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Hello everyone

Where did January go? I blinked and missed it.

We've been keeping very busy working on stock for Christmas...yes I did say Christmas, it's never too early and it's good to be prepared. I have been told the Christmas songs are too much though!

We have presented lots of WOWs this month, Anna is going to have to add more pages to the magazine if this trend continues.

Do check out Sam's Snaps as there are some lovely photos. Thank you Sam for being our camera man.

Our events list is included this month. An opportunity for you to come and see us when we are out and about and a chance for volunteers to join us meeting customers new and old.

Do let Avril know if you would like to help out at any of them at info@jennyruth.co.uk

Enjoy reading and until next month, take care

Nicky

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Rachael and Sam

Meet the team



Editor Anna Smith

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Our Amazing WOWs

Every week we celebrate the incredible achievements of one of our workers. Last month Jamie A, Jessica, Tom, Richard and Emma L received Worker of the Week (WOW).



WOW



Jamie Allen
Worker of the Week
9th January 2023

- For being such a helpful person
- For helping with the drinks and setting up without being asked.

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WOW



Jessica Lewis
Worker of the Week
16th January 2023

- For being such a good sport
- For having a great sense of humour
- For using beautiful handwriting and learning new spellings

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CEO



WOW



Tom Hodgson
Worker of the Week
17th January 2023

- For his first detailed painting which was completed really carefully to show the fine detail.

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CEO



Richard Swearman
Worker of the Week
17th January 2023

- For working well in woodwork; improving his skills and staying happy and positive.
- For adapting to working in the machine shop and using PPE without complaining.
- For listening to instructions in the paintshop.
- Working great with Helen (volunteer).
- For sanding and painting carefully.

Nicky
CEO



Emma Laycock
Worker of the Week
24th January 2023

- For fantastic packaging and working independently on office-based tasks.
- For taking ownership of habitat home tagging.
- For staying positive and completing tasks without getting distracted.

Nicky

CEO



Andrew Wilford
Worker of the Week
31st January 2023

- For being friendly and a delight to work with.
- For great production in woodwork especially on the Guinea Pig Homes.
- For being very helpful.

Nicky

CEO



Ryan Rhodes
Worker of the Week
31st January 2023

- For great stencilling work with Denise
- For being a joy to have around
- For working really hard on his painting

Nicky

CEO



Visits and Events

Rachael Re-stocking Tates

I took the Christmas stock off the display. Then we put more trugs and bird boxes onto the display. We then went into the cafe for a cheese scone and a luxury hot chocolate.

