

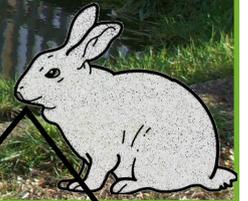
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Last month's article on the building of the Methodist Chapel elicited a couple of responses. Mr Edmund Lambert kindly sent me a newspaper cutting which I reproduce below.

FELTWELL METHODISM.

Stone Laying Ceremony In Connection With New Church.

7 June 1935

An important event concerning local Methodism, took place at Feltwell on Wednesday in connection with the building of the new Methodist Church in Bell Street, which is in the centre of the village, and is being erected by Messrs. Oliver Staines & Sons, of Fincham, the architects being Messrs. Edward Boardman & Son, of Norwich. The building will cost upwards of £3000.

In the afternoon a stone laying ceremony took place, and was attended by hundreds of people from the surrounding district, including many ministers and leaders of Non-conformity from a large area. The proceedings were presided over by the Rev. W. H. Heap (chairman of the district), supported by circuit ministers and local leaders of Methodism. The hymn "I'll praise my Maker while I've breath," was followed by prayer by the Rev. Sowden, and an address by the Rev. W. H. Heap, who commenced by saying this was indeed a great day for Feltwell. He attacked materialism as advocated by Bertrand Russell, declaring that brotherhood and not self-seeking is our aim. Worship was necessary from time to time and with great regularity. The Wesleyan and Primitive Methodist tables were discarded and prejudices lived down and they had opposition to no other denominations, but like John Wesley, they were friends of all and enemies to none. A revival was expected. The new -building would cost £3000, and a gentleman of his acquaintance had given £1500.

THE FINANCES.

The financial account was given by the Rev. D. W. Evans. Amongst other items a cheque for £50 had been handed to Mr. Evans, and £2 had been forwarded by Mr. Tom Yelf, of Norwich, relative of the late

Mr. Greenfield Cock, a former prominent local Wesleyan and a further sum and telegram of best wishes from a former minister, the Rev. Dickinson. Amongst other sums, Mrs. Scott had collected in small amounts £21, Misses Willett and Johnson £15 5s. 3d., and they now had to find £500.

The Rev. Dr. Kirtland spoke in great praise of the efforts of the Rev. Evans towards the success of the scheme.

Stones were then laid as follow—Miss Beryl Addison (in memory of her grandparents, the late Mr. and Mrs. Henry Addison), June 5th, 1935; another by the circuit ministers and stewards; Rev. Dr. E. S. Kirtland, BA., D.D., Rev. D. W. Evans, Mr. C. W. Lemmon, Rev. G. F. Sowden, and Mr. C. H. Tuck; others were laid by the Rev. W. H. Heap, Mr. John Rose Bennett, of Downham, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Boyce, Mr. and Mrs. Broadwater, Mrs. Scott, Mrs. A. E. Fendick, of Northwold, Mr. Harry Gates, and Mr. C. C. Davidson in memory of their father, the late Rev. James Davidson, on behalf of the family.

All those who laid stones deposited amounts from £5 to £10.

Initialled bricks were laid by juveniles, each depositing 2s. 6d.—Edna Anderson, Phyllis Banham, Hilda Boyce, George Barnes, Douglas Barnes, Norman Brookes, Iris Brookes, Olive Broadwater, Peter Cooper, Audrey Cooper, Peggy Everitt, Frank Eyres, Daphne Lawrence, Florence and Violet Maggs, J. W. Neville, Jean Payne, Maurice Pryer, Dora Pryer, Frances Seeker, Ada Seeker, Elsie Weight, Iris Walden, Derrick Willett, Raymond Walden, Rex Whitta, Elizabeth Whitta, Enid Younge, Pamela Younge, Pat Younge, Monica Younge; adults Alfred Adams, Clifford Broadwater, Geoffrey Broadwater, William Clarke, Stanley F. C. Howe, Dorothy Jacobs, Dora Pryer, Fred W. Pryer, Augusta Pryer, Sarah Ann Pryer, Emma Weight, Gertrude Walden, Rhoda Ward, Mercy Ward, William Ward, and Ruth Ward. A public tea followed at the Coronation Hall. Subsequently a demonstration was held, attended by hundreds of Methodists, and presided over by Mr. W. W. Pryke, of Methwold. The speakers included the Rev. W. Cooper, of Norwich, the Rev. Evans, and others. A musical programme was included, Mrs. Addison being the accompanist.

Mr Lambert also sent some additional notes as follows:

RJF Rice, mainly known as Flower Rice, farmed 350 acres at Home Farm. He was Sam and Olive Rice's Father and he died in the 1950's.

The land on which the Methodist Chapel stands was part of the farm which was previously owned by East Hall Estate and was sold in 1931. It was a stack yard for the farm opposite in Bell Street. The cottages to the left also went with the farm.

Flower was married to Edmund's Grandfather's sister Sarah [nee Lambert]. Her mother was also Sarah [Nee Rudland].

(There are two Rudland family grave sites in St Mary's graveyard, one near the porch and one on the north side – Paul)

Wilfrid Addison the decorator was also a Lay preacher.

The Primitive Methodist Chapel is now the Fish Piper and the former Wesleyan Methodist Chapel went with what is now Hill Farm House. It was on the site of the two bungalows on Hill Street.

This photograph shows the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel, centre, in Hill Street.



FELTWELLBEINGS REOPENS

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From a phone conversation with Marie Pullen.

Marie recalls that when she was eight years old, she and the rest of Standard One at Feltwell School were taken by their teacher, Miss Addison, to view the foundations of the Methodist Church. Each child had been told to bring something small. Marie had taken a 3d (thrupenny) bit, her pocket money that week. The school in question was clearly not the current school but was the 'Big' School that is now converted into a row of houses on the corner of Old School Close. She told me that the class were walked along the pavement as the gates to St Mary's churchyard were only open on a Sunday, unlike today when they are permanently open. When the children arrived at the building site each child had to place their tiny object in the foundations. These were then bricked in place.



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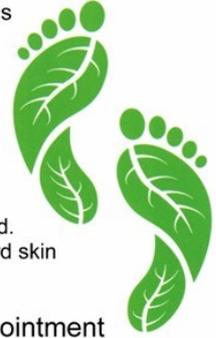
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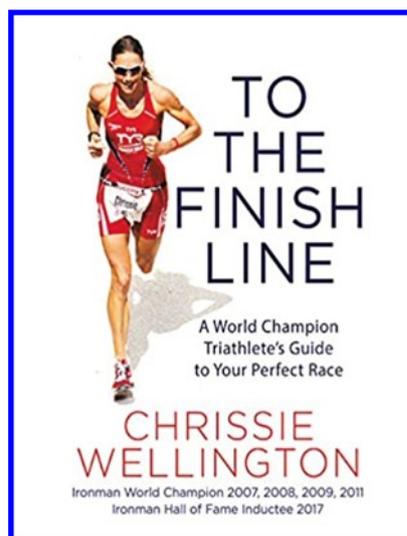
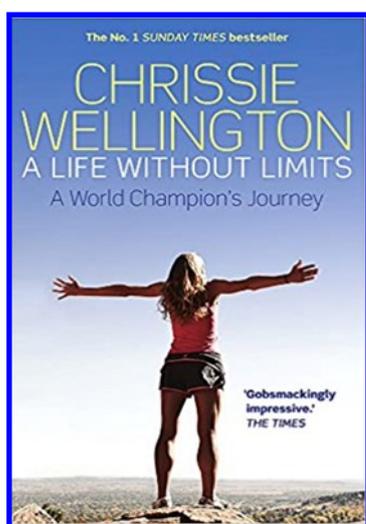
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CHRISSIE WELLINGTON AUTHOR

Feltwellian Chrissie Wellington, OBE, four times Ironman* World Champion and Global Head for Health & Wellbeing for Park Run wrote her first book 'A Life Without Limits' in 2013 which went straight to number 1 in the Sunday Times best seller list. Chrissie's second book 'To the Finish Line' was published in 2017.



Chrissie has just published two books for children called 'You're So Strong' and 'You're So Amazing'. Both books are available on Amazon with outstanding reviews.



Chrissie was born and bred in Feltwell until leaving for university in 1995 at the age of 18, and now lives in Somerset with her husband, Tom, and daughter Esme.

**Ironman triathlon distance is 2.4 mile swim, 112 mile cycle, and 26.2 mile marathon.*

FELTWELL IN THE HUNDRED OF GRIMESHOU PART 3

Three months ago I began serialising the Feltwell section from Francis Blomefield's, 'Hundred of Grimeshou: Feltwell', in An Essay Towards A Toographical History of the County of Norfolk: Volume 2 London, 1805), pp. 187-200.

This is freely available online at <http://www.british-history.ac.uk/topographical-hist-norfolk/vol2/pp187-200>.

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BISHOP OF ELY'S MANOR—PART 3.

In 34th *Henry VI*. (1433) in an account of the lands of *Will. Grey* Bishop of *Ely*, this manor was valued at 3*l.* 3*s.* 3*d.* *per annum*, but in the reign of King *Philip* and Queen *Mary*, (1554-1558) the yearly revenue was but 29*l.* 10*s.* 9*d.* Thus it continued in the see of *Ely*, till by an Act of Parliament in the beginning of Queen *Elizabeth's* reign, it was settled, by way of exchange, on the Crown, and was held by lease at the yearly rent of 30*l.* 1*s.* till the 7th *James I.* (1610) who on the 29th *Nov.* in the said year, granted to *Robert Wace*, Esq. this manor, with the appurtenances, and all perquisites of court thereunto belonging, since which time it has passed through several hands, and was possessed by Charles Wren, son of *Mathew* Bishop of *Ely*, whose daughter and

34th *Henry VI* is a REGNAL DATE.

