

# FELTWELL PARISH MAGAZINE

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## August 2024



**LOOKING NORTH FROM ST MARY'S TOWER**



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**New Outdoor Classroom for  
the School**

**The Victor Writes the History  
Scarecrow Competition Pics**

**Foot Health, FiB, RSPB**

**Plus, all our usual puzzles  
and much more inside.**

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## FROM THE CLASSROOM

### **Double victory for Edmund De Moundeford Primary School PTA!**

The PTA (Parent Teacher Association) of the Feltwell school held many exciting events to raise funds to build an outdoor classroom for the 170 children at the school. They were delighted to have reached their target of £12000 in May. With thanks to donations from the Edmund De Moundeford Trust, Precision Paving, Paul Thompson, Travis Perkins in Brandon, Chase Fencing, L.P. Pallett Ltd and King's Lynn Borough Council they were able to erect the highly anticipated outdoor space - 'The Aviary'. The name links with the class names of birds and can be enjoyed by all the children. It was officially opened by one of the youngest and one of the oldest children in the school and celebrated with parents and the school community.

"The PTA have worked so hard in raising these funds and their work has paid off. I know the children will thoroughly enjoy taking more







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of their learning outside.” said Mrs Michelle Ablitt, Deputy Headteacher.

During this opening celebration the PTA also celebrated winning the Feltwell Carnival which was held on June 15<sup>th</sup>. Around 20 children from the school excitedly took part. The theme this year was heroes and the children dressed up as fighter pilots or soldiers, linking with the local air force bases. The float included cargo netting and a two metre scaled model of a jet. The float was organised by the PTA and Mrs Michelle Ablitt, Deputy Head.

“Despite the rather wet weather for the carnival, the children dressed up brilliantly and we are so proud to have the Feltwell Community Group shield,” explained Mrs Ablitt.

The PTA of Edmund De Moundeford Primary School continue to raise funds with an end-of-year disco and tuck shop planned. Many more events are planned for the autumn term.

“We are so excited to have the outdoor learning space for the children and would like to thank the parents for their continued support with the fundraising events we hold. Without them there wouldn’t be an us” explained a PTA spokesperson.





## FELTWELL FUEL ALLOTMENT CHARITY

If you can answer “YES” to the following two questions you may be eligible for a Winter 2024 Fuel Payment from three Feltwell charities.

**Are you at least 70 years of age or will be by the end of 2024?**

**Have you lived in the village of Feltwell for a minimum of 10 years and are still resident?**

The Feltwell Fuel Allotment Charity does its best to maintain a list of qualifying recipients but relies heavily on local knowledge. The list is also used by the Trustees of the Atmere and De Moundeford charities who also give winter fuel donations. Last year the three charities issued a combined donation of £100.

If you meet the qualifying criteria and have not received a grant before, please write to our agent: Mr Barry L Hawkins, 15 Lynn Road, Downham Market, Norfolk, PE38 9NL. Please provide your **name, address, date of birth and the date that you moved into the village.**

Please mark the envelope “Feltwell Fuel Allotment List.”

Only one grant per household will be given.



## POST-ELECTION BLUES (OR REDS, OR YELLOWS, OR GREENS, OR AQUAS?)

Well, we've done it! We've put our little crosses on those ballot papers and chosen our next government. We've enacted the basic mechanism of our democracy, we've voted. For better or worse. And if you didn't vote do you still have a right to an opinion?



On the 22<sup>nd</sup> of May, our PM at that time, Rishi Sunak gave the nation forty-four days to work out who we thought were the best ones to occupy Number Ten and look after our welfare. Forty-four days to come to terms with what we had been putting up with for the previous fourteen years and decide whether we wanted more of the same for another five years. Forty-four days to consider the alternatives on offer, and decide whether we wanted a change of management behind that shiny black door in Downing Street.

So, are you glad you put your cross where you did on that ballot paper on July 4th? Or did you make a mistake? Do you think that you wasted your vote? Are there going to be new, unfamiliar bottoms on the green benches of Westminster? And will it make a difference?

Whichever way that swingometer ended up pointing, there's no turning back now, we are stuck with the new guys in number ten! Whoever they are now, they will be faced with those same old problems that have plagued us over two parliaments, so we have to hope and pray that we have put the right people in No 10! We have to believe that all those promises made on the hustings can be carried out and hope that 'integrity' is the rally-cry of our new government, and that the funds needed will be found, and those pledges fulfilled.

However hard it may be, we do have to believe them, don't we?

But don't worry, we'll have another chance to change our minds in five years time?

Frederick James

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## REMINDER TO BIRD KEEPERS ABOUT NEW REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

All bird keepers with flocks of **less than 50** are encouraged to **register their birds ahead of the legal deadline on 1 October 2024.**

These new measures are designed to better protect the poultry sector from future avian influenza outbreaks and require all bird keepers, regardless of the size of their flock to register their birds. Previously only keepers of 50 or more birds had to register.

By registering their birds, keepers will ensure they receive important updates relevant to them, such as on any local avian disease outbreaks and information on biosecurity rules to help protect their flocks.

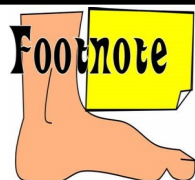
This will help to manage potential disease outbreaks, such as avian influenza and Newcastle disease, and limit any spread. The information on the register will also be used to identify all bird keepers in disease control zones, allowing for more effective surveillance, so that zones can be lifted at the earliest possible opportunity and trade can resume more quickly following an outbreak of avian disease in Great Britain.

[Registration can be completed on the GOV.UK website.](https://gov.uk)

The new rules cover owners of backyard flocks, birds of prey and pigeon fanciers, but do not affect caged pet birds (excluding any poultry species) kept entirely inside a domestic dwelling, such as a parrot, canary or budgie, which never leaves the property other than to visit a vet or another short-term period.

Keepers will also be legally required to update their information on an annual basis.

[Further information on the registration of birds can be found on the](#)



“An invisible car came out of nowhere, struck my car and vanished.”

*Genuine statement from an insurance form.*



# Feltwell in Bloom

Making Our Village Beautiful



Last time I wrote for the magazine, it was early June and I was looking forward to the village fete. What a day we had – I think that the only weather types we didn't see was snow and fog! A big thank



you to those who helped to hold our stall together when the wind really blew. Having said that, however, it was an enjoyable day meeting and chatting to a lot of people. It was also good to see the children taking part in the competition



we held. The two winners were Sky and Rosa – well done to you both.

Our members were busy before the fete and all of the tubs around the village were planted.

Many of the members are responsible for the planting and upkeep of the tubs, so this year you will find that they have all been planted to individual schemes. We hope that you find this more interesting and colourful. We are now ordering more tubs for future displays, so if anyone in the village would like take on the responsibility for looking after a tub, then please feel free to contact me.

Don't forget that we will be having our **Autumn Plant sale** on **Saturday September 14<sup>th</sup>**. You will find our stall outside of the **Wellington** from approximately 9am to 12pm. There will be a broad selection of plants including perennials and house plants. We will also be serving coffee, tea and homemade cakes. So come along and see what you can find. We will also be more than willing to chat about your gardens etc. Remember also, that if you have small pots or plant containers with 6 sections in, I would be very grateful if you

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## FEET FIRST: THE UNSUNG HEROES OF OUR BODIES

When was the last time you gave your feet a moment of appreciation? These often-overlooked appendages are the unsung heroes of our daily lives, bearing our weight and taking us wherever we need to go. In our quaint Norfolk village, where the population ranges from farmers in wellies to professionals commuting to London, our feet are just as varied and hardworking as we are. Yet, they rarely get the attention they deserve—until they start to hurt.

Whether you're ploughing fields or navigating the city in high heels, our feet take quite a beating. The moment they begin to ache, the rest of our body quickly follows suit. Think about the last time you stubbed your toe or wore a pair of ill-fitting shoes; the discomfort didn't just stay in your feet, did it? It crept up your legs, into your back, and maybe even put a damper on your whole day.

The human foot is a marvel of engineering, consisting of 26 bones, 33 joints, and over 100 muscles, tendons, and ligaments. It's designed to provide support, balance, and mobility. When our feet are not functioning correctly, it can lead to a domino effect of problems throughout the body. Poor foot health can cause issues such as knee pain, hip pain, and lower back pain. In essence, happy feet mean a happy body.

So, how can we ensure our feet remain strong and pain-free? Here are some fun and easy tips to keep those tootsies in tip-top shape:

**Shoe Shenanigans:** Wearing the right footwear is crucial.

Farmers, make sure your wellies are as supportive as your tractor. Commuters, those trainers are perfect for the journey; save your posh shoes for the office. High heels are fabulous, but remember, they're like chocolate cake—best in moderation!

**Twinkle Toes Tactics:** Feet need exercise too! Try rolling a tennis ball under your foot while pretending you're the next

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**Posture Parade:** Good posture begins with your feet. Stand like you're in the Queen's Guard, weight evenly distributed, avoiding any slouching. Imagine you're balancing a teapot on your head—one tip, and you'll feel the splash!

**Pampering Party:** Treat your feet to some spa-level TLC. A warm foot bath with Epsom salts is like a mini-vacation. Moisturise to keep them soft and crack-free, and throw in a gentle foot massage for good measure. If your feet could talk, they'd say, "Ahhh, thanks!"

**Feet Feedback:** Pay attention to any pain or discomfort. Your feet are like toddlers—they'll complain loudly if something's wrong. Address minor issues early to avoid more serious problems down the road. Think of it as nipping the tantrum in the bud.