By Rachael Addison





News from the Workshops

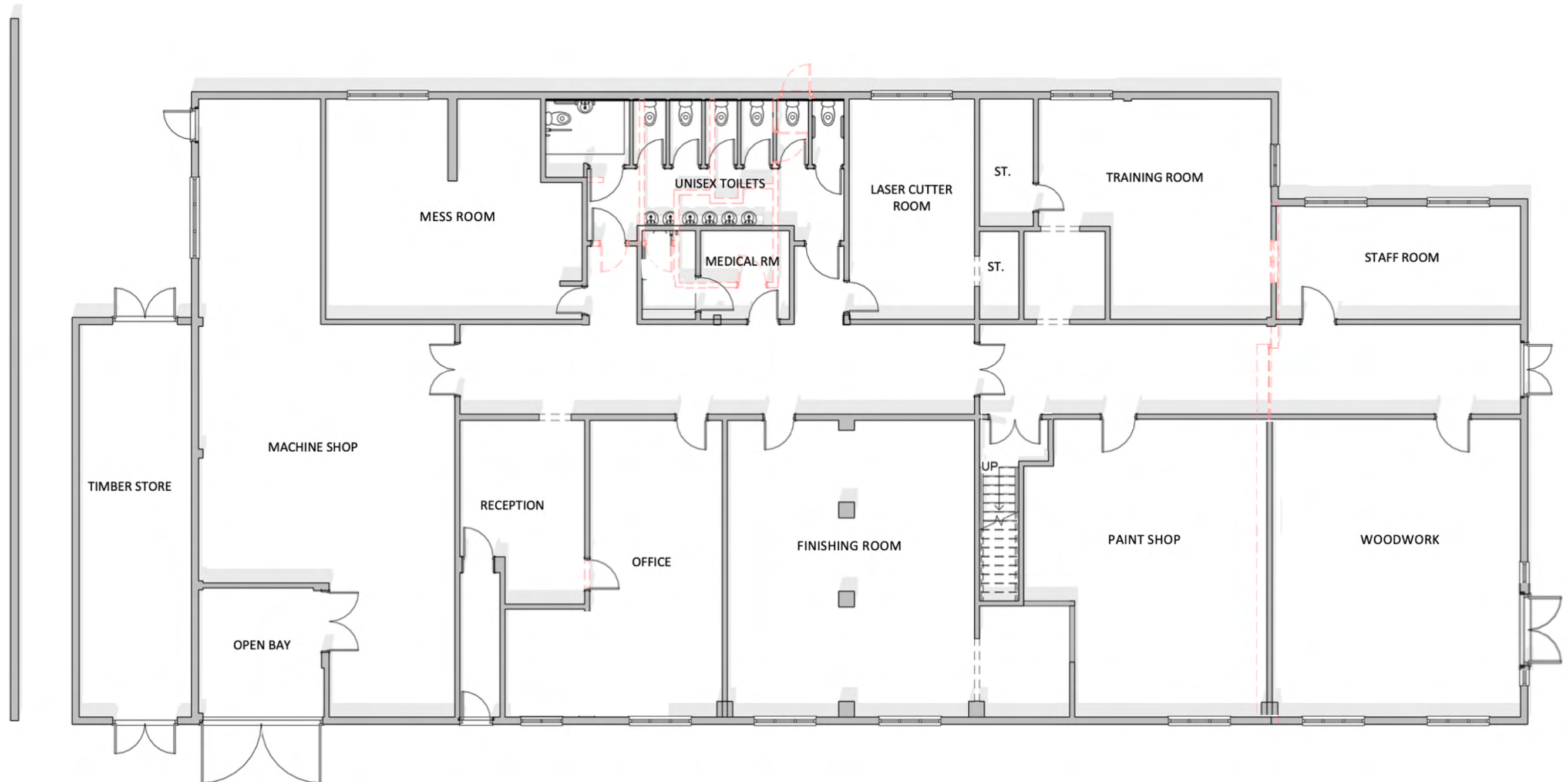
New Hats for Spring

Emily from Grantley Hall delivered 40 brand new baseball caps. They will look fantastic with our Jennyruth Workshops purple polos and jumpers.

A huge thank you to our wonderful partner Grantley Hall for the hats we can't wait to give them their debut at our spring stalls.



Building Works Update



Nicky says "They are doing all the edging bits and flashing on the outside of the building."

Phe says "I am very excited and can't wait to work in it."

Phoebe says "I am looking forward to a new paintshop and I can't wait to be together again in the paintshop."

Linda says "I am very excited and looking forward to a brand new woodwork department."

Anna says "I am very excited about the brand new packaging room. It will be lovely to have more space to welcome lots more workers."



Valentines Gifts



Calling all you love birds.
Don't forget your Valentine this year.
Check out our online shop for cards and gift ideas.
www.jennyruth.co.uk





Community Matters

Harrogate BSAC Diving for All



We're pleased to share with you that Harrogate BSAC is keen to offer supported diving experiences and training for people with and without disabilities under the national BSAC Diving for All (DfA) programme.

We have been running fortnightly DfA sessions on a Thurs evening (8-9pm) at Harrogate Ladies College since Nov 22.

I am pleased to announce that we will be running our first Ripon DfA session on Sat, 4th Feb (5-6pm) – hopefully this will be the first of regular future sessions at the new Ripon pool.

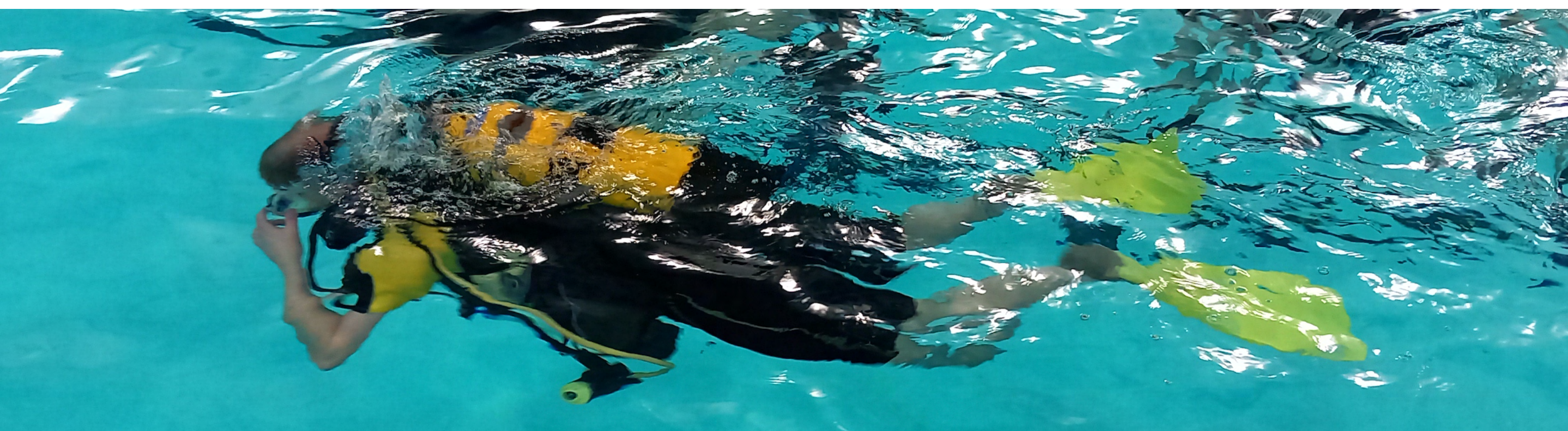
There are physical limitations to the Harrogate Ladies College pool. That means that we can support a limited number of individuals there who are also able to use a standard ladder to access and exit the pool.

The new Ripon pool is fully accessible and that means we can support those with a wider range of needs in a more social environment.

BSAC is a not-for-profit enterprise and so a small charge of £10 per session is made to cover the cost of pool hire – all equipment and support is provided free of charge by volunteers at the Club.

If you would be interested in learning more then please do not hesitate to contact us directly (details as below).