Regnal years are calculated from the official date (year, month and day) of a monarch's accession. For example, King George III acceded on 25 October 1760. That marks the beginning of his first regnal year. His second regnal year starts on 25 October 1761, and so on. When a monarch dies, abdicates or is deposed, the regnal year comes to an end (whether the full year has run its course or not). A new regnal year begins from a new date, with a new monarch.

Thus, *In 34th Henry VI* becomes in the 34th year of the reign of Henry VI

For centuries, English official public documents have been dated by the regnal years of the ruling monarch. Traditionally, parliamentary statutes are referenced by regnal year, e.g. the Occasional

heiress brought it to Munson, Esq. and it is now [1738] owned by Robert Clough, Esq. of *Feltwell*, who has the *leet* of half the town, as belonging formerly to this manor, when in the hands of the Bishops of *Ely*. The *leet* of the other part of the town belongs to the hundred.

Conformity Act of 1711 is officially referenced as "10 Anne c.6" (read as "the sixth chapter of the statute of the parliamentary session that sat in the 10th year of the reign of Queen Anne").

Leet Some background with thanks to the Free Dictionary online.

At a very early time in medieval England the Lord of the Manor exercised or claimed certain feudal rights over his serfs and feudal tenants. The exercise of those rights was combined with manorial administrative concerns, in his court baron. However this court had no power to deal with criminal acts.

*Criminal jurisdiction was held by the hundred courts; the country was divided into hundreds, and there was a hundred court for each of them. Each **hundred** comprised 100 **hides**, with each hide being an area of land of variable size that is enough to support one entire household. A **tithing** was an area of 10 hides, which therefore originally corresponded to about 10 households. The heads of each household were judicially bound to the others in their tithing by an arrangement called **frankpledge**, which created collective responsibility for behaviour within their tithing. The hundred court monitored this system, in a process called **view of frankpledge**, with the tithing reporting any wrongdoing in their area, and handing over the perpetrators among them. If the wrongdoing was minor, it would be dealt with by the hundred court, but serious crimes were passed up to the shire court.*

*Before feudalism, hundred courts had also dealt with administrative matters within their area, such as bridge repairs, road conditions, and so forth, but the courts baron had largely superseded that in practice, and some manorial lords began claiming authority over criminal matters as well. Eventually, the king formally granted certain—trusted -lords with the legal authority that had been held by the hundred court over the tithings in the lord's manor; the most important of those being view of frankpledge. The group of tithings that were located within each manor had come to be called a **leet**, and hence, in the later Middle Ages these judicial powers came to be called **court leet**.*

As regards Robert Clough Esq. I interpret all this to mean that he had some judicial and, perhaps, administrative responsibility over half of the village. He was, effectively, a Justice of the Peace. And/Or maybe he just owned half the village! How do you, dear reader, interpret it?

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Safety Alert – River Island is recalling their 'Mini Girl Black Triple Buckle Ankle Boots – product number 492953' sold between October 2020 and January 2021 as the diamante stones may become loose and pose a choking hazard

Safety Alert – Flying Tiger Copenhagen is recalling their 'Car truck with cars wooden – item number 3019330' sold between November 2019 and April 2020 due to a small part which can detach and pose a choking hazard.

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If you are unsure about a text message you have received regarding a vaccine booking you can call 119 to book your appointment.

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FELTWELL IN THE NEWS - A GLIMPSE INTO THE PAST

Thetford and Watton Times 1925, no date recorded.

Easter Service

A service of song entitled "The Squire's Thankoffering" was rendered at the Primitive Methodist Chapel on Good Friday. Music was also given by Mrs W. Pryer (organ), Mr E. Law and Mrs J. Broadwater (violins).

The programme also included songs and choruses by the choir and connective readings by Mr H. Addison. Collections were made for the Trust Fund.



Imagine two boys lazing away a weekend fishing in a pond. What do they talk about?

Frederick James has some ideas.

HEAVENS ABOVE

“D'ya believe in God?”

“Don't know. Never given it much thought!”

“Just say you did believe in God, where d'ya reckon 'e lives?”

“No idea. I've 'eard t'grown-ups say 'God in 'eaven!', so I suppose that's where 'e must be. Why d'ya ask, anyroad? Why d'ya wanna know about God?”

“Oh, no special reason. Just wondered if you knew owt about 'im. You 'ears about things like God and such, an' I was just wonderin' if you knew owt, that's all.”

“Nah, I ain't 'eard owt, but t'grown-ups seem to know summat. Any road, that's for them to know, an' I guess they'd tell us if they thought we ought to know!”

“Yeah, but d'ya reckon, if 'e does exist, e'd be looking down at us right now from 'is gaff in 'eaven, wherever that is? D'ya think e's watchin' us right now?”

“I've no idea, but if 'e is watchin', and I'm not sayin' as how 'e is like, wot would it matter to him what we's up to?”

“Nah, it's not that I'm worried 'e might see us, it's just that if 'e is up there somewhere, looking down, that 'e might give us a hand, like!”

“You mean, like helping us catch a few big uns, like?”

“Yeah, summat like that! Maybe we should ask 'im, eh?”

“We could, I suppose, but that would only work if 'e really is up there somewhere, looking down, wouldn't it? We'd 'ave to know



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"I guess so. Makes you wonder, doesn't it? So, do ya believe in God?"

"Don't know. Never given it much thought!"

Frederick James

More conversations from the pond edge next month.

ST MARY'S QUIZ SHEET 2020

Several people have asked for the answers to the quiz so here they are for the first 20 questions from the **MISSING LINK** section. Answers below.

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| 3 | TOOL...TEN(3) | | 13 | OUT....ABLE(4) |
| 4 | POST...AGED(3) | | 14 | WERE....HOUND(4) |
| 5 | BACK...BOOK(3) | | 15 | COCK....SPIN(4) |
| 6 | DIG...ELF(3) | | 16 | WOOD....SHY(4) |
| 7 | MEN...RENT(3) | | 17 | VASE....AGE(4) |
| 8 | JIG...DUST(3) | | 18 | MAN....WINK(4) |
| 9 | SUN...GO(3) | | 19 | QUICK....PING(4) |
| 10 | END...RING(3) | | 20 | HIGH....MARK(4) |

The numbers in brackets indicate the number of letter in the missing link. The first one is done for you as an example.

Watch out for the next St Mary's Quiz Sheet due out in time for Easter.

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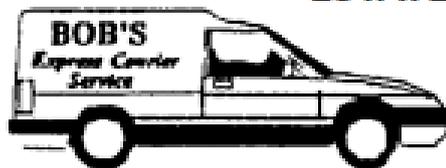
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We have all been brought up secure in the knowledge that our cleaning products will kill 99.9% of all germs. Every day, you will see advertisements on the TV making this claim. As a lad, I used to wonder why the 0.01% of germs were not killed. Was it some super germ that none of the disinfectants would kill? Did all the disinfectants miss the same germ or were there a variety of germs not killed by different products? Life is strange at the moment, never going out, nobody allowed in, nothing happening, house immaculate, garden shed tidy, endless plants potted up ready for Spring, new flower baskets screwed to the walls under the front windows of the house, cars hooked up to the mains for battery charging and a great sense of loss at not being able to see the kids, grandchildren

and our Norfolk friends. So, it is time to tackle the problem of the 0.01% of germs!

What is a germ? I opened up Google and, predictably, the first entry was “Germs at Amazon.co.uk”. I was relieved to find that they were not selling germs but books about germs. The next entry concerned 130 hotels in the French town Germ. Eventually, I discovered from the dictionary entries that germs are microscopic organisms or substances, especially bacteria, viruses, fungi and protozoa that cause disease. A billion bacteria would fit on a small teaspoon and, of course, they are everywhere. Our mouths, skin and gut are full of them and many are essential for healthy living. However, transient bacteria such as staphylococcus, streptococcus and enterobacteria are not natural

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inhabitants to the body and are picked up from contaminated surfaces, survive on the skin for several hours and are usually the cause of infectious illness in humans. Viruses also need to be killed. Although all products claim to be effective against all germs, this is not the case and different products are suitable for different problems. The products are tested in two ways. In labs, for example, a work surface is sprayed with bacteria or viruses, then treated with the disinfectant and then swabbed and cultured to identify remaining germs. In the second method, used to test the specificity of any disinfectant against particular bacteria or viruses (eg Norovirus on cruise ships, Coronavirus in care homes and hospitals, MRSA in hospitals) the work surface is contaminated with only the one bacterium or viral strain and, after lots of testing, it can be assessed how effective any particular disinfectant is.

Which disinfectant should I use? There are different formulations of disinfectant. The active ingredients can be sodium hypochlorite (bleach),

quaternary ammonium (quat), hydrogen peroxide, silver ions, iodine, acids or alcohol, each of which may be effective on different strains of pathogens. For example, bleach is effective against some bacterial spores, it is much less effective than quat for a wide range of pathogens. Disinfectants kill only selected strains of germs. No disinfectant is capable of killing all germs on a hard surface, so some disinfectants are better for treating the germs found in food preparation areas while others are better at treating viruses such as Respiratory Syncytial Virus, 'flu virus or Coronavirus in schools. Hospitals will sometimes use a combination of disinfectants to destroy antibiotic-resistant bacteria and *Clostridium difficile*. So, the term "Kills 99.9% of germs" is fundamentally meaningless and, to be perfectly safe, it is important to tailor the disinfectant used to the germs you are trying to prevent. Read the label or information sheet, which should give a list of germs which will be killed.

