

# the Miller's Tale



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## A CORKING AUSSIE NIGHT IN THE COMMUNITY HALL

Obviously the residents of North Millers Dale are enthusiastic wine drinkers, testified by the number of corks dangling from bush-hats. Also, as astonishing, was the display of knees appearing beneath the distinctly unseasonable khaki shorts. Despite the absence of any true representatives of the Australasian continent the Northern Hemisphere partygoers enjoyed an evening of fun and food with an Aussie theme.

The event was a bit early in the year to include a traditional Aussie Barbie but instead Bridget and Doreen worked hard and unaided to produce a delicious three-course meal for the forty residents filling the hall on the night of Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> of April. The menu was an inventive mix of Billabong Shrimps to start, Jumbuck in Chilli Barbie Sauce with rice and salad as the main and Pavlova with Antipodean fruit to finish.

As well as preparing the food Doreen and Bridget still found time to decorate the hall, thus providing the atmosphere to help the evening go with a swing. Crocodiles, kangaroos, aboriginal art and gladiolas were in evidence elegantly distributed around the hall!

In between the courses there were three quiz rounds entitled 'The Great Outdoors', 'The



Australian Culture Quiz?' and an 'Australian Music Quiz'. Quite a lot of Internet research was required to find evidence of Australian culture and a reasonable number of Australian singers and bands! As usual some residents proved that the level of trivia stored in their brains was remarkable and some very good scores were achieved. Each of the quiz rounds were preceded by an oddly quirky video clip.

In addition to the main quiz, a table quiz of three rounds featuring animals and famous people pictures plus place name anagrams kept the brains active at other times. Groups of four and six members made up the teams and loosely applicable Australian team names were selected. Perhaps the most apt was the team who decided to call themselves the 'Neighbours' team.

No Australian night would be complete without reference to one of the cultural heroes that all Australians must be rightly proud of; Rolf Harris CBE. Ours was no exception and so towards the end of the evening we conjured up the spirit of this great man by our very own 'Can you tell

what it is yet?' painting contest, which took the form of a sort of artistic charades with wide house painting brushes being used to illustrate randomly selected subjects against the clock. After the liberal consumption of the amber nectar, this proved an entertaining finale to a very enjoyable evening.

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*the Information board*



**what's on at the community hall?**

- Mon: *Yellow Dot* 8.10am-5.30pm  
 Tue: *Yellow Dot* 8.10am-5.30pm  
       *Brownies* 6.00pm-7.30pm  
 Wed: *Yellow Dot* 8.10am-5.30pm  
       *Brownies* 6.00pm-7.30pm  
 Thu: *Yellow Dot* 8.10am-5.30pm  
       *Yoga* 7.00pm-8.30pm  
 Fri: *Yellow Dot* 8.10am-5.30pm

**HALL BOOKINGS:**

N.B. new system

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**8 Weavers Place**

**North Millers Dale**



Welcome to the May edition of the Millers Tale. As a community association we are able to apply for grants from the local council to assist with our activities and this year we have been fortunate to be the recipients of two council grants. The first, from the Eastleigh Borough Council, has enabled us to purchase a replacement printer for our newsletter production, the old one having gone to an early grave due to overwork! The second is a grant from the Hampshire County Council which will enable us to build a much needed storage facility onto the side of the hall. Currently North Millers Dale Community Association barbeques, chairs, crockery, etc. are stored in peoples houses and gardens making arrangements for events a time consuming treasure hunt to get everything together.

Another benefit we have received from the council came in a communication from Andy Milner who informs us that the funding has gone through for an additional notice board to be erected at the entrance to the area now to be known as Vinings Copse. In addition a plaque will be added to the tree that the North Millers Dale Community Association planted in Vinings Copse after the enthusiastic efforts put in by the working party clearing the area. It is planned to have an official naming ceremony later in the year and members of the Vining family should be with us to perform the official opening.

In the centrefold of this issue we have printed a timetable for the new service that the Blue Line buses will be running between Valley Park and Eastleigh via North Millers Dale after pressure to resume the service. Hopefully the service will be supported and will continue.