Pam & Dave
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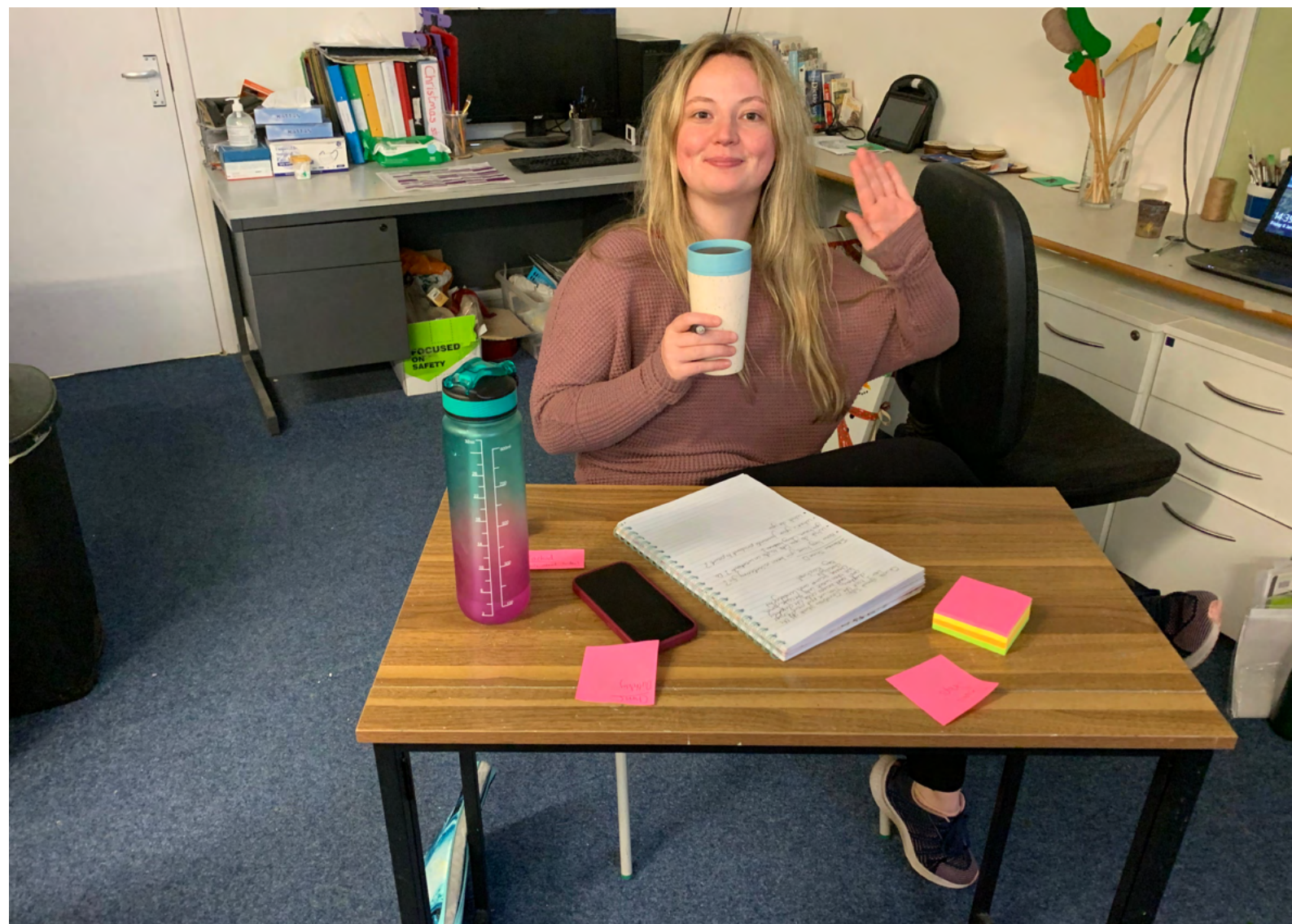
Sam's Snaps

Our top photographer Sam has taken some fab photos around the workshop.









Volunteering

Volunteer Spotlight - Jane

Jane started volunteering at Jennyruth Workshops just 10 years ago and has been helping out in the paintshop and in the training room.



The magazine team interviewed Jane in January to find out more about her life and why she wanted to volunteer at Jennyruth Workshops.

How long have you been volunteering for?

It was 10 years in January.

What do you like to do at the weekend? Do you have any hobbies?

I do have hobbies. I like to craft a lot – knit, crochet and cross stitch (I was inspired by Chris's love of cross stitch). I like to cook and play games with my family.

What's your favourite product to paint?

I like to do detail work. That's my favourite work to do.

What do you like to do before bed?

Well...I like TV in the evening, a glass of wine and time to unwind. I like to watch rubbish TV but Mr Dawber gets annoyed because I hog the control.

What work did you do before volunteering at Jennyruth Workshops?

Before I had children I had a real proper job working as a Product Development Manager in Food Production.

Question from Sam "My Favourite TV show is Eastenders, what's yours?"

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At the minute it's 'Happy Valley.'

What do you do before you come to Jennyruth Workshops on a morning?

Mr Dawber brings me a cup of tea and I come round gently. I do my Wordle, check my social media and I might have a chat with my daughter Esme who lives in New Zealand. I put my face on then I'm ready for the day.

What is your favourite adjective?