I am not sure the above will be of much use to you but it does

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identify potential problems. For domestic use, I shall continue to use the everyday products available, perhaps paying more attention to the dilution instructions and so on. Also, washing tea towels and dishcloths daily

Time to lighten the mood: Two doctors were treating a man with lung disease. They explained how his smoking weed has led to his condition worsening. "But it's just herbal!" the patient protested. "How can it be bad?" Dr. Jenkins sighed. "Nature isn't all innocent. Apricot stones contain lethal amounts of cyanide. There is a certain plant in my back garden - if you sit under it for just 5 minutes, you will die. Just because it's natural doesn't mean it's safe for you!" The man seemed to accept that, and promised to stop his smoking. After he left, the doctors went to lunch. As they were sitting down to eat, Dr. Smith asked, "Oh by the way, what IS that plant that kills you if you sit under it?" "A water lily."

It was a few days before Valentine's Day and a young

woman was taking an afternoon nap. After she woke up, she told her husband, "I just dreamed that you gave me a pearl necklace for Valentine's day! What do you think it means?" Her husband smiled. "Oh, I have a feeling you'll know later tonight," he said with a wink. His wife squealed with joy. That evening, the man came home with a small package and gave it to his wife. Delighted, she opened it... only to find a book titled "The meaning of dreams."

A rich man came home and immediately started shouting at his wife. "I've been looking at our expenses and they are through the roof! What have you got so much to spend on? From now on, things will need to be different!" "Different how?" the wife asked. "Well, for starters, if you learned how to cook, we wouldn't need a personal chef. If you learned to clean, we wouldn't need a maid!" The wife looks at him and responds: "Then we just need to teach you how to satisfy a woman. Then we can let the gardener go as well."

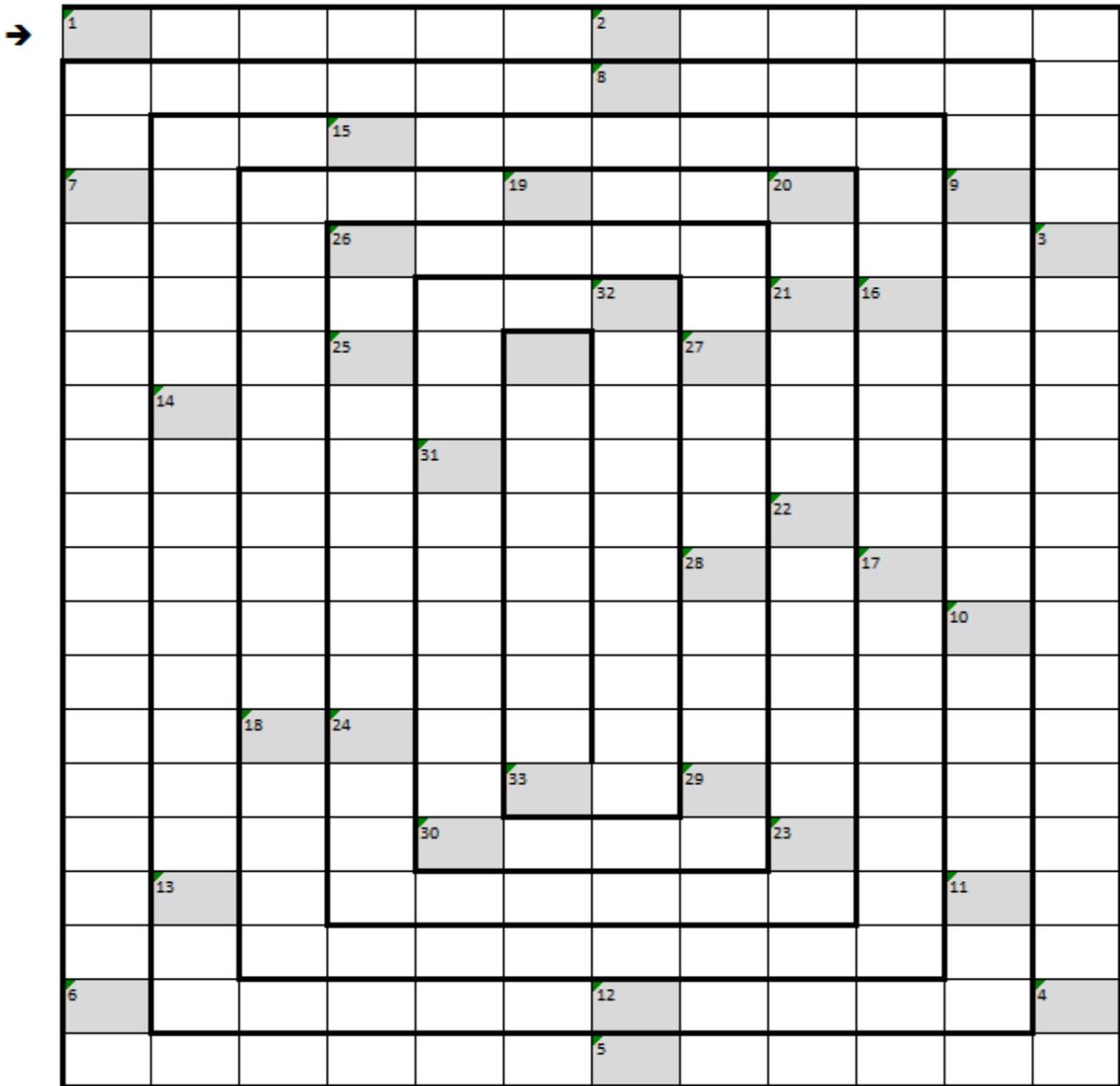
Best wishes to you all

Ian Nisbet

WORD TRAIL NO. 3

Janet Clements brings us a different type of puzzle, a Word Trail.

Starting at No.1 follow the clue numbers around the box clockwise finishing in the middle. The last letter of each answer is the first letter of the next answer. Work clockwise. Have Fun



CLUES

- 1 Bone at the knee joint (7)
- 2 The 2nd wife of King Henry VIII(10)
- 3 Host of radio 4's 'Just a minute' until his death in 2020 (8-7)

- 4 The name of the steak cut from the back of a cow (7)
- 5 The 11th month of the year
- 6 A type of Cancer treatment (16)
- 7 Jewish day of Atonement (9)
- 8 Fasting observed by Muslims (7)
- 9 A type of machine that helps you breathe (9)
- 10 A burrowing mammal with a scut (6)
- 11 Bones in the foot (7)
- 12 Film Saga: 'May the force be with you' (4-4)
- 13 Film: Five films in a series to make you scream and jump (5-5)
- 14 A star constellation known as 'the little horse' (8)
- 15 The home of 'Sugar Beach' in the Caribbean (10)
- 16 Film: by James Cameron with 3m blue skinned sapient humanoids (6)
- 17 A king born in 1157 son of Henry the second (7-3-9)
- 18 Author of the 'Hogfather' and 'Colour of Magic' (5-9)
- 19 The God of Thunder (4)
- 20 Ruby (colour) (3)
- 21 British hit cult TV SciFi programme launched in 1963 (2-3)
- 22 The eldest of the Titan offspring of Uranus (7)
- 23 Composer of the 'Carnival of the Animals' (5-5)
- 24 Famous London Hospital (2-6)
- 25 A body of water (3)
- 26 Greek Goddess of the hunt (7)
- 27 The bone of the head (5)
- 28 A workshop machine (5)
- 29 Our home planet (5)
- 30 A mental state like sleep where a person can be easily influenced (8)
- 31 Someone who sails the seas (6)
- 32 Film: 2020 - delayed release of this 007 film (2-5-2-3)
- 33 To give someone hope, support (9)

This month's Word Trail solution can be found on page 61.

Growing Up In Feltwell in the 1950s & 60s

BY ROBERT WALDEN

Part 1— Munson's Place

I was 9 months old when, in November 1950 my family moved into the first phase of Munson's Place. We occupied the 3rd house from the end (No 16) which was renumbered No 50 after completion of the second, larger phase (and since renumbered again and renamed to its original Munson's Lane). The houses were modern, well built, dry and given the complete lack of central heating or any insulation in the roof space, relatively warm – at least in the living room where a coal and coke fire would burn the winter evenings. Some houses were built with a modern cream or black enamelled iron open range with a “back boiler” which the range heated for all hot water supplies; while others, including ours, had a coal fired cream Rayburn. Windows of course were single glazed in metal frames and those intricate patterns of “Jack Frost” ice crystals on the inside of morning window panes were a common sight in winter.

The sitting room also had an open fire which was lit for special occasions. A few days before Christmas, we would post messages to Father Christmas to be carried up the chimney by the fire's heat. The kitchen (scullery to some!) had no fitted cupboards and little storage space other than a walk-in pantry with a cold slab for its lowest shelf for storing butter and milk (full cream and non-homogenised of course), or the bowl of dripping left over from the Sunday roast. On the floor was a small “meat safe” cupboard with a metal mesh front to keep the flies out. We had no refrigerator until 1961.

The sink was a deep white “butler” sink over which was a hot and cold tap, with a single wooden draining board. Crazy, the electric kettle stood on the wet draining board and as fabric flexes frayed over time, at least on two occasions small amounts of electricity escaped into the body of the poor soul who happened to touch the side of the draining board! In the early days, ordinary soap powder such as Daz or Omo was used for washing up – washing up liquid was considered a luxury until about 1960. About then, the entire

estate received a free Fairy Liquid sample about a third the size of the old cylindrical bottle: we boys soon emptied the entire contents into a mug so we could use the plastic bottles as water pistols. Heavily promoted on the new Anglia television channel, washing up liquid soon caught on.

