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Cottingham Men's de Luda Society

Wednesday 5th and Thursday 6th May - Lichfield and the National Arboretum.

St. Mary's Church, Cottingham - Tower Tours

Monday 5th May - During Flower Festival 11.00 am. £3.00, families £5.00. Proceeds to St. Mary's Church, Cottingham. Tours last about 45 minutes. Meet outside the church. To reserve a place phone Ian Booth on 848041.

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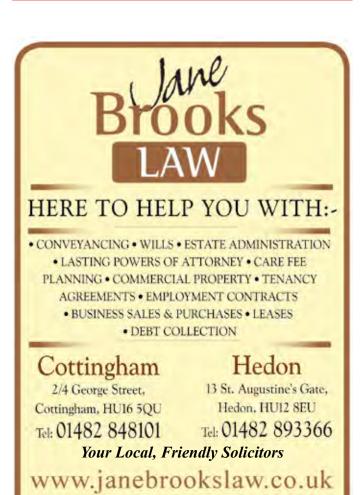
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Thursday 8th May - AGM. Speaker TBA, at 2.00 pm in the hall at the Darby and Joan Hall, Finkle Street.

Beverley Film Society

9th May 2014 – The Hunt (2012)

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Skidby & Little Weighton Methodist Church

Friday 9th May - Soup Lunch will be held for Christian Aid. Come and enjoy delicious home made soup and rolls and make a donation for Christian Aid. Commences 11-30 am and will take place at Skidby & Little Weighton Methodist Church Main Street Skidby. Everyone welcome.

East Yorkshire Embroidery Society

Saturday 10th May - Sarah Burgess - Gloves Stories - 2.15 pm in the Darby & Joan Hall. Members £1.50; Visitors £2.50. Includes tea/coffee and biscuits.

British Sugarcraft Guild

Saturday 10th May - 'In Stitches'. A demonstration by Rainy Williamson. Meetings held at the Cottingham Parks Golf and Country Club, Woodhill Way, Cottingham. Meetings 2.00 to 4.00 pm.

Wold Lace Makers

Saturday 10th May - Coggeshall (Tambour), Lace with Maureen Bromley. A quick and easy way to decorate a plain net, using a tambour hook, in St. John's Newland Parish Church Hall, Clough Road, Hull HU6 7PA, 10.00 am to 4.00 pm. Admission £1.50; non members £4.00.

Hull Ladies Choir

Saturday 10th May - Charity Concert, in the Guildhall, Hull at 7.30 pm. Proceeds to "Sunshine House" Hull, for children with special needs and life-limiting conditions. Guests are Hymers School Choir. Tickets £5.00 and are available on entrance. Telephone 07779 732322.

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Cottingham Catholic Women's League

Monday 12th May, Open Meeting, in the Garden Room, Holy Cross RC Church, Carrington Avenue, Cottingham at 7.30 pm.

Cottingham Women's Institute

Tuesday 13th May - W.I. Resolutions. Bees and Honey - Rita Barton. Competition: Recipe or Remedy using Honey, at 10.00 am in the Methodist Church Hall, Hallgate, Cottingham.

Cottingham Men's de Luda Society

Wednesday 14th May - Miscellany (Part II), Marie Platter, in the St. Mary's Church Hall, Hallgate, starting at 2.00 pm.

Cottingham Green Women's Institute Evenings

Thursday 15th May - Members meeting. Competition: Advertising Logo, in The Darby & Joan Small Hall, Finkle Street, at 7.30 pm.

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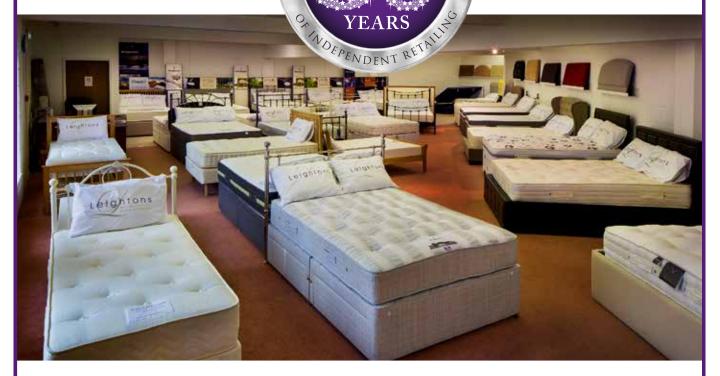
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The "Heart Bleed Bug" and the end of Windows XP

Eset news...Having just been along to the annual product training day, we were brought up to date with the latest security products and news. The latest range now includes protection for Mac computers, as well as smart phones and tablets that use the Android operating system. The other major step forward is the introduction of a new encryption product, which will be of interest to businesses who need to keep their data secure. So huge is the market nowadays that the sales manager from Eset was working at a big security conference in London recently, attended by major police and security organizations from all over the world, including the U.S. Secret service. They even had names badges to prove it!

Malwarebytes the best-selling anti malware solution has now released version 2. Having tried this out, I can vouch for it being much faster when scanning the computer; a feature they call 'hyperscan'. As mentioned last month they have also discontinued the one-off purchase option which many customers have benefited from, in favour of an annual licence. Existing lifetime licences will be honoured however, and there is no plan to discontinue the free 'scanner only' product I understand. You can still download this free version and it does give you the opportunity to include a 15 day trial of the professional product.

On the subject of security, I am often asked whether various types of devices need anti virus and security protection. The answer is that if it is a Windows device, i.e. computer or laptop then yes definitely. Android smart phones are more at risk now as there are so many millions of them in use. Tablets are more at risk if they are used mainly in lots of different public locations. However iPhones and iPads are safe, because of the nature of the Apple operating system which is very much 'locked-down' and therefore it is not possible anyway to add security products to them.

The big news last month was the 'Heart Bleed Bug' which affected shopping and banking sites. All of these websites use a special



encryption service called SSL, which is designed to scramble a user's financial data, i.e. when you enter your credit card number, and keep it safe on its journey into the bank or store. This bug, known as an 'exploit' was able to infect the SSL code and try and steal that sensitive data. Most major sites applied a security patch very quickly to prevent this, and by the time you read this hopefully the danger will have passed. However there is a website giving information: http://heartbleed.com/ Google has also developed a website checker that you can add to its Chrome web browser.

Windows XP users have been receiving a message on their screens from Microsoft advising that support for their operating system is **now at an end.** As previously mentioned here, XP will keep working, but owing to the fact there will be no more security updates or support from Microsoft, it really won't be secure to use online anymore. Updates for Office 2003 and Microsoft Security Essentials also ceased on the same date. Time for a new computer then! This really is the best advice as it will only need one hacker to put out a nasty 'exploit' designed to attack the inner workings of XP, and bingo they will potentially have access to any of the Windows XP computers still online.

Following on from that, an oft-asked question is what sort of device to buy to replace an old computer. A PC or laptop or a tablet? Well basically there is not much between a PC and a laptop, they will both do the same job, unless the user has any specialist power requirements like gaming or high-end photography. PCs are more serviceable, if some piece of hardware goes wrong then it is relatively simple to replace a part, where a laptop usually requires an expensive strip down process. On the other hand, laptops are more compact and mobile, and around the same price. I normally recommend tablets as a great secondary device, but if your needs are purely internet browsing and email, then given a good wireless network, they could suffice as your only device. Bearing in mind they range in price from around £100 to £500 there is a lot of scope there. The other device worth considering within this capability and price range is the Chromebook, basically a small laptop with a very simple and secure operating system from Google.

Those who have Hotmail or other Microsoft email account, and that will include anyone who has purchased and downloaded Microsoft Office since last year, will probably have been asked to go through a verification process. This is quite legitimate and the issue has been caused by many instances of hacking all over the world. This is where someone manages to hack into a computer or server and take over people's email accounts and use them to send out spam messages. This verification is therefore a good idea, and sometimes a compulsory step to keep access to your account. Normally you are asked to have a code sent to either a telephone number or alternative email address. When received, you have to enter this one-time code where requested into your account to prove it is yours. It is important to emphasize that you should never follow an unsolicited email link asking you to change your password or requesting any other personal security details.

Apple has a similar process called 2 step verification. This will be familiar to those users of iPads and iPods using the App Store and iTunes Store

BBC iPlayer, the very popular TV catch-up service, has extended availability of programmes from 7 to 30 days. Incidentally the BBC has found that more people use tablets to watch iPlayer content than any other device.

USB 3 sockets are to be found on most new PCs and laptops and these are coloured blue inside. This new standard works about 10x times faster than traditional USB, but only of course with compatible USB 3 equipment, such as external hard drives and memory sticks, where data transfer rates are considerably faster. Normal USB equipment can be plugged into these blue sockets but will only work at their normal speed, however by contrast I have found some USB 3 drives that only seem to work at all in a blue socket.



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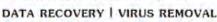
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This is an easy challenge this month - Answer on page 29

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In last months article I introduced you to our Hotel Barges on the French canals and mentioned Lynne was going to investigate first hand. Well surprise surprise I went too! Little did I know that I would be in the wonderful city of Strasbourg on the day that the ships where named. Wow! is an understatement, tasteful, modern luxury. Imagine gently floating along, sat on deck in your Jacuzzi or cycling along side on the tow path, if you do not fancy getting wet or doing anything too energetic just sit back and drink in the scenery with a complimentary G&T or beer. How relaxing and what a great way to see pastures new. We are very excited here is a glimpse....





Many of the old style hotel barges have cabins that have been adapted to take a bathroom these new ones are purpose built with lovely walk in showers and room to manoeuvre. The ships are owned by a French company but our departures are exclusive to Marion Owen Travel hence all English speaking and if you do not like to sail from Hull we will be happy to organise your travel by Eurostar & train. Of course if you are thinking of travelling with family or friends you may wish to take over the full ship for your own group.... call me for more details.

Summer 2015 I am pleased to report that there will be a weekly flight to Palma from Humberside airport! This makes travel so easy and also fly cruises will fit in for the week too. Many destinations can be reached from our local airport via Amsterdam and it is an option we as an agent consider and the preferable route for myself.