I tend to use fabulous and gorgeous alot.

What was your favourite subject at school?

My favourite subject was Art.

Do you have any bad habits?

Mr Dawber says I make a mess when I make coffee. Phoebe (Jane's daughter) says "you're a hinter not an asker."

What's your favourite flower?

That's really tricky because I love flowers but I really love Orchids. I always have a couple on the go. Phoebe says "We're at least in double figures."

What's your favourite type of music?

I have a very eclectic taste. I listen to all sorts. I have particular favourites such as Talking Heads. The highlight of the year is watching Glastonberry on the TV. I would definitely pick music over TV any day.

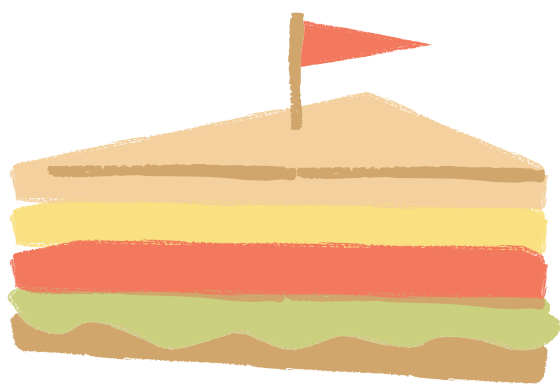
Volunteer Social

The first social of 2023 will be on February 10th 2023.

7pm - 10pm at Copt Hewick Village Hall.

Quiz, food and good company.

Partners welcome.



"Thank you, we loved the last one!"

**"The first event was much appreciated,
thank you."**



**"I haven't got round to thanking you all for a lovely evening,
I really enjoyed it -
Count me in the next one please, thanks again."**



**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.

"As you grow older, you will discover that you have two hands - one for helping yourself, the other for helping others." - Audrey Hepburn

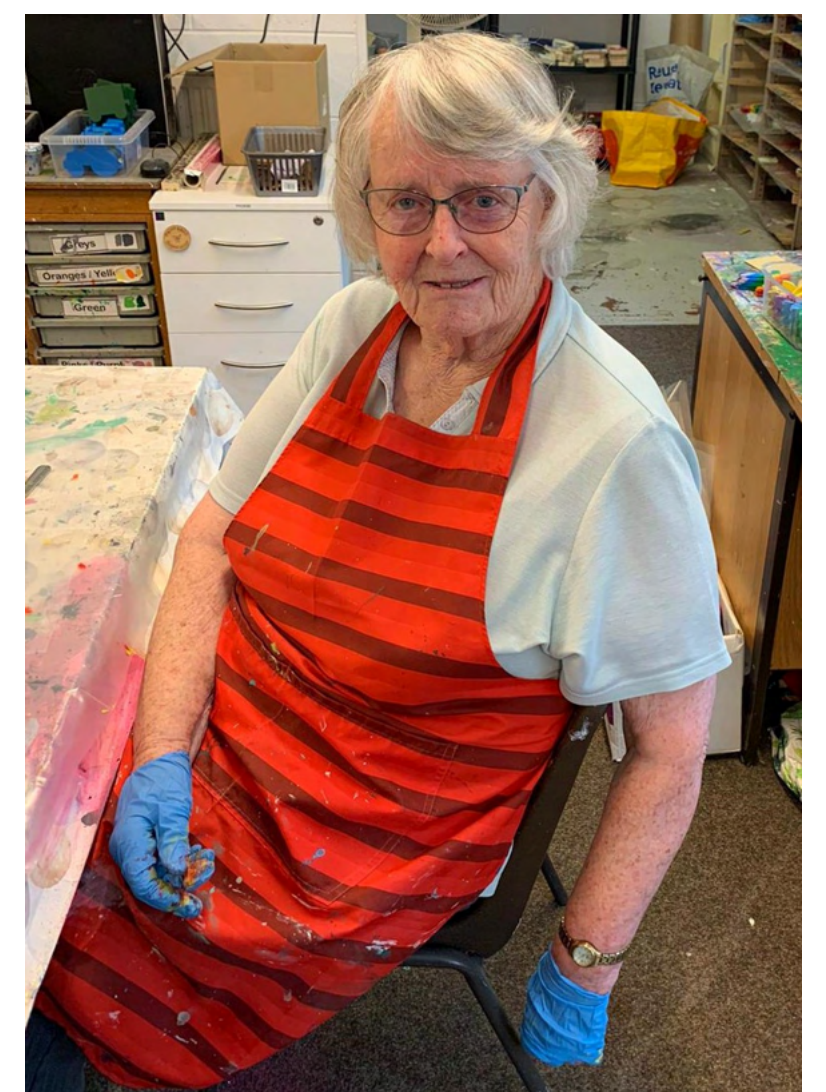


Helen

"Only a new volunteer at Jennyruth Workshops but I'm already enjoying coming once a week. Such a lovely environment and friendly workers and staff. A very happy place."

Brenda

"Brenda has been coming to Jennyruth Workshops from the very beginning. She has produced some fantastic quizzes which were very popular when they were sold in the supermarkets."



Janet

"What is it like volunteering at Jennyruth Workshops?"

"Well, I could take a tonic or I could go to be with everyone at Jennyruth Workshops, and I know which is best!"



The next edition will have more quotes from our lovely volunteers.

