband he would say I talk too much! I say sorry too much, being late.

What is your highlight at Jennyruth Workshops?

When I first started, everyone got to know my name and made me feel very welcome.

What is your favourite food?

Poached eggs on toast. I am a vegetarian.

Do you have any favourite products to make?

When I first started I enjoyed painting larger products like birdboxes. I now enjoy more detailed painting. I'm currently painting some detail on a gnome.

Are you going on holiday this year?

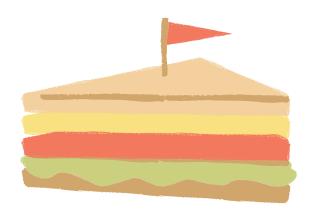
I'm going to Kent to stay with my friend. She has swimming pools and a sauna at her house. I am also going to Northumberland in September.





The next social of 2023 has been postponed until Autumn.

More information to come.....



"Thank you, we loved the last one!"

"The food is delicious!"



"I find them enjoyable as I get to meet other volunteers!"



Please check the events list and if you would like to help out at any of these please email Avril at info@jennyruth.co.uk

We have a fantastic team of volunteers.

We asked them what have they learnt from volunteering at Jennyruth Workshops ...



Grace

"To be patient and listen carefully to the workers. Also how to paint. It's very rewarding."

Liz

"Learning about others and keeping in touch with people I've known since they were babies!"



In the next edition we'll be asking our volunteers 'What have you learnt from volunteering at Jennyruth Workshops'.

Fundraising

There are numerous ways that you can support Jennyruth Workshops.

Fancy starting your own fundraiser? Click the link to create a Just Giving page and start raising money for Jennyruth Workshops!

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraisingpage/creation/?cid=3261823



You can donate via our website: https://cafdonate.ca fonline.org/16026#! /DonationDetails

Click the link to make a regular or one off donation!

Easy Fundraising gives people an easy and free way to raise donations for Jennyruth Workshops through online shopping

You can also add the Donation Reminder button to your browser so whenever you're shopping online – the Donation Reminder automatically lets you know when you're on any site that offers donations with #easyfundraising. https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/donationreminder/

It's now been made even easier....just scan the QR Code to sign up or visit <u>https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/</u> to find out more.







Charity Golf Day Monday 10th July 2023

Teams of 4 playing Stableford Competition ¾ Handicap

Jennyruth Workshops Golf Classic played at the picturesque Ripon City Golf Club with Tee Times from 10.00am until 3.00pm.

A fabulous day is assured with prizes galore

- 1st three teams
- Nearest the Pin
 - Longest Drive
- Coloured Ball Competition
- plus the inevitable "Wooden Spoon"

£180 for each team of 4 players (includes two-course meal)

If you can't make it, you can still help this wonderful charity with great sponsorship opportunities.

All proceeds from this event will go to local Jennyruth Workshops

Contact our Golf Day Organiser: Email: Fel:	D d 0
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KNARESBOROUGH KNIGHTMARES

GHOST WALKS IN AID OF LOCAL CHARITIES

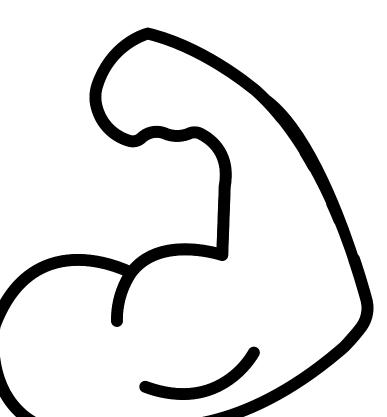


ticketsource.co.uk/knaresborough-knightmares

We've had some local superstars fundraising for us recently!

Grantley Hall have once again rallied the troops for another Tough Mudder! The event takes place on the 29th July and there is still plenty of time to donate <u>https://www.justgiving.com/page/grantley-hall-</u> <u>1682424591912</u>







A huge thank you to the team at Day Lewis Pharmacy in Ripon! They spent a week raising money for Jennyruth Workshops through a Teddy Bear Raffle. They even dressed in brightly coloured tops in honour of our brightly coloured habitat range. They raised £99.28 which was then matched by the Day Lewis Company so a grand total of £198.56. Incredible!





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Sam Manning Worker of the Week 20^m June 2023



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Jamie's Jokes

What do you call a snowman in July

A Puddle



Why do fish like to eat worms?

Because they get hooked on them.

Why did the dolphins cross the beach?

To get to the other tide.

What do mermaids sleep on?

Waterbeds

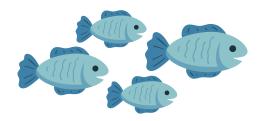
What is brown and hairy?

A coconut on vacation





Because pepper water would make them sneeze











On Tuesday 13th June, Denise, Janet, Tom, Martin, Matthew, Emma and I discussed the recipes for a Potato and Tuna Salad and Fruit Salad.

We separated into two groups. Janet was working with Martin, Matthew, and Emma on the potato and tuna salad while Denise was working with Tom and I on the fruit salad.

Emma did the salad dressing which was lemon, onion and parsley. She had to chop the onion, squeeze the lemon and cut the parsley. Martin cut up the cucumber. Matthew cut up the tomatoes and stirred the potato salad all together.

I helped Tom to chop the strawberries and banana for the fruit salad.