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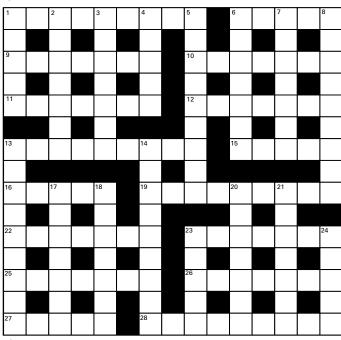


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Crossword - Solution on page 46



Across:

- 1. Annual virus (9)
- 6. Full of flavor (5)
- 9. On the beach (7)
- 10. Boat in Venice (7)
- 11. Deletion (7)
- 12. Imperial ruler (7)
- 13. Steals from stores (9)
- 15. Entice (5)
- 16. Modelled (5)
- 19. Stunt plane (9)
- 22. Instructions on food preparation (7)
- 23. A distant settlement (7)
- 25. Mediterranean sailing ship (7)
- 26. Choking or retching (7)
- 27. Is concerned for (5)
- 28. Prediction (9)

Down:

- 1. Silly (5)
- 2. Melange or hodgepodge (7)
- 3. Not normal (7)
- 4. Gentle push (5)
- 5. Attacker (9)
- 6. Storm on the sun (7)
- 7. TV show (7)
- 8. A pronunciation mark (9)
- 13. A drug that induces sleep (9)
- 14. Flagpole (9)
- 17. Not religious (7)
- 18. Portrays (7)
- 20. Double crosses (7)
- 21. Equipping (7)
- 23. Different (5)
- 24. Taut (5)

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Ginger

inger is the common name given to the underground stem (rhizome) of the perennial plant Zingiber officinale Roscoe. It is chemically classified as an essential oil with pungent principles, and has been in use as a flavouring agent worldwide for over 20 centuries, as well as for medicinal purposes as an anti-emetic (prevents vomiting in circumstances such as car sickness), anti-inflammatory, analgesic and other properties relating to the well-being of the body.

Usually grown in warmer climates, ginger is often referred to by its country of origin e.g. Jamaican ginger, African ginger, and Cochin ginger (Chinese) and although no-one really knows exactly where it originated from, it has always been a prized commodity: in the middle ages a pound of it had the same value as a whole sheep!

Today it is widely available from food stores and grocers and is a popular ingredient for culinary purposes, especially in oriental cooking. It can be purchased fresh, dried, powdered, crystallized, preserved in syrup (also known as stem or candied ginger) and even ready-grated in jars.

Gingerbread - Makes 1 x 18cm/7 inch square cake

Ingredients:

225g/8oz Plain Flour 1 teasp Bicarbonate of Soda 1 1/2 teasp Ground Ginger 50g/2oz Black Treacle 100g/4oz Golden Syrup 75g/3oz Margarine 50g/2oz Soft Brown Sugar 2 Eggs 2 tbsp Milk





Instructions

- 1. Preheat the oven to 170C, 325F, Gas mark 3 and grease an 18cm/7inch square tin and line the base with greaseproof paper. Sift flour, Bicarbonate of soda and ginger into bowl.
- 2. Place the treacle and golden syrup in a saucepan with the margarine and brown sugar and gently heat until melted. In a bowl, beat together eggs and milk.
- 3. Pour melted ingredients, then beaten eggs into the bowl containing the flour and mix to thick batter, then pour into the lined tin. Bake in centre of oven for 1 hour.

Cidered Chicken

Ingredients

4 Chicken Ouarters

2 tbsp Olive Oil

25g/loz Butter

1 Onion, chopped

1 tbsp Plain Flour

fi teasp ground Ginger

1 teasp Paprika

450ml/15fl.oz. Cider

1 tbsp Tomato Purée

1/4 teasp Sugar

1 tbsp freshly Chopped Parsley

Salt and Black Pepper

Instructions

- 1. Heat the butter and olive oil in a large frying pan until very hot. Add the chicken pieces and brown on all sides. Remove with a slotted spoon and set aside.
- 2. Add the onion to the pan and fry until soft and golden. Sprinkle in the flour, ginger, and paprika and cook for 1-2 minutes, stirring.
- 3. Add the cider a little at a time, mixing well between each addition and cook for 1-2 minutes to make a sauce. Then stir in the tomato purée, sugar and parsley. Season with Salt and pepper.
- 4. Return the chicken to the pan and baste with the sauce. Cover and simmer for 30 minutes, basting occasionally.

Alternatively, cook in the oven at 180C, 350F, Gas Mark 4 for 30 minutes. Serve hot.



Asparagus

Asparagus (Liliaceae-Asparagacease) is a member of the lily family and a distant cousin of the leek and onion. Considered by many to be the queen of vegetables, asparagus has been, and still is, a highly prized vegetable which, unfortunately, has a relatively short season of just 10 weeks.

Asparagus Nutritional Values

Asparagus is a good source of folic acid (vitamin B9) and also contains potassium, copper and iron. It is also rich in vitamins A, B1, B2, B6 and C. The asparagus contains a sour agent, which noticeably renders the urine potent when digested. It also contains asparagine, which gives it its particular flavour and which has diuretic properties

Around seven spears (80g) provides one of your recommended 5-A-Day servings, 69% of the RDA of Folate, 20% of the RDA of Vitamin C and 12% of the RDA of Vitamin B1. It is also one of the richest sources of Rutin which together with vitamin C, can help to protect the body from infections as well as being rich in soluble fibre.

Buying and storing Asparagus

Choose asparagus with firm brittle spears and well coloured tight tips. Try to choose stems which are the same size so they cook evenly. Asparagus is quite fragile. Store in the refrigerator for up to one week preferably in a perforated plastic bag.

Freezing Asparagus

Blanch whole spears of asparagus in boiling water for 2 minutes then open freeze on a tray. Once frozen, pack into freezer bags where they will keep for about five months.

Cooking with Asparagus

Asparagus has to be cooked to get the best flavour and texture. To prepare them, if necessary, snap or cut off the bottom stalk to remove the tough fibrous part. Wash gently in cold running water. Asparagus can be cooked in many ways, but over-cooking should be avoided: they should be tender but not too droopy.

Asparagus Quiche

Ingredients:

225g/8oz Shortcrust Pastry

2 tbsp Butter

4 tbsp Plain Flour

400ml/15 fl.oz. Milk

Salt and Pepper

A large pinch of Nutmeg

2 Eggs

100g/4oz Gruyere

225g/8oz Fresh or frozen Asparagus

Instructions

- 1. Preheat the oven to 220C, 425F, Gas mark 7. Grease a 25cm/10 inch flan dish.
- 2. Roll out the pastry to 6mm/ 1/4 inch thickness and line the flan dish. Prick the base with a fork and bake blind for 10 minutes
- 3. Prepare the asparagus by cutting off any woody stems and washing under running cold water. Cut into 5cm/2 inch lengths and boil in salted water for about 10 minutes.
- 4. Meanwhile, melt the butter in a pan, add the flour and cook, stirring for 1-2 minutes. Gradually add 300ml/10 fl.oz. of the milk, little by little, stirring all the time. Bring to the boil and cook for 3-4 minutes. Remove from heat and season with salt, pepper and nutmeg.
- 5. Add 1 egg yolk to the sauce and mix well then add the grated Gruyere. Pour this sauce into the pastry case, filling to a maximum of 3/4 and bake for 15 minutes.
- 6. Remove the quiche from the oven and reduce the oven temperature to 190C, 375F, Gas mark 5.
- 7. Arrange the drained asparagus over the top of the quiche. Mix together with rest of the milk, remaining egg yolk and 2 egg whites. Pour this over the quiche. Bake for a further 30 minutes. Serve immediately.

Turkey Breast with Asparagus Ingredients

225g/8oz Fresh Young Asparagus Spears

2 Large Turkey Breasts, skinned and halved

2 tbsp Plain Flour

Salt and Black Pepper

2 tbsp Oil

360ml/12fl.oz. Chicken Stock

1 teasp Fresh Sage, chopped

150ml/5fl.oz. Soured Cream

Instructions

- 1. Trim the asparagus to equal lengths then cut off the tips and cut the stalks into 3 pieces.
- 2. Beat the turkey breasts with a rolling pin or meat mallet to flatten them then coat with seasoned flour.
- 3. Melt the Olive oil in a frying pan, add the turkey breasts and cook until lightly browned on all sides. Add the stock, asparagus stalks (reserve the tips), sage, salt and pepper. Cover and cook gently for 15 minutes.
- 4. Stir in the cream and add the reserved asparagus tips and continue to cook for 5-8 minutes. Serve immediately.



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The Cottingham group has a lovely team of volunteer drivers who collect them and take them to the volunteer host. Drivers stay and help as needed.

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One of our older guests said recently, "... joining this group has made me come alive again, being taken by my lovely driver and welcomed back into people's homes has given me something to look forward to every month"

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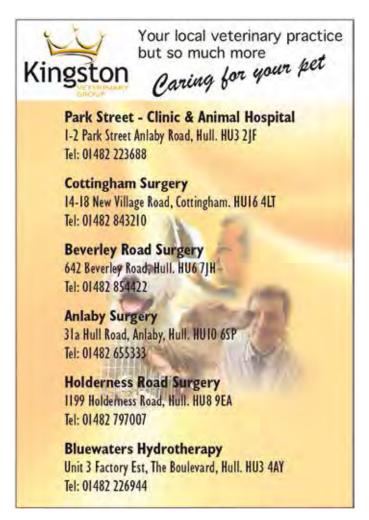
t is that time of year again when all the little 'darlings' who have been hibernating away inside over the winter period, emerge ready for their summer holiday of sun, food and more. Now you may rightly be thinking of your lovely children or grandchildren but I hasten to add it is nothing as delightful. The little 'Critters' I am referring to are FLEAS AND THE BLOOD SUCKING TICK!!!!