In conclusion, our feet play a pivotal role in our overall health and well-being. From the muddy fields of Norfolk to the bustling streets of London, taking care of our feet ensures we can continue to do the things we love without pain or discomfort. So, next time you slip on your wellies or lace up your trainers, give a little thought to the incredible journey your feet take you on every day. After all, happy feet really do lead to a happy life.

Helen Goddard-Nickolls

Foot note: Step up for next month, we could be talking all things walking!

***Feltwell In Bloom Continued*** could bring these along and donate them so that we can use them for next years planting. Thank you.

Contact us on the following platforms:-

Facebook - *#Feltwell in Bloom*

Email – *feltwellinbloom@yahoo.com*

Or phone Rita on 07785345614 and I will try to answer your queries.

### **Scam Alert - Rogue buyers on Facebook Marketplace**

Facebook Marketplace can be a great place to buy and sell goods and services, however, unfortunately the platform is also seen as a hunting ground for scammers. Scammers are there selling non-existent, fake and dangerous goods, but there are also there to try and prey on those selling products.

If you are selling on Facebook Marketplace, look out for these red flags:

- Refusing to meet up in person
- Moving conversations outside of Facebook Messenger
- Asking for items to be shipped before payment is received
- Buyers providing a prepaid shipping label
- Buyers overpaying then asking for a refund of the difference
- Messages claiming you need to pay a fee to 'upgrade your account'
- No profile picture
- Requests for your phone number or other personal information

Payment scammers pose as buyers who ask to purchase an item and claim to have sent a payment. They may send a counterfeit cheque, use a fraudulent payment method, or claim to have overpaid and request a refund for the excess amount.

Payment scammers might also exploit sellers by using payment methods that can be easily cancelled after an item has been posted or delivered.

Even in person the scammer will try to exploit a payment via a banking app by showing the transaction on their own mobile device. Always wait for the payment to have cleared before allowing the buyer to leave with the item.

Here's a quick summary of ways to stay safe when selling on Facebook Marketplace:

- Deal with local buyers whenever possible
- Avoid sharing personal information unless absolutely necessary
- Use secure payment methods like PayPal or cash-on-delivery

- Check comments under listings for warnings from other users

Report suspicious buyers to Facebook

### **Scam Alert - Employment scams**

We are warning residents about scam adverts and messages claiming to be offering employment opportunities.

Adverts will often be placed on social media and messages are often sent by text or on WhatsApp.

If contact is made the scammer will start by asking for personal information 'to confirm identity', may ask for a CV to be sent or will send a questionnaire to complete.

Providing too much personal information can put you at risk of further scams or identity theft, you should be very wary if asked to provide the following:

- Your full date of birth
- Full address
- Passport number
- Driving licence number
- National Insurance number
- Bank account details

Other employment scams may ask for fees to be paid upfront to cover administration, background checks or travel.

### **Scam Alert - Telephone cold calls claiming to be from 'Amazon'**

We are again warning residents to be on their guard for telephone cold calls claiming to be from 'Amazon'.

This follows a report from a resident who received an automated cold calling stating that '£1,000 has been charged to your Amazon account' and giving the instruction to 'press 1 to speak to the Amazon fraud team'

Previously, where residents have interacted with calls received, they have then been connected to a person who attempts to gather personal, account or financial details.

These calls are a scam and are not connected with Amazon in any way. If you receive this or a similar call our advice is do not interact





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with the call and hang up.

Amazon have put together some helpful tips on how to identify if a phone call is from them. This information can be found on [the Amazon UK website](#).

### **Scam Alert - Telephone cold calls claiming to be 'bank security'**

We are warning residents about telephone calls which claim to be from 'bank security'.

In a recent call reported to us the automated call stated, 'this is bank security', the call then said that 'three payments have been authorised on your bank account'. The message then offers a number of press button options to authorise the payments or to speak to a member of staff.

The wording of the call is designed to panic the call recipient into interacting with the message, if they do it is likely they will be connected to a call handler who will then attempt to gather personal and financial information which could in turn be used to commit further fraud on or with the account.

We always advise people to be very wary of claims made during telephone cold calls. If you receive this or a similar call our advice is do not interact with the call and **hang up**.

If you are concerned about the security of a bank account or credit card contact your bank or service provider directly using the Customer Service number printed on the card, on a recent statement or via information available on their genuine website or app. **Never** use details provided in a cold call.

### **Scam Alert - Text messages claiming to be from Three**

We are warning residents who are Three customers to be alert for scam text messages that are circulating.

The messages claim that you have 'Three points' that will expire in '3 working days'. The message then provides a link to 'redeem the points for available rewards in time'.

These messages are not from Three and anyone following the link will be taken to a website which will attempt to gather personal, account and financial details. This warning follows similar text

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circulating within the last month which made the same claims for Vodafone customers.

Suspicious or scam text messages can be reported by forwarding the message to 7726.

### **Scam Alert - Emails claiming to be from 'Halifax'**

We are warning residents about scam emails circulating claiming to be from 'Halifax' stating they have 'attempted to contact you recently but could not get through'. The email then states 'Action Needed:' to 'verify and update your contact information' via an 'Update Now' button.

information' via an 'Update Now' button.

These emails are not from Halifax and anyone following the link will be taken to a website which will attempt to gather personal, account and financial details.

Our advice is always to be wary of claims made in unexpected email approaches and never click on links or open attachments if approached in this way.

### **Reporting scams**

Reporting scams you receive helps us continue to build up intelligence on the scammers and how they target people.

If you have received a telephone cold call which you believe to be a scam or think you have been a victim of an online scam you can report it to us via our partners the Citizens Advice consumer helpline on freephone **0808 223 1133**.

[Citizens Advice consumer service website](https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/consumer/scams)

(<https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/consumer/scams>)

If you've been the victim of an online scam you can get advice and support from Citizens Advice Scams Action: 0808 250 5050 (freephone)

You can also report Frauds, Cyber Crime and Phishing attempts to Action Fraud, the National Fraud & Cyber Crime (NCSC) by forwarding it to [report@phishing.gov.uk](mailto:report@phishing.gov.uk).

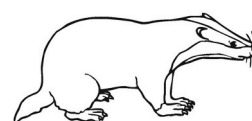
You can report suspicious text messages received by forwarding them to **7726** a free service for you to use to report suspicious texts or calls you might receive on your mobile.

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## SUDOKU PUZZLE

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

Answer on page 73



## The Food Pantry, Feltwell

### WHO ARE WE?

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## SUMMER HOLIDAY LOGISTICAL

This Logistical puzzle was designed by Chris at the Wellington. The solution is on p60.

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Larry												
Nathan												
Percy												
Ryanair												
Buzz												
Easyjet												
Tui												
Malaga												
Mallorca												
Tenerife												
Barcelona												

Match each holidaymaker to their airline, destination and departure airport.

1. Nathan flew to Barcelona on Easyjet.
2. Percy and Fred didn't depart from Manchester. One of them flew with Buzz, the other flew with Tui.
3. Percy's Tui flight to Malaga didn't depart from Stanstead.
4. Percy didn't travel to Tenerife.
5. The Mallorca flight departed from Stansted, it wasn't operated by Buzz, as that flight left from Gatwick.

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# Feltwellians Around The World



**Memoir for Sylvan Ellwood Weaver Born August 5, 1915.**

**Killed in action April 4, 1943. Part 6**

Written by Larry Weaver (son of Sylvan's younger brother Armand)

*As I write in the first person I, Larry, will type I(S) so you will know it is what Sylvan thought or felt as I imagined he would. When I write things that I am feeling or thinking I will write them as I(L).*

The program at Pennfield was designed over three phases.

Conversion training (30 hrs), operations (35 hrs), and Armament (35 hrs) for a total of 100 hrs for pilots under training. Navigators and WAG's (Wireless Air Gunners) received 70 and 78 total training while AG's 35 hrs at the armament phase only. Flying was only a small part of the training. Considerable time was given to ground lectures.

Subjects included airmanship, army air, support, Bombing, Gunnery, Instructional Fuselage, Intelligence, Meteorology, Navigation, Operations Photography, Signals and Tactics. It varied by crew position. Instructors at O.T.U. 34 came from Greenock, Scotland.

They were tour expired pilots rested from operations. Shocking to me (S) was the number of accidents here. It averaged 2.5 airframes per month and that meant our buddies were being killed right before our eyes! That induced the need for better aircraft. Well, these problems I(S) could do nothing about.

I(S) transferred out of there on Oct. 25, '42 and headed to the U.K. via an R.A.F. Trainees Pool in Halifax. This operation was something else to behold. From what I(L) can figure the November crossing of the North Atlantic was one of the largest. It involved 8 (Cruise ships converted to) troop carriers carrying 14,023 men. It took from Oct. 27 to Nov. 6 to get everyone on board and records filed. We all had to pass through the P.R.C. that's the Progress Review Committee to



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figure where we were all going. They had that strange way of record keeping where it said that I was T.O.S. i.e. Taken on Strength into the #3 P.R.C. They of course kept Canadians of the R.C.A.F. together so we could get to know the guys we would be in operations with. This was only outdone by the Queen Elizabeth cruise ship in 8/43 which carried 14,313 men across. No escort was needed upon embarkation, but 2 days out from port on the European side fighters would come alongside for protection. Life on board was pretty ho-hum. We needed some R&R but not much like a cruise in the Caribbean! In staterooms for two, 10 men were assigned and rooms for three got 15 men. This was pretty close-quartered but it was a good way to get familiar. This is where I got the low-down on what the weather would be like where we were going because Robert Steedman (pilot of our plane shot down) took his formal schooling in Nanaimo and Victoria, B.C. and he seemed to think weather was the same where we were headed. Most of the day was spent in long line ups for the two meals served per day. There wasn't time enough for three meals anyway. Being on the ocean was brand new for me (S) but I didn't get seasick because we had experienced plenty of bucking around in planes in our training. Then when we arrived in England we were S.O.S. Struck off Strength from #3 P.R.C. and T.O.S. to R.A.F. Royal Air Force Feltwell. Feltwell was the name of the base from which we would be flying the Ventura's. Luckily for me I missed Operation Oyster. That was the raid attacking Eindhoven in occupied Holland. That was a pretty impressive one actually even though there were some losses. I(S) was just as glad to miss it because it had been prepared for one month. This was the Philips factory where parts, sp. radar vacuum tubes were being made for radios and radar. This 'radar' war had been going on since 1933 (in which anyone involved was sworn to solemn secrecy, so that included all airmen) and had progressed to the point in 1940 where England had 29 ground based radar stations giving protection along its southern and eastern coasts against invading German bombers. What had not been produced yet was the implementation of radar sets on planes.

