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## YORKSHIRE'S GRAND DÉPART INSPIRES LOCAL AUTHOR'S CRIME NOVEL Susan Parry's race to launch her latest book 'Grand Depart'

Richmond, North Yorkshire 1<sup>st</sup> June 2014 – As excitement grows in the Dales with Yorkshire's Le Tour only a month away, local author, Susan Parry, has been busy completing her latest crime novel, with the very English title of 'Grand Depart'.

Susan's seventh book in the 'Yorkshire Dales Mystery Series' is set in the build up to the Yorkshire Grand Départ. It concerns the investigation of a protest campaign against the Tour and a series of mysterious accidents on Buttertubs Pass involving cyclists from the university road race team.

"The Tour de France coming to the Dales is too good an opportunity to miss," Susan said. "The excitement has been mounting for months, with thousands of visitors expected to arrive." However, it has been a race to finish the book in time. "Earlier this year we finally moved the family home to Yorkshire. It has been hectic but I am delighted to be living in Swaledale permanently."

Susan sets her crime novels in some of the loveliest parts of the Dales, including Swaledale, Wensleydale, Wharfedale and Arkengarthdale. Her novels feature Mills Sanderson, a young forensic archaeologist who works closely with the police, forensic laboratories and the Yorkshire Dales National Park to solve cases of murder.

Susan Parry began writing when her twin daughters were small, and she was working full time as a university professor at Imperial College. She now devotes more time to her consultancy work, including forensic studies involving murder cases, kidnapping, shootings and poisonings, and archaeological investigations which provide inspiration for her writing. Her knowledge is the basis for the authenticity of the storylines. Her popularity began in Yorkshire but now, with increasing sales and the introduction of ebooks she has over 30,000 readers world-wide.

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