

ZINE #3

# RHONDDA DRAWN AND READ



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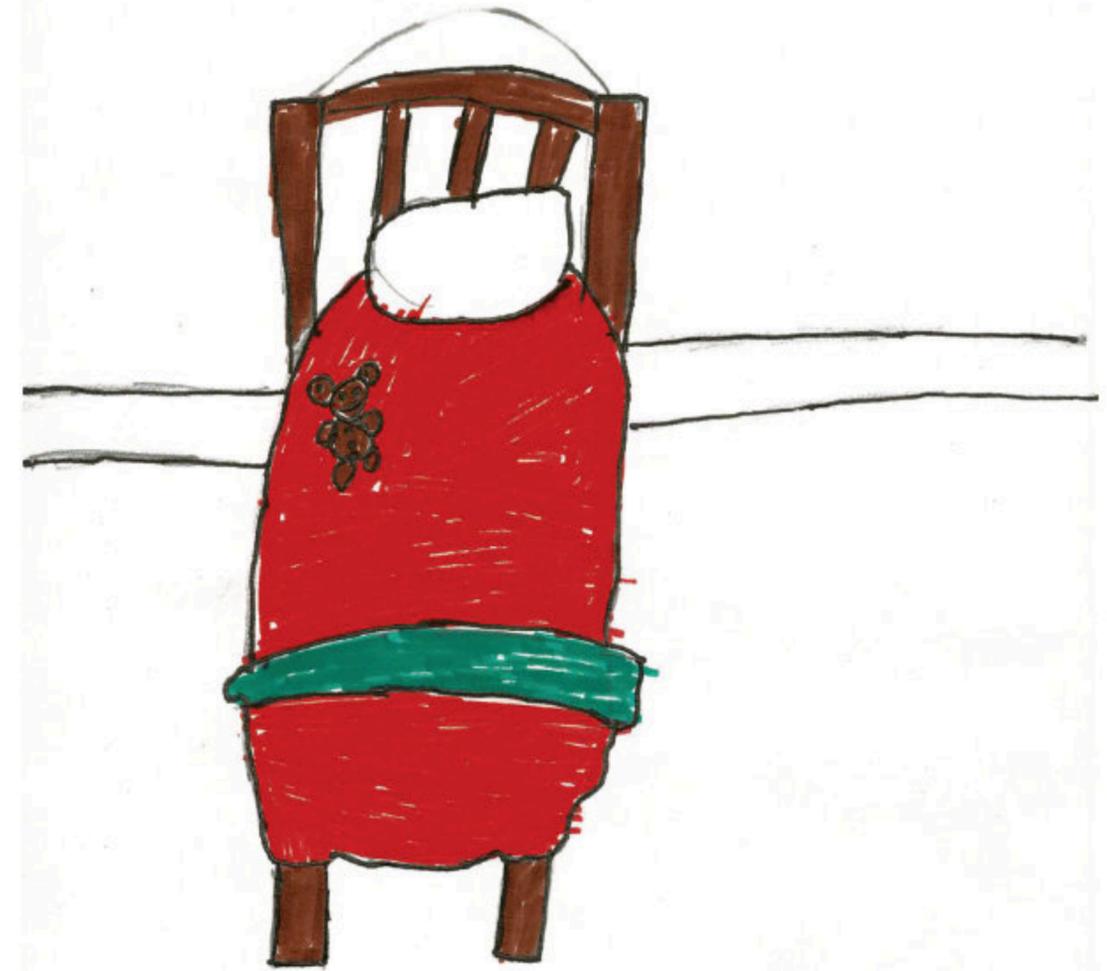
## Head in the Clouds

As a child, David remembers rationing when things like clothes, bedding and curtains were difficult to come by.

People would recycle and make their own. He remembers his mother buying some old parachutes.



David remembers that his mother was very good at sewing. She told him that she was going to make him some lovely new replacement bedding.



Back then parachutes were made of silk and were very big, making them perfect for making sheets and pillowcases.

David's new bedding was handmade out of parachutes.

When he was older, David joined the Royal Air Force.  
Did sleeping in those parachutes make him dream about flying and joining the Royal Air Force?



## Late One Night

David has a funny memory of his neighbour a sergeant major George who was a First World War survivor.