*To be continued next month.*

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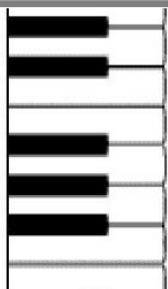
Our speaker for June was Christopher Samuels. This was the first time our host at the Wellington had given us a presentation and we are very grateful to him for stepping up to the mark. Chris choose to deliver a talk which he titled,

The Winners Write the History and sub-titled, Covering Up Cockups!

He began by talking about the Bayeux tapestry stating that it is one of the earliest pieces of art that 'lies' overtly about warfare in that it shows King Harold as being just over a third of the size of William the Conqueror when, in reality, he was taller. Norman propaganda? He is portrayed as being small, being weak, when in fact his army had just defeated the Vikings in the north and marched down to face the Normans. Having lost the Battle of Hastings the winners, the Normans, wrote their version of the event ignoring the reality of the day, that their opponent's army was so tired that they made tactical errors. In today's parlance, they 'bigged' themselves up.

Chris then moved forward several hundred years to examine the war in the pacific, particularly the attack on Pearl Harbour and the Battle of Midway.

The attack on Pearl Harbour is considered by the Americans to be an act of murder, not an act of war. The Japanese High Command had transmitted a declaration of war to their embassy in Washington DC with the intention that it would be delivered an hour before the attack. What they hadn't allowed for was the fact that the embassy would take so long to decode the message that by it was delivered the attack had already happened. Therefore, it is considered an act of murder. However, the Americans had broken the Japanese code and were aware of a pending Japanese attack but had done nothing about it and so, Pearl Harbour was woefully unprepared or defended. Sadly, good arguments, therefore, can be made that all who died that day needn't have. However, anything you read about this event up until the late 1980s completely ignores even the possibility that anyone on the American side was at fault. A re-evaluation in the 90s, following the release of documents under the 50 year rule, highlights what was known and history begins to be



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rewritten more accurately.

Following the attack a number of air raids were carried out on the Japanese mainland and various islands known as the Doolittle raids. In the first major sea battle of the Pacific war—the Battle of the Coral Sea—just off mainland Australia the Japanese believed they had destroyed two aircraft carriers, the Lexington and the Yorktown. However, the Yorktown had not sunk, it had limped its way back to Pearl Harbour. The repair crew reckoned it would take three months to fix but the Pacific Fleet Commander gave them three days!

The Americans thought that the Japanese fleet would either head towards the Aleutian Islands or Midway. Midway sent an uncoded message saying that their desalination plant had broken. The intercepted Japanese message in response said that target AX (code for Midway) was running short of water. Thus, the Americans knew that the next target was Midway but the Japanese didn't know this. In addition, the Japanese thought they had sunk two carriers, out of the four the US had in the Pacific, leaving only two, but Yorktown had set sail, being repaired on route, making three. In addition, and often overlooked, there was a large airfield on Midway, the significance of which will become apparent later.

As the battle progressed the Japanese lost all four of their carriers and any planes in the air had nowhere to land except in the water! American pilots had Midway airfield available to them when their carriers were lost and so could be refuelled to return to the fight.

The Japanese attacked Midway, lost two planes, returned to their carriers for rearming and refuelling. Half way through, a scout plane reports it has found a US carrier so the bombs already loaded are removed to be replaced by torpedoes. Shortly after an American scout spots the Japanese fleet. American planes, already loaded, leave to attack. The 'Four minutes that changed the war' begins.

10.22—74 US planes arrive over the Japanese fleet where their planes are half refuelled and decks covered in bombs and torpedoes. The *Kaga* is hit and destroyed.

10.23. The *Akagi* is hit and destroyed.

10.25. The *Soryu* is attacked and hit twice. By sheer luck one bomb

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goes down a 5-foot wide tube leading to the magazine.

10.26. The *Soryu* breaks its back and sinks.

In four minutes 164 planes and three carriers are destroyed. The one remaining carrier launches everything it has at the American fleet. They find the Yorktown, believing that it isn't the Yorktown as they had sunk it earlier (but hadn't). The Yorktown is hit and set ablaze. They return to be refuelled and fly out again to find another American carrier. However, by the time they return, the fire on the Yorktown has been extinguished and so they think they have found another carrier. They assume that they have by now sunk two American carriers. By the time they return for a third time the remaining two carriers have found the last Japanese carrier. Eight and a half hours after the '4minutes' the last Japanese carrier is destroyed and all remaining planes crash into the sea. The Yorktown sinks on 7th June 1942 and, after four days of battle, the Americans retreat fearing the loss of additional carriers.

Returning to propaganda. In all of the news reports following the battle the word *LUCK* is never used. It was lucky that the Japanese didn't find the Americans 20 minutes earlier otherwise their planes would have been armed with torpedoes and in the air before the Americans had arrived. Had the Americans not luckily found the 5-foot wide tube would the Japanese carrier have been destroyed, after all only two bombs hit it. Probably not. It was a great victory. Only in the early 90s is the battle reevaluated and the role of luck emphasised.

In conclusion, when writing history, if you are the victor, ignore the luck, cover over your cock-ups and make sure you shout from the rooftops how wonderful you are.

The Men's Breakfast Club usually meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the Month at The Wellington in Feltwell at 9am. It costs £8.00 per person to attend which includes a talk, tea or coffee and a full English breakfast which has to be tasted to be believed just how good it is. New members are always welcome. If you would like to join us then either call The Wellington and book on 01842 828224, before 4pm on the previous Wednesday, or email the Club co-ordinator Paul Garland at [garlandp@btinternet.com](mailto:garlandp@btinternet.com).



# ***Your Good Health***

**by Dr Ian Nisbet**

## **The Pigeon blots his copy book, well, “sort of”**

Last month, we discussed how our pigeon, having lost his mate, had devoted his life to eating all the sunflower seeds I put out for the goldfinches and other small birds. After writing the article, I felt guilty. The pigeon and I have a lot in common, having lost our mate, and I had sabotaged all his attempts to grow fat at the expense of the small birds. The weather became warm and I thought he might like a bath so I pressure washed and cleaned my two stone bird baths. The pigeon watched me, beady eyed, wondering whether or not I was going to fill them with food he could enjoy. However, he seemed quite pleased when I filled them with sparkling, clear water. He perched on the edge of the bigger bird bath and slurped mightily. Then, having slaked his thirst, he turned around and deposited a

might great poo in the middle of the clean water! So, once again, he is in disgrace, competing hard to take over from Spanish Bluebells as the scourge of the garden.

At the end of our road, where it meets the dual carriageway, there is a traffic island which has always sported a “keep left” illuminated bollard. As traffic turns left from the dual carriageway into our road, most cars slow down and turn slowly at 90 degrees into our road. However, now and again, usually about once every six weeks, a car fails to make the left hand turn and careers across the island, “taking out” the bollard, climbing a 30ft high grass bank, going through a fence and into a field. The last car to come to grief spent 6 weeks at the top of the hill before it was removed. Deannie and I used to gamble with each other as to when the next event would take place and whether



or not the bollard would be destroyed. In their wisdom, the traffic authorities have installed a brand new illuminated bollard and added three vertical poles along the middle of the island, presumably for the errant cars to aim at. Oh, what fun Deannie and I could have had “Will the next car take down the bollard, or, perhaps, just a couple of poles, maybe the two left hand poles but not the bollard. With four items, there are several possible permutations and Deannie and I could have gambled to our hearts’ content. Oh, how I miss her and our shared, rather warped, sense of humour.

Once again, we are able to enjoy some American humour sent by Jayne De Pol:

I want to be 14 again and ruin my life differently. I have new ideas

Customer: “Why do the French eat snails?” French waiter: “Because we don’t like fast food”

One snowman to another “I got a DNA kit. I am 85% water, 8% dirt and 7% dog urine”

“So, why did the doctor tell you to give up golf? Did he check your heart?” “No, my score card!”

Golf – the only sport that allows drinking and driving.

Miserable wife “You’re home early dear” Husband “My boss told me to go to Hell, so I came home”

Wife “My aerobic instructor says I have the chest of a 22 year old’ Husband “What did he say about your 60 year old bum?” “Oh, we never mentioned you!”

My wife and I decided never to go to bed angry. We’ve been awake since Tuesday.

My wife said “This is the fourth time you have been back for dessert. Doesn’t it embarrass you?”

“No” I replied “I keep telling them it’s for you”

My wife and I started role playing in the bedroom. Her favourite is The Sexy Librarian where I have to sit quietly while she reads a book.