**Useful Numbers**

Instead of thumbing through the Telephone Directory or Yellow pages to find that important number, look no further than the Millers Tale. If you have any suggestions for a useful number that is not included please contact us

Editor Millers Tale Charles 023 8026 8562

**Emergencies**

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|-----------------------|---------------|
| Electricity           | 0345 708600   |
| Gas ( escapes)        | 0800 111999   |
| Police ( non urgent ) | 0845 045 4545 |
| Southern Water        | 01961 714585  |

**Schools**

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|-----------------------------|---------------|
| Hiltingbury Infant School   | 023 8026 5414 |
| Hiltingbury Junior School   | 023 8026 1808 |
| Knightwood Primary          | 023 8026 1900 |
| Merdon County Junior School | 023 8026 5255 |
| Thornden Secondary School   | 023 8026 9722 |
| Toynbee Secondary School    | 023 8026 9026 |

**Post Office**

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|----------------|---------------|
| 4 Ashdown Road | 023 8025 2791 |
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**Local Services**

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|-------------------------------|---------------|
| Chandlers Ford Library        | 023 8026 7393 |
| Eastleigh Library             | 023 8061 4646 |
| Eastleigh Tourist Information | 023 8064 1261 |
| Eastleigh Borough Council     | 023 8068 8000 |
| Solent Blue Line Buses        | 023 8033 6235 |
| Southampton Int Airport       | 023 8062 0021 |
| Red Funnel Ships              | 023 8033 3042 |
| Railway Enquiries             | 0845 748 4950 |

**Medical Services**

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|---------------------------------|---------------|
| Park Surgery, Hursley Road      | 0844 477 8957 |
| St Francis Surgery, Valley Park | 0844 477 8956 |
| Boyatt Wood Surgery             | 023 8047 2126 |
| Fryern Surgery                  | 023 8027 3252 |
| Eastleigh Health Centre         | 023 8061 2032 |
| Brownhill Surgery               | 023 8025 2188 |
| Southampton General Hospital    | 023 8077 7222 |
| Winchester Hospital             | 01962 86 3535 |

**Dentists**

- |                         |               |
|-------------------------|---------------|
| 157 Hursley Road        | 023 8026 7141 |
| M Mansourian            |               |
| 67 Bournemouth Rd       | 023 8026 7889 |
| Clover Dental Practice  |               |
| Fleming Rd, N Baddesley | 023 8073 8787 |

# LETTER LINKS TO ESTATE'S PAST

Since announcing the chosen name for the former doctors car park area as 'Vinings Copse' I received an interesting and touching letter from one of the Vining family.

Dear Mr Lewry

### North Millers Dale Newsletter

A friend of mine gave me the December North Millers Dale Newsletter to read the article 'Historical Aid to Choice'. I was delighted to read that it was a unanimous decision that the name for the area of the 'former doctors surgery car park' will be the 'Vinings Copse'.

I am one of the Vinings that grew up at Hiltonbury Farm and when our family moved on and the Millers Dale was developed nowhere on the Estate was named after the family although by strange coincidence my Mothers maiden name was Miller!

My great grandfather came to Hiltonbury Farm in 1887 and our family farmed there until 1976. Although my parents have sadly passed away the five of us who grew up at Hiltonbury Farm have many happy and fond memories of our childhood and growing up in what was then the heart of the countryside. Our youngest brother was actually born at Hiltonbury Farm in April 1958. In 1947 my father established the 'Hiltonbury Pedigree Jersey Herd'. In 1976 we were offered Velmore Farm, which is situated the other side of Chandlers Ford, to take on as a tenancy as we were having to move out of Hiltonbury due to development. I have been

at Velmore for 32 years and now about to retire. My youngest son is taking over Velmore Farm and my eldest son who farms in Botley has the 'Hiltonbury Pedigree Jersey Herd'.

As I am about to leave the farm and at the moment in the process of clearing out the farm house I have found a great many photos, newspaper cuttings and memorabilia of Hiltonbury Farm so the naming of the copse at Millers Dale as 'Vinings Copse' has come at a very apt time.