Now, every pet owner knows about FLEAS and what a nuisance they can cause but you may also be surprised of the health risk they can carry. These tiny external parasites live off the blood of mammals and their bite can lead to major health issues. The flea is a tiny wingless insect with a hard flat body designed to easily navigate through pet hair, legs designed for jumping great distances and mouth parts designed to suck blood.

An adult female flea can lay on the host, up to 40 eggs a day which will then dry and fall off into the environment such as carpets, curtains and furnishings. A fully developed flea, which can live up to 4 to 6 weeks, will begin to lay eggs within 24 hours of her first blood meal. She defecates blood from her host which then falls off along with her eggs, re-starting the life cycle all over again.

The health risk?

FLEA ALLERGIC DERMATITIS is an allergic reaction to flea bites that can cause severe itching and major skin infections. Also,





TAPEWORM which can be contracted by animals or humans after accidentally ingesting an infected flea. Another one is ANEAMIA which can prove fatal if the host animal has enough flea infestation to lose a lot of blood. You may be surprised to learn that three out of the four stages of the flea cycle are spent in the carpets, curtains and furnishings, jump onto the host to feed then jump off again..... 'Meals On Legs' the animal equivalent to 'Meals On Wheels'. This explains, the odd occasion when we get a new client pop into the surgery who has moved house and have no pets, to buy a household product to treat a flea infestation left by the previous occupiers. The fleas had found another meal source other than a furry friend.

TICKS!

Wonderful little things that are attracted to warmth and motion. It climbs onto its host (mainly around the ears and the inside of the legs) and attach its mouth into the skin beginning the blood meal. Once the tick is locked on, it will not detach until the meal is complete which can take a few days. The appearance of a tick is like a small cream lump (often mistaken for something more medical) which gradually grows and changes colour with the amount of blood it intakes. As for diseases? Most ticks do not even carry them, however, the threat of disease is always present and must be taken seriously. Signs include lethargy, fever, weakness and joint swelling which may take days or weeks to appear so the early removal of a tick is crucial but to be removed under medical care.

Now, how do we prevent or remove these little 'critters'? As in every case, prevention is always better than cure and it is simple. All you have to do is pop a vial of liquid flea treatment on the back of your pets neck once a month. We suggest the neck because it is the only part of the body the tongue cannot reach! Here at KINGSTON we stock a flea product that is also a tick preventative so you don't even have to apply it twice.

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have had a few near death experiences since last time. They were called spinning classes! All part of the training for the Coast-To-Coast Bike Ride. I am sure that it **IS** good for you but sometimes I think that I might be wasting and using up a few too many heartbeats.

'Sylc'y Smooth Dentist

Oh dear has my spelling and grammar taken an even greater turn for the worst. Don't worry even I'm not that bad.

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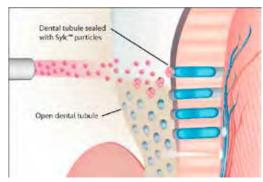


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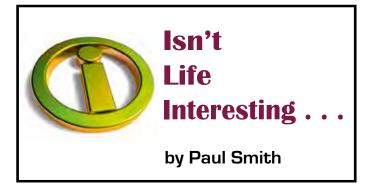
As I said I'm off on my hols. I do hope that by the time this goes out, Hull City are in the FA cup final. If that happens I will be there!

Until next time.



Take care and be good.

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How did the days of the week originate?

Just to prove how odd I am, it struck me that I don't really know how the names of the week began. So I looked it up. The Romans named their days after the planets, which they called Sun, Moon, Mars, Mercury, Jupiter, Venus and Saturn. The last five are also Roman gods. The Germanic peoples copied this, keeping the names which became Sunday, Monday and Saturday, but they changed the four other days to honour their own gods Tiw, Woden, Thor and Frig. Tiw (Tiw's day) was a one-handed god. Woden was a cunning, all-powerful, one-eyed magic-maker. Thor (Thor's day) was a god of thunder, and Frige was the female god of marriage and childbirth.

Yes, alright, useless knowledge – but it was interesting.

The death of a young mum.

I went to do the probate of a woman who had died aged 36. I met her husband and young son, and I could tell they were really sad. I looked at the death certificate to see why she had died. The doctors in the hospital had told her she would live if she had a blood transfusion, but she had refused. She was a Jehovah's Witness.

"I saved £4000 for a world cruise".

While doing the probate of an elderly woman, I asked her husband how much the funeral had cost and he said only £1400. Their son had also died a few years earlier, and again the funeral cost £1400. He said that a funeral is an expensive and completely unnecessary waste of money. Instead, he arranged for an undertaker to take the bodies from the hospital mortuary straight to the crematorium to be cremated. No funeral, no service, nothing. Instead after each death there was a big happy party at his home with all the friends and relatives to celebrate the lives of his son and wife. Most funerals cost over £3400, so he said he saved £2000 each time. That's enough for a roundthe-world cruise, and he said his deceased son and wife had both told him they much preferred he spent the £4000 on this, rather than on two miserable funerals for them.

He has a point – funerals serve no purpose and are a huge

expense. A special celebration at home instead is much cheaper and a much better alternative.

What is a husband?

After you have worn a dress for about two years, a husband will say, "That's nice, dear, is it new?"

A husband is someone who hangs around hungrily when a meal is cooking – then disappears when it's being served.

A husband comes home, rushes indoors calling out "Hello my precious" and then kisses the cat.

He is someone who clicks his toes in the middle of your favourite TV programme.

He's someone who believes that the fairies come in and do the cooking, cleaning and washing.

A husband is someone who, after he has eaten a good evening meal, and has just realized you aren't feeling well says, 'Never mind dear, you get washed up and we'll have an early night.'

About me and my wife

My wife is immature. I'll be at home having a bath and she'll come in and sink my boats.

She was looking through a fashion magazine and saw an expensive coat. She said, "I want that." So I cut it out and gave

She came home and said she had some good news and some bad news about the car. I said, "What's the good news?" She said, "The airbag works."

The joke at the end

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Here is Paul's latest walk in his series of monthly rambles.

This month his destination is Bracey Bridge

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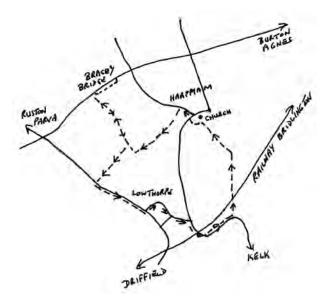
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Start at GR.TA 077620 Bracey Bridge Lay-by. Distance 5.0 Miles.

eave the lay-by via a Kissing Gate adjacent to a metal gate on the south side and follow a farm track for about 300 metres and then locate and pass through a Kissing Gate on the right and continue along a grass track.

On reaching the next Kissing Gate, pass through and turn right





(sign posted Lowthorpe Church). Pass through a Kissing Gate next to two metal gates and eventually emerge onto Lowthorpe Road and turn left.

Follow the road into the village of Lowthorpe and shortly after passing a red telephone box turn left and follow the road as it turns sharp left and then bears right, cross over Lowthorpe Bridge and bear right at the next road junction.

Cross the railway crossing and continue along the road as it sweeps to the left. After about 130 metres cross a smaller bridge and then enter the wood on the left and walk parallel with the road with a small stream to the left.

At the end of the wood, emerge on a grass track and turn left and walk along the field headland with the wood to the left. At the end of the wood, cross a stile on the left and cross over the railway line bearing slightly to the right and then cross a second stile and walk ahead with the wood on the left.

On reaching the end of the wood, continue in the same direction for about 120 metres and then locate a way marker sign pointing diagonally across a field on the left and aim for the southern corner of farm buildings. Nearing the farm buildings, bear right and walk towards the church and then skirt round the church grounds keeping them on the right.

On reaching a hedge after the Tennis Courts, turn left and after about 20 metres locate a Metal Kissing Gate on the right, pass through this and turn left and walk with the hedge on the left to reach a gate on the left, pass through this gate and walk down the path to emerge on the road, turn right and then left on reaching the main road.

Pass Sykes Farm on the left and when the road bends to the left, take the farm access road on the left and pass the farm buildings keeping them on the left. Further along cross a bridge spanning Lowthorpe Beck and continue along the track. On reaching the end of the track, pass through a Kissing Gate on the right and walk across the field to pass through another Kissing Gate to join the outward track. Follow this back to the lay-by.





Cottingham High School take first place in Rock Challenge competition held recently in Bridlington

The Humberside Police Rock Challenge senior event took place recently at Bridlington Spa, and seven secondary schools from across the East Riding of Yorkshire took part in the event.

Cottingham High School came in first place with their amazing performance 'Fish out of water' Here's some narrative read by the teams' co-host "

'A Fish out of Water' takes you into the ocean to explore life and a hidden world under the sea. Deep in the blue waters, societal diversity, belonging and exclusion are issues for those living in an ever-changing world of merging cultures. Meet a range of sea life characters personified to represent 'stereotypes' identifiable in our everyday life."

As a result of their performance Cottingham High School received the following awards and are invited to compete at the Northern Grand Open Rock Challenge Finals at the Grimsby Auditorium in June.

Awards: Overall 1st Place

Andrew Marr International Award of Excellence for Choreography; Police and Crime Commissioner for Humberside Award of Excellence for Performance Skill; Humberside Police Community Safety Unit Award of Excellence for Stage Use; High Sheriffs' and Humberside Tribune Trust Award of Excellence for Concept; Humberside Police Federation Award of Excellence for Drama; Hull and East Riding Charitable Trust Award of Excellence for Soundtrack; KC Award of Excellence for Set Design and Function; ARCO Award of Excellence for Costuming Character; Aunt Bessie's Award of Excellence for Visual Enhancement; Vivergo Fuels Award of Excellence for Video Performance.







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his year has gone by quickly. It's already May so let's make the most of the summer and get the garden ready. The bright sunshine of April is promising a good start to the summer months with plenty of sun ahead so it's time to get your garden ready. However, with a new season begins a new series of garden rubbish and mess.