I bought a world map, gave my wife a dart and said “Throw this

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and, where it lands, I will take you on holiday. We spent a week behind the 'fridge.

I met my wife at a singles night. I was surprised because I thought she was at home with the kids.

My life will end when one of the kids unplugs my life support to charge their mobile 'phone.

Deannie's Zen saying for the month: Good judgement comes from bad experience and most of that comes from bad judgement

Enjoy what is left of the Summer.

Best wishes to you all,

Ian Nisbet

*Thank you*

The family of Joyce Secker would like to thank everyone for their condolence cards and kind words following her death on 1<sup>st</sup> February 2024.

Donations totalling £1,397.32 were shared between the Breast Care Unit and The League of Friends at Queen Elizabeth

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Belatedly, we would like to thank those who sent condolence cards and donations in memory of Frances Secker.

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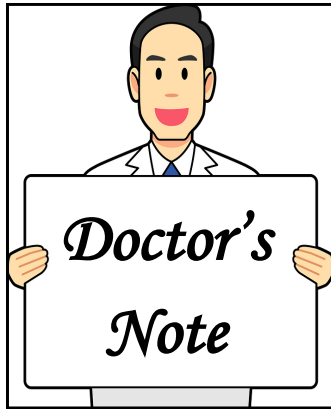
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## The Mounting Cost of Missed Appointments at the Surgery.

The first of these articles appeared last month and at that time it seemed as though the number of monthly missed appointments at the surgery had stabilised in the low sixties. As can be seen from the chart below I spoke too soon. The number of *No Shows* increased in June to 72 from 63. This brings the total number of missed appointments for the year so far to **429**. This means that 429 other patients could have been seen by a doctor in the first 6 months of 2024 if only people had cancelled their appointments rather than simply not turning up.

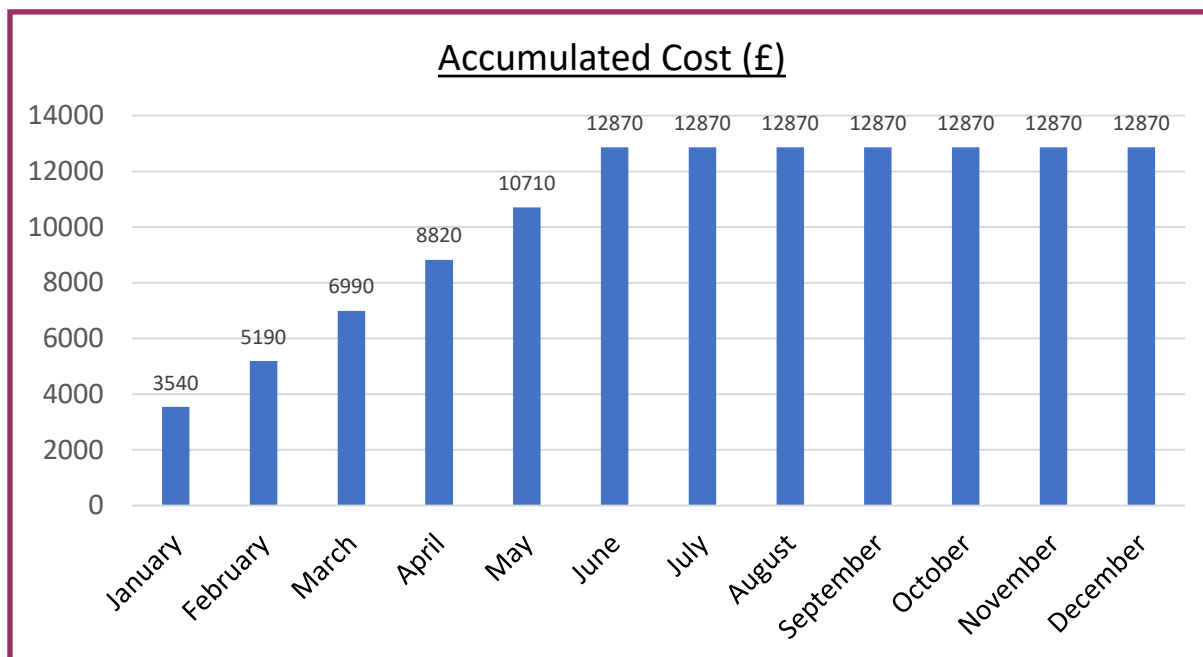


*“Please, if you cannot attend your appointment, cancel it.”*

As stated in previous articles each missed GP appointment costs an average of £30. Using this figure I calculate the accumulated cost of all the missed appointments so far this year and this is presented in the chart over the page. The additional 72 missed appointments in June represent an additional loss of £2160 worth of lost healthcare for the month. If there are no more missed appointments this year the total cost will remain at £12,870, money that has to be spent to



pay the bills and the staff but for which no direct medical benefit is received by anyone.



It is worth repeating why I am highlighting this issue. There are several reasons. First, I want to make it an item of conversation in order to raise awareness of the problem beyond the confines of this magazine and, second, to make people think about cancelling appointments rather than simply not turning up. And thirdly, because it is, ultimately, your and my taxes that are being needlessly wasted at a time when the NHS is under immense pressure to meet all of our expectations. As I did last month I'll finish with this startling statistic:

*A NHS England report in 2019 estimates more than 15 million appointments are missed annually in England. Approximately 7.2 million of these are missed appointments with GPs, costing NHS England £216 million per year.*

Our new government promises to cut waiting times with 40,000 additional appointments a week. This would not be needed if everyone turned up for theirs. (7.2 million shared by 52 weeks is approx. 138,000 missed appointments a week!)

I wonder if the number of missed appointments would go down if people got a bill each time they failed to turn up without cancelling?

Let me know what you think by emailing me at [garlandp@btinternet.com](mailto:garlandp@btinternet.com).

## DR. IAN NISBET'S TALK ABOUT MEDICINE AND SURGERY IN THE 19<sup>TH</sup> CENTURY

Before Dr Nisbet delivered his talk in late June at St Mary's, he sent me an outline detailing a chronology of medical advancements that he intended to address. It makes interesting reading.

- 1800**            **Smallpox vaccine promoted by Edward Jenner.**
- 1816**            **Laennec uses a rolled up tube as a stethoscope.**
- 1842**            **Mines and Collieries Act** No child under 10 to work in mines , women and boys under 15 not to work underground.
- 1846**            **The first binaural stethoscope.**
- 1847**            **Chloroform discovered as an anaesthetic.** First used by Scottish physician Sir James SIMPSON. *Ian's Great Uncle.*
- 1847**            **Ten Hours Act** Women and children in cotton mills not to work more than 10 hours a day. 1868 widened to all factories.
- 1848**            **First Public Health Act** The first of many, compelling local boards of health to appoint a medical officer, build sewers, inspect homes and check the state of food on sale.
- 1853**            **Queen Victoria delivers 8<sup>th</sup> child using Chloroform.**
- 1854**            **John Snow** (later Queen Victoria's anaesthetist) demonstrated, using a dot map, that a Cholera epidemic occurred in houses fed with water by the Broad Street pump.
- 1858**            **Elizabeth Blackwell** became the first woman on the medical register.
- 1858**            **The Great Stink** The smell from the Thames became overpowering and led Joseph Bazalgette to develop an extensive sewage system to keep sewage away from the river.
- 1859**            **Florence Nightingale** produced Notes on Nursing and Notes on Hospitals. She implemented them and is considered the founder of modern nursing.
- 1865**            **Joseph Lister** introduced aseptic surgery, IMPORTANT.
- 1866**            **Elizabeth Garrett Anderson** became the first woman to qualify as a doctor and a surgeon in Britain.

- 1870**      **Thomas Bernardo** opened his first home for destitute children.
- 1874**      **Second Public Health Act** to clean up towns, stem the spread of disease demolish slums and provide better housing.
- 1877**      **Patrick Manson** discovered that parasites can be transferred through the blood by mosquitoes. 20 years later, Ronald Moss proved that malaria is transmitted by mosquitoes.
- 1875**      **Robert Koch** identified different germs which each cause a disease. He found germs for 21 different disease including Anthrax, Cholera and Tuberculosis. This helped Louis Pasteur and others to produce vaccines that would save millions of lives.
- 1885**      **Royal Commission for the Blind** to improve life for blind people.
- 1886**      **William Hesketh Lever** founds Lever Brothers and sold 40,000 tons of Sunlight Soap each year.
- 1890**      **Quinine** becomes the predominant treatment for Malaria.
- 1893**      **Acetaminophen** (later Paracetamol) synthesised.
- 1894**      **Jesse BOOT** founds Boots Chemists.
- 1895**      **Wilhelm Roentgen** discovers X Rays.
- 1895**      **Alex Cappelen of Oslo conducts the first heart surgery.**
- 1897**      **Ronald Ross** proved that malaria is transmitted by mosquitoes.
- 1898**      **Miller Hutchinson** invented the first Electric hearing aid
- 1899**      **Aspirin** synthesised and registered.