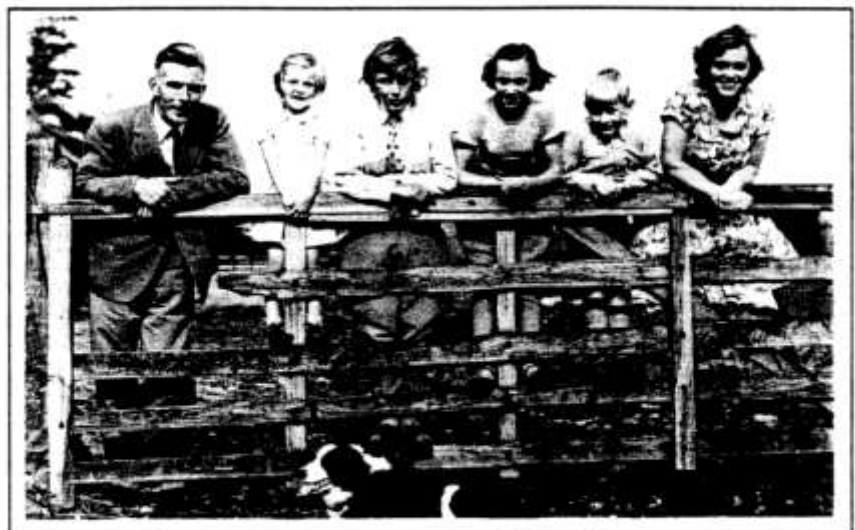
I would just like to eliminate the

rumours that the Farm House is haunted. Over the many years we lived at the farm there was never a sign of any ghost!! When I was a child we only had gas lighting and candle light which was very creepy but no sign of ghosts!!

On behalf of the family I would like to thank those concerned for naming the area 'Vinings Copse' the thought is very much appreciated.

With best wishes  
Yours sincerely

Heather



From left to right Father John Vining, Heather, Jennifer, Janet, Andrew and Mother Peggy with Lassie the dog  
Photograph kindly loaned by Heather Whitham (Vining) photo by Frank Dean, taken approximately 1952

## LOCAL AUTHOR EXPOSES BOTANICAL BARD

By Gerald Ponting

A new illustrated book, to be published on the 444<sup>th</sup>



anniversary of William Shakespeare's birth, reveals that he had a great interest in flowers and gardening.

The Bard of Stratford often used floral imagery to enhance his stories. A rose by any other name, gilding the lily, the primrose path – these flowery Shakespearean phrases have entered the language. Around 180 kinds of flowers, fruits and other plants are mentioned in the plays. The rose appears almost 100 times.

'Shakespeare's Fantastic Garlands', to be published on April 23<sup>rd</sup>, is a delightful small book which is fully illustrated with my colour photographs and with woodcuts from John Gerard's *Herbal* – a book which was a best-seller in Shakespeare's day. Indeed it is likely that the two men

were acquainted and that Shakespeare knew Gerard's garden.

'Shakespeare's Fantastic Garlands' tells the stories behind many of the floral quotations, some of which will be revealing to modern audiences. When Ariel says 'in a cowslips bell I lie', Shakespeare is using the size of a familiar flower to indicate how tiny his character is meant to be. In two plays, there are references to 'roasted crabs' by which Shakespeare meant crab-apples, not shellfish.

'Shakespeare's Fantastic Garlands' will prove of great interest to many readers, especially theatre-goers, gardeners and botanists. Its small format makes it an ideal gift or souvenir book.

For your copy at the special (collect only) price of £5 contact Gerald on 80261192 or email [gponting@clara.net](mailto:gponting@clara.net)

# REPRIEVE FOR NORTH MILLERS DALE BUS SERVICE

By Colin Davidovitz

After Blue Line dropped its bombshell in January that they were stopping the commercially run bus service to N Millers Dale I raised the matter with officers at the County Council. After intensive negotiations with the Bus Company and the offer from the County of some

financial support, County Council officers concluded a deal that will allow bus services to continue to serve North Millers Dale after 24<sup>th</sup> February. For your information I am printing the new time tables which will run from 25<sup>th</sup> February, as these will not be readily displayed in the area.

Eastleigh - Chandler's Ford - Hittingbury - Valley Park Baby Bluestar C1  
via Kingsway  
Eastleigh - Chandler's Ford - Hittingbury - Valley Park Baby Bluestar C2  
via South Millers Dale

Monday to Friday (except Bank Holidays)

