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A word from our chairman

The clocks have gone forward, and the days are longer which means Spring has finally arrived.

The warmer weather and the brighter evenings are truly cherished by everyone at The Manor House, and allow us to plan more fun and exciting outdoor activities for everyone to be involved in.

The past month has been incredibly busy, which included an eventful Easter weekend and a very joyous St Patrick's Day. We're always keen to explore traditions, embrace cultures, and take part in celebrations that are meaningful to many of our residents.

If you'd like to find out more about The Manor House, please contact our manager Leanne, who would be very happy to help: leannehatch@parklanehealthcare.co.uk

Chris Mitchell, Chairman

The Easter weekend



Our annual Easter service was kindly led by Reverend Tim Kelly, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all residents. We were also delighted to be joined by our good friends at the local primary school across the road. Our longstanding relationship with the school means we often celebrate special occasions together and take part in a variety of activities for all generations to enjoy.

The day was rounded off with an Easter egg hunt and a visit from the Easter bunny, which, unsurprisingly, was a highlight for the children, who couldn't wait to tuck into some chocolate.



A day for Irish tradition

We recently celebrated St Patrick's day at The Manor House, and certainly partied in style. Residents began the day with an arts and crafts morning accompanied by some traditional music. We were then given a live musical performance before ending the day with some Guinness and crisps, whilst watching some clips of Riverdance.



Coronation preparations

The upcoming coronation marks a new era for Britain and King Charles III, which will be celebrated by many across the country. Some of our residents were fortunate enough to have witnessed the late Queen's coronation in 1953, albeit on a tiny black and white screen, something unimaginable nowadays.

We're looking forward to having a celebration party with live music from Matt Jones-Green, as well as having some drinks and nibbles for residents and guests to enjoy.

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In Cottingham and District

The deadline for entries in the June "What's On" section, is no later than the 19th May.

Cottingham Men's de Luda Society

Wednesday May 3rd - David Parker - History of de Luda Society
Wednesday 17th May - Bill Bromwich - Story of Rogers and Hamnerstein.

In the Willerby and Kirkella Social Club, 51a Main Street, Willerby HU10 6BY. We meet at 1.30 pm for 2.00 pm. Cost per meeting (paid at the door) is £4.00.

Hull Alpha Probus

Club for retired or semi-retired people meeting on alternate Thursdays - new members welcome. Contact the Secretary on 01482 348270 or 07542 959314.

4th May at 10:15 Coffee meeting upstairs at Kristoff's.

18th May at 12:30 Lunch meeting with Speaker at The Blue Bell (on West Green) Subject 'Tax, Care and Toy Boys' given by Danny Grocock.

Skidby Village Hall

Sunday May 7th - 1-3pm, Coronation Afternoon Tea, Skidby Village Hall. Booking not required, drop in community event. See www.skidbyvillagehall.com or @SkidbyVillageHall on Facebook for more information.

Cottingham Catholic Women's League

Tuesday May 9th - Open Meeting. We meet in the Garden Room at the Holy Cross RC Church, Carrington Ave at 7 30pm.

Cottingham u3a

Thursday 11th May - at 2pm in the Darby & Joan Hall. Arthur Vickers will give a talk on 'Joseph Rank, father of J. Arthur Rank', which will be followed by the usual tea/coffee and biscuits. For further information or queries visit www.u3asites.org.uk/cottingham.

The Hardy Plant Society - East Yorkshire Group

Thursday 11th May - Tracey Foster - Following on from Garden Design, Planting a Successful Border. Meet at 7.30 Lund Village Hall, YO25 9TF. Guest welcome.

Yorkshire Countrywomen's Skidby Branch

Thursday 11th May - at Skidby Village Hall at 7.30pm. The topic is a Silent Auction. All welcome please contact Celia Parnaby 01482 841370 for more information.

East Yorkshire Embroidery Society (EYES)

Saturday 13th May 2023 meeting commences at 2-30pm in the Darby & Joan Hall Finkle Street, Cottingham. **Quilting- Youngish - Modernish: Sarah Humphreys.** Sarah will present a personal history of quilt making from 1900 to the present day. Visitors welcome, admittance from 2-15pm- 2-30pm entry fee £3.00.