If no fire had been lit then the kettle had to provide the hot water for washing up and a separate white enamel bowl was placed inside the sink to economise on water. I do not recall any form of electric immersion heater and when more hot water was needed, such as when youngest sister and I were having our weekly bath together, the kettle provided a quick top up. There was no shower of course. It is hard to imagine now having a bath in wintertime in an unheated room: the big open towel mother held up to wrap us in when we climbed out of the bath was very welcome and a hot-water bottle in bed, essential. Condensation was always a problem when rooms were so cold and not helped by the paraffin heaters employed in wintertime which gave off vast amounts of water vapour. Mother kept a little green "oil stove" in the kitchen for emergency heating and also for boiling eggs on for tea. I can still recall sitting at the little kitchen table and looking into the living room through the hot, rising fumes of the oil stove, which wrinkled everything in my vision.

In the outhouse off the open porch by the back door was a wash house with its own deep sink and a "copper" - a deep metal bowl set in concrete and capable of taking several sheets and nappies - heated by a fire beneath so that cottons could be boiled. This old technology would soon be obsolete and the later main phase of Munson's Place did not include such facilities. In any case, by the mid 1950s mother had a simple electric "Hoover" top-loader washing machine. It had its own heater and was filled by buckets of water from the kitchen tap. A simple revolving paddle wheel on one side churned the water but also tied up every item into a big wet tangle. At the end of the wash a rubber tube on the side enabled the water to be emptied back into the bucket. The machine did have a mangle for squeezing the water out of sheets, though a lot fell onto the quarry-tiled kitchen floor.

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We had a square of carpet in the living room surrounded by a perimeter of linoleum (“lino”). An imitation wood parquet design was popular for this. Lino was used extensively throughout the rest of the house, especially in bedrooms. The staircase had a single “runner” of carpet up the middle with the risers and treads either painted or varnished. When small I loved to slide down feet first but on my stomach, bumping down each step and unwittingly using my hands as a brake. Once I tried it head first and, out of control, made painful contact at the bottom with the front door. I never did it again.

Rooms had a single, ceiling light though my sisters’ bedroom also had a bedside lamp. Walls were quite bare. An electric drill was still a rarity in the private home: a timber “picture rail” fixed horizontally around the room some 18” (450mm) below the ceiling allowed pictures to be hung from it on unsightly strings or chains. These rails still exist in a lot of old houses of course and extending the white ceiling emulsion down to the picture rail, creates more reflected light.

Dustbins were emptied every fortnight: “dust” because of the open fires and “bins” because families needed two, which were about the same capacity as modern wheelie bins. Full bins were heavy and smelly and needed 2 people to lift to the road though the men would often walk into back yards of old ladies and carry bins on their bent backs to the refuse lorry. The men wore heavy leather protective tabards and they had to lift each bin manually over the fixed tailgate some 7ft above the ground, and empty the contents into the vast rubbish pile within.

As car ownership increased, the Council demanded that driveway openings should have gates. Our neighbour installed nice dark green purpose made steel gates. My father secured an old wooden bed: the head and foot boards of which consisted of vertical wooden slats within wide timber frames and looked quite like gates. He did not bother fitting hinges but just nailed them permanently open, to posts he sunk in the required locations. A father of 6 had little spare cash.

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Hare Coursing

While we remain in the season, I'll continue to update you with what is happening.

Without wanting to tempt fate we have had a couple of quiet weeks with very few reports. The couple of reports we have received have been right on the border of Cambridgeshire and as always, we work as a team across the borders which has proved very successful. The most recent spell may be put down to the weather, the harder frozen ground generally stops this sort of crime. We could see an increase in the coming weeks with drier warmer weather predicted, and we continue to ask anyone to report this type of crime.

We also, finally, had a case from 2019 go through the courts this week. This case has been unfortunately delayed many times due to Covid and defence arguments.

Thomas Bull, age 29, of Queensway North, Walton-on-Thames, Surrey; Henry Lee, age 29, of Queensway North, Walton-on-Thames; Maurice Black, age 25, of Guildford Road, Woking; David Chalk, age 27, of Laleham Road, Shepperton; Nathan Smith, age 29, of Cobbett Road, Guildford were all found guilty after a trial at King's Lynn Magistrates' Court.

All five dogs that were seized have been confiscated and we will now start the process of rehoming these into loving homes. The victim was awarded £200 compensation and the four sentenced so far

have been issued fines totalling £1950 and court costs of £889. The fifth defendant will be sentenced at later date. This represents a successful prosecution with local land owners essential in this prosecution, so a big thank you to them for sticking with us and the courts throughout the process as it has been a long one!



Arson

You may have seen in the press this week a 22 year old man from the Diss area has been reported by summons to court for three separate arson offences, one of which caused significant damage to machinery and buildings alongside, very sadly, the death of over 50 pigs.

The other two offences relate again to damage to buildings and the hay/straw contents destroyed.

These offences have been very carefully investigated by a local South Norfolk team and relate to incidents from September/October 2019.

Fire is incredibly dangerous, it can rapidly get out of control, causing significant losses and threat of life to occupants and those trying to fight the fires. Should you have any information in relation to any arsons across the county please report it.

The Community Fire Safety team at Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service is available on 0300 123 1669 to offer further advice.



Engagement Event

I finally have some news on this! We have planned a new 6 monthly OP Randall/Rural Crime briefing. Given the current Coronavirus situation, this will take place online via Microsoft Teams (software similar to Zoom and free to use/download).

We will be joined by Chief Constable, PCC and a Prosecutor from CPS. We are asking people to submit their questions before the meeting so we can have stats etc. prepared.

Start thinking about anything you wish discuss and save the date— Monday 8th of March 2021 at 6pm!



Wildlife Crime

Pleased again to report no major developments over the past couple of weeks. I have been updated by local Badger Trust group that a sett I visited back in December, after receiving reports that some work that had been completed had caused some damage to the entrance of minor part of the sett, the group of badgers appear to have cleared those entrances and the sett is thriving which is great news. We did not look at enforcement on this occasion however offered guidance and words of advice around any further work that might have taken place around the larger and clearly active main entrances to this sett. Enforcement was not possible due to a lack of expert evidence confirming that the two smaller holes were active at the time the work was carried out. We work closely with many local experts and organisations who assist us by providing their expert knowledge around wildlife crimes.

I have also received a report of some bat roosts being destroyed by the felling of trees in a town. I will now look to try to establish, if I can, if these trees did have a bat roost present which can be difficult but is not impossible. It is illegal to destroy any bat roost whether a bat is present or not without a licence and we would look to prosecute should there be sufficient evidence that a crime has taken place.

In the east we are lucky to have many of our native bat species and we are considered to have a reasonably stable population. However, the picture is not the same across the country or the world with nearly all bat species in rapid decline in the past few decades with many being under serious threat of extinction. Every effort must be made to protect this incredibly interesting mammal.

If you believe you have bats in your property, outbuildings or trees you must seek expert advice before doing any work. The Bat Trust has plenty of information freely available on their website:
www.bats.org.uk

Till next time, keep safe. Chris

FELTWELL BOWLS CLUB

To date we have not received any further updates from Bowls England or Norfolk, but if everything continues to improve albeit a bit slowly we hopefully can start bowling outdoors after 17th May. All being well if the rule of six should happen after 12th April our working gang may be able to start on clearing and preparing the green, say Saturday 16th April around 10-30.

Our green keeper has kept the ground in good condition despite not feeling too well himself. We wish him well and hope things improve. The mower is still quite sick but the green keeper is nursing it along as best he can.

We have a plentiful supply of bowls, so if anyone is interested in giving the game a try come along on either a Monday or Thursday evening after 17th May around 5-30 to 6 o/c, or give me a call on 01842 827511.

Have had a little information from the indoors. They have rung around to see how many are willing to bowl starting September 2022, so looks as if they are putting things in place.

Max

Sudoku Puzzle

Each row, column & 3x3 square must contain numbers 1-9

Answer on page 76

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A customer.

FLAG—FELTWELL LOCAL ACTION GROUP

This group has never really stopped since its inception in March 2020. Members have changed and some of the needs have changed in the village. We still have a food help scheme based at St Mary's Church.

I have a group of six volunteers who have offered to shop for people in the village or collect prescriptions.

One of the most common difficulties in this modern world is communication. Many people have internet and social media, but by quirk of fate, the people who most need help do not have computers, mobile phones, internet or social media. Hopefully they will read this magazine but if you have a neighbour who is lonely, shielding, isolating, has no transport, or is unable to shop for some other reason, please ask if they need help. If you and you cannot help them please ask them to contact me and I will activate the shopping/help team.

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✝ EASTER 2021 ✝

A bright spot on the horizon of these dark days of lockdown has been the spring like weather that followed the snow and miserable freeze of mid February. The warmth and at least some sunlight has tempted me out into my garden to do some pruning and tidying ahead of 'proper' Spring. And I've been picking daffodils! This year they are early but welcome signs of new life after the unrelenting bleakness we've all endured for so long now. The vaccine rollout has given many a sense of new hope that enforced isolation from normal face to face human interaction – meeting, touching, sharing food and laughter with family and friends may be once more on the horizon – that life in its fullness will flourish once more.

The Christian message of Easter reflects this hope of life renewing. The tiny buds and green shoots, the daffodils opening out to reveal their yellow beauty as the days begin to lengthen and dark evenings give way to light are signs of new life, of the light of Christ's redeeming love leading us out of the darkness, bringing healing and restoration. Though so many have lost family members to this terrible pandemic there have been also local stories of great hope, of survival against the odds. Life is a gift for which we are thankful.