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/fundraising-page/creation/?cid=3261823>



You can donate via our website:
<https://cafdonate.ca/online.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/donation-reminder/>



Thank You Steve

The amazing Steve Dixon, one of our fantastic volunteers, is taking part in the Sue Ryder Mascot Gold Cup 2023 and is generously raising money for us in the process. The race is one furlong (220 yards) and includes 5 small fences with an 'open ditch' and 'water jump'. Made more difficult by completing the event in a dog suit.

Click to donate <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/jennyruth-workshops>

A message from Steve: "As a volunteer - I am relatively new to seeing the magic of what Jennyruth Workshop offers to its workers, volunteers & staff - It's an amazing place and everyone involved there deserves all the support they can get!"

It's a few years since I last 'ran' a competitive event in the Dog Suit - so why not do something memorable and help put the Fun into Fundraising - I will also be using the race as part of my 65th Birthday celebrations. (That happens earlier in April) - Lots of friends & all my close family have been calling me a bonkers old dog for years - so - dig deep and make a crazy old dog & a brilliant charity happy!"

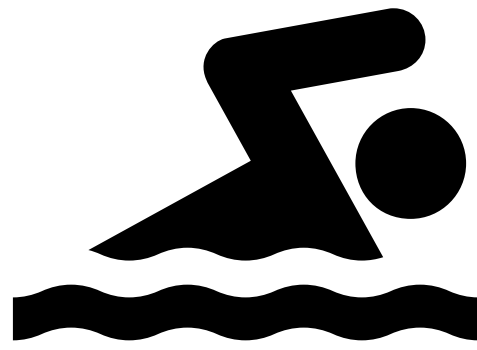
Thank you Steve, you're awesome!



Do you love a coffee morning?



Have you always wanted to swim the length of the channel?



Is your dream to have a 24hour Danceathon?



Whatever your interest, you can add an extra feel-good factor by supporting Jennyruth Workshops at the same time.







Cooks Corner

Well this month's Cooks Corner was meant to be some fun breakfast recipes but Rachael and Chris got rather distracted talking about their favourite cakes.

So instead we thought we'd share with you a little bit about our exciting new NYCC course 'Health and Safety and Food Hygiene'.

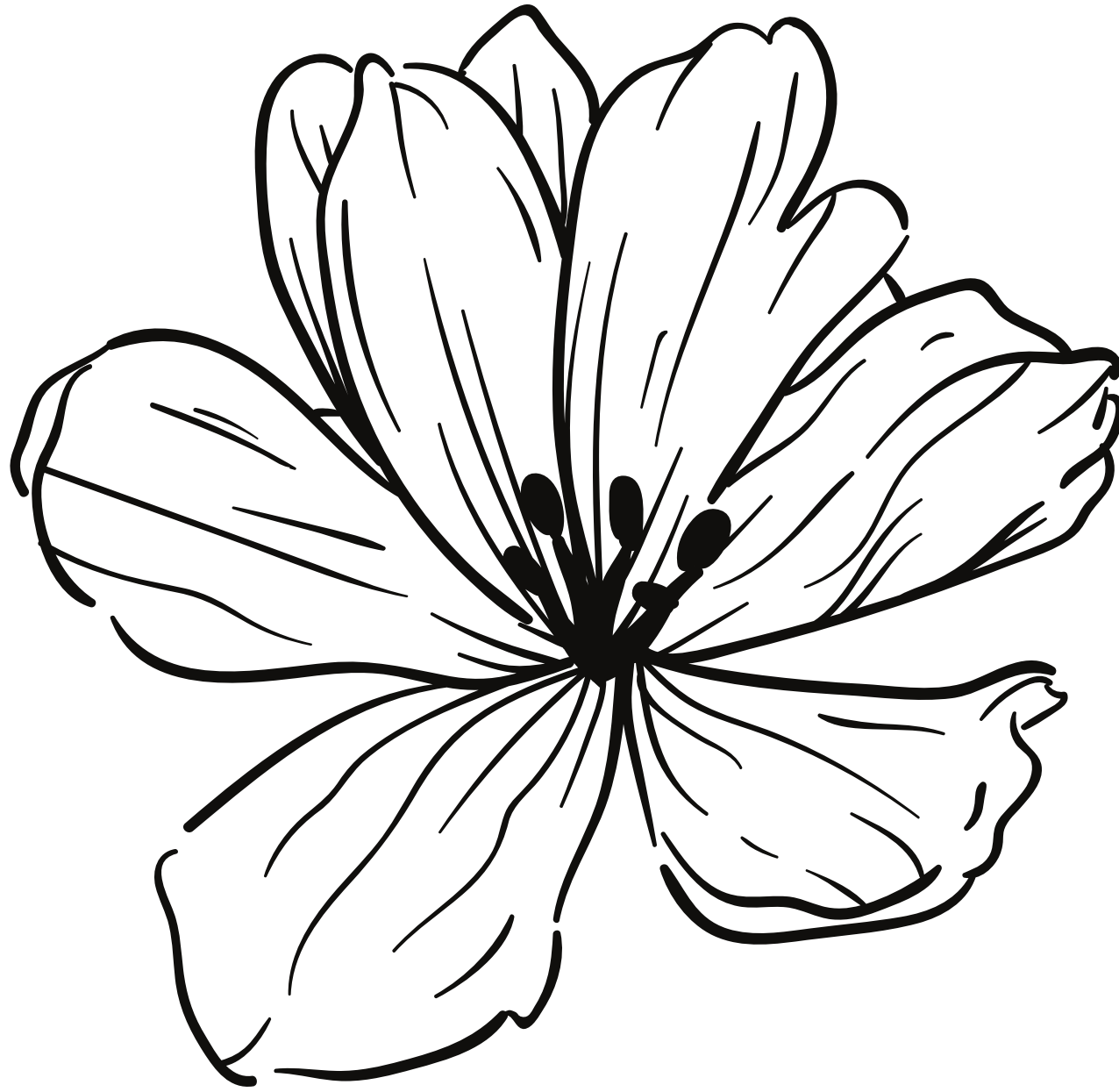
Jessica says, "The course is about eating healthy food, being on a healthy diet and personal hygiene such as washing your hands and wearing a hair net when you're cooking etc."