Little Weighton Gardeners' Club

Sunday 14th May - 12 Noon. Annual Gardners Club Plant Sale. Please bring your donated plants at 10.00 am Sale starts at 12 noon. LW Village Hall £2 entry.

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North Ferriby Gardener's Club

Monday 15th May - @ 7.30 -9 pm Parish Hall, Church St, North Ferriby.HU14 3DA, Perfect Pruning - Presented by Doug Stewart. Top tips from the BBC's 'Great Outdoors' co-presenter. Guests £3.00 Teas and coffees Yearly membership £15 Queries? Contact Trevor Barningham 07779 620651.

East Yorkshire Woodturners

Tuesday 16th May - 7pm, Skidby Village Hall, (doors open 6.30pm): Demonstration by professional woodturner Andy Rounthwaite. Andy is from Doncaster, where he produces a wide range of turnings from artistic pieces to bespoke architectural commissions, and small production runs. Guests are welcome (£5.00 entry). No need to book in advance. For information about the Club, please contact Amanda Barker, 07792 117539, or visit the Club's website: eastyorkshirewoodturners.org.uk.

Hull and East Riding New Stitchers (HENS)

Tuesday 16th May - Decorated Boxes - One, on the third Tuesday of the month at The Darby and Joan Hall, Finkle Street Cottingham, HU16 4AZ, 7.15pm-9.15pm. For further information contact Jean Ellis 845415. www.hullandeastridingsitchers.weebly.com.

The Arts Society, Hull and East Riding

Tuesday 16th May - An illustrated lecture by Elizabeth Merry: "The Artistic Alcotts (The Real Little Women)". At 10.45a.m. Mercure Grange Park Hotel, Willerby. Non-members welcome. Guests £5.00. For further details please contact Membership Secretary, Maureen Jones, tel. 01482 869886.

Little Weighton Gardeners Club

Friday 19th May - 2.00pm. Visit to Peter and Christina Youngs garden "Poplars". Car share from Village hall, Main Street Newton-on-Derwent YO41 4DA. £10 per person including tea and cake (Let Pru know if you are going on 01482 844461).

The Macular Society Hull Group

Friday 19th May at 10.30am until 12.15pm at Sight Support Beverley Road Hull. The guest speaker is Alec Gill local Historian. I'm sure this will be a very interesting meeting. All welcome members £2. Refreshments available. For more information contact Sight Support 01482 342297.

St Michael's Church, Skidby

Saturday 20th May - presents a concert by the Arterian Choral Society entitled "Music in May". At 7.30pm In the church. Tickets £15 to include wine and nibbles. Proceeds in aid of St Michael's Church. For tickets contact Jeanette Williams (01482 845323 or Joan Wilson (01482 844429).

Friends of Thwaite Gardens

Sunday 21st May - Open Day 11am - 4pm. (Thwaite Street, Cottingham). Come and enjoy time in the beautiful gardens, be entertained by the All for One Choir, join an informative tree walk, buy new plants for your garden, try your luck on the Tombola stall and relax with a cup of tea or coffee with cakes. Entrance £5. FREE for members and those aged 16 and under.

Hull & East Riding Broderers

Saturday 27th May - at Our Lady of Lourdes Church Hall Swanland Road Hessele HU13 0LY 12 noon to 5pm. A workshop 'Inches' with Janet Snell. Visitors £4.00 per meeting. For further information email herbyembroidery@gmail.com or contact our Secretary Steph Palmer 07725 320513. Everyone is welcome. *Please note that we are not part of Hull & East Riding New Stitchers (HENS).*

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Saturday 27th May - will be holding their Spring coffee morning in Walkington's Village Hall on Saturday May 27th from 10 am to 12 noon. The event is in aid of our chosen charity this year, 'Beverley Food Bank'. There will be a variety of stalls, including: cakes, crafts, books and sewing sundries as well as our popular raffle. An exhibition of our work will also be displayed. Entry costs £2 which includes coffee/tea and a home made scone and jam. Children: free. All welcome to this popular event.