One night a group of drunk and noisy men were coming home from the pub. They were making lots of noise and woke George up.

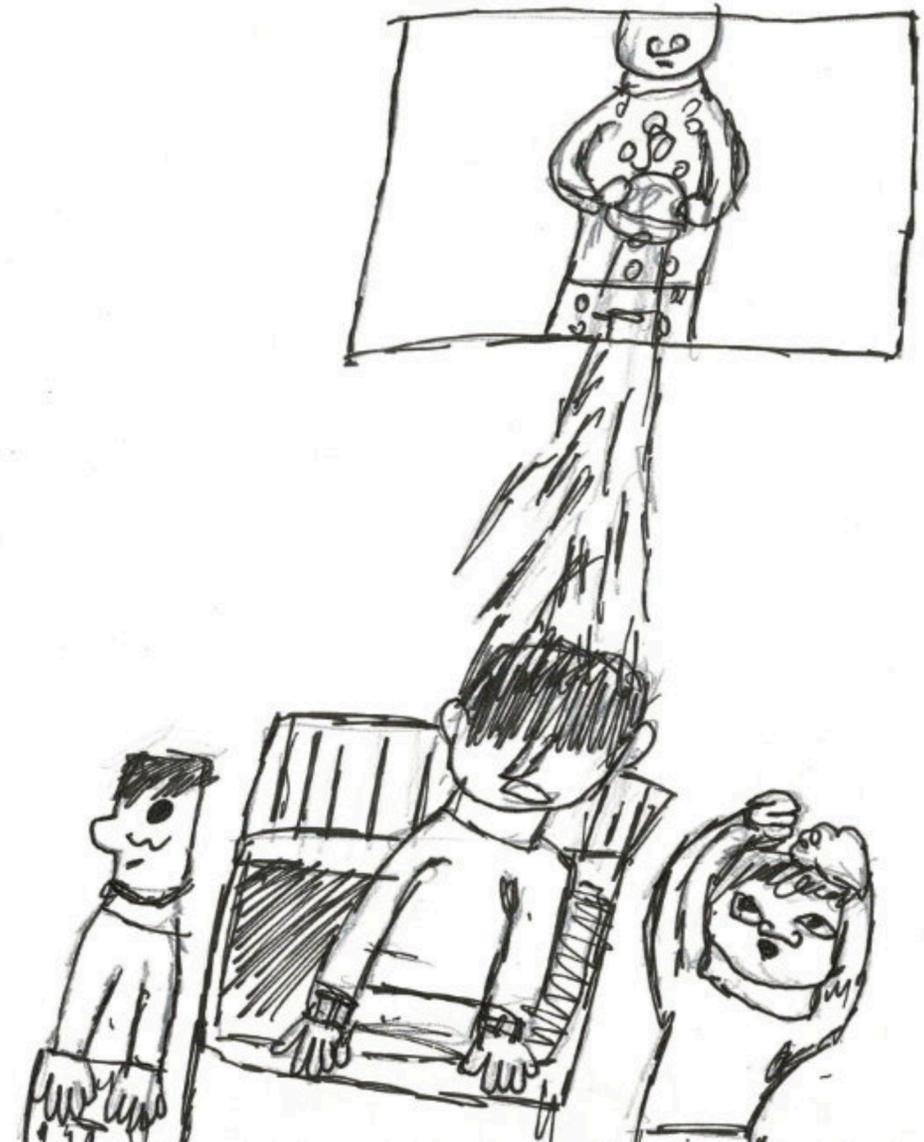


George was angry and wanted to shut them up. David looked out from behind his curtains and heard George saying something about giving the men a drink.



Then George tipped his chamber pot up and poured the contents over the noisy men. They were not happy and quickly ran off.

David said it was one of the funniest things he'd ever seen.