Nowadays we are able to put the plant waste into the brown bin but most of the trays and pots go into the green bin and fill landfills. Many gardeners want to go green (in more ways than one). It is growing more and more important that we care for the environment around us; whether that be by recycling and using sustainable resources or by making our gardens more suitable as a habitat. It can be easy to forget that our local plant and wildlife need too.



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With all this, the new Easyecoplant™ summer bedding will allow you to be an environmentally friendly gardener.

Attract Wildlife with Plants

With the new Easyecoplant™ summer bedding, create a wildlife oasis in your garden to attract bees and butterflies. Adding animal and insect friendly plants to your garden for the summer will bring your garden to life (as well as help out the local wildlife). Pollinators in particular are vital for gardens and countryside yet they are in decline. There are a number of plants you can add to the garden that will provide a haven for pollinators. Things like lavender and forget-me-nots are perfect for bees while geraniums and primroses will bring different varieties of butterfly to the garden.

Plant some native British wildflowers or sow wildflower seeds that can be found in our garden centre. They are great for pollinators and look beautiful in borders. Avoiding the use of insectisides in the garden will encourage birds who can then act as your own personal pest control. Add a bird feeder or a few fat balls to encourage sparrows and robins to come to your garden, they will soon feast on those pesky bugs.

Make a Wildlife Habitat

Making a wildlife habitat can be easy. Buy a birdhouse or a bee hotel to you garden, out of the way from cats and dogs. They come in a variety of sizes and shapes. You can even add a little birdhouse that looks like a cottage. Alternatively grow low spreading shrubs or let your hedges grow out so birds and hedgehogs can keep hidden and nest.

10 Jobs for this month

- 1. Prune early spring flowering shrubs now that blossoms have finished.
- 2. Plant up summer bedding and fill hanging baskets.
- 3. Begin growing your own vegetables. A growbag is a beneficial start for your vegetables.
- 4. Keep on top of weeds and regularly hoe bare soil.
- 5. Cut evergreen hedges but check for nesting birds and animals first.
- 6. Ties shoots of climbing plants like clematis to supports.
- 7. Plant container grown roses and shrubs.
- 8. Start slug-proofing your plants with cloche or try traditional methods of crushed eggshells or coffee grounds.
- 9. Plant and grow your own herbs ready for summer Great for the bees and great for the kitchen.
- 10. Spread shredded bark mulches around shrubs and trees to keep the soil moist for the roots.



If you have room, building your own pond is an excellent way to help the local wildlife. A water source could invite frogs, toads, newts, and maybe even a heron. Adding pond lilies that bloom in the summer will make it a beauty spot as well as a wildlife home. Even a tree if your garden is big enough will help nesting birds and add a place to hang a wildlife house or feeder.

Adding a few logs to the bottom of the garden can also be beneficial if you don't fancy the idea of a tree or pond in your garden. It is a lost cost way to help your local wildlife.

Plant of the Month.

May's Plant of the Month is lavender. Lavender is a popular plant because of its evergreen, aromatic foliage and its undemanding nature. It is draught tolerant and a fairly hardy plant to the elements. In the summer, lavender blossoms with beautiful purple flowers sending out wafts of scent as you brush it. These flowers can be dried so you can enjoy the scent of your lavender throughout the year.

Lavender looks wonderful in your garden all year round and will mix well with seasonal bedding plants. It is great for pollinators in the summer, which in turn is good for the garden and the environment.

They are best planted in May as the soil is heating up and is ideally placed in alkaline or chalky soils. In heavier soils like clay lavender doesn't grow so well, however adding gravel and organic matter to the soil will help with drainage and make the plant thrive.



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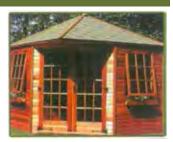
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Your Stars for May 2014

By Kay Gower

Aries (Mar. 21- April 20)

Although you might not believe it, all the bad deals, rotten events and difficult relationships of the past weren't for nothing. This month, or perhaps early next, you'll do something useful with all that you've learned.

Taurus (Apr. 21- May 21)

As the sign of the bull, you know that those who take life by the horns put themselves in a dangerous position. Forcing an issue this month could very well backfire.

People respond best to those who lead with enticements.

Gemini (May 22-June 21)

Sometimes we are all more sensitive than usual to the ridiculousness of this world. Instead of forcing yourself to tolerate it – take a step back. If you can, it would be a good idea to take some time out this month.

Cancer (June 22-July 22)

Don't dwell on past mistakes, they happened, they're over. Instead, dwell on the positive future you are creating. Believe in yourself and what you can do. Life will eventually lead you to happiness and laughter.

Leo (July 23-Aug 22)

What you need this month isn't complicated or expensive. It's not a grand life event or even a sweeping gesture. What will help you this month is as simple as ... laughter. May, brings change. Let it in with a smile, it's going to be good.

Virgo (Aug 22 – Sept. 23)

When the body says it wants to rest, then no matter what else is on the schedule-rest. This could mean leaving the party early when the going is good instead of giving in to friends who want to carry on.

Libra (Sept. 24 -Oct. 23)

I was recently in East Park watching a peacock prance about, he fanned out his feathers and it made this small bird look massive. When he saw that I was quietly watching him, he ran off! It made me think that sometimes a confident act can be hiding a fear. If you encounter a posturing individual this month, that might be worth remembering.

Scorpio (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)

It's about time you had an imaginary conversation with that wise version of yourself who sits inside the tiny cave of your heart. It will do you good to be completely honest about your feelings.

Sagittarius (Nov. 23 -Dec. 21)

This month a door opens and you walk right in. The stars bring a wealth of promising offers. Your only real problem is deciding which to accept and which to turn down.

Capricorn (Dec 22.- Jan. 20)

If one door has closed, don't just sit and stare at it - look around for another way in . With just a little persistence, you will eventually get everything you want.

Aquarius (Jan. 21.- Feb. 19)

Experience teaches us to make good choices. The problem is that you only get the experience by making bad choices. So this month you can't go wrong, unless you make no choice at all.

Pisces (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)

This summer you'll return to a place where you used to live and perhaps when you look back you'll see once and for all that for better or worse, it couldn't have happened any other way.

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The Dante Alighieri Society

Thursday 15th May - 7.30 pm at the Graduate School, University of Hull, Cottingham Road. a talk by Rachel Haworth of the University of Hull on the Italian songwriter Fabrizio de Andre. The Society is an International Socio/Cultural organisation for lovers of Italian Language and Culture.

The Inland Waterways Association

Friday 16th May - The Humber Yawl Club by John Chaney. 8.00 pm to 10.00 pm in the Cottingham Methodist Church Hall, £2.00 including refreshments.

North Ferriby Gardening Club

Saturday 17th May - Annual Plant Sale in the Village Hall, 10.00 am to 12 noon. Schedules for the show in July will be available,

Friends of Thwaite Gardens

Sunday 18th May - Open Day 11 am - 4 pm. Entry £2 (children free) (free entry for members on production of membership card). Refreshments available and plants for sale).

East Riding Flower Club

Monday 19th May - In the morning, flower arranging for members only. At 2.00 pm Mr. Tony Cleaver from York with talk and slides called "Some Yorkshire Gardens". Visitors welcome in the afternoon, in the Civic Hall, Cottingham. Admission £3.00 (at the door). Enquiries 876279 Judith Robinson.

North Ferriby Gardening Club

Monday 19th May - English Florists Tulips - Jane Green-North Ferriby, 7.30 pm in the North Ferriby Village Hall..

Hull and East Riding New Stitchers (H.E.N.S.)

Tuesday 20th May - Broches - Jean Ellis/Elaine Julian. Meetings are held at the Endsleigh College Centre, Beverley Road, Hull. Meeting start at 7.15 pm on Tuesday evenings. New members and visitors are always welcome. Free Parking. Further details from Brenda Tennyson on 01482 708525.

Cottingham Evening Townswomen's Guild

Wednesday 21st May - The Woman Who Didn't Exist - Clive and Kath Richardson, at 7.30 pm in the Darby & Joan, Finkle Street.

Cottingham Ladies' Circle

Wednesday 21st May - Day Outing to Lincoln

Skidby & Little Weighton Methodist Church

Friday 23rd May Family Film Time 3-30 pm for 4 o'clock. Admission free, Children should be accompanied by an adult. Sweets and drinks on sale. All welcome.

Wednesday Social Club

Wednesday 28th May - Speaker: Linda Mills - Gift Wrapping, in the Darby & Joan Hall, at 2.00 pm.

Cottingham Churches Pupil Worker Trust

Wednesday May 28th - The venue for our monthly supper quizzes, is the King Billy Pub Hallgate. 8.00 pm start, £6 entrance, great food, prize raffle, good company. Contact: Keith Gibson on 842597 or email: gibo1@supanet.com for additional information.

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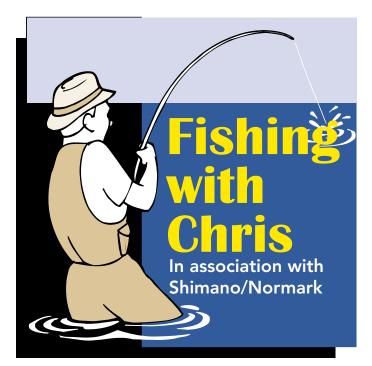


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Here is the latest article from Chris Moore who will be reporting monthly with news and tips from the world of fishing

ello and welcome once again fellow anglers to this month's fishing news. Today's date is 21st April. I hope you are all ok and enjoying this sunny, yes that's right I said SUNNY weather! Hurray. If this lovely weather continues make sure you keep your factor 15 sun tan lotion and an insect repellent in your fishing bag throughout the season.

The new season has started at last. If you have not been fishing all winter then I suggest you go to a fishery that is like Hook a Duck (a venue which is heavily stocked with fish to be caught, you cannot go wrong). Where are they I hear you ask? I have a couple of venues in mind for your first session. My first option is Halsham Ponds. This venue is situated on the road from Burstwick to Witherensea, and for those with a sat nav the post code is: HU12 ODG. There are three heavily stocked ponds here. The main species are Rudd, Chub, Tench and Carp which can weigh over 20lb! It is a family run business and great for kids as well as advanced anglers. If you wish to check this venue out on a weekend give Penny a call on 01964670481 to make sure it is not matched up. Show some support for this venue this season plus just to mention that they also donate all three ponds to our annual charity match to raise monies for cancer research and oncology at Castle Hill Hospital.