### DID YOU KNOW?

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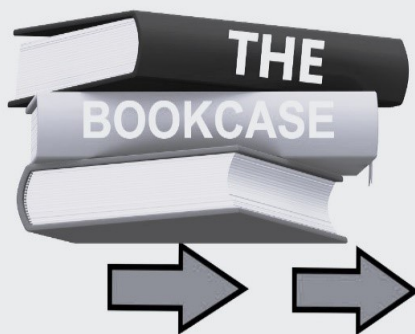
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Once again the club found itself devoid of a scheduled speaker but, thanks to RAF Marham and another of its one-time protégés, the 'show went on' thanks to the resourcefulness of our Chairman, Chris Halliday, ex- armourer, and now, accomplished raconteur, humourist and modeller. He again proved that 'home-cooking' can sometimes surpass the performances of the professional caterers of comedy and stage craft. Not only did his job require that he equip aeroplanes with bombs and bullets but he also provided their crews with survival equipment, in the form of: rapid egress for Americans and fast escape systems for the British; commonly known as ejector seats. Chris was cautious to mention that whilst his delivery was aimed at fact, anecdotal influences were introduced to add flavour to the moment; the aeronauts in attendance added more to this effect. One time member of our esteemed crew, Chuck Pettit of Crown Road, Mundford, now deceased, flew Mirages and Phantoms in the Middle East and survived a skirmish thanks to, the now famous Martin-Baker ejection system. He proudly displayed the certificate he was awarded on his office wall.

Equally proud was Chris who accompanied his presentation with a home-grown simulator; Mr Martin and Mr Baker would have been impressed by this Flintstone-Robinson creation. Comprising mainly of wood, string, elastic, cloth and toilet roll tubes all of which cross represented seating, leg straps, bungee cord, upholstery and rocket motors; not forgetting the sheepskin posterior comforter. Flippancy aside, Chris did display a few genuine trophies from his past, like: explosive canopy release mechanisms, anti-guillotine sensors, and barometric control sensors to prevent pilots from exploding should they try to exit at the wrong moment. Flippancy returning, Chris further demonstrated the simulation of an ejection using a puppet

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## DID YOU KNOW?

The origin and history of the phrase "sleep tight" are quite intriguing. Contrary to popular belief, the phrase doesn't originate in the tightness of the strings used to support mattresses. Instead, "tight" in this context simply means "soundly" or "properly." Thus, "sleep tight" translates to "sleep soundly." The phrase is often paired with "good night" due to the rhyming nature of "tight" and "night," leading to the common bedtime saying, "good night, sleep tight."

## TABLE TENNIS

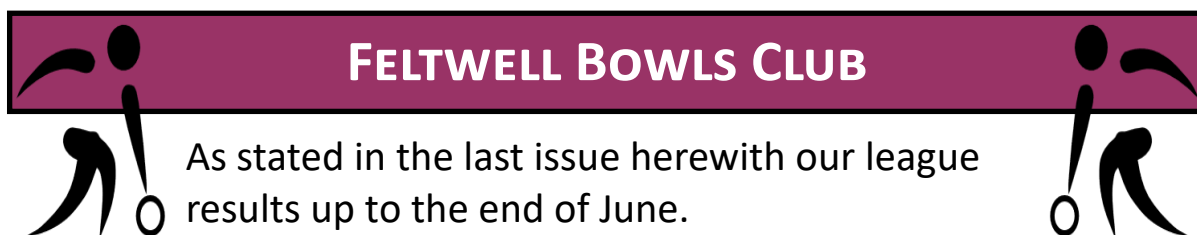


Feltwell Table Tennis club is now up and running every **Monday at 7.00pm and Tuesday from 1.45 at the Methodist Hall, Feltwell.**

Any skill level or none. Just come along for an afternoon

of fun. It's a load o' laughs, which is good for the heart, and the physical exercise loosens those stiff joints. **All ages** welcome. Steve Wellington is the organiser. **£3 for two hours of fun.**

**Pool Table NOW available.**



As stated in the last issue herewith our league results up to the end of June.

We have played 11 league games consisting of 5 in the Rosie Smith league (R.S), 5 in the Ashill league (Ash) and 1 in the Graves Cup which was a K.O. There were 3 matches postponed owing to the weather, to be played as catch up matches.

DATE	LEAGUE	OPPONENT	VENUE	RESULT	SCORE	POINTS
13/05	R.S	Shouldham	Away	Loss	37 - 57	0 - 8
20/05	R.S	Mundford	Home	Won	49 - 35	6 - 2
21/05	Ash	Harling Yellow	Away	Postponed		
28/05	Ash	Weeting	Home	Postponed		
03/06	R.S	Swaffham	Away	Postponed		
04/06	Ash	Connaught	Away	Draw	41 - 47	4 - 4
08/06	Graves Cup	Wymondham	Away	Loss	48 - 86	K.O
10/06	R.S	Weeting	Home	Loss	39 - 51	2 - 6
11/06	Ash	Watton	Away	Won	55 - 53	6 - 2
13/06	Ash	Weeting	Home	Won	55 - 51	7 - 1
17/06	R.S	Hockwold	Away	Won	73 - 27	6 - 2
18/06	Ash	Connaught Yew	Home	Draw	44 - 36	4 - 4
24/06	R.S	Shouldham	Home	Won	68 - 34	7 - 1
25/06	Ash	Harling Yellow	Away	Won	56 - 40	5 - 3

Total results are as follows:-

Rosie Smith	15 points	Shots for	266	Shots against	204
Ahill	26 points	Shots for	251	Shots against	227
Graves Cup	K.O	Shots for	48	Shots against	86

The club's K.O singles is in progress with the first round played. The Club Pairs K.O Draw has taken place with 12 pairs having entered, start to commence mid July.

*Continued on page 45*



## Opening Hours

Owing to very different levels of demand opening hours are as follows.

**Wednesday 9AM – 11:30PM**

**Saturday 12:30PM – 2:00PM**

Bric-a-brac, various items of clothing and period products available.

All we ask is a small donation in return.

*Feltwell Food Pantry—Supporting our community*

## **FELTWEELBEINGS**

**On your own? New to the village?**

**Want to meet other people?**

Then come and join us.

**Thursday 10am -12.noon** at Methodist Church Community Hall in Bell Street.

CHAT, Gentle Exercises, Play Table Tennis, Snooker, Board Games, Cards, Dominoes and loads more. We do Countdown, Bingo and more. We also have a Bring & Buy table.

We are also a listening ear and can help with form filling and other information.

Open to all over age 18 —whatever your ability.



Come and see the warm welcome you will get in our Warm Space.

Oh, and we do refreshments.



**TOTALLY ACCESSIBLE PREMISES**



The float entered in the Carnival went well and Sir Francis Drake was well received, although the was up and down we made £130-00 on the stall we had.

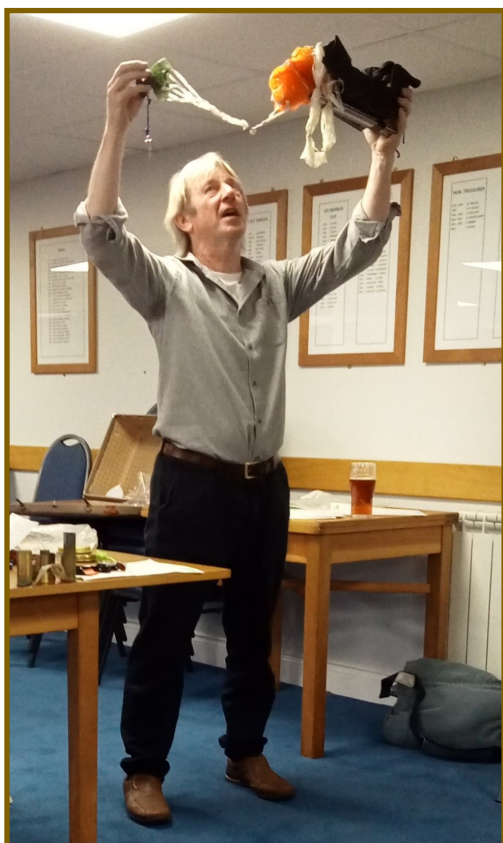
The Bowlathon is progressing well, I will give results in the next issue.

Saturday 7th September is the finals day for all Club competitions, this will include bring your own BBQ to cook on the BBQ by Bob, details in next issue.

## COMING EVENTS

Saturday 7th September finals day.

Max



*Continued from page 41*

on a string. The picture shows the drogue, the chute, the seat and the pilot together being deployed above his head.

On the subject of catering we once again thank honorary stewards of the Mundford Bowls Club, Val and Len, for looking after us so well.

Nigel Tooth

Find out more at:

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Occasional, constant infrequent headaches  
*Apparently from an actual entry on a patient's hospital record.*

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## YESTERDAY'S MEMORIES

### *Youth groups plant 10 trees*



MEMBERS of Feltwell Parish Council, with parishioners and members of village youth organisations, met at the entrance to Oakfields Estate, Wilton Road, for the planting of 10 rowan trees.

The trees had been given by Norfolk County Council, and the chairman of the parish council, Mr J. E. H. Porter, said it was “a magnificent gesture” on their part.