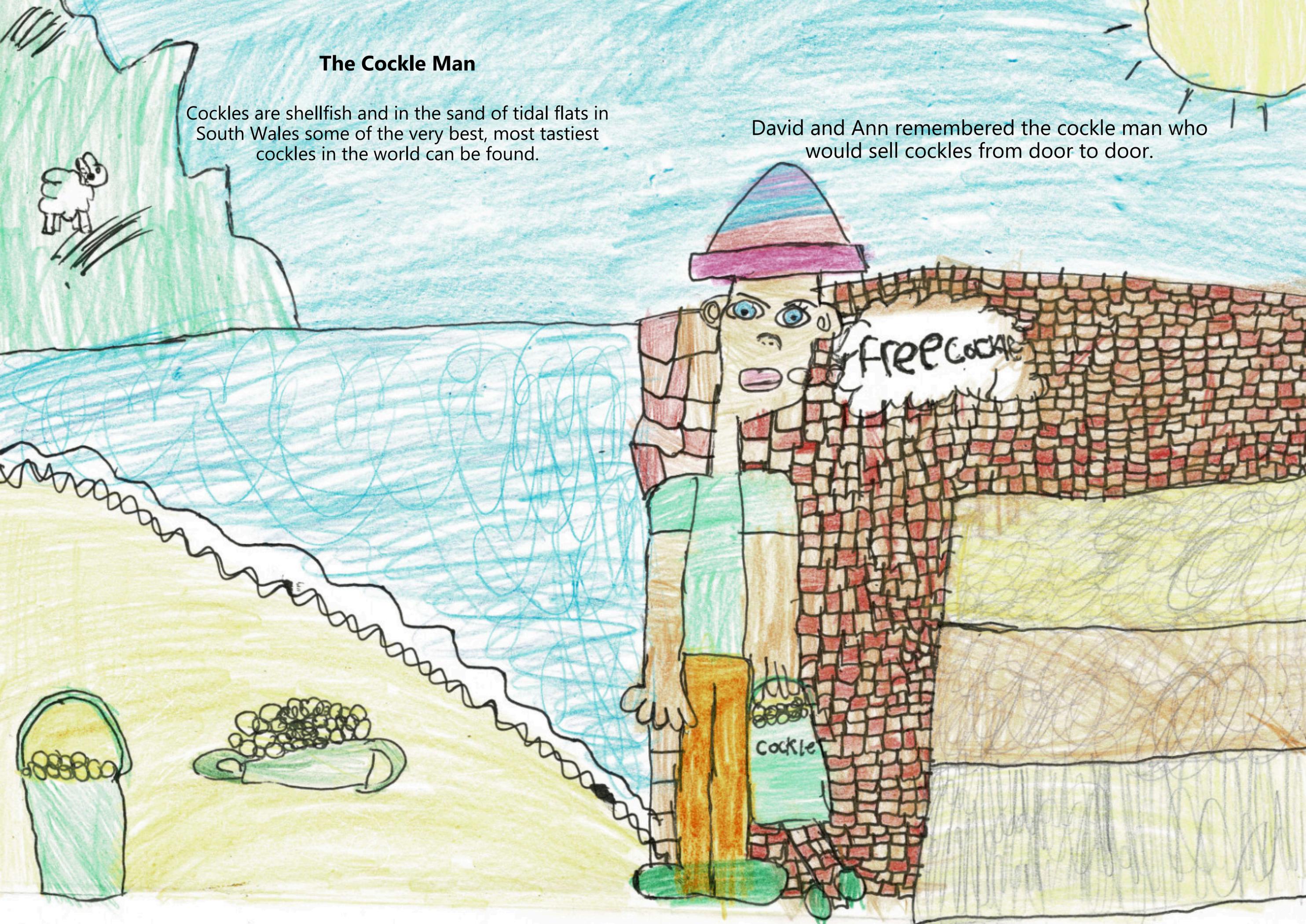


The next day the men knocked on David's door thinking he'd thrown the chamber pot contents over them, but David's mom told them it was George next door. David wasn't sure what happened when they spoke to him.

## The Cockle Man

Cockles are shellfish and in the sand of tidal flats in South Wales some of the very best, most tastiest cockles in the world can be found.

David and Ann remembered the cockle man who would sell cockles from door to door.



Cockles are shellfish that you cook in their shells and then you used to use a pin to get them out of the shells to eat them.

They are very tasty and Ann said that she liked to eat them with vinegar and pepper on them.



Ann said when you had eaten them, you would wash the shells and paint them.

Then you could make a hole in them by rubbing them carefully on the ground.

Then by threading them together you could make a recycled shell necklace.





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