

ZINE #4

RHONDDA DRAWN AND READ



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Late One Night: Ezme Aston & Scooter of Love: Holly Whithers

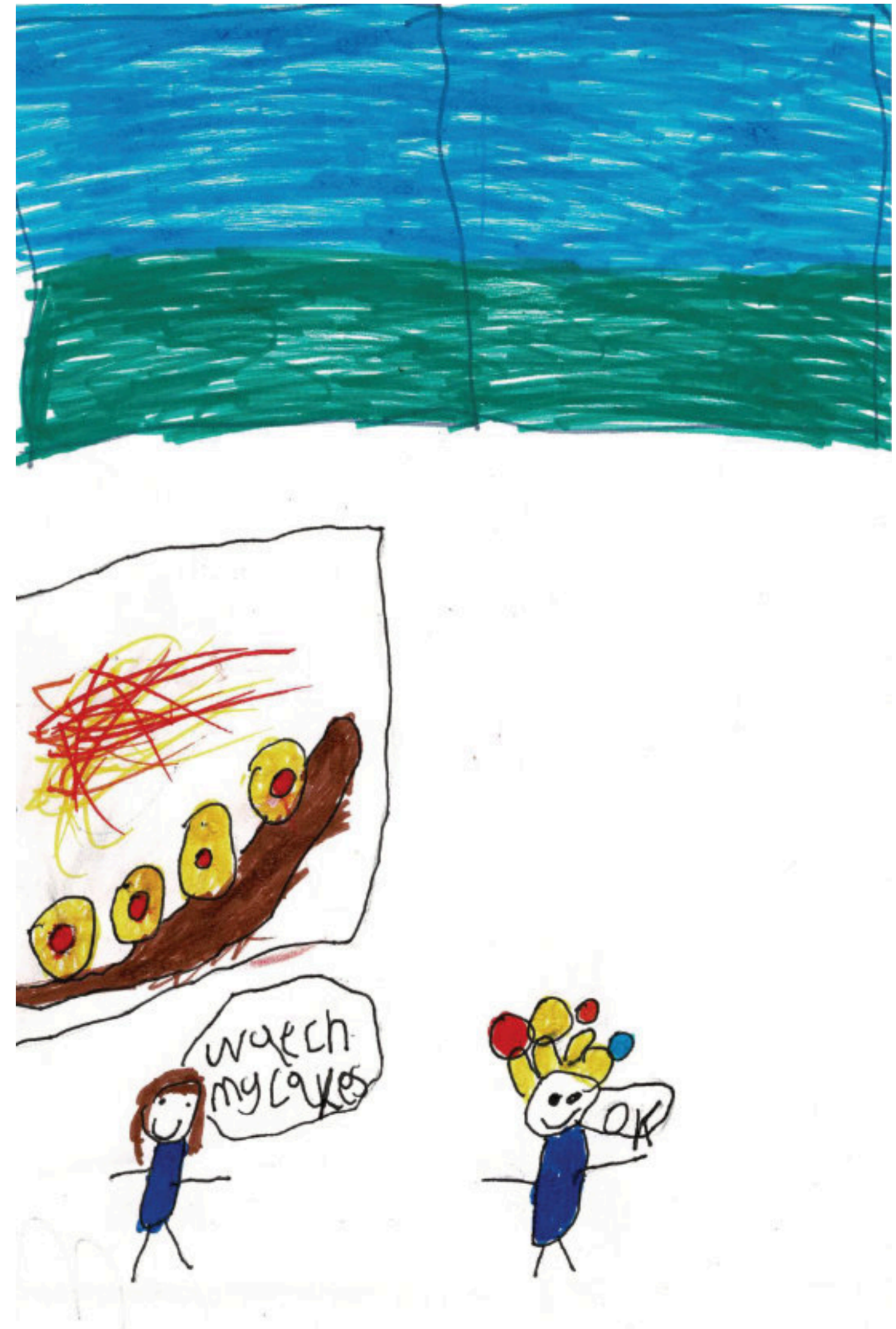
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Alfred and the Cakes

Haydn's father was called Alfred and Haydn remembers teasing his dad about burning cakes. This was because in history classes children were taught a funny story about when King Alfred was on the run from his viking enemies.



The king took refuge in the home of a peasant woman. She allowed him to stay, but only on the understanding that he would watch the cakes that she was baking (actually what we call small loaves of bread now).



She left the king alone in her house with her cakes.
The king soon got distracted with all his worries and
he forgot about looking after the cakes.

The king had let the cakes burn.
When the woman came home she was furious about this
and even though he was the king she really told him off for
not looking after her cakes.



Late One Night

David remembered one night as a child he saw his neighbour George do something very funny. George was a sergeant-major, who was a First World War survivor.

Some men were walking home from the pub. It was very late and they were singing loudly.

The whole street - including George - were trying to sleep, but the drunken men had woken them all up.



George was very angry at being woken up.

David heard the noise and peeped out through his curtains.

He saw George at his open window shouting at the men.



David could see George balancing his chamber pot on his windowsill.

Then suddenly he tipped it up and over the men saying
'Here lads have a drink on me!'



The men were all wet and not very happy.
They quickly ran off and everyone in the street
went back to bed.

Scooter of Love

In 1959 Ann met David at a dance at The Rink, a dance hall in Porth.

She liked him but when he asked her for a date she wasn't sure if she wanted to go out with him.



She let him walk her home that night and they arranged a first date because she found out that he had a Lambretta (a scooter).

She'd never been on one before so she decided she would go out with him if he took her on his Lambretta.



After walking Ann home,
he went out the next day and bought her a
new helmet from a shop in Porth.



That weekend he took Ann to the Mumbles
on his Lambretta.

He kept that scooter for four years...



...but he's been married to Ann for
much, much longer than that!



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