Rainy Day Relaxation

Can you unscramble these words to spell the names of flowers?

snpya
wrsoopnss
vfexgol
ilodfsfa
smorfegtne
doihrac
leublble
soer
lyil
lupti
orweolrfnc
pewsetae
iydsa
bputectr
mlabsa
oemispr
nwsfluore
ovlteis
ruocsc
aogdlirm



Answers

pansy, snowdrop, foxglove, daffodil, forget-me-nots, orchid, bluebell, rose,
Lily, tulip, cornflower, sweet pea, daisy, buttercup, balsam, primrose,
sunflower, violets, crocus, marigold

Can you match the TV show to the year their first episode aired?

Eastenders	1964
Crossroads	1972
Emmerdale	1972
The Bill	1972
Mastermind	1978
Casualty	1981
Come Dine With Me	1981
Heartbeat	1982
Brookside	1982
Home and Away	1983
Neighbours	1985
Dallas	1985
Rainbow	1986
Bergerac	1988
Only Fools and Horses	1990
Come Outside	1992
Cheers	1993
Friends	1994
Hollyoaks	1995
Rosie and Jim	2005

Answers

Crossroads 1964, Emmerdale 1972, Rainbow 1972, Mastermind 1972, Dallas 1978, Only Fools and Horses 1981, Bergerac 1981, Brookside 1982, Cheers 1982, The Bill 1983, Eastenders 1985, Neighbours 1985, Casualty 1985, Home and Away 1986, Rosie and Jim 1988, Heartbeat 1982, Come Dine With Me 1981, Dallas 1985, Rainbow 1986, Bergerac 1988, Only Fools and Horses 1990, Heartbeat 1992, Come Outside 1992, Friends 1993, Friends 1994, Hollyoaks 1995, Come Dine With Me 2005





Happy Birthday

February



Daniel Allen
Jenni Kipling
Karen Rayner
Sue Turner
Ben Evason
Denise Carrigan
Mark Scott
James Fisher
Matthew Evason



February 100 Club Winners

Thanks again to Jamie for announcing the winners.



1st prize - No 7

2nd prize - No 61

3rd prize - No 44

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.

April

Little Bird Artisan Market Harrogate

Sunday 2nd April 10am - 3pm

An artisan market showcasing beautiful handmade goods.



Spring Food, Home and Garden Fair

Saturday 15th April 10am - 4pm

A spot of spring time shopping.

Little Bird Artisan Market Ripon

Sunday 23rd April 10am - 3pm

An artisan market showcasing beautiful handmade goods.



Sharow Village Coffee Morning Sharow Village Hall

Saturday 29th April 10am - 12pm

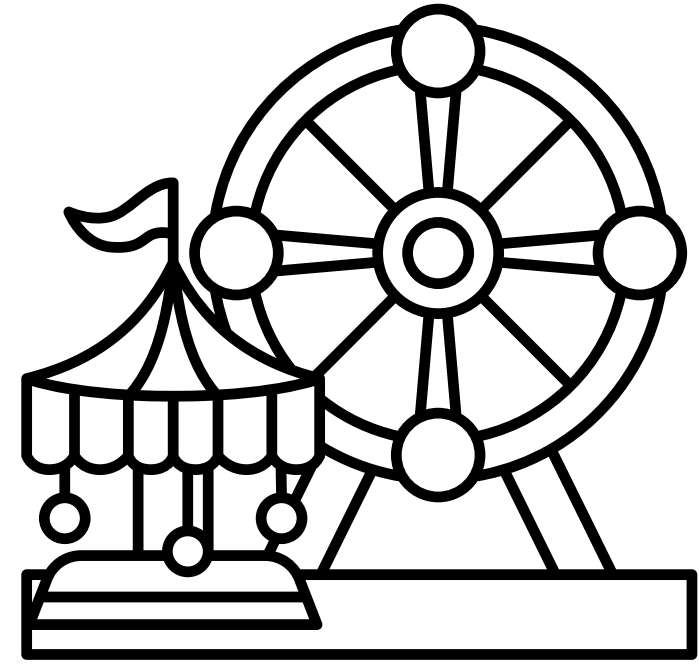
Time for a coffee and a catch up.