Tom liked it because it was so lovely and he would make it at home. Jessica enjoyed it because she'd never had tuna in a potato salad before. Emma enjoyed the fruit salad and would make it again at home

By Jessica Lewis



BBC Good Food's Potato and Tuna Salad

350g new potato 4 anchovies 4 tbsp mayonnaise (reduced fat is fine) Juice 1 lemon 1 large Cos lettuce bunch spring onions 1 tin of tuna in brine or oil

STEP 1

Boil potatoes for 15 mins or until tender. Drain and cool under cold water. Meanwhile, make the dressing by mashing anchovies with the mayonnaise. Add the white wine vinegar or lemon juice and season to taste with black pepper. Tear the leaves from the lettuce into a large bowl. Chop spring onions and tip them in. Slice the potatoes and add to the bowl, then drain the tuna and flake into the bowl. Drizzle the dressing over and serve. On Tuesday 20th June, Martin, Matthew, Jessica, Tom and I were helped by Denise and Janet to make Mediterranean Potato Bake with a salad.

Martin chopped up the potatoes while Matthew chopped up the peppers. Jessica chopped the potatoes and the herbs from the garden. Emma chopped up the courgette and the cucumber for the salad. Tom chopped the herbs and the aubergines and he helped served the food.

Martin said he loved the food because it had a lot of different flavours. He would make it again but would try different ingredients in it. Matthew said he didn't like it because of the courgettes. Jessica said she really enjoyed it because she loved the taste of the pesto and would make it again for her family. I really enjoyed it because it is good to try new things and it was really yummy.

By Emma Laycock



Happy Birthday

July

Janet Willoner Jamie Allen Rebekah Evason Angie Shield Sally Chignell Phoebe Dawber Kimberley Batley



Dates for the Diary

A note for volunteers

If you would like to help out at any of our events then please get in touch by emailing Avril at info@jennyruth.co.uk.



Monday 10th July

A great opportunity to support a wonderful charity and have a grand day. If you're not able to make it then don't worry because there are lots of sponsorship opportunities as well.



Email don.grundy@jennyruth.co.uk to book your spot or find out more!



Great Yorkshire Show

Tuesday 11th - Friday 14th July

A great opportunity to do a spot of shopping and have a grand day out.

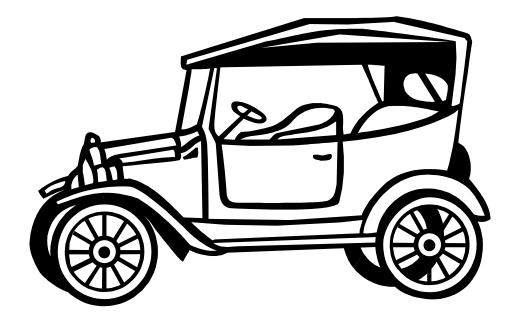
https://greatyorkshireshow.co.uk/ticket-information/



Aldborough and Boroughbridge Agricultural Show Newby Hall

Sunday 23rd July

"The small agricultural show with the big personality." Pop by our stall and enjoy a great day out for all the family.



Ripon Old Car Classic Gathering Ripon Race Course

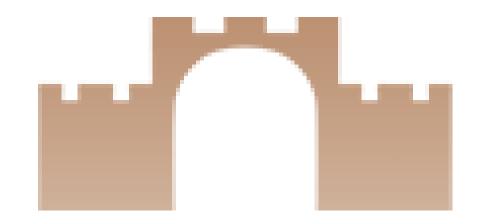
Sunday 30th July

A marvellous opportunity to see some old vintage cars. We also hold a stall to sell some of our products and showcase what Jennyruth Workshops is all about.

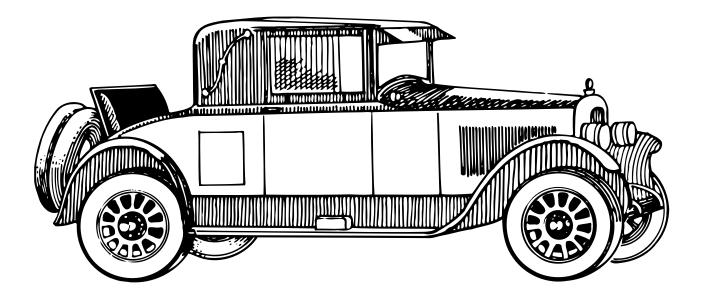
Real Markets Ripley Castle

Sunday 30th July

An opportunity to check out local and speciality producers and makers.



August and September



Harrogate MG Rally **Pateley Bridge**

Sunday 6th Aug 9:30am - 3:30pm

A marvellous opportunity to see some old vintage cars. We also hold a stall to sell some of our products and showcase what Jennyruth Workshops is all about.

Mini Music Fest St Wilfrid's Church, Ripon

Sunday 6th Aug 12 - 5pm

An afternoon of shopping while enjoying some fab music.





Circus Family Day Thirsk Racecourse

Friday 11th Aug 11am

A visit from the National Festival Circus keeps the whole family entertained. They will also have bouncy castles, inflatables, balloon modelling, face painting and a range of traditional fairground stalls.

Ripley and District Agricultural and Horticultural Society Ltd Ripley Sunday 13th August



The show covers a broad spectrum of agricultural, horticultural, equestrian and other major attractions. We can't wait to have a stall there this year!



Autumn Flower Show Newby Hall

Friday 15th - Sunday 17th Sept 8:30am - 5:30pm

Beautiful show gardens, amazing shopping, live entertainment and a Jennyruth Workshops stall....what more could you want!

November and December

Christmas Gift and Food Fair Ripon Cathedral

Friday 24th - Saturday 25th Nov 9:30am - 4:30pm

Join us again at the hugely popular annual Christmas Gift and Food Fair with stalls of seasonal gifts and food in the nave of Ripon Cathedral. The fair offers the perfect unique shopping experience and live music.





Coffee Morning Marton cum Grafton

Saturday 2nd December 10am - 12pm

A cup of coffee and a catch up.

Christmas Party

Friday 8th December 2023 7pm – 10pm Bowling Club Ripon

Party time once again. More details will be released closer to the time.



























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