My second venue to check out is known by all as Ray Fosters, but its full title is Mill Farm Fishery. This venue is situated 500yds off the Leven roundabout heading in to Leven on the right hand side just past the large white gate. Drive down the side of the fields towards the trees in front of you. This is a four acre lake, absolutely stuffed with Rudd, Roach, Skimmers and proper Bream. There are loads of large bonus fish to be had as well such as Carp weighing up to 30lb+, Bream to 14lb+ and Tench to 10lb+. Feeder tactics with maggots and ground bait will be great for Skimmers all day long, and maggot fed very often in small amounts will bring the Rudd up to within a few inches from the surface. Some of these run to over a pound in weight each. A lot of fun can be had here. Plus if the day ticket has not gone up it is only £3 per day ticket. Amazing.

Seeing as it is the match season once again I will try an ease any disappointment by giving you some telephone numbers to enable you to all check out as to whether or not a particular venue you wish to fish is fully booked with matches or not.

Sam Hosticks: HU17 0RT – 07836712475 Risby Park: HU17 8SS – 07860255981 Barmston: HU17 0TP - 01482863566 Northmoor Lane: HU16 4JN – 01482844168 Corrie (Pine Bank): HU19 ZQP – 01964612843

Foss Hill: 01964 544357 Lambwath: 01964 527740 Newbridge: 07817058054 Rainbow: 07867918976 Pastures: 01964 670489 Raker: 01904448793 Rush Lyvars: 07582248037 Tansterne: 07743067781 Wansford: 07887662796

That is just a few to keep you going this season, you may not know this but most of the above venues have more than one lake to fish. This is a bit like asking you all to support your local shops, please support your local fisheries. They are after all managed for your enjoyment. I know I have on many occasions said this before but please take all your litter home, yes all your litter! Thank you.

As the new season is now upon us, it is now the time that we have arriving daily new tackle and baits. We have some great offers in store. I have eleven ground baits, eight different types of feed pellets and three different size expanders all for just £2.00 per bag or three bags for £5.00. That is just one of the many good offers we have this season.

All of us from Catchmoore fishing Tackle & Guns hope you all have a great fishing season this year.

From me Chris and the Catchmoore crew we wish you all "tight lines" until next month. Take care and I will see you all soon.

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Willerby Methodist Drama Group present a cheque for £1,750 to the Teenage Cancer Trust appeal

Tillerby Methodist Drama Group held their Bi-annual pantomime in January 2014 which this year was Sleeping Beauty.

Approximately 1200 people attended the eight performances. Money raised from the pantomime totalled £4050 which included a £250 Community Grant from the Nat West Bank.

The photograph shows Stuart Hickson (Producer) and members of the cast presenting a cheque for £1750 to Suzanne Brown representing the Teenage Cancer Trust at Castle Hill Hospital. This money will be used by the trust for their work at Castle Hill.

£1500 was also given to the Willerby Methodist Church. The Drama group is based at the Willerby Methodist Church and produce two plays a year.

Should anyone be interested in joining the group to help in any way, either on stage or behind the scenes then please contact Stuart Hickson on 654719 for further details.



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Hallgate Schools - continued

by Peter Railton (Author and Local Historian)

The Year is 1946.

new film projector was used for the first time on the 11th of January - a one hour travel and nature film was to be Ashown in the boys' hall each Friday afternoon after lunch; these films were very popular and eagerly looked forward to.

Mr. Arnett inspected the registers and stock on the 15th of April; this was to be his last inspection as the correspondent to the managers, the Rev. Hebron of St. Mary's Church succeeded him, but he was never to become as involved with the schools as his predecessors. Mr. G. W. Clarke returned to school after his war time service in the army since 1940. He was to teach spells of history, geography and literature in the four senior classes and became increasingly responsible for sports; free periods for marking were arranged for all teachers - the secondary school organisation was happening in the senior departments of the primary schools now.

Twenty two boys were successful in scholarship exams that year, thanks mainly as usual to Miss. Brown - surnames were Mitchell, Tranmer, Davis, Tennyson, Symon, Harlow, Work, Russell, Askam, Lamb, Pybus, Charity, Grant, Minors, George, Marton, Riley, Griffin, Rufford, Mathison, Brarne, Nichols. In addition, Peter Watson, Brian Towle, Geoffrey Grey, Jack Carlisle, James Foster, Trevor Williamson and John Wilson (all in my class) won places at Hull Technical School building section.

The Holderness District Sports were once again held after the war years at Cottingham on the 4th of July and the school won the Senior Trophy with a score of 631/2 points, and on the 30th of the month a Victory Cup was presented to the Nelson House (blue team) by Mr. Frank Brunton representing the local Auxiliary fire Service. Incidentally, Mr. Brunton was the manager for many years of Edwin Hatfield butchers shop in King Street where the 'Costa Coffee' shop is now.

On the 31st of July Mr Wright was presented with an electric fire on the occasion of his forthcoming marriage. Several of us senior boys attended the wedding in the Zion Reformed Church in Hallgate to wish him well; sadly, a few of us attended his funeral many years later.

During the summer holidays the school was broken into and drawers in the headmaster's desk were forced open, also a cupboard in the staff-room. The boys log-book bears the scars today - several pages partly torn in the forcing open of the drawers and presumably getting trapped. Some of the senior boys went 'potato picking' in the October half term holiday and I left school aged 14 years and one month. Terry Johnson, later to become & chiropodist in Cottingham, left at the same time.

I must pay tribute to Mr. Wright; I suddenly liked school when I got into his class, his patience improved my maths and his teaching of history and literature was inspirational - a whole new world was opened up to me, he could 'put flesh on the bones' of the dry text books of the day and fired an interest and imagination which has survived all these years. A Friday afternoon treat after playtime was his reading us stories - the 'Three Men In A Boat' by Jerome. K. Jerome had us,' and him, laughing until tears ran down our faces - and he could even make Shakespeare interesting. However, he could little to improve my singing - my friend Malcolm and I were usually dismissed by him from singing practice in the hall and, told to "go back to the classroom and do something useful" - this generally consisted of having a quick look at the 'Dandy' and 'Beano' comics kept in the cupboard for Wet play times. When I went to Hallgate on teaching practice in 1967 he introduced me in the staff-room as one of his 'old boys' - and forgave me for reading comics during our aborted hymn singing lessons in the past.



In the girls' department, the staff organisation was - Mrs. Wrigglesworth in class 1, Mrs Tether cl.2, Mrs. Evans cl.3, Miss Buttery cl.4; and in the seniors, Miss Obridge senior 1, Miss Wright sen. 2, Mrs. Davidson sen. 3. Bad weather and 'flu severely affected attendances: on the. 1st of February the attendance was 66% and Mrs. Evans and Mrs Wrigglesworth were absent with the 'flu. The department was also broken into, as was to happen in the boys' department later; this was on both the 14th and 15th of March. All departments had been closed for the two days due to supplies of coke for the boilers running out and thieves must have spotted the opportunity. Entry had been via a flat roof, thence through the staffroom windows and cupboards and drawers forced open.

In April the netball team were able to play in competitions once more and had several successful games, beating Sidmouth Street 10-8, and again 15-10, and drew 10-10 with 5th Avenue, Hull teams, and beat Welton School 11-10.

Miss Stickney went to Leeds to choose a new piano, which duly arrived in May in time to prove its worth in connection with practices for the choirs taking part in Hull Music Festival; three classes took part in the competitions but the results are not recorded in the log book. Senior class 3 went to the Hull Daily Mail building on the 22nd of May and saw the complete cycle of production of a newspaper. The same class visited the Premier Soap Works the following week to see soap being made and prepared for distribution to the shops, and later in the month they visited A. Brown and Son, to see the work there in connection with the production of books etc. for schools.

Several girls were successful in exams for high schools that year - Barbara Hirst, Audrey Hildred, Shirley Kilham, Norma Shaw, Hazel Scott, Hilary Humble, Maureen Griffin, Susan Bishop; plus Kathleen Winn and Esme Pavis who were accidentally omitted from the log book the previous year. During June, two Cottingham girls represented East Yorkshire in the All Yorkshire Sports held at Leeds University - Margaret Clark and Dorothy Duffill. Margaret was chosen to represent Yorkshire at Eton on the 20th of July, competing in the long jump and finishing 5th out 27 competitors - a very creditable performance in the All England Sports Tournament.

The Holderness Schools Sports were held on the 4th of July on the Ellermam ground in Woods Lane and the school closed for half day; the following Wednesday afternoon brought the East Riding Schools Sports and eight girls represented the school and all were successful. More sports successes followed - the Intermediate Netball team came second in the Hull and District league and the first team won Hull and East Riding Cup, very commendable results by Hallgate girls who had showed their prowess once again when schools sports were resumed after the interruption of the war years.

After the summer holidays, 244 girls were on the role, Mrs. Johnson joined the staff, Mrs. Wrigglesworth retired after 30 years at the school, and Audrey Burrell began work as a junior clerk, all reflecting the continuing story of the school.

Photograph above: Girls taking part in the Holderness Schools Sports.



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Applying new Ideas to age old problems

In all of my 30 years of trading, and with all the accumulated experience of training and retraining so very many horses, it's great when you can start tentative steps applying new ideas to age old problems.

When I attended the 1st International Animal Trainers conference at Twycross Zoo last year, I had my first real insight into how Zoo animals are trained to be able to cooperate with veterinary examinations and treatments. They are given training to provide enrichment in their daily lives just for their fun, which they actively enjoy and gain from enormously. I learned the basics of how to train any animal from Chimps to Dolphins in shaping behaviours, counter-conditioning learned behaviours and enrichment in training.....all in protected contact (as in the trainers are not inside the enclosures at all) Motivation through Positive Reinforcement (+R) instead of traditionally held ideas in corrective or pressure release.