As the green shoots blossom and flourish we welcome the joy of Spring, the gradual 'unlocking' of all that keeps us apart and we pray that the impact of this devastating pandemic will lessen as the days warm and lengthen. As we enjoy the beauty of the natural world and the burgeoning of new life this Easter, let's also be thankful that we have a God who loves us so much that he sent his Son to transform, heal and restore humanity and all Creation and to hold out for all the promise of eternal life in all its fullness.

St Mary's Churchyard

A number of villagers have commented on the three large crosses that have 'appeared' outside the church in St Mary's churchyard. Following on from the Parish Council's lovely Christmas tree and the gorgeous outdoor nativity scene made and donated by Stuart and

Christine Samuels which enabled us to ‘tell’ the story of Jesus’ birth in visual form during the pandemic, it makes sense for us to continue the narrative. The three crosses represent the events of Good Friday when Jesus was taken outside the city of Jerusalem to a wasteland called Golgotha and executed on a cross – one of the nastiest, cruelest forms of execution ever devised along with two other men who were sentenced to death for unspecified crimes. Jesus gave His life for all Creation past, present and future as the supreme act of love. He lived sacrificially and died sacrificially and this immense love opened the way to new life and new beginnings – the miracle of His resurrection which in turn enables us to live His resurrection life as ‘Easter’ people – people of hope. Hope that is needed now more than ever as we grapple with the horrific cost of this pandemic worldwide. The crosses in St Mary’s churchyard – in the very middle of our village - are a sign of that hope.

Church services

We’re hoping to resume a ‘normal’ Benefice rota of services during ‘Holy Week’ starting with Palm Sunday at St Andrew’s Northwold. There will be a 10.00am Easter Eucharist on Easter Day at St Mary’s but also one on Zoom to cater for people who are unable as yet to join in ‘live’ worship. Usual social distancing regs will remain in place as the churches reopen and you will need to wear a mask. Please check the church notice board, the Pew Bulletin or Facebook/ Nextdoor for details of other Holy Week services on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday at St Mary’s.

As we emerge blinking into the light, stay well, keep safe and may God Bless you all richly this Easter.

Joan Horan

[Rector St Mary’s Feltwell]



WHAT IS... AN NFT?

An occasional Science and Technology column.

The recent news concerning a piece of digital art being sold at Christie's for £49.4m brought the concept of "non-fungible tokens" (NFTs) to my attention. But, what is an NFT.

According to Wikipedia, the online encyclopaedia, "A **non-fungible token (NFT)** is a digital file whose unique identity and ownership are verified on a blockchain (a digital ledger). NFTs are **not** mutually interchangeable (*see panel*). NFTs are

commonly created by uploading files, such as digital artwork, to an auction market.

This creates copies of the files, which are recorded as NFTs on the digital ledger. The tokens can then be bought with cryptocurrency (digital money) and resold.

NFTs can be used to commodify digital creations, such as digital art, video game items, and music files. Access to any copy of the original file, however, is not restricted to the owner of the token."

This is where things gets a bit awkward as anyone can copy a digital file as many times as they want, and that includes the art that's included with an NFT despite the fact that NFTs are designed to give you something that can't be copied: the ownership of the work (though the artist can still retain the copyright and reproduction rights, just like with physical artwork). To put it in terms of physical art collecting: anyone can buy a Monet print. But only one person can own the original. In essence buyers are just buying bragging rights and an asset they may be able to resell later.

In economics, **fungibility** is the property of a good or a commodity whose individual units are essentially interchangeable, and each of its parts is indistinguishable from another part.

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Thetford and Watton Times April, 1925.

Presentation

On Thursday week the members of the Mothers' Union attended a service conducted by the Rev. A. Millar Haggerty of London.

The members afterwards assembled at the YMCA Hut where tea was served and Mrs. M.A. Turner, on behalf of the Union, the Church Ladies' Working Party and the Womens Hour Society, presented Mrs C. Cartwright, who is leaving the neighbourhood, with a handsome writing case. Further presentations to Miss Faith Cartwright and Master Cyril Cartwright took place these being in the form of purses.

Mrs Cartwright expressed regret that her work in Feltwell was finished.

Mrs Cartwright was the widow of John Cartwright, Rector of Feltwell
Thetford and Watton Times 1925, no date recorded.

Bishop's Visit

Easter services were held at St Mary's Church on Good Friday and Easter Day. On Friday the service was conducted by the Rev. Skinner Law and appropriate music was rendered by the choir with Miss E. M. Scandrett at the organ.

The morning service on Sunday was taken by the Bishop of Ely and the lessons were read by Mr J. E. Rudland. The church was decorated with evergreens and daffodils.

The Bishop referred to the death of the late Rector and said a good way of showing their love for him was by treating the next rector in the best possible way.

Quick Update on Operation Randall—Hare Coursing (18/3/21)

Four of the 5 dogs from the incident in which we got a confiscation order at court have been rehomed into loving homes and the 5th is in the pipeline.

TAKEAWAY LOGISTICAL

This Logistical puzzle was designed by Chris at the Wellington.

	£6.90	£7.50	£8.00	£9.20	£11.40	Monday	Tuesday	Thursday	Saturday	Sunday
Fish Piper										
Feltwell Chinese										
Feltwell Kebab Van										
Stonebaked Pizza Kitchen										
Devilish Donuts										
Monday										
Tuesday										
Thursday										
Saturday										
Sunday										

Whilst his kitchen was being refurbished, on which day did John eat each takeaway and how much did he spend?

1. John had fish and chips on Thursday.
2. John s Tuesday night Chinese was more expensive than donuts but cheaper than pizza.
3. John s kebab was £8.00.
4. John Spent £11.40 on Thursday.
5. On Saturday, John had donuts, earlier in the week he had eaten his kebab.

The solution is on page 53.

HAPPY EASTER

Easter weekend's a time when we feast
On a turkey that's freshly deceased
Or a slow roasted duck
That has run out of pluck
Or a lamb that's been recently fleeced

Many places are holding parades
With traffic cut off by blockades
As folks line the streets
And as cops walk the beats
Of their city and town promenades

Many candies and eggs will be hid
So that many a cute little kid
Can damage their teeth
And their gums underneath
In a sugary takeover bid

As for me, I'll watch sports on TV
While indulging in crackers with Brie
Washing down with some beer
Such as Adnams with cheer
Then I'll empty myself when I pee

So I hope you all have a good Easter
As you sit in your rooms and just fester
Or chill out with your chums
Or be flapping your gums
On the phone with your brother or sister



FELTWELL METHODIST CHURCH

This is a busy month in the Christian calendar, and we have just celebrated “**Mothering Sunday**”. In recent years this has been hijacked and corrupted into Mother’s Day, which was traditionally celebrated in Europe and the US in May.

The modern Mother's Day began in the United States, at the initiative of Anna Jarvis in the early 20th century. It is not directly related to the many traditional celebrations of mothers and motherhood that have existed throughout the world over thousands of years, such as the Greek cult to Cybele, the mother god Rhea, the Roman festival of Hilaria, or the Christian Laetare Sunday celebration (associated with the image of Mother Church). However, in some countries, Mother's Day is still synonymous with these older traditions.

The American version of Mother's Day has been criticized for having become too commercialized. Founder Jarvis herself regretted this commercialism and expressed that this was never her intention. In response, Constance Adelaide Smith successfully advocated for Mothering Sunday as a commemoration of a broader definition of motherhood in many other parts of the English-speaking world

So what’s in the entrance this month?

When you get this magazine the Christian period of Lent will be over and we will be at Maundy Thursday & “Good Friday” remembering the Crucifixion of Christ. Last Sunday, 28 March, was Palm Sunday when Jesus ‘triumphantly’ entered Jerusalem on the back of a donkey, as His mother Mary had done when she travelled to Bethlehem. Maundy comes from the Latin “mandatum”, meaning ‘command’ which refers to the instructions Jesus gave to His

disciples at the Last Supper. That was when Jesus washed His disciples' feet to demonstrate the importance of serving others.

Basically, He died because he was upsetting the authorities in Israel and they saw him as a threat to their authority. Little did they realise the impact their actions would have worldwide or how long their actions would be remembered.

I'm sure you can think of similar situations today in many countries with tyrannic rulers who believe popular people are a threat to their rule, some have even murdered the opposition.

Our foyer during April will depict the Crucifixion on Good Friday & Saturday, followed by the glorious Resurrection on Easter Sunday. We open the doors on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Sunday mornings, so do pop in and have a look and hang around for a minute or two and wing a prayer to The Almighty. Not your thing, then we can do it with you.

Sunday morning worship – Although we are permitted to open for public worship, we have decided that this does not demonstrate the spirit of the current Lockdown rules, so, along with most other churches in the UK, we have decided to suspend public worship, but remain open for individual prayer and solace. We are happy to share a prayer with you. We welcome anyone and everyone to share our moments of peace in this hectic world. Families can sit together and other visitors have safely distanced seating. We all wear masks. This will be changing in the near future.....watch this space!!

So, what is the government plan to end Lockdown? For the benefit of those who do not have access to the internet I'll summarise.

The Four Tests

Before taking each step, the Government will review the latest data on the impact of the previous step against four tests. The tests are:

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Step 1 out of lockdown begins. *The 8 March step has already been enacted. Hopefully, as from 29 March*

Rule of 6 or two households outdoors. No household mixing indoors. Outdoor sport and leisure facilities. Organised outdoor sport allowed (children and adults). Minimise travel. No holidays. Outdoor parent & child groups (up to 15 parents).

Step 2 At least five weeks after Step 1, no earlier than 12 April.