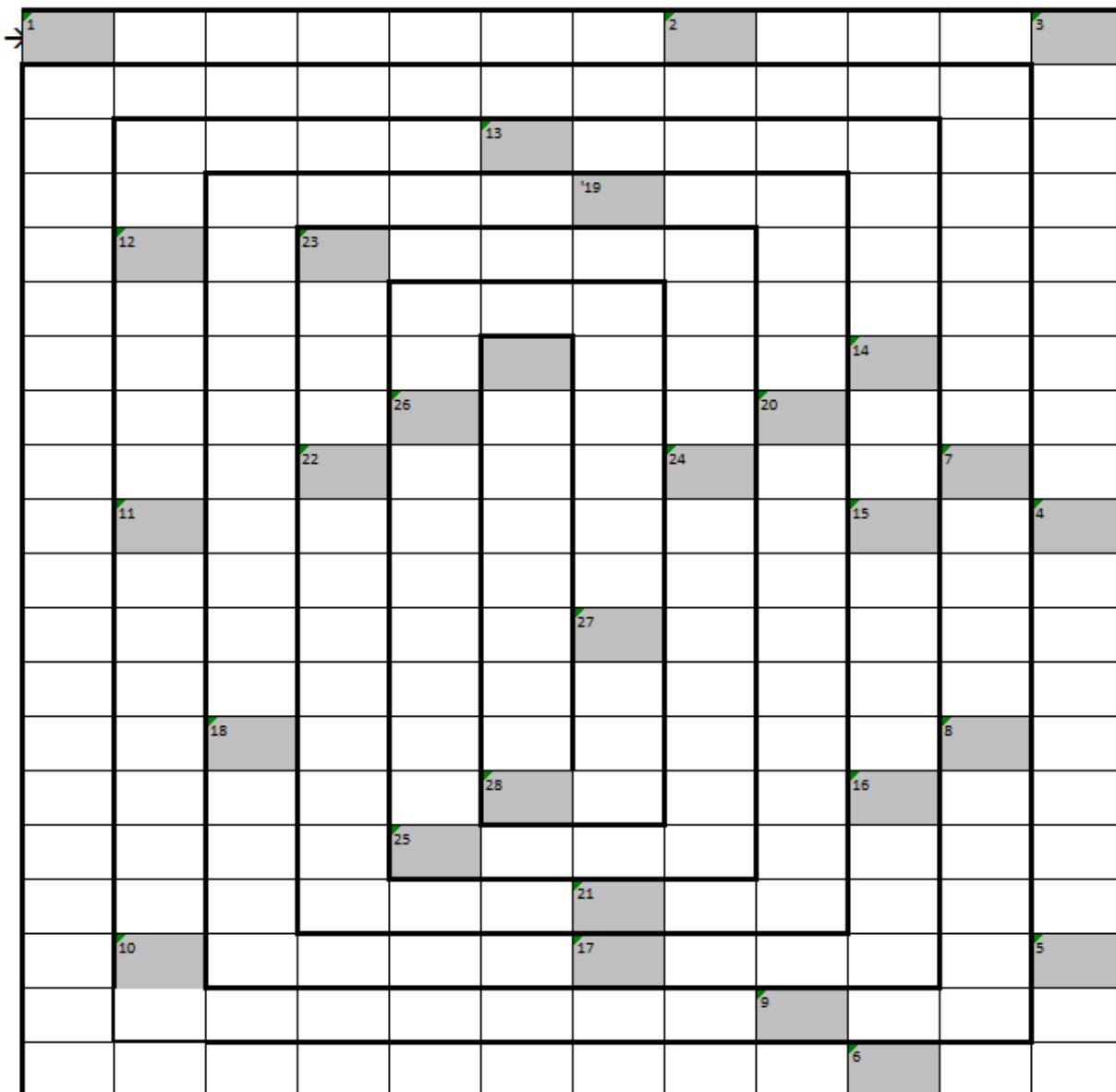
He said he had asked members of youth organisations to assist in the planting, and he hoped they would look after the trees in the years to come.

Groups who assisted were the 1st Feltwell Cub-Scouts, the 1st Feltwell Brownie Pack, the Methodist Church Sunday school, the 1st Feltwell Girl Guides and the Judo Clubs.

## WORD TRAIL NO. 43

*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 A letter's recipient (9)
- 2 Unearthly, spooky (5)
- 3 MUSIC: Annie Lennox sang in which music duo? (10)
- 4 Fit and ready for sailing (9)



- 5 FILM: 1986 Barbara Streisand directed, co-wrote and co-produced this musical (5)
- 6 The full wording for LASER (4-13-10-8-9)
- 7 An ancient Persian festival celebrating New Year's Day (3-3)
- 8 Large dirigible airship used by Germany in early 20th century (8)
- 9 Botanical name for the Tobacco plant (9)
- 10 Acts of washing (9)
- 11 Which planet has the most Moons? (6)
- 12 This African country is bordered by Benin, Niger and Cameroon (7)
- 13 MEDICAL: The study of male fertility and impotence (9)
- 14 South Asian citrus fruit similar to a lemon but not eaten raw (4)
- 15 A species of small naked red-faced monkey found in South America (6)
- 16 Enter uninvited (7)
- 17 Capital city of Scotland since 1437 (9)
- 18 This English monarch, from the House of Godwin, reigned from January to October 1066 (6-9)
- 19 Nourish and rear (7)
- 20 Giving pleasure to, amusing (12)
- 21 MUSIC: 1966 Beach Boys song (3-4-5)
- 22 A favoured Chinese hors d'oeuvre (5)
- 23 Petty squabbling (9)
- 24 MEDICAL: A pear-shaped sac lying underneath the right lobe of the Liver (4-6)
- 25 Remember with pleasure (9)
- 26 Perpetual (11)
- 27 A mythological creature and diminutive spirit (5)
- 28 Steal or misappropriate money (9)

*This month's Word Trail solution is on page 72.*

## ART FOR PLEASURE

Every Thursday 10.30 am – 12.30pm. £3 per session at  
Weeting Village Hall.

Contact Beryl Pountney, Secretary, for details on  
01842 828750

*The kettle is always on.*

## SPARE WOOL NEEDED

If anyone has any wool to spare please consider donating it  
to the Food Pantry where some of our members will turn it  
into clothing for the Seamen's Mission and Hats and  
blankets for Premature babies.

Balls of wool can be left in St Mary's Church  
near the Pantry cupboards.

Thank You.



## MISSED APPOINTMENTS @ THE SURGERY 2024

January—118   February—55   March—60   April—61  
May—63   June—72

*Every GP appointment costs an average of £30. These appointments  
could have gone to someone else in need.*

*If you cannot attend your appointment, please cancel it.*



If you'd like to submit a **FOOTNOTE** of your own, be it a  
quip, a fact, an idiom, whatever you feel would be  
suitable, please send your **FOOTNOTE** to Paul at  
[garlandp@btinternet.com](mailto:garlandp@btinternet.com) or post it through my letterbox.

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METHODIST CHURCH,  
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GARDEN***



**God's**

**Community Garden  
& Picnic Area  
OPEN 24/7**

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**Day Club - Tuesdays at 1.45pm**  
**NOW with pool**



Any skill level or none.

Just come along for an afternoon of fun. It's a load o' laughs, which is good for the heart, and the physical exercise loosens those stiff joints. All ages welcome. Refreshments available.

Steve Wellington is the organiser.

**SUMMER HOLIDAY sessions FREE FOR STUDENTS**, with a tournament on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> August.

**Wednesdays - 7.30pm—Zumba dancing**

**Thursdays 6:00pm— 1<sup>st</sup> Feltwell Brownies**

**Thursdays** – Feltwellians meet at **Feltwellbeings 10 til 12** for a chat over light refreshments in a warm environment. Activities available and optional.

**Friday is now Forage day.** Yes, foraging for weeds, dead heading, planting new plants and foraging for a space to plant our community vegetables, runner beans etc. We are making changes and developing new borders. YOU are welcome to join us. You might even get a cuppa!!

**So to SUNDAYS** – our day to relax and reflect on our lives, where they've been and where they should be going.

**11am – Fellowship and Refreshments**

# FELTWELL VILLAGE MUSEUM

2024

Hi all, 😊 we're back open again 😊 MMXXIV

Every Last SATURDAY of the month, March - October

**11AM - 3PM**

*See...*

Feltwell's Wellington bomber crash remains & the story of its sole survivor.

*Look...*

Our Village Millenium photo books, see your house in the year 2000?

*Read...*

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## Sunday Fellowship—Speakers for August

**4 August** If God should go on strike!

**11 August** It's a mystery.

**18 August** Rev Paul Critchley with sacrament of Holy Communion.

**25 August** Mrs Driver of Hilgay

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- Are you studying at College or University?
- Do you need assistance with the purchase of equipment or books to enable you to study?

If you can answer “YES” to all of the above then apply in writing to Mr B. Hawkins, Agent for Sir Edmund De Moundeford Trust, 15 Lynn Road, Downham Market, Norfolk. PE38 9NL. In your letter you **MUST** include the date you moved into the village, details of the course you are studying, where you are studying, the qualification you expect to achieve upon completion and any costs necessary for you to embark upon the course. Include details of any books and/or equipment required. If you know a Trustee please put their name in your application. The award of a grant is at the discretion of the Trustees and shall not exceed £300. Only one award will be made per applicant.

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**For Brochures please phone: Mr Paul Hanley RN  
or Mrs Sandra Hanley RN**

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Website: [www.feltwelllodge.com](http://www.feltwelllodge.com)

E-mail: [feltwelllodge@hanleycarehomes.com](mailto:feltwelllodge@hanleycarehomes.com)





## SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

This next month will see our county transformed with many seasonal visitors as schools start to break up for the summer break and people flock to our coastline and stunning rural areas. This brings challenges to policing as the population increases and creates extra pressures on our road networks. The teams across the county will be out and about, providing reassurance and general engagement alongside our core roles of prevention and detection of crime and keeping the county safe. If you see any officers, please do say hello, they will be happy to have a chat.

As always, if you have any questions, concerns or comments on any issues raised, please do contact us via email [operationrandall@norfolk.police.uk](mailto:operationrandall@norfolk.police.uk)

## WILDLIFE CRIME UPDATE

It's always a good month when there is little to write in this section. We have had a couple of enquiries around various issues including wild bee orchids, a young dead kestrel and couple of bird nest enquiries. But all these have quickly been established not to be criminal matters and no need for further police involvement.

In regard to ongoing investigations, we still have a bat roost destruction job ongoing on a development site which is being put together alongside a bird nest destruction job which is also nearing completion.