Since Twycross I have been actively learning, as much as time allows, the very real science behind animal learning and have made some very strong friendships along the way. Like minded people are willing to share knowledge and encourage a "newby" like me to be able to really start to both understand and use these methods in my daily work to help improve the lives of the training horses and their owners which come my way.

These methods are based on Clicker Training where the trainer can create a very real "bridge" between an animal performing a wanted behaviour or expressing a valuable and highly sort after emotion(like relaxation) to a positive reinforcement of something the animal really wants or likes. This is a stunning way to be able to actively create a very real communication with the animal becoming highly motivated to enter into a training session on positive learning with positive results.





So far I have loaded formerly un-loadable horses in to trailers leaving the owners so inspired with the happy willingness of their animal they will carry on using this technique.

I have forged great bonds with formerly extremely aggressive, defensive horses where the horses are now offering calm behaviour and willingness to work......with no fight or anxiousness....the exact opposite in fact.

Several horses who would not allow their feet to be handled are now happily standing for the Farrier to trim and allowing my staff to be safe round them whilst working with them. It literally takes the fear away and positively reinforces all the right behaviours...which will then be offered again and repeated.

By creating a solid history of good memories and feelings they then spill over into all areas of their training. It allows them to let go of fears, anger, and resentment and replaces it with a mindset/brain which is on side for training.

Everyone likes to be positively motivated in life....just think what a well timed "Thank you" or "well done" can do for your personal confidence and how it then influences you in your opinion of that person and your motivation to help them willingly again. It gets better when alcohol, chocolate or volunteered money is also offered......great reinforcements and great motivators too!

I am enjoying using these methods and am enjoying training the owners/staff and people around me in these structured formats....enjoyment is also a fabulous motivator....it beats force all the way!

I took my pony Toby down to Horseman's Calling (a big televised 2 day Horse Training event down in Leighton Buzzard) last week to use him to demonstrate these ideas to audiences there. It was very well received and Toby was amazing. In its own right it proved how such a traumatized pony can change so much and even wow an audience as "To the Manor born! He performed all sorts of behaviours.....not tricks though some are becoming his party pieces!.....at liberty. Not once held or forced in any way. Bless him!

Look out for this event to be on Horse and Country TV in due course. He will be one of many of course but in my opinion he was the best. No bias one understands!



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We are the Hedgehog Champions!

Charity neighbourhood watch scheme to help save hedgehogs surpasses 30,000 volunteers

Tildlife campaign Hedgehog Street is celebrating its third anniversary by reaching a landmark figure of 30,000 volunteers, at a time when hedgehogs need more help than ever. The initiative, set up by People's Trust for Endangered Species (PTES) and the British Hedgehog Preservation Society (BHPS), aims to empower whole communities, encouraged by volunteer 'Hedgehog Champions', to take small steps to improve their neighbourhood for hedgehogs and create a giant patchwork of hedgehog-friendly areas across Britain.

PTES conducts several citizen science surveys each year calling upon volunteers to monitor animal species in their backyard environments. The recent results of their 2013 Living with Mammals survey revealed hedgehog records continued a downward trend with the figure of reported sightings being the second lowest since the survey started in 2002.

Why are hedgehog numbers plummeting in the UK?

One of the reasons for the decline in UK hedgehog numbers in urban and suburban areas is the move towards tidy, sterile gardens which inhibits feeding, nesting and mating opportunities. Gardens paved over for parking or with increasing amounts of concrete reduce the availability of food and suitable nesting sites, and enclosed spaces with impenetrable fences and walls make it difficult for hedgehogs to forage and search for mates.

How can you help?

The Hedgehog Street campaign encourages people to create access routes for hedgehogs in their backyards. Henry Johnson, PTES Hedgehog Officer says, "Hedgehogs typically travel about a mile each night in order to gather food and search for a mate. A simple step that volunteers can take when they become a hedgehog champion is to link gardens in their neighbourhood by making a small hole in shared boundaries. A hole that is 13cm2 in size at ground level will be big enough for a hedgehog to pass through and will enable them to search a wider area to find food and mates."

BHPS and PTES launched Hedgehog Street in 2011 with a mere 16 volunteers working to recruit friends, family and neighbours to undertake simple conservation tasks in the green spaces on their doorsteps to create hedgehog-friendly environments. Now, over 30,000 'Hedgehog Champions' across the UK have registered to aid the ongoing campaign, but more help is needed to make a difference.

Fay Vass, CEO of BHPS says, "It is fantastic to have hit 30,000 Champions and have so many volunteers who care about hedgehogs. If every one of our champions could recruit a friend or a neighbour who could put a small hedgehog hole in their fence, then hedgehog pathways could start to open up all across the country which will really benefit them."

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Skidby Village Hall -Skidby's Annual Art Exhibition and Sale

Saturday 31st May and Sunday 1st June. Skidby Village Hall (HU16 5TG) will again be hosting an Art Exhibition over the weekend of 31st May/1st June (10am to 5pm). This popular exhibition features an interesting range of work by talented local artists. Every exhibitor will have some paintings which can be purchased. Admission is £1 per person with accompanied Primary School children admitted free. Refreshments will be available throughout the weekend. Artists who wish to exhibit should contact (01482 847525) or visit our website at www. skidbyvillagehall.btik.com for further details. We look forward to welcoming you to a traditional village Art Exhibition and feel sure you will enjoy the experience!

The deadline for entries in the "What's On" section, for the June edition is the 19th May.

Official Press Release from Bellway **Homes**

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Moving Abroad? A monthly column by Nick Russell

Tell its now been 2 years since we first moved out to Spain from Cottingham and time seems to have flown by. When we visited Cottingham at the end of last month a couple of friends asked me if we, as a family, regretted making the move and with hindsight, would we have done anything differently. The answer to the first part is easy. No, we have never regretted making the move out here, with the exception of leaving our daughter and her family, and the lifestyle out here is better than we expected but would we have done some things differently then the honest answer is yes. So I thought as this is our two year anniversary I would share with you the things we did, and what we would have done differently, and maybe if you have ever thought of moving abroad, they may help.

KNOW WHAT SIZE OF PROPERTY YOU ARE LOOKING FOR

We had this one covered from the start. As there was going to be 6 of us moving out and we wanted extra capacity to run a holiday rental and have friends stay so 6 beds was a minimum requirement. We also wanted the scope to make it bigger and have a self contained rental holiday residence. There were other factors such as a pool and garden so our search was quite specific. Do as many searches as you can on the internet but we found the best site for Spain was Kyero.com which most estate agents list their properties on.

KNOW THE AREA YOU WANT TO LIVE IN.

I know it sounds daft that people move abroad and pick property in an area and sometimes a country that they have never been to but they do. In our case we knew the area (Andalucia) reasonably well but mainly on the coast and from that decided we wanted to live inland so for a couple of years we visited property within our preferred area. If you are not sure, try and spend some time in different locations in the area and get a feel for them. Remember to check schools, hospitals, ease of access, public transport, shops and restaurants as you would if you were buying in the UK.

GET A GOOD ESTATE AGENT

This is a hard one. How do you know if they are good or not. We found the best way was to tell them what you want and why and, most importantly, what your budget is and ask them what they have on their books. A few we found just took details and then sent information that didn't match what we wanted and others matched our criteria much more closely and they were the ones, eventually, we used to show us around the properties. It is also useful if they can speak English. The estate agent we ended up using helped us out every step of the way and, even after we had completed, sorted all sorts of problems out for us before we finally moved out. Even now, 2 years later, we still keep in touch via e mail and phone.

GET A GOOD LAWYER

As with the need for a good estate agent, the need for a good lawyer who speaks English is a must. I asked the estate agent to recommend one and they suggested one who many of their

clients had used in the past. Its not worth shopping around as they all seem to charge a very similar price which is usually a percentage of the sale price. Unlike the UK, they don't handle the full process as contracts and completion are handled by a notary, at an extra charge which is set by the government so again, no point in shopping around. What the lawyer does for you is make sure there are no outstanding debts on the property like Council Tax, mortgage, bank loans, electricity, gas, water, phone etc because if there are, then they are paid out of the sale price before the seller gets their money. If this isn't done properly then, after signing contracts, the debts become yours. Like the estate agent, we still use the lawyer for any legal questions or queries we may have like making a will in Spain (very important).

BANK ACCOUNTS, NIE NUMBERS AND EXTRA COSTS

Before you can do anything in Spain, as a foreigner you will need to get an NIE number which is a bit like your National Insurance number in England. You cannot do anything without it. Our estate agent took us to get ours and depending where you are, it can take a while and costs a few euros each. There are companies who advertise that they will get the numbers for you but beware, they do charge 5 or 6 times what it actually costs.

Next step is to open a Spanish euro bank account, so you will need to choose a bank. Make sure you pick one that is well represented in the area you are looking in as not all ATM machines are free when you want money. Like the UK, most banks have on line banking and issue debit cards but account handling fees can vary. Fortunately in our bank (Unicaja) 2 of the 3 staff speak really good English which helps if you have a problem.

You will then need to make sure that funds are transferred from your UK bank to the Spanish one. It is usually cheaper to use a money transfer company than UK banks so shop around. We use a company called Currency index ltd who do monthly and one off transfers and always seem to get a good rate

Now you can buy your house or car but don't forget all the extra costs involved, especially when buying a house. Again they vary from area to area but its wise to allow an extra 10% on the agreed price. This will cover taxes, lawyer and notary fees and any other incidentals that might crop up in the sale.

ONCE YOU HAVE BOUGHT THE HOUSE

One thing I didn't mention when going through the buying procedure is having a survey done on the property. It appears that there are no such people as surveyors in Spain so if you think you need to have a house checked over the recommendation is to use a builder.

They will come and look at the property and tell you if it is going to fall down and how much they will charge you to make sure it doesn't. As we couldn't see anything more than a few hairline cracks in the exterior walls, we didn't bother. The walls are 24" thick anyway and so far all is ok.