Indoor leisure (including gyms) open for use individually or within household groups. Rule of 6 or two households outdoors. No household mixing indoors. Outdoor attractions such as zoos, theme parks and drive-in cinemas. Libraries and community centres. Personal care premises. All retail. Outdoor hospitality. All children's activities, indoor parent & child groups (up to 15 parents). Domestic overnight stays (household only). Self-contained accommodation (household only). Funerals (30), wakes, weddings and receptions (15). Minimise travel. No international holidays. Event pilots begin.

The next step **may** take effect on 17 May if conditions are right. Look out for the May edition. If you do have the internet check out this site [COVID-19 Response - Spring 2021 - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/covid-19-response-spring-2021)

Through all these lockdown times support groups have been able to remain open to support in need of physical and mental help.

FELTWELLBEINGS – will be open again from 15 April.

In the meantime, two of us will be in the Methodist Church Community Hall for anyone who needs a listening ear. The church will also be open for your private prayer or moments of solace.

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ELEVENZES – will hopefully start again on Wednesday 5 May at 10am, and will be on the **FIRST WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 10am**, when our usual home-made cakes & pies will be available and served with all the necessary protective clothing and behind a protective screen on the table.

COMMUNITY GARDEN – WEDNESDAY MORNINGS

Now the weather is getting milder and we can get a fork in the ground, spring veg will be planted. There still may be frosts so we have to be careful about those tender plants. Also, there are still restrictions on what we are allowed to do during the pandemic. We have raised beds to construct, meadow to tend, seeds to sow, e.g., peas, runner beans, radishes, lettuce, tomatoes and more. I have Butternut Squash plants to put in and broad beans, so plenty to do if we want a good harvest later. This harvest will help local people who want fresh, organic fruit and veg on their meal tables.

THE CRUNCH!!!

We could really do with some help with all this.

We invite you to break your loneliness and join us for a chat, sharing knowledge, and a bit of light exercise and a cuppa. A bit of weeding, pruning, dead-heading or hoeing, whatever you feel comfortable doing. Once you've registered You are welcome for as long as you want when you want.

**We will be there on Wednesday mornings,
(weather permitting).**



We would very much like you to submit a **FOOTNOTE** of your own. A quip, a fact, an idiom, whatever you feel would be suitable. Please send your **FOOTNOTE** to Paul at garlandp@btinternet.com.

Notwithstanding the difficult year that we have all encountered – the loss of loved ones, friends, acquaintances and work colleagues can we still broach the subject of ...

Funerals

Talking about funerals in previous generations has been in hushed and sombre voices. It's a subject that we do not discuss around dinner parties or at the school gates. It's not discussed until you need a funeral and often at that point it is a rushed and painful experience. Many reading this article will have their own story to tell; you have either attended or had to make arrangements for a loved one.

Some of us get ahead and pay for a funeral plan – the fear of HUGE funeral bills can be a real and present worry for anyone edging towards elderly – you start to worry about it.

Do our children, family or friends even know what our wishes might be for the future? Somehow we discuss births, mortgages, new jobs, weddings, college and university, etc – all these landmark moments in our lives – but – we never get around to discussing our funeral.

WHY?

- We don't know how to begin the discussion ...
- Worried that funerals are so expensive we sweep the whole idea under the carpet ...
- Fractured families – any conversation may cause family arguments ...
- Fear
- I won't need a funeral for ages
- It's not going to happen to me
- I don't like funeral directors
- I don't like all that black
- It has not crossed my mind – until now!
- It's all written in my will ... often the will is not found before arrangements have been made!

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YESTERDAY'S MEMORIES

Newcome Hall was on the site where Newcombe Drive now is: the gardens extended down to Oak Street and where the wall is broken down at the moment was a door which led right up to the kitchen door. She (*Mrs Newcome*) had two fields; one is now the football field, which she left to the village when she died. She had a lovely croquet lawn. The tombs of her family were in Hockwold Church and Mr Basil Vincent would take her over there in his taxi and Mother and I would join her there and we would clean them. Her cook would make us a picnic and we'd sit and eat it in the grounds of Hockwold Hall in the middle of the work. It was said that Hockwold Hall was haunted, and there were tunnels from it to the church. A dog was put down once to test it and it never came out.

After the war I came back to Feltwell and married Charlie. He had land down the fen and with his brother grew carrots, potatoes and some sugar beet. I've still got 20 acres down there, but I rent it out now. We had two fish shops, one in Long Lane and one next to this house. We sold both wet and fried fish. The fish used to come on the railway and Mr Brown sometimes fetched it from Lakenheath for us. I used to work in the shops but we had help too, particularly from Miss Secker.

*Mrs Bettie Fletcher, interviewed June 1994.
Bettie and her husband Charlie lived next to the Gift Shop and used to have a fish and vegetable shop.*

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FELTWELL'S WW1 WAR HEROES No.30

All of the information in the "Feltwell's War Heroes" series can be found at <https://www.flickr.com/photos/43688219@N00/42905937225/in/album-72157679638767304/>.

This month's War Hero is:

J.T. ROLFE, KINGS ROYAL RIFLES

On the Church Roll of Honour he is recorded as J.T. Rolfe.

SDGW records that Rifleman John Thomas Rolfe was Killed in Action on the 12th November 1917 whilst serving in France & Flanders with the 2nd Battalion, King's Royal Rifle Corps. He was formerly M/2/229629 A.S.C. He was born Southery, Norfolk, resident Feltwell, Norfolk and enlisted Norwich.

That soldier on CWGC is:-

Rifleman ROLFE, JOHN THOMAS

Service Number: A/210767

Died: 12/11/1917

Unit: 2nd Bn. King's Royal Rifle Corps

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The Medal Index Card for Private **A/201967** John T Rolfe, King's Royal Rifle Corps, is held at the National Archive under reference WO 372/17/77311

The related Medal Roll show that he qualified for the Victory Medal and the British War Medal, and that he only served with the 2nd Battalion.

The Army Register of Soldiers Effects shows that Private **A/201967** John Thomas Rolfe was Killed in Action in France on the 12th November 1917. The balance of his pay was sent to his widow Emma in March 1918. His War Gratuity would also be paid to

Abbreviations used.

CWGC - Commonwealth War Graves Commission

SDGW – Soldiers Died in the Great War

IRC – International Red Cross

MIC – Medal Index Card

Emma in November 1919.

1891 Birth and Baptism

The birth of a John Thomas Rolfe was registered with the Civil Authorities in the Downham District of Norfolk in the January to March quarter, (Q1), of 1892. His mothers' maiden name was Lawrence.

Downham Registration District included the Civil Parish of Southery.

The baptism of a John Thomas Rolfe, born *23rd November 1891*, took place at St Mary, Southery on the 7th February 1892. His parents were James, a Labourer, and Martha Anna. The family lived in the parish.

Then, as now, you had 42 days after the event to register the birth without facing prosecution and a fine. A child registered at the start of January could, like John Rolfe, have been born as early as the middle of the previous November.

1901 Census of England and Wales

The 8-year-old John Thomas Rolfe, born Southery, Norfolk, was recorded living at a dwelling on Poplar Road, Thetford, Norfolk. This was the household of his parents, James, (aged 43, an Agricultural Labourer, born Methwold, Norfolk) and Martha Anna, (aged 41, born Feltwell). As well as John their other children still single and living with them are:-

James William	aged 22	born Southery	Farm Labourer
Eliza Anna	aged 20	born Southery	Mothers Help
Ernest Edward	aged 10	born Southery	

Completing the household is a boarder.

1911 Census of England and Wales

The Rolfe family were now recorded living on Long Lane, Feltwell. Father James, (55), is now recorded as a Farmer working on his "own account". He and wife Martha 'Annie', (53), have been married 34 years and have had 4 children, all then still alive. Still single, living with them and working on the Farm are 'Earnest' Ed, (20), and **John Thomas, (18)**.

1913 – Marriage

The marriage of a John T. Rolfe to an Emma J. Colman was recorded in the Thetford District in the Oct. to Dec. quarter, (Q4), of 1913.

Until September 1911 the quarterly index published by the General Registrars Office did not show information about the mothers' maiden name. A check of the General Registrars Office Index of Birth for England and Wales 1911 – 1983 shows no likely children of John and Emma.

On the day

After a disaster in July when the battalion was effectively wiped out, it took time to rebuild the battalion. They would only return to the Ypres salient for the closing part of Third Ypres, (aka Passchendaele), which was the actual taking of the village itself. However, I cannot find an online source detailing what they were up to. I have the war diary for the 2nd Royal Sussex who were in the same brigade, but that doesn't even have an entry for the 12th November 1917.