## OPERATION SEABIRD



As we have already touched on, we can expect many visitors to Norfolk in the next month or two, some for the first time and I am sure many returning.

This brings us an extra challenge in policing in so many ways but for us and our local wildlife as sometimes visitors are unaware, they may be committing offences by

disturbing or destroying our wildlife. It's important we engage with these tourists and work with partners to educate especially on the need to follow local signs for keeping everyone safe and the right side of the law.

We really need your support too as good behaviour promotes further good behaviour. So, if your local area has signs up for keeping dogs on a lead because of livestock, nesting birds or seals please follow the instructions as that will encourage others to do the same. Sadly, if one person has their dog off the lead in these areas it encourages others to do the same which can cause a real problem. We really do appreciate your support in this.



## OPERATION SEABIRD

**Please respect birds and wildlife  
along the coastline of Norfolk**





Norfolk provides an important nesting ground for many marine birds, some of which migrate long distances just to breed here. Our unique coastline and shingle beaches provide perfect nesting grounds from March to September.

Nests are vulnerable to disturbance as eggs are laid directly on the ground, shingle beaches, and sand dunes.

## NEW LEGISLATION AROUND GLUE TRAPS BEING BANNED

This month brings a new piece of legislation which comes into effect on the 31<sup>st</sup> of July 2024. This will make glue traps illegal to use in nearly all situations unless you're a professional pest controller and have applied to Natural England for an individual licence or to use the general licence.

Companies and individuals were given a grace period to use up old stock but that comes to an end on the 31<sup>st</sup> of July 2024 when it will become illegal to set such traps. The offence is very simple, it will be an offence to set any glue trap.

These traps have caused plenty of controversy over the years and often considered inhumane. Whilst obviously pests need dealing with, but with technology moving on there are much better alternatives available now and the use of these traps has declined dramatically in recent years. If you still have any of these traps in the back of your shed or garage, please dispose of very carefully to avoid animals becoming entangled with the glue inadvertently

## HOW YOU CAN HELP WHEN OUT AND ABOUT

- ♦ Read local signs and follow guidance
- ♦ If paths are marked, stay on them
- ♦ If you spot birds & nests, move away immediately to prevent disturbance
- ♦ When taking photos, observe wildlife quietly from a distance.
- ♦ Keep your **dog on lead** when instructed, and under control at all times.
- ♦ Take rubbish home. Please **don't litter**
- ♦ EGG THEFT is a crime, please report if witnessed



## **METHWOLD SPIRITUALIST CHURCH SPIRITUALIST SERVICES**

Friday Meetings 2023, Doors open 7pm for 7.30 start.

### **AUGUST CLOSED**

**The 21 Room, St. George's Hall Complex,  
16 High Street, Methwold, Norfolk IP26 4NT.**

Entrance donation £3. Evening of Clairvoyance £5 (towards costs)  
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### **SUMMER HOLIDAY LOGISTICAL SOLUTION**

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Larry	Stansted	Mallorca	Ryanair
Nathan	Manchester	Barcelona	Easyjet
Percy	Luton	Malaga	Tui



Answer me this: Why don't we build blocks of apartments for those who don't like gardening?

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## THE LAST CURIO

This is the answer to the last Curio, number 10. Hopefully, I will get some more at some point in the future.



Readers may recall that towards the end of April, David & Margaret Grass (of this village), brought this gadget into the village museum but everyone there had no idea what it was used for.

Well, my source of these curios has tracked it down and the answer is that it was/is a vegetable cutter or more specifically a bean cutter. (Or a meat chopping machine, see over page) When you turn the handle the bowl spins slowly. Apparently there is a serrated edge on the bowl's bottom and it is thought that the spinner blades are not centrally located so that they don't spin on the same axis position



# WORD SEARCH

Submitted by Mrs J. Clements.

This month our word search is on **BBC PRESENTERS**. Find the words from the list. They run vertically, horizontally, diagonally, backwards and forwards but always in a straight line.

***There is ONE extra name on the list that is not found within the grid.***

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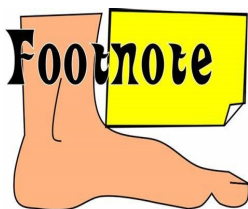
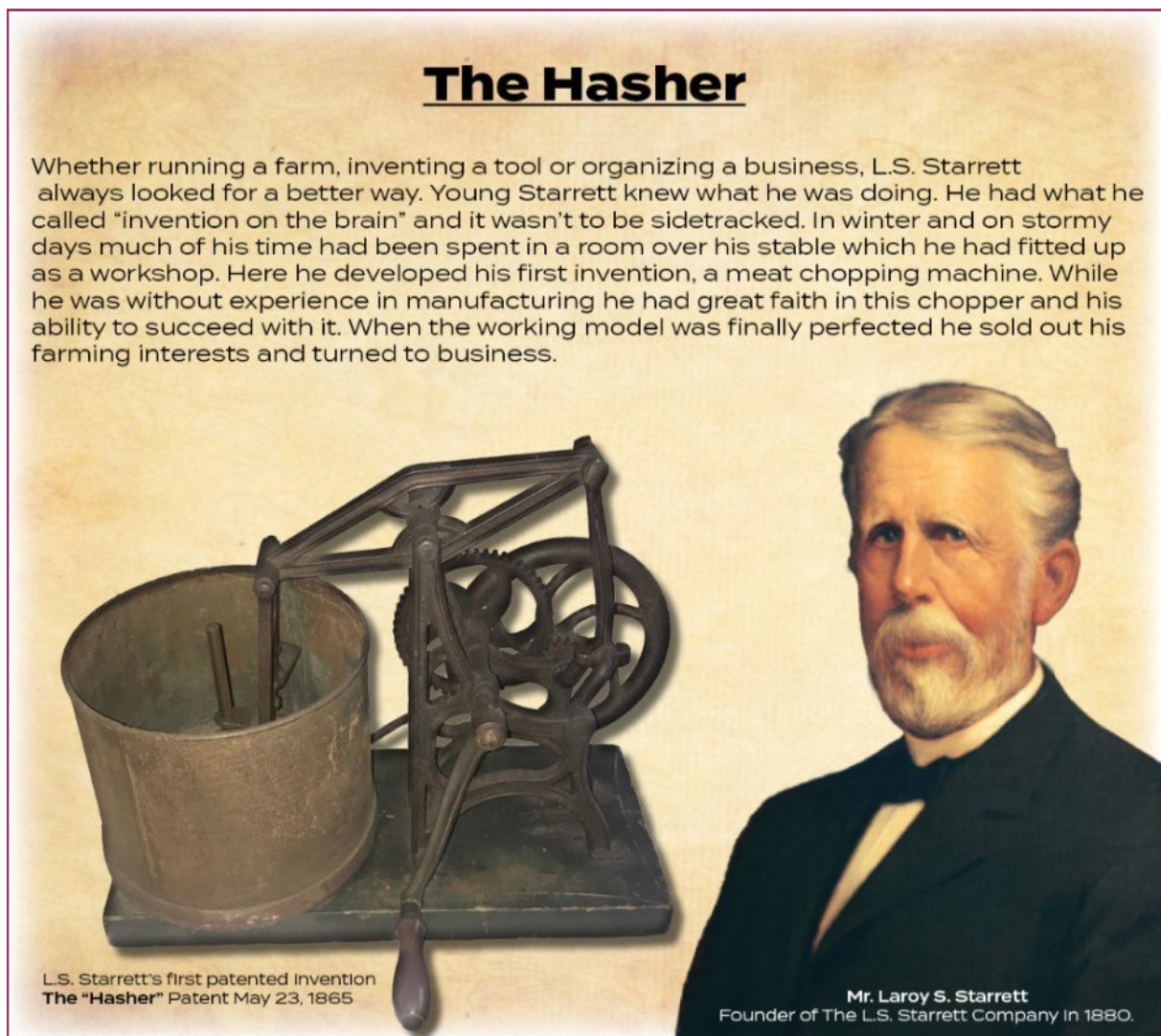
*The solution is on  
page 73*

but move around the inside of the bowl.

It probably dates from the latter half of the 19th century. Perhaps if the village has a glut of runner beans this year the museum could hold a public demonstration.

There are lots of photographs of this type of cutter at this link: <https://images.app.goo.gl/F34Hiu38hgBeAzvS7> for those who would like to check the voracity of this answer.

They were made by the American company L. S. Starrett.



Our kitchen floor is damp. We have two children and would like a third so please send someone round to do something about it.

*Extracts from letters written by council tenants*



# St Mary's Feltwell

New work has started to mend  
the choir stalls.

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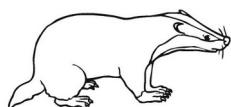
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## **RSPB Lakenheath Fen**

### **ELEPHANTS, TIGERS AND GHOSTS**

In my garden last night, I had an elephant, a tiger and a ghost! Do I live near a haunted zoo?! No, I had a moth trap out in the garden and those were among the moths I caught!

Moths are a fascinating group of insects and one that is generally over-looked by most people. I used to fall into that category too. In fact, I didn't used to like moths at all, especially when they fluttered in my face. I also used to think that moths were dull, only flew at night and ate your clothes. Then I was encouraged to attend to a moth night at my local reserve, where I met an expert who completely changed my mind!