May and July

Duncombe Park Country Fair Duncombe Park, Helmsley

Monday 1st May 9am

A great day out for the whole family



Coronation Event Jennyruth Workshops

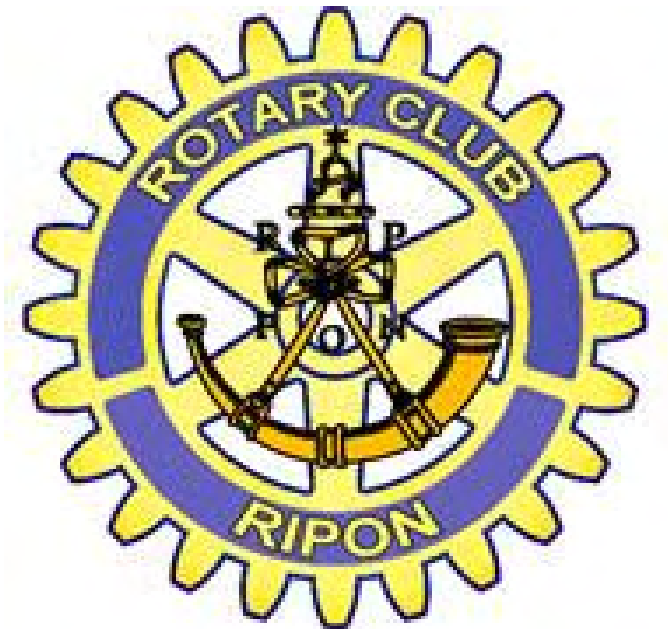
Friday 5th May

A very royal afternoon tea.

Rotary Club Bike Ride

Saturday 13th May 8am - 2pm ish

We will be marshalling the charity bike ride at Tollerton. Feel free to volunteer to help keep the cyclists hydrated at the water station. Last year we also gave out delicious fudge.



Charity Golf Day

Thursday 6th July

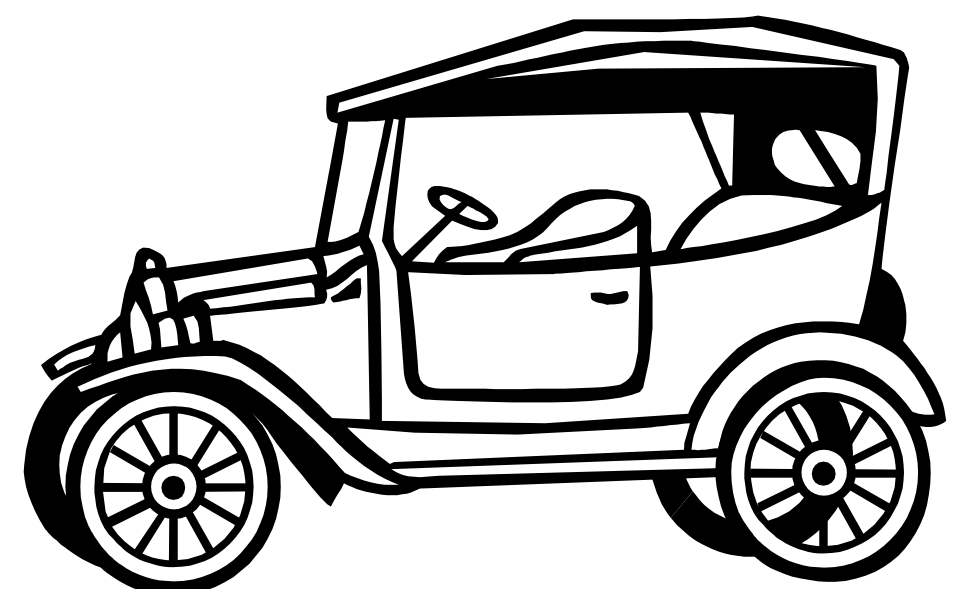
A great opportunity to support a wonderful charity and have a grand day. If you're not able to make it then don't worry because there are lots of sponsorship opportunities as well.

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

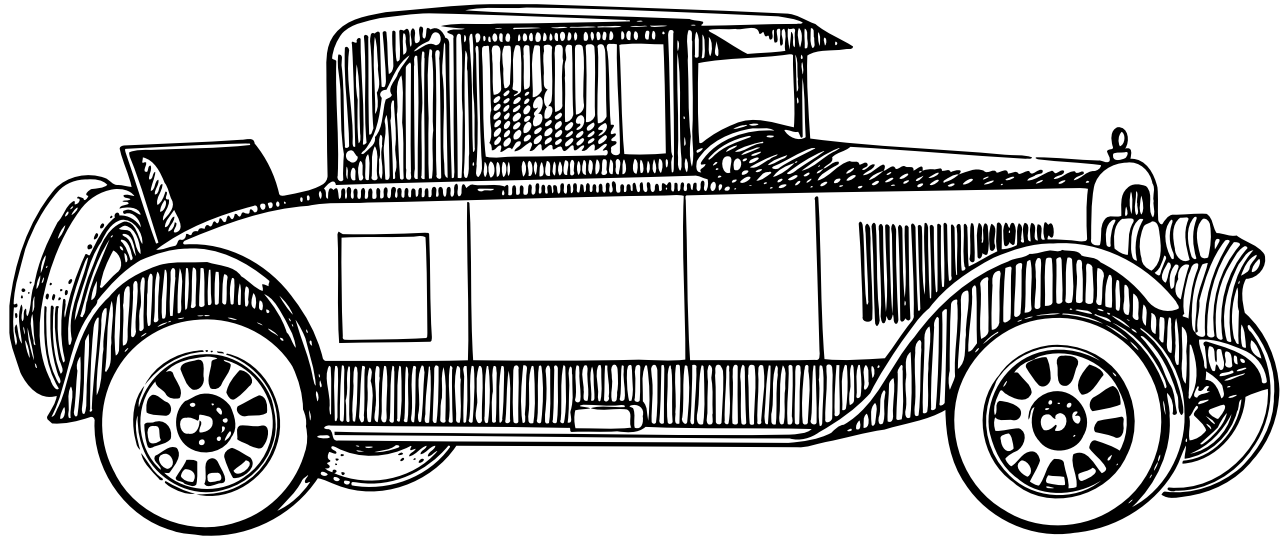
Ripon Old Car Classic Gathering Ripon Race Course