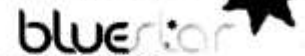
Schedule commences 25 February 2008

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Eastleigh Bus Station	0700	0735	0735	0835	0905	0935	1005	1035	1105	1135	1205	1235	1305	1405	1505	1605	1635	1705	1735	1815	
Leigh Road, Civic Offices	0704	0735	0739	0839	0909	0939	1009	1039	1109	1139	1209	1239	1309	1409	1509	1609	1639	1709	1739	1819	
Velmore Estate, Shops	0707	0742	0742	0842	0912	0942	1012	1042	1112	1142	1212	1242	1312	1412	1512	1612	1642	1712	1742	1822	
Velmore Estate, Belmont Road	0708	0743	0743	0843	0913	0943	1013	1043	1113	1143	1213	1243	1313	1413	1513	1613	1643	1713	1743	1823	
Chandler's Ford, Precinct	0714	0748	0749	0849	0919	0949	1019	1049	1119	1149	1219	1249	1319	1419	1519	1619	1649	1719	1749	1829	
Oakmount Rd/Bodycoats Rd	0717	0752	0752	0852	0922	0952	1022	1052	1122	1152	1222	1252	1322	1422	1522	1622	1652	1722	1752	1832	
Thomden School	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	1605	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	
Peverell's Wood Avenue	0719	0754	0754	0854	0924	0954	1024	1054	1124	1154	1224	1254	1324	1424	1505	1524	1624	1654	1724	1754	1834
Frym Hill, Waitrose	0721	0756	0756	0856	0926	0956	1026	1056	1126	1156	1226	1256	1326	1426	1526	1626	1656	1726	1756	1836	
South Millers Dale	-----	-----	-----	0900	-----	1000	-----	1100	-----	1200	-----	1300	-----	1430	-----	1630	-----	1730	-----	1840	
Park Road/Mardon Avenue	-----	-----	0903	-----	1003	-----	1103	-----	1203	-----	1303	-----	1433	-----	1633	-----	1733	-----	1843		
Kingsway Shops	0724	0759	0759	-----	0929	-----	1029	-----	1129	-----	1229	-----	1329	-----	1508	1529	-----	1659	-----	1759	
Hittingbury, Ashdown Road	0725	0804	0804	0908	0934	1008	1034	1108	1134	1208	1234	1308	1334	1438	1513	1534	1638	1704	1738	1804	1848
North Millers Dale	0734	0809	0809	0913	0939	1013	1039	1113	1139	1213	1239	1313	1339	1443	1518	1539	1643	1709	1743	1809	1853
Valley Park, Cleveland Bay	0739	0814	0814	0918	0944	1018	1044	1118	1144	1218	1244	1318	1344	1448	1523	1544	1648	1714	1748	1814	1858
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School Lane/Castle Lane	-----	-----	0752	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----		
Valley Park, Cleveland Bay	0644	0723	0755	0836	0906	0936	1009	1036	1109	1136	1209	1236	1309	1406	1509	1606	1639	1706	1739	
North Millers Dale	0649	0728	0800	0841	0911	0941	1014	1041	1114	1141	1214	1241	1314	1411	1514	1611	1644	1711	1744	
Hittingbury, Ashdown Road	0656	0735	0807	0848	0918	0948	1021	1048	1121	1148	1221	1248	1321	1418	1521	1618	1651	1718	1751	
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Peverell's Wood Avenue	0705	0747	0816	0900	0927	1000	1030	1100	1130	1200	1230	1300	1330	1430	1530	1630	1700	1730	1800	
Oakmount Rd/Bodycoats Rd	0707	0749	0818	0902	0929	1002	1032	1102	1132	1202	1232	1302	1332	1432	1532	1632	1702	1732	1802	
Chandler's Ford, Precinct	0711	0753	0822	0906	0933	1006	1036	1106	1136	1206	1236	1306	1336	1436	1536	1636	1706	1736	1806	
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# REPRIEVE FOR NORTH MILLERS DALE BUS SERVICE



## Saturday

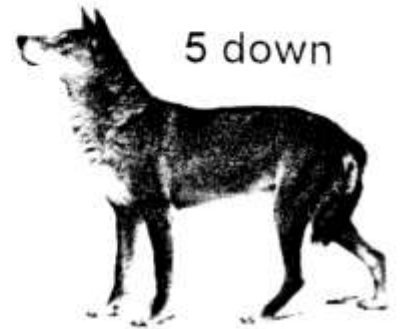
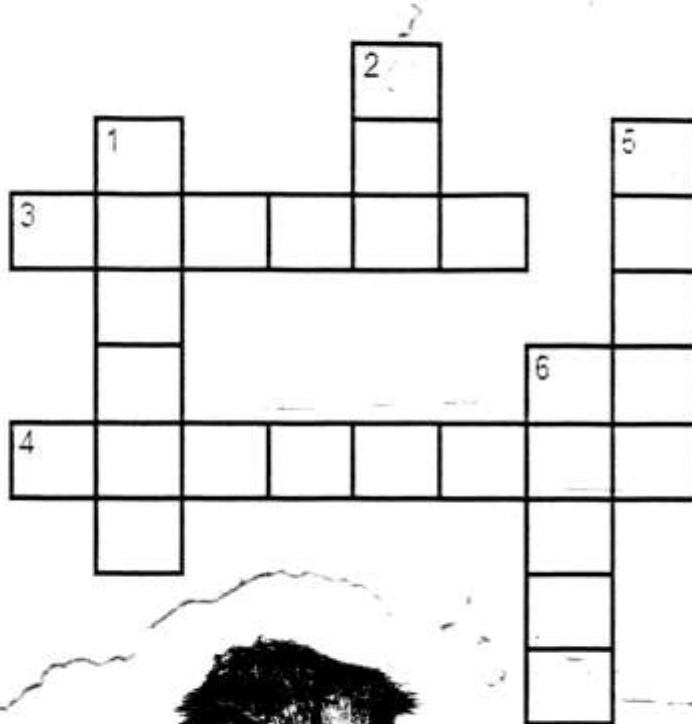
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# Kids Corner