Going back to builders, it is worth asking around to get recommendations for good local builders and ask to go and see their work. We struck lucky, both with a builder and an electrician who have lived out here for years and know the way the system works.

If you are into DIY, there are plenty of builders merchants, specialists, local hardware shops and national DIY sheds to buy your gear from but don't expect to get everything under one roof. You will normally have to visit 2/3 outlets to get what you need but on a positive note, it does seem a bit cheaper over here.

NEXT MONTH

Medical cards, cars and the ever changing rules for foreigners for residence and tax purposes.

Nearly New Sale for Baby & Toddler items in the Cottingham Civic Hall on 18th May

The Friends of Hallgate Primary School are organising a Nearly New Sale for Baby & Toddler Items on Sunday 18th May at Civic Hall in Cottingham, 10.30am -

Please come along and grab a bargain at our Nearly New Sale

There will be good quality prams/buggy's, maternity items, toys, clothes, books, equipment and everything you could possibly need for children aged 0 to 9 years old. There is a separate larger items gallery to view all large items in one place.

Refreshments will also be on sale to help raise funds for the school.

Do you want to raise some extra cash and clear out your lofts/cupboards - please get in touch with Leigh Pullen on hallgateprimaryfriends@gmail.com or 07854 881587 about hiring a table for this event – again all are welcome. Tables cost £8 and are approximately 1m x 2m.

Admission is 50p per person with children under 16 free.

We look forward to seeing you on the day and offering your support.

Floral Extravaganza - It's a "FLORAGANZA"

obert (Bob) Forbes, the famous florist from Ripon, North Yorkshire, is returning to Cottingham to give another Flower Demonstration. His previous visits have always sold out due to his talent for presenting amazing floral arrangements and his humorous commentary while he works! Robert is a committed supporter of the Multiple Sclerosis Society and the evening will be in aid of the Hull, Beverley Borough and Holderness Branch of the Multiple Sclerosis Society. The local society celebrate their 60th Anniversary next year and are targeting their fundraising to further research into this nasty and debilitating disease. Robert has strong links to our area having been raised in Walkington and his sister in law is a Cottingham resident who has M.S.

Robert's Flower Demonstration is entitled "My Symphony of Summer" and will be held at the Cottingham Civic Hall at 7.30 p.m. on Friday, 20th June, 2014. Tickets cost £7.50 to include refreshments will be obtainable from telephone 01482 842006.

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Haltemprice Lions's Young Person's Music Festival

The Haltemprice Lions members held their first Young Person's Music Festival in Cottingham last month and it proved to be very successful. As it was the first occasion the Lions had organised this type of event much was learned and the members gained encouragement to consider it being an annual event. The entries were oversubscribed with twice the number applying than the actual entries that were accepted.

Forty young persons between the ages of 12 to 18 years took part playing a variety of instruments, all competing in their own class. The adjudicator, Mrs. Margaret Smith of Leeds, praised all the contestants on their high standard. The main sponsor of the event was Gough and Davy's Music shop in Paragon Street, Hull (under the City Hall) and the club are grateful for their support.

Over £1,000.00 was distributed in prizes to all classes. However, the winner of his own class and overall winner, was 12 years old violinist, Harry Kneeshaw of Leconfield, who outstanding talent was appreciated by all. The Haltemprice Lions thank all competitors and supporters together with those who were unsuccessful in gaining an entry.

The Lions next activity is the Lions' Market to be held in Cottingham Civic Hall between 10.00 a.m. and 3.00 p.m. on Saturday, 17th May, 2014.

All tables have now been sold and it promises to be an event overflowing with interesting and attractive bargains. More details in next month's Cottingham Times.

Pictured above, 12-year-old violinist Harry Kneeshshaw of Leconfield, the overall winner of the music festival.



Swanland Live presents -"States of Verbal Undress"

ow is your last chance to buy tickets for the "Meal and a Show" event to be held in Swanland Village Hall on Sunday 11th May. The Indian company, Rasa Theatre's new play, "States of Verbal Undress" is being produced following an Indian meal, served at 7pm.

Guests will finish the evening with a coffee and Indian dessert and will be joined by the cast. Tickets are available at £12.50 per head from Yvonne on 01482 634863 or John and Shirley on 632159 (numbers limited). You will have a choice of lamb or chick pea curry - with rice and the trimmings - and you bring your beverages and glasses.

The Women's Institute 100th **Anniversary Celebrations**

In 1915, the first meeting of the WI was held in Anglesey, North Wales. To commemorate the 100th anniversary, La Centenary Baton was launched on 1st January, 2014 from Anglesey. After travelling around the country, from WI Federation to Federation, the Baton will arrive in East Yorkshire on 14th May for 6 days, where it will be passed between 6 local WI hubs. On the 6th day, the Baton will travel on its final leg in East Yorkshire from Burstwick to Cottingham.

The Baton will arrive at Cottingham Green, on an open top bus, at @ 20:00 on 19th May to be greeted by the hub of 10 WIs from our local area. The WIs, forming the Haltemprice Hub, are: Cottingham, Cottingham Green, Newbald, Swanland, Triella, Apple Crumble and Stitch, Boulevard, Brough Petuaria, Ellerker and North Ferriby.

The celebration will culminate in a fashion show "Through the Ages" since 1915 and an evening's entertainment courtesy of Men in Charitable Endeavour (MICE) at the Memorial Hall, Beverley on 20th May. At this celebratory event, the Baton will be presented to the president of the East Yorkshire Federation of Women's Institutes for its onward journey across the River Humber to the Humberside Federation.

The Humber Rescue boat will ferry the Baton across the river on the morning of 21st May for a handover celebration at the Ropery Museum, in Barton upon Humber.

The Baton will finish its trip at the Royal Albert Hall in London in June 2015 for WI's Centenary Annual Meeting.

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Linden House, Cottingham open on Saturday 31st May and 1st June as part of the Open Gardens Scheme

inden House, 16 Northgate, Cottingham, HU16 4HH, will be open on Saturday 31st May and 1st June as part of the Open Gardens Scheme.

The garden will be open between 11.00 am to 1.00 pm on the Saturday and Sunday.

This interesting small garden with a thoughtfully curved lawn, numerous shrubs, pond and aviary which blend well together. Homebrew demonstration and wine tasting. Admission £2.50, children free. Share of admission to Hospice in Hull.



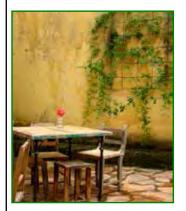
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Cottingham W.I. supporting their community

Tembers of Cottingham W.I. have been busy this winter in various ways. Many of us have knitted squares which have been made into blankets. These have been distributed to Cassandra Home for elderly people. We have also provided boiled sweets and cordials for the use of patients in the Oncology Department at Castle Hill Hospital. People undergoing treatment are often very thirsty and dehydrated, so these help to alleviate the dry mouths which they sometimes experience.

In Spring the Ashwin Rose Bowl is awarded to the W.I. who has made the most impact on their community and we take pride in feeling that we are playing, in some part, a valuable service locally.

Cottingham W.I. meets on the second Tuesday of the month at Cottingham Methodist Church 10-12 midday. We have a thriving membership of approx. 40 ladies at present. Each month we have a guest speaker and we enjoy many social events and visits to interesting places.

Our photograph shows some of our members at the BBC studios in Hull – a great afternoon out, a good way to make new friends and to meet new people. In March we unveil a new programme of events, typically these will be trips to the theatre, excursions and the opportunity to embrace new hobbies. Our President, Sheila Longbone, welcomes new members.

For more information please phone our headquarters in Beverley. tel 01482-860626 or perhaps check out our new Facebook site -Cottingham Women's Institute. We look forward to hearing from vou!

Cottingham Open Gardens to blossom again in aid of Dove House Hospice

fter a lapse of some considerable years we are resurrecting Cottingham Open Gardens in aid of Dove House Hospice, Land to date we have 13 participating gardens ranging from the splendid and wonderful to the pretty and bijou.

If you are interested in opening your garden to the public on Sunday June 22nd for a few hours, helping with the organising, or sponsoring the event with either cash or products for sale, or for the raffle, please contact me on 875129

Lists of the participating addresses will be available from various locations round and about Cottingham nearer the date. Each garden apart from its appeal as a gardeners delight will have other things to offer such as Teas and cakes Plant sales, Art Displays, Raffles, Handcraft sales, Bric-a-brac sales, Book sales, Garden advice, Fortune tellers, Face Painters, Children's competitions etc., etc.

Entry programmes which will permit entry into all of the participating gardens, will be on sale at each of the gardens and the charge will be £3 per Adult with children admitted free.

Cottingham Bowling Club News

Just a few words to remind everyone that we are still here – and 'rarin' to go. By the time you are reading this our season will hopefully be under way.

A lot of work has been done by our 'Monday Morning Gang' who come in [you've guessed it!] every Monday morning. Some do only an hour or so, but every little helps as somebody famous once said. Everywhere has been spring-cleaned including the curtains and the paint-work and the interior of the club.

Over the winter period quite a number of our members keep their hand in by playing indoors, either at the Marina or slightly further afield at North Cave. One team were very successful in the 3-bowls Triples League at 'Cave', namely Iris Hemingway, Brian Johnson and Jeff Lewis. Peter Ward is usually a member of the team – they had a good season by playing 28 games – winning twenty, drawing one and losing seven

Two teams eventually tied for first place and had to play a deciding 'end'. Iris & Brian were on the jack and in the end Jeff didn't need to play his last wood as the game was already won! Congratulations.

If anyone thinks they would like to try the game, drop by when you notice that the club is open and ask. My phone number is 847303, I am Brian DeVine the Secretary of the club [14 years so far!!] and I will be pleased to speak you about the game of bowls.

Railway footbridge receives planning permission

Planning permission has now been given for a massive footbridge over the railway just north of the station, despite local objections. In negotiation with Network Rail, local councillors discovered just how strict the safety rules for railways are, and how little scope there is for common sense.