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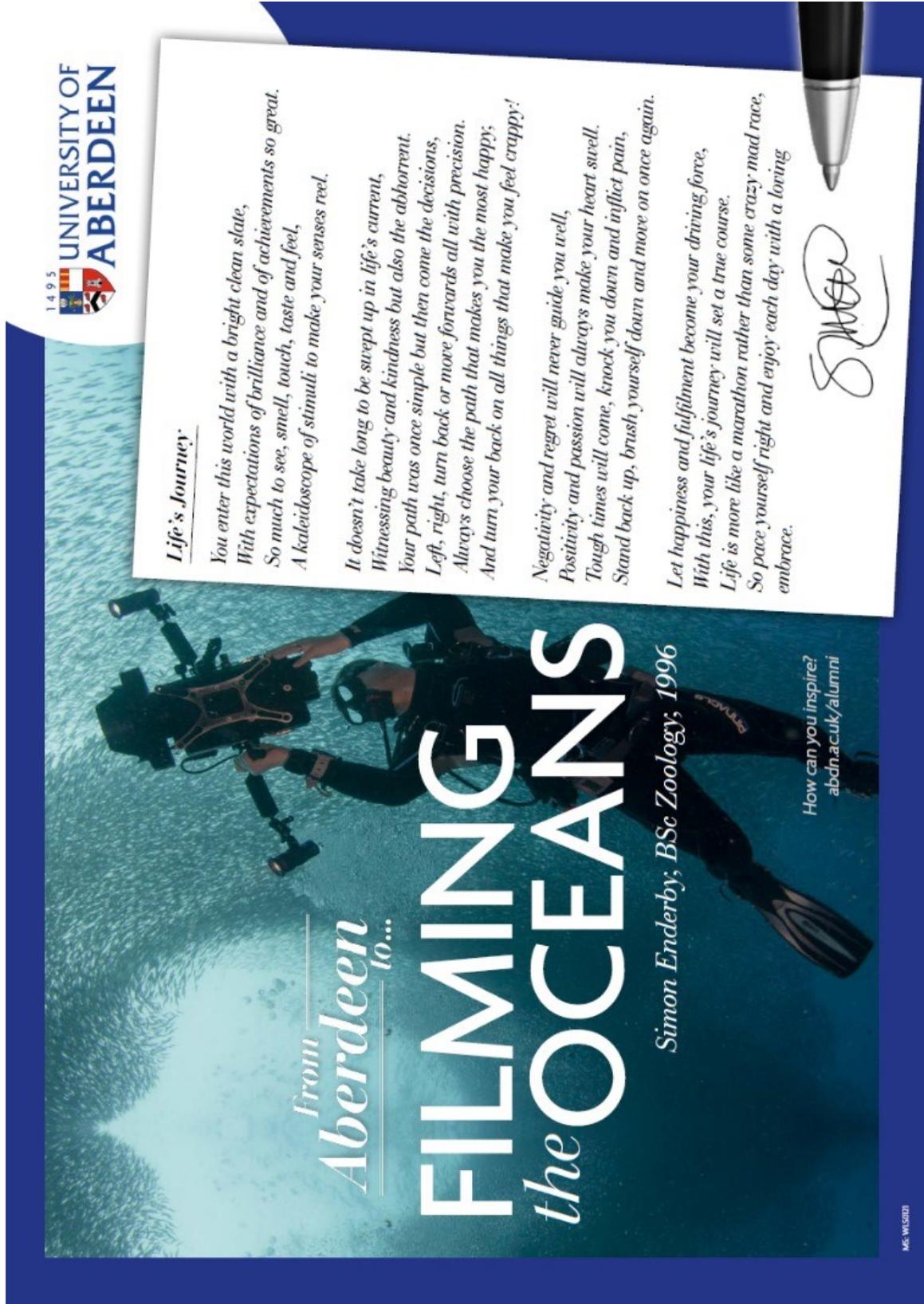
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A Message from the Editors

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KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR THE FIRST INSECTS OF SPRING

During March and April we are often treated to spells of warm weather, which we treasure after the wet and cold weeks of winter- it is a sign that the seasons are changing. The Earth is approaching the time in its orbit around the sun when our hemisphere 'leans' towards the sun, exposing us to warming rays for longer each day. This change in temperature and day length kicks off an incredibly complicated sequence of events from the moment the days lengthen in early January, like a set of dominoes toppling over, that means by now there is enough heat and daylight for us to see the first insects on the wing!

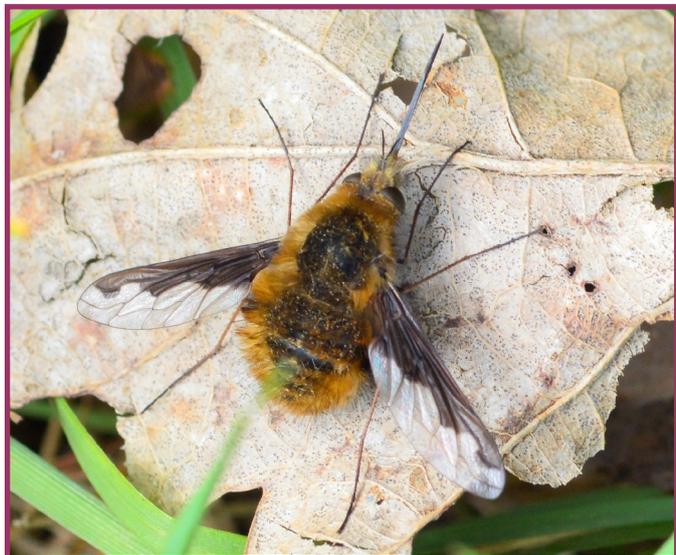
So far in March I have had regular visits to my garden from early bumblebees, buff-tailed bumblebees and a few honey bees, and we have had lots of reports of brimstone and peacock butterflies on the reserve too. All of these insects have the ability to hibernate in winter, along with small tortoiseshell and comma butterflies too- so worth keeping an eye out during your walks for these. Speckled wood butterflies hibernate too, but seem to need things to be a bit warmer before they venture out of their boltholes! A popular species- the red admiral- is not as tough as it looks and generally can't survive our UK winters, as it can't cope with a frost. Nearly all individuals we see each year have either migrated here from southern Europe, or they are the offspring of adults who did so earlier in the summer. However, it is looking increasingly likely that red admirals can survive here along the south coast of England and on the Scilly Isles, as our winters gradually get warmer.

Another newcomer to our Suffolk springs could be the hummingbird hawkmoth- these tropical-looking visitors love buddleia, red

valerian and salvia in the garden but normally only turn up from summer onwards- but February saw a surge in reports from the southern counties so it looks like they can now hunker down to survive a UK winter too.

Along with bees, look out too for female drone flies (a type of hoverfly) which are beefier than the males and are capable of hibernation, so emerge earlier than the males which need to hatch from a pupa. Like other hoverflies (which emerge later in Spring) they have a jerky, fast flight, not smooth like that of a bee. Bee-flies are distinctive 'flies in a bee's clothing' and have a fuzzy ginger body and long proboscis (see picture) which they hold out in front of them in flight, which you

often notice as they fly past you. They are really attractive insects close-up and fascinating to watch- if you want to tempt them into your garden, plant some primroses or grape hyacinths in a sunny spot. Bees and butterflies will enjoy these but also lungwort, winter-flowering box (*Sarcococcus*), crocuses,



anemones or- if you have the room- a pussy (or goat) willow. To sit and watch these early visitors in the garden is a real pleasure and a good reason to pause for a while and think of the warmer months ahead!

If you have any questions about your garden wildlife, feel free to ask us at the reserve in person, by e-mail (lakenheath@rspb.org.uk) or by phone (01842 863400) and we would be glad to help.

With best wishes for a happy March!

Heidi Jones

(Visitor Experience Officer,
RSPB Lakenheath Fen).

SPOT THE DIFFERENCE NO. 20

Photos taken from Mr P. Garland's "Feltwell: Yesterday and Today" presentation first shown in 2018 and provided by Mr C. Cock. Modern photos taken August 2018 by Mr C. Brown.



Above: Looking west up Chapel Street, now Hill Street, and showing the Post Office on the right. The shop "Higgins" is now a hairdressers. Sycamore House on the left. The Wesleyan Methodists Chapel (Centre) with Chapel yard on the opposite side. The Chapel site now has a pair of bungalows on it.





We are allowed to hold services once more, albeit within Covid regulations.
Welcome back everyone.

Services for Holy Week

Sunday March 28 th	<i>Palm Sunday</i>	<i>Eucharist</i>	Northwold	10am
April 1 st	<i>Maundy Thursday</i>	<i>Eucharist and Watch of the Passion</i>	Feltwell	7.30pm
April 2 nd	<i>Good Friday</i>	<i>Stations of the Cross</i>	Feltwell	10.30am
	<i>Good Friday</i>	<i>Stations of the Cross</i>	Zoom Contact Chris Parker for zoom link.	2pm
	<i>Good Friday</i>	<i>Burial of the Cross and Compline</i>	Northwold	7pm
April 3 rd		<i>Evening Vigil</i>	Zoom Contact Chris Parker for zoom link.	5pm
April 4 th	<i>Easter Day</i>	<i>Eucharist</i>	Feltwell	10am



Sun April 4th Benefice Eucharist
Feltwell 10am

Sun April 11th Benefice Eucharist
Northwold 10am

Sun April 18th Benefice Eucharist
Feltwell 10am

Sun April 25th Benefice Eucharist
Northwold 10am



Zoom Eucharist Every Wednesday 10am

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The church will be open daily from 9am until dusk. Please
feel free to come in.

We ask only that you follow the safety measures clearly posted in
the church and that you wear a face covering at all times.

The church is **NOT** cleaned daily.

**Due to the increase in Covid transmission we
must emphasise that you come in
AT YOUR OWN RISK**

Hospital Happenings *by Tony Bennett*



*Monthly Ramblings about West
Suffolk Hospital*

News: March 2021

QSI:

The radiology department at West Suffolk Hospital has been accredited with the Quality Standard in Imaging (QSI) by the United Kingdom Accreditation Service (UKAS) for the tenth year in a row.

Covid News:

Good news. At the last count (Friday 5th March) there were only 11 beds occupied by Covid patients.

Furthermore, it has been announced that the hospital can begin to do routine cases again and so anyone who has had an appointment delayed by Covid should hear of a new appointment soon.