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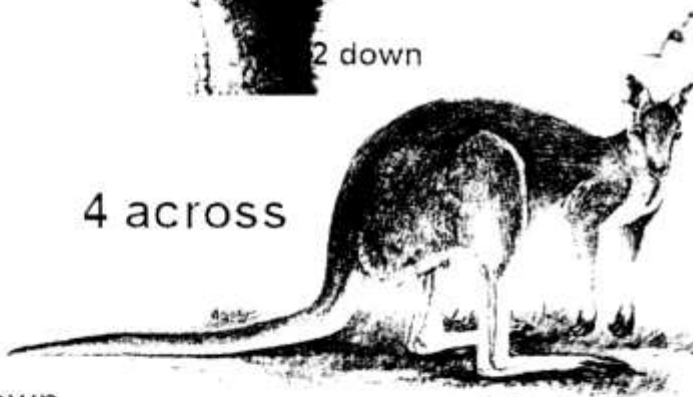


3 across



2 down

4 across



6 down



1 down

These are all places in Australia can you descramble them?

- 1 DYE NYS
- 2 CHOKING RAM
- 3 DEAD ILEA
- 4 CRAN BEAR
- 5 NAB BERIS
- 6 INWARD
- 7 HO BRAT
- 8 CANSIR
- 9 NOBLER EMU
- 10 A TUNELESS WHOV
- 11 LEAN NED SUQ
- 12 A SATIN MA

Answers on page 8

# '101' RESCUED



In November last year the Home Office announced that, while recognising the significant benefits 101 had delivered, funding would not be continued beyond February 14, 2008. Fortunately, Hampshire and the Isle of Wight local authorities and the Hampshire Constabulary also recognized the benefits of the 101 number and formed a partnership to keep the service running.

Giving the reasons for the decision, Chief Constable Paul Kernaghan said: "More than 350,000 calls to 101 since its launch in 2006 show that the service has been widely adopted as the first port of call to report antisocial behaviour, and its abandonment by the Home Office is disappointing.

"We are committed to providing a quality service and 101 assists us in delivering such a service. I pay tribute to enlightened local council leaders who are prepared to collaborate for the good of the people of Hampshire and the Isle of Wight."

So when should you call which number?

999 — only if:

- Life is threatened
- People are injured
- Crime is actually in progress

101 — for all anti-social behaviour issues, for example:

- Rowdy groups
- Noise nuisance
- Vandalism

Abusive behaviour

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# WILD FLOWER SOWING IN COPSE

Members of the North Millers Dale Community Association Committee were busy on the morning of Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> March sowing wild flower seeds in Vinings Copse to add some more interest to the area. It was a small but enthusiastic team that turned out armed with rakes and hoes. They worked in the spring sunshine to prepare the ground and plant the seeds. As the ground is still quite damp from rain earlier in the week it is hoped that the seeds will start germinating without any further watering. Although by the afternoon the sunshine was replaced by heavy drizzle.



Bridget about to sow some wild flowers in Vinings Copse

In addition the team performed a bit of litter picking as the area has already begun to look a bit scruffy. Most of the rubbish that had been dropped seemed to be bottles and cans. Unfortunately at least one of the bottles had broken leaving the ground rather dangerous

for children and dogs using the copse. This was cleared up as best we could but left us wishing that people could be a bit more thoughtful when irresponsibly littering a public area.

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for residents to hire and would be only a short walk from anywhere on the estate. As well as the main hall area it has a small kitchen and toilet facilities and the public open space grass area to the rear.



with the booking procedure but we believe these have now been ironed out.

There are details on page two of the newsletter about how to book the hall. Alternatively a letter can be posted through the door of the hall addressed to Yellow Dot Kindergarten. Since the changeover some residents have experienced odd problems

We are very lucky to have a purpose built community hall on the estate and would urge residents to make use of it.



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