We tried asking for other options as we've seen elsewhere, such as a locking gate with signals, but Network Rail is only allowed to install these at foot crossings where a road crossing is being closed. The strict gradients and distances from the tracks mean that there's no room for the bridge on the station itself.

This pedestrian crossing is very busy, especially at school times, and although trains are moving slowly, the high numbers make it overall the 6th most dangerous crossing in this region of the rail network. The bridge is not linked to the nearby supermarket application, but the supermarket cannot open without a safer crossing as it would attract more people over the lines.

Cottingham Local History society's research into the Great War has revealed that a woman was killed by train here a century ago, when there were two more tracks serving the goods yard. Calls for a bridge at that time were put on hold because of the war.

As a condition of the planning permission, residents of Exeter Street will be consulted about the construction process and landscaping, although the timescale for building is not yet known.

On a positive note, all four Cottingham ward councillors have been invited to visit the signal box at Beverley, to see first-hand how the Thwaite Street and Northgate crossings are operated. These timings are a regular source of complaints.

Geraldine & Ros, Cottingham North councillors

North Ferriby Flower Club welcomes visitor and new members

We have various demonstrations by flower arrangers, including National Demonstrators. We offer wine and soft drinks at the beginning of the evening and end the evening with a raffle of the arrangements followed by tea and coffee. You do not have to be good at flower arranging just enjoy flowers!

The evening starts around 6.45 pm for drinks and the demonstrator starts at 7.30 pm. We pay an annual fee of £27 but you can come to an evening for £4 to see how you enjoy it. We have Open Evenings which costs £8 for non members. Please look at our website for future events, www.northferribyflowerclub.co.uk.



Four Course Menu Sunday - Thursday 5.30 pm to 11.30 pm

Starters:-

Ponir Pakoorah; Dohi Papdi Chatt; Boti Kebab; Sheek Kebab; Shammi Kebab; Chicken or Lamb Tikka; Onion Bhajee; Vegetable Samosa; Meat Samosa

Main Courses (includes rice):

Mix Korai; Murghi Makani; Tandoori Butter Chicken; Shansha Balti; Vegetable Biryani; Chicken Biryani

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The Traditional Chinese method of Acupuncture treats the whole person, body and mind, and not just the symptoms

raditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) has existed for over 4000 years and is a comprehensive medical system with its own principles, diagnostic methods and therapies.

TCM views the body as an organic whole with a network of meridians connecting and co-ordinating the internal organs, Qi ('vital energy'), blood, body fluids, muscles, bones, tendons and the skin.

TCM also holds as its central belief that health in all parts of the body is due to the relative balance of Yin and Yang. Yin-Yang theory forms the basis of TCM's holistic approach to health and disease and also offers practical guidance in the prevention and management of

TCM has two basic components - Chinese Herbal Therapy and Acupuncture.

The aim of Chinese Herbal Medicine and Acupuncture is to regulate the meridians or channels of the body to unblock the stagnation of Qi, as it believes that the disease is caused by the energy blockages within the body.

The channels are related to the internal organs, which if out of balance is another important factor in the cause of disease. Chinese Herbal Medicine and Acupuncture are used to correct this imbalance.

Chinese Medicine is therefore a truly holistic form of medicine, aiming at treatment of the whole body rather than just the symptoms.

Problems and Diseases commonly treated by TCM **Dermatological:**

Eczema, Herpes, Psoriasis, Acne, Hair Loss, Itching, Athlete's Foot, and other Fungal Infections, etc.





Muscular, Neurological, Skeletal and Vascular:

Arthritis, Sciatica, Back Pain, Lumbago (lower back pain), Frozen Shoulder, Tennis Elbow, Gonitis, M.E., Stiff Neck, Hemiplegia, Neuralgia, Facial Pain, Stroke, Sprain, Sports Injury etc.

Internal:

High Blood Pressure, Palpitation, Obeseness, Asthma, Bronchitis, Headache, Dizziness, Migraine, Nausea, Vomiting, Gastritis, Colitis, Indigestion, Peptic Ulcers, IBS, Diarrhoea, Edema, Diabetes, Constipation, Haemorrhoids, Cold, Flu etc.

Men's Problems:

Ejaculation Praecox, Low Sperm Count, Impotence, Prostatitis, Sex Drive Problems.

Women's Problems:

Irregular Periods, Infertility, Habitual Abortion, Anaemia, Menopausal Syndromes, Premenstrual Tension, Discharges, Fibroids, Cysts, Endometriosis, Morning Sickness, etc.

Ears, Eyes, Nose and Throat:

Otitis, Tinnitus, Sore Throat, Hay Fever, Pharyngitis, Rhinitis, Sinusitis, etc.

Cancer and Tumour:

Herbal therapy can build up your immune system to support any other medical treatment for more serious medical conditions.

Addictions:

Tobacco, Drugs, Alcohol, Reduce Weight etc.

Mental and Emotional:

Anxiety, Depression, Stress, Panic Attack, Insomnia, Dementia, etc.

Herbgarden have been situated in Butcher Row, Beverley, for the past seven years and are a very respected medical centre in the area, with many satisfied customers over the years. There are customer recommendations displayed in the windows of the clinic and many more are available to see if you wish.

For further information and appointments, telephone 01482 888152 or call in at the Herb Garden, 28 Butcher Row, Beverley.



Hallgate Primary School 'Rock It' at Rock Challenge

Tallgate Primary School gained second place at the recent Rock Challenge Competition at Bridlington Spa. They performed an outstanding piece entitled 'Picture Perfect' which celebrates Fuji Film's 80th birthday. They also won awards for set design and function, stage crew, costumes, performance skill, choreography, visual enhancement, positive inclusion and for the 7th year running, student leadership.

50 pupils, staff and volunteers including PCSO Dale, our local community police officer, took part in the Northern Heat of this nationwide event, which promotes healthy lifestyles. We are the only primary school in Cottingham to do so.

The pupils taking part gained confidence, new friendships, team building skills and showed great commitment to their

Hallgate Primary School would like to thank the community for their generous support.



Sail away on the Windmill Way Walk - Saturday 10th May

THE 26 MILE CHALLENGE is a 26 mile circular route over an interesting course on footpaths and bridleways on the southern Yorkshire Wolds, with fine views of the River Humber and Humber Bridge. Full support and ample refreshments make this an ideal challenge for competitors attempting the distance for the first time, as well as experienced marathon walkers and runners.

THE 13 MILE WALK is a circular route using part of the Challenge course. A perfect distance for new or young walkers, the less fit or those who enjoy a good morning walk or run.

It takes place on the second Saturday in May which is the 10th May. Registration takes place from 7.30am at Skidby Playing Fields. The walk sets off at 9.00 am.

The cost is £8.50 for pre-registration and £10 on the day. This event is in aid of Skidby and Little Weighton Cub/Scouts.

Further details and a registration form are available from Mr S Abbott, Keeper's Cottage, Riplingham, HU15 1QT Tel. 01482 654153.





Care information and support progamme to take place in Cottingham during June

People caring for someone with dementia are being offered the chance to learn more about the disease and how it affects the individual in a Carers Information and Support Programme being run by Alzheimer's Society Hull and East Riding.

The programme is a series of workshops and aims to help carers understand more about the condition and its symptoms, including the sort of behaviours that people may display which can at times be challenging. By understanding more about dementia the workshops will help people to cope better with caring for the individual.

Alzheimer's Society Dementia Support Manager, Kate Atkins says:

'Relatives of people with dementia often say that it can be really frustrating when someone doesn't want to change their clothes, have a shower or sleep at night, especially if the person doesn't accept that there is anything wrong with them.

'Understanding how the person is trying to make sense of the world, and how they feel about the losses they are experiencing, can help relatives to be more patient and cope better. This, in turn, helps the person with dementia to be more content.

'The workshops will also help people to better understand the changes that occur as dementia progresses and there will be the opportunity for carers to discuss the difficulties they face and what tactics work for them.'

The free four week Programme will take place on Thursday 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th June, 10.00 am – 12.30 pm at the Holy Cross Church, Carrington Avenue, Cottingham HU16 4DU.

For more information and to book a place, please contact the Alzheimer's Society Hull and East Riding office on 01482 211255 or hull&eastridingservice@alzheimers.org.uk.



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Do you think that your life leaves little time for exercise?

aving little time to fit exercise into your schedule cannot be used as an excuse to not keep fit when there are lots of creative ways to do so. Here we look at some of the small but significant ways to add more exercise time into your life.

Finding time to exercise can be a challenge when you seem to work all of the time, not just at your job but at home as well! The good thing is that there are lots of ways to include physical activity into your day that do not involve going to the gym. If you think exercise can only take place if you make time for the gym then you need to go back to your fitness basics and relearn a few things!

What to Do:

Take your children for a walk in the park or around the neighbourhood. If you prefer get out the bicycles and go for a bike ride instead (or do both!). If you have young children then take a walk with the buggy or pull them around in a wagon. In the winter months when there is snow on the ground a sledge can replace the wagon.

Doing chores around the house will provide you with exercise and will burn calories and help to increase your metabolism. Do your dusting, mopping, sweeping and vacuuming and do not be afraid to be vigorous about it! If finding the motivation to perform housekeeping duties is not always in you then put on some music to add some enjoyment to the tasks. Before long you may find yourself dancing as you go about your otherwise mundane household chores!

Doing outdoor work can also provide you with the exercise you require. When you garden, mow and rake the lawn, clean out the garage and wash the car you expend energy doing this. For that reason you should roll your sleeves up and keep doing it. Perhaps your garden could use some weeding or your shed needs some cleaning.

Do some stretching exercises or even some light yoga moves when you are cooking dinner or talking on the telephone. When you are watching television use the commercial breaks to your advantage. Instead of groaning because you hate commercials do some sit ups, push ups, jumping jacks, abdominal crunches, lunges, leg lifts or jog on the spot. This will really get your blood pumping and you will be fit before you know it!

Now no more excuses! Get to work... er ... exercise!

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