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.



August and September



Harrogate MG Rally Bewerly Park, 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.



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!

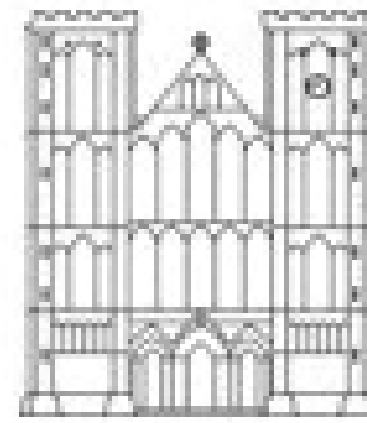


November and December

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.



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Coffee Morning Marton cum Grafton

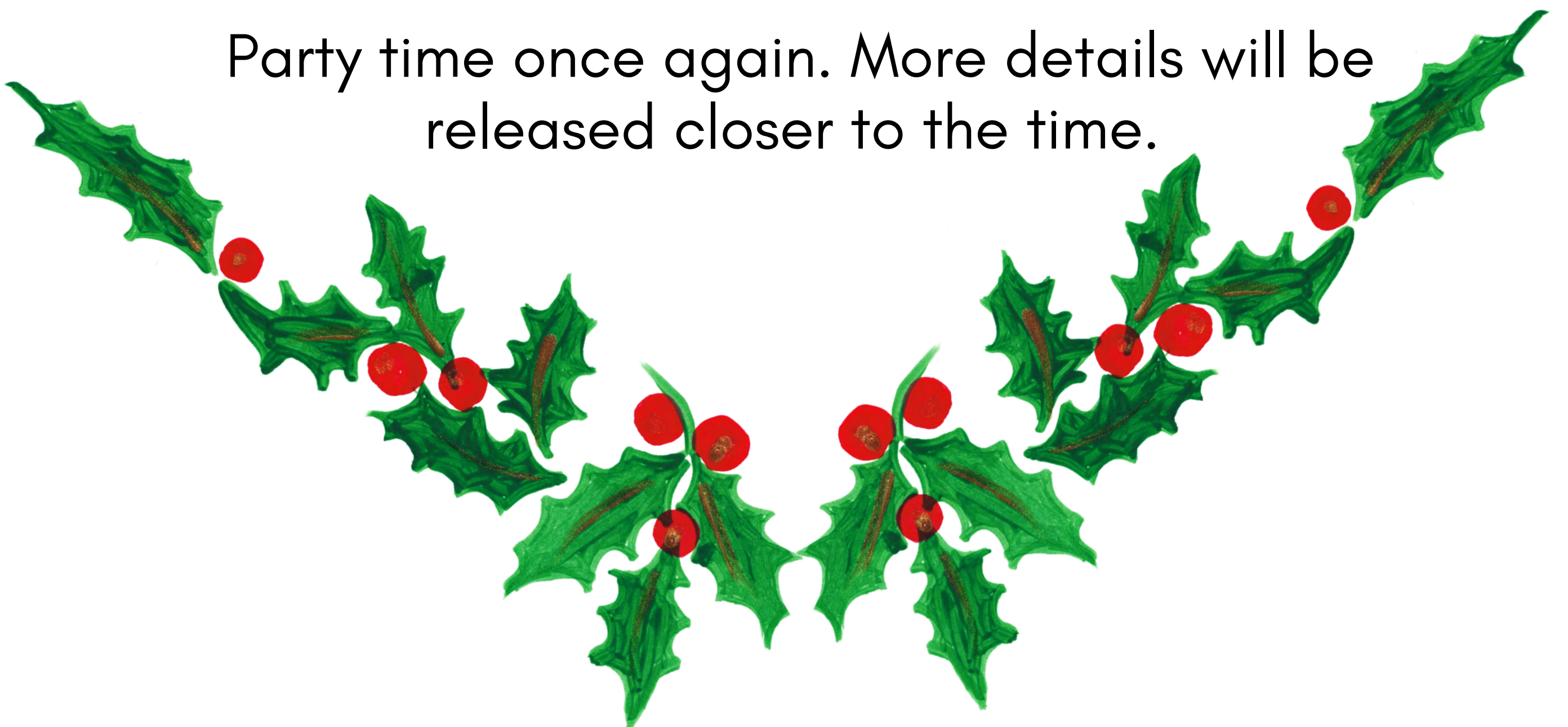
Saturday 2nd December 10am - 12pm

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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