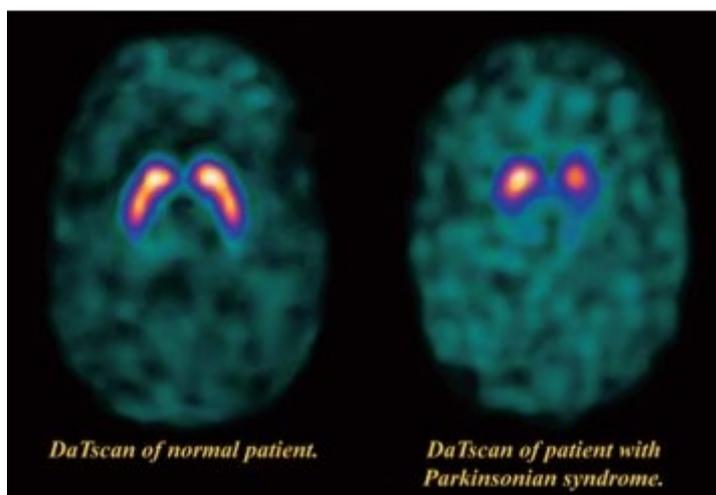
Obviously, there is a huge backlog to clear which will take a long time and it would be helpful for patients not to ring with routine enquiries. However, if you are expecting an appointment for any urgent or potentially urgent conditions please feel free to enquire if you don't hear within 10 days to a fortnight.

New TV Service:

Patients now have access to a wider range of free entertainment services – including TV, radio, games, newspapers and magazines. In addition to the free entertainment and media services, patients are able to use their Wi-Fi-enabled devices to access the Trust's Patient Portal – a secure space to view hospital letters and documentation, appointment details and view test results online.

West Suffolk Hospital charity My WiSH has purchased tablets for use by inpatients if they don't have a smart phone or a Wi-Fi-enabled device with them during their stay in hospital, so every patient has a chance to use the new service.

Case of the Month



Last month I mentioned that we hope to start DaT scans which differentiate patients with Parkinson's Disease who need treatment from those with 'essential tremor' who don't.

The above images show dopamine uptake which is clearly abnormal in the right-hand scan. There are different types of Parkinson's but this shows a clear-cut case.

This patient would have had a normal MRI result.

Not all patients will require this scan as a skilled neurologist can perform tests which enable an accurate diagnosis. However, the DaT scan can differentiate between certain types of disease and in those cases can be very useful

A POLITE REMINDER

Our annual subscription renewal date has moved to March 2021. Distributors will collect your £5 subscription when the current lockdown is over.

Thank You.

Paul and Susan



If 'a piece of cake' means that something is easy to do, does that something get even easier with two pieces of cake?

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WORD SEARCH

Submitted by Mrs J. Clements.

This month our word search is on **NAMES**

Find the words from the list. They run vertically, horizontally, diagonally, backwards and forwards but always in a straight line.

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Solution on page 77.



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Money Matters

The Budget in Summary...

Chancellor of the Exchequer Rishi Sunak has delivered the 2021 UK Budget, extending several coronavirus support schemes and outlining plans for the country's post-pandemic recovery.

Mr Sunak said this brings the government's total coronavirus spending to £407bn, and that 'huge challenges' lie ahead to address record levels of borrowing.

The furlough scheme and self-employed income support has been extended. Furlough will now run until the end of September - it had been due to close at the end of April - while the Self-Employment Income Support Scheme will be extended to 600,000 people who were previously excluded. A fifth grant for the self-employed has also been confirmed, with the amount you can claim dependent on how your turnover's changed.

The current stamp duty holiday (in England and Northern Ireland) will be extended until the end of June. The holiday - which means buyers don't need to pay stamp duty on the first £500,000 of a property's purchase - had been due to end on 31 March. But it will now continue until the end of June. Then until September the point at which you start paying stamp duty will be cut to £250,000, before returning to the usual £125,000 after that. The average sale price of a property in Feltwell in the last 12 months is approx. £250,000 so that's a saving of £2,500.

A new mortgage scheme to help buyers with a 5% deposit will be launched. It'll start from April and several major lenders have already agreed to take part.

The universal credit uplift of £20 per week will continue for a further six months. Plus working tax credit claimants will get equivalent support for a further six months. And the suspension of the universal credit minimum income floor has also been extended

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until August – good news for many self-employed claimants, as it means you're not assumed to be earning at least the minimum wage when the amount you're due is calculated.

Income tax thresholds have been frozen after a rise this April - meaning in real terms many will pay more tax. The Chancellor said the Government would deliver on its promise to increase the personal allowance - the rate over which people start paying tax - to £12,570 next year but said it would then stay unchanged until April 2026. The higher rate threshold will similarly be increased next year, to £50,270, but will then also be frozen until 2026.

While technically the Government hasn't raised tax rates today, its decision to freeze thresholds means many who get a wage rise - even if it's just in line with inflation - will end up paying more in income tax because they're drawn into a higher tax bracket.

The pensions lifetime allowance and the thresholds for capital gains tax and inheritance tax will also be frozen. They'll all stay the same until April 2026 - which again will result in some paying more tax than they would have done had the thresholds risen with inflation.

The contactless payment limit will rise to £100. That's up from £45 and officially takes effect from 3rd March, though in practice it will take longer for retailers to implement the increased limit.

The Government will issue its first sovereign 'green' savings bond - though we don't yet know what interest rate it'll pay. We have very limited detail on this at the moment, though we know it'll launch this summer.

Alcohol and fuel duty will be frozen. This is the second year in a row that alcohol duty has been frozen, while fuel duty has been frozen for over a decade.

The 5% reduced rate of VAT for the tourism and hospitality sector will be extended for six months. It will now last until the end of September, with an interim rate of 12.5% for another six months after that.

A new Restart Grant will launch in April to help businesses. These will be available in England and will be worth up to £6,000 per premises for non-essential retail businesses and up to £18,000 per premises for hospitality, accommodation, leisure, personal care and gym businesses.

A Recovery Loan Scheme will provide lenders with a guarantee of 80% on eligible loans between £25,000 and £10 million. This will launch on 6 April and will be open to all businesses, including those who have already received support under the existing coronavirus guaranteed loan schemes.

Some air passenger duty rates will increase from April 2022. Air passenger duty is the tax charged on outbound flights - you don't pay it directly but it's part of the overall fare you pay. Long-haul air passenger duty rates will increase in line with the retail prices index (RPI) measure of inflation - for economy flights that means a £2 rise, for premium economy, business and first class flights a £5 rise. There's no rise for short-haul economy flights but those travelling long-haul by private jets will see the rate increase by £13.

A no-interest loans scheme will be piloted. The Government will provide up to £3.8 million of funding to deliver a pilot no-interest loans scheme. The scheme will help vulnerable consumers who would benefit from affordable short-term credit to meet unexpected costs, as an alternative to relying on high-cost credit.

David Corder Dip PFS

Next month...

Lifetime ISA explained

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I'm in an optimistic mood as I can smell a Full English breakfast! Metaphorically speaking. Now that the NHS vaccine programme is going so well I hope that we will be able to start our monthly meetings as soon as the Wellington is able to function both inside and out and the social distancing rules are lifted.

Realistically, I don't expect this to be until the Autumn but there is now a real hope that we will be able to enjoy a Full English once again this year. I can hardly wait. My mouth is watering at the thought! Paul

Word Search Answer

Submitted by Mrs J. Clements

Our Local Foodbank

If you would like to donate to our local Foodbank there is a drop off point at St Mary's Church, Feltwell.

Any food stuff which does not require refrigeration and is in date is ok. Thank you for all your donations, kindness and generosity.

Ness Fry

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NEWS FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

The Meeting of the Parish Council was held virtually via the Zoom platform on Monday the 8th of MARCH 2021. Eleven Councillors attended, 1 member of the public and Squadron Leader Turnbull.

Sqn. Leader was pleased to report that there had been no Covid-19 cases in any of the school children or school staff since schools reopened on Base on 25th January. There was one case on Base the week before last and three last week. Concern was raised regarding detonations which had taken place over two consecutive days in February and the Sqn Leader was asked if more specific timing of the explosions could be given so that people could be better prepared. Sqn Leader said this was possible for routine detonations but not for those carried out in emergency situations as happened recently with the F15 gun. It was strongly felt the detonations were just not acceptable in the centre of the village when there are other premises, such as Stanta, nearby. Clerk will write to Elizabeth Truss MP to ask her to take this matter forward.

Clerk to report loose drain cover at The Beck junction with Oak Street, small pothole at Addisons Close entrance and numerous potholes along Old Brandon Road.

Next Ranger visit will take place in April.

New LED street light has been installed at Fair Close. Street light energy supply to be renewed with E.ON.

New flashing 20mph sign has been installed along The Beck which has been financed via Councillor Martin Storey's Locality Budget.

Councillor Storey said he had attended the NCC Budget Meeting and Council Tax is being increased by 3.99%; all information can be found on Council Tax bills.

Three grants have been awarded due to the closure of the Changing Rooms (Small Business Grant, Local Restrictions

NEWS FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

Support Grant and Closed Business Lockdown Payment) and as such all grants will be spent on the playing field.

Fenland Leisure have installed new grab rails on the multiplay unit at the playing field and carried out the quarterly inspection. The annual operational inspection will take place in June.

A bid will be made for CIL Funding, available for local and community projects, to resurface the tennis court.

Clerk to request two hand sanitizing stations, available via the Borough Council's EU funding pot, to be positioned at two sites along High Street.

TWR Accountants will undertake the internal audit again this year.

Next meeting is to be held virtually on Monday 12th April 2021 at the **earlier time of 7.00 pm** via the Zoom platform. Please contact the Clerk on 01842 828383 or email feltwellparishclerk@gmail.com for information on how to attend.

All are welcome.

Your Councillors are:

Mr Ian Rayner (Chair), Mr Edmund Lambert (Vice-Chair), Mrs Sue Arnold, Mrs Miranda Bane, Mr Christopher Cock, Mr Paul Cole, Mrs Helen Willson, Mrs Bernadette McGeeney, Mrs Linda Peckham, Mr Martin Storey, Mr Ian Studd

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