I quickly found out that there are some very beautiful and intricately marked moths, such as the pink and olive-green Elephant Hawkmoth, or the Burnished Brass, which is as shiny as a well-polished coin. I also discovered that several species fly only in the daytime, such as the black and red Cinnabar moth, which is a familiar sight around Common Ragwort, on which its black and yellow stripy caterpillars feed. And while there are two species of

### **Race for Wildlife 2024 at RSPB Lakenheath Fen**

Sunday 20 October (11am-2pm)

Join us for our annual, unique fun run to raise money for nature. Choose from a 5k or 10k route across mixed terrain through this beautiful nature reserve. The perfect way to combine healthy exercise with supporting your local wildlife!

Adults £20, Under 18's £12.50.



## Events at RSPB Lakenheath Fen

Places for all events need to be booked online- please visit <https://bit.ly/LakenheathFenEvents> to read more and book tickets.

### **Treasures of the Moth Trap**

Fridays 30 August, 27 Sept, 25 Oct, 29 Nov (10am to 11am).

Learn more about the amazing world of moths- join us to admire what we catch in our harmless trap.

RSPB members £5 (£2.50 for Under 18's);  
non-RSPB members £6 (£3 for Under 18's)

### **Guided Pond Dipping**

Saturday 3 August, 7 September (12-1:30pm)

Why not borrow a pond-dipping kit and a knowledgeable guide to see what beautiful and strange creatures live below the water?

RSPB members £6 (£3 for Under 18's);  
non-RSPB members £7 (£4 for Under 18's).

### **BIG WILD SLEEPOUT AT RSPB LAKENHEATH FEN**

Saturday 3 – Sunday 4 August (1pm-1pm)

Join us for a night camping under the stars on the nature reserve, with a range of wildlife-themed activities on both days- including pond dipping, bug-hunting, wildlife arts & crafts, guided walks and bat detecting. The price below is all-inclusive, even for non-RSPB members.

RSPB members £30 (£15 for Under 18's); non-RSPB members £35 (£17.50 for Under 18's).



UK moth that do eat clothes, there are thousands that do not!

Moths also have fascinating lifecycles and are often used in schools to teach children about the natural world. The process of transformation from egg to caterpillar to chrysalis, and finally to a beautiful moth (or butterfly for that matter) is truly a wonder of nature. Some have lifecycles that involve them living as a caterpillar for several years, before finally pupating and emerging as an adult. Some moths even have an aquatic larval stage, protecting themselves with pieces of leaves cut from a lily leaf!

Both adult moths and their caterpillars are food for a wide variety of wildlife, including other insects, reptiles, amphibians and insect eating mammals such as shrews. Night-flying adult moths form a major part of the diet of bats. Many birds eat both adult moths and their caterpillars, but the caterpillars are especially important for feeding the young. It is estimated that a family of blue tits can eat around 1000 moth caterpillars a day!!

Several species of moths are excellent long-distance travellers too! Most moths found in the UK are resident, but some are actually immigrants from southern Europe or even Africa. One common immigrant is the day-flying Hummingbird Hawkmoth, which amazingly does look like a hummingbird as it flits from flower to flower, hovering as it feeds. If you have honeysuckle, jasmine or buddleia in your garden, keep an eye out for it.

The best, and most common, way to discover what moths are using your garden is to run a light trap, although it doesn't necessarily require specialist equipment. A light bulb suspended above a white sheet is enough, or you could try hanging a sheet behind an outside light. I've occasionally been known to spot moths that are attracted to the outside lights and hanging baskets of my local pub! So go on, have a go, you may be surprised at what you find!

Katherine Puttick, Warden

A warm welcome from  
St Mary's to our Services.



Sun 4 <sup>th</sup> August	Eucharist	9.15am 11am	Feltwell Weeting
Sun 11 <sup>th</sup> August	Eucharist	9.15am 11am	Hockwold Northwold
Sun 18 <sup>th</sup> August	Eucharist	9.15am 11am	Feltwell Weeting
Sun 25 <sup>th</sup> August	Eucharist	9.15am 11am	Hockwold Northwold

### Other Services

First Tuesday of the month Holy Communion at Hockwold at 9.30am. All other Tuesdays Morning Prayer.

Zoom Eucharist 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays at 10am

For Zoom log in contact [grimshoebeneficeoffice@gmail.com](mailto:grimshoebeneficeoffice@gmail.com)

Evening Prayer 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays at Feltwell at 4pm



**Coffee, Cake and Chat**  
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*Family Support* and other *Borough Services* also available.

## Breckland Branch



In a survey carried out by the British Veterinary Association last year, it was found that half of all vets treated animals for conditions relating to hot weather, such as heat stroke.

With the summer coming, it's important to keep your cat cool. Cats with white fur, especially on their head, are in danger of getting skin cancer on ears and noses. You can use a sunblock on their most sensitive parts, but check with your vet first about a safe one to use. Try to keep them indoors between 10am and 3pm when the sun is hottest. Make sure there is lots of shade both indoors and outside providing bushes outside and boxes indoors. Keep curtains closed to keep your house cooler.

Hydration is the key. Clean fresh drinking water is important. Place lots of bowls away from their food bowls and don't use plastic bowls, use ceramic, glass or metal instead. Use large bowls with a big surface area and keep it topped up so that the cat doesn't have to bend down too far. Cats like running water, and may prefer a water fountain. Keep lots of fans in different places indoors. You could fill a bottle with water and freeze it, and then place it wrapped in a towel in the cat's bedding, making sure that they can get away from it and that the bottle doesn't leak.

If you are having a barbecue, please remember that open flames are a risk to all animals. Don't leave the barbecue unattended and cover the grill while it is cooling down. Don't feed a cat from the barbecue as you don't want them around that area which may encourage the cat to come back for more food.

Keep onions, garlic and chives out of reach as they are toxic to cats. It might be best to set up a safe place for your cat indoors, as he might not appreciate having lots of visitors as you do.

For help or advice or if you need assistance with the cost of neutering, please call us on 01842 810018.

Rita Thompson.

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It also helps for severe chronic illness in younger people.

Applications for assistance must be made to: The Atmere Charity Secretary, 16 Falcon Road, Feltrwell, IP26 4AJ giving as much detail as possible about the need, hardship or distress being experienced.

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## FELTWELL FOLK 9

This column will feature *Feltwell Folk* from the past, sometimes in sports teams, sometimes in working situations and even singly.



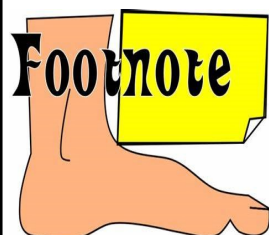
These two photographs require some context which is why the picture of the now destroyed, by a German bomb, house is included below. The group of children, enlarged above, can be seen bottom left and the young lady, who clearly moved whilst the picture was being taken, is on the right. Note, the boot scrapper. Names not known.





## WORD TRAIL No. 43 SOLUTION

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“I think it should be explained in the brochure that the local convenience store does not sell proper biscuits like custard creams or ginger nuts.”

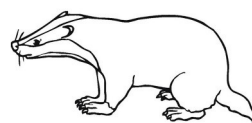
*Actual complaint received by Thomas Cook*

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## WORD SEARCH SOLUTION

Next month's  
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## 2024 SCARECROW COMPETITION

Once again my wife and I had the dubious honour of being asked to judge the village scarecrow competition back in June. Although it is a pleasure to cycle around the village and take time to view all of the entries it is not at all easy to decide on who the winner is. We have various criteria such as adherence to the theme, originality, creativity but they were not easy to apply when faced with the quality of the entries this year as you will see from the photographs on this and the following pages.





We asked if we could have a special children's award this year and

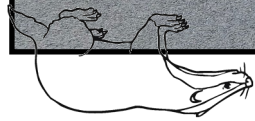


this was agreed by the Community Group because we were very impressed by the Hero story written by Paige and Ralph Leamon which went very well with their homemade scarecrow.

Choosing the overall winner involved much discussion back home around the kitchen table with a cup of tea in hand.







Although there were lots of well stuffed superhero costumes this year it became a three way choice between Fireman Sam, Dr Who and the Soldier at the Fish Piper, once we had done an initial pass through the criteria.

As I'd been a fan of Dr Who in my childhood I leaned towards that scarecrow as a likely winner but we eventually settled on the Fish Piper Soldier as







there were so many homemade elements to the entry, including a knitted aircraft!\*

We would like to say a big thank you to everyone who

entered and made our decision so difficult!

Well done everybody. We hope you will submit again next year and have lots more competition.

*\*But no Daleks!*



There is no News From The Parish Council this month as they did not meet together in July, 2024.

Consequently, the next Parish Council meeting will take place at the British Legion on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> August 2024 at 7.30 pm. Everyone is welcome.

The report from this meeting will appear in the September issue of this magazine.

In the meantime residents are asked to subscribe to the Parish Council's website at

(<https://feltwellparishcouncil.gov.uk>) and Facebook page for latest news and notifications including RAF Feltwell demolition activities and road closures.

## DID YOU KNOW?

According to the 2021 Census Feltwell has a greater percentage of outright home owners (35.9%) than England alone (32.5%) but 29.5% have a private rent or live rent free whereas the percentage for the whole of England is 20.6%. Only 9.6% as opposed to 17.1% for England live in social rented accommodation.

Draw your own conclusions.

Your **Parish Councillors** are:

Mr Ian Rayner (Chair), Mr Edmund Lambert (Vice-Chair), Mrs Sue Arnold, Mr Paul Cole, Mrs Helen Wilson, Mrs Bernadette McGeeney, Mrs Linda Peckham, Mr Martin Storey (County Councillor), Mr Jonathan Fenn, Mrs Emma Edwards, Mrs Julie Peacock.

The Parish Council website can be found at:

<https://feltwellparishcouncil.gov.uk/>

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