Swanland U3A Choir

Saturday 3rd June at 7.00 p.m., Willerby Methodist Church. "Music for a Summer Evening" - A wide variety of songs from madrigals to folk songs including solos by Kevin Ormond (Baritone). Entrance £5.00.

Skidby Village Hall

Coffee Mornings - join us for a cuppa and a chat, all welcome! Light refreshments on sale, every Friday, 10am - 2pm. Visit www.skidbyvillagehall.com or @SkidbyVillageHall on Facebook for updates and information..

North Ferriby Short Mat Bowls Club

Village Hall, 50 Church Road, North Ferriby. HU14 3AA. Tuesdays and Fridays, 10am-12noon, and Thursday Evenings 7pm-9pm, except the second Thursday each month. All are welcome to any session especially those who just want to have a go. Newcomers can borrow woods and play in stocking feet if need be. For information please contact Mike on 07889 007005.

Cottingham & Hull Folk Dance Club

Tuesday 7pm-9-30pm at the Darby and Joan Hall Finkle St., Cottingham. No experience necessary come on your own or bring a friend for light exercise in a friendly environment everyone one welcome. For further information please contact Jan Gray on 01482840637 or Keith Alexander on 01482 509751.

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Cottingham Badminton Club

Badminton Tuesday/Thursday evenings, 8.00pm while 9.30pm. Cottingham High School. £3 per session. No booking required, just turn up and play. Fun and friendly. Open to all levels and abilities. Steve Baker 07795680912/870906.

Cottingham Bowling Club

Outdoor bowling started after Easter weather permitting, however, carpet bowling is available in the clubhouse. To find out more visit our web site cottinghambowlingclub.weekly.com. You can also ring L Davy 846611.

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'Iolanthe': or the Peer and the Peri – June 2023

Hull Savoyards featuring the Kingston Savoy Orchestra return to the Cottingham Civic Hall to perform the comic opera 'Iolanthe': or the Peer and the Peri. The performances will be at 7.30pm on the 16th and 17th June 2023 with a 2.30pm matinee performance on Saturday 17th June 2023.

Gilbert and Sullivan's comic operetta 'Iolanthe' is a satirical fantasy featuring a melodious score and brilliant wit. The opera not only targets peers of the realm and the British system of government but offers thinly disguised portraits of Queen Victoria and William Gladstone (Liberal PM of the day).

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up Strephon wishes to marry Phyliss – a crime punishable by death. To complicate matters further, Phyliss is a ward of court and requires the Lord Chancellor's permission to marry; the Lord Chancellor however, wants her for himself.

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King Charles III

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4. Orange Blossom Flowers, Finkle Street
5. Oxfam, Hallgate
6. Strouds, Hallgate

Our red, white and blue bunting has been installed on Hallgate and King Street to bring some cheer to the village, a big thank you to the Cottingham Lights Team for their help and time in undertaking the installation.

BLUE PLAQUE



We are delighted to announce that a blue plaque commemorating the achievements of Barbara Buttrick, World Champion Boxer, has been installed on the property where she used to live on Linden Avenue. This has been paid for by the Parish Council as a tribute to Barbara.

We hope to install further commemorative plaques in the village in the coming months.

OTHER NEWS

East Riding of Yorkshire Council currently have a variety of voluntary opportunities for tenants and leaseholders to get involved and have their say in the housing services they receive. To find out more on how you can get involved and have your say to influence and improve housing services that affect you and your neighbourhood visit: eastriding.gov.uk/housing/council-tenants/getting-involved. Alternatively phone: (01482) 396301 or email: housinginfluence@eastriding.gov.uk.

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Arterian Singers

Arterian singers rehearse Tuesday evenings at Cottingham Methodist Church, Hallgate, Cottingham on Tuesday evenings at 7.30pm. We welcome new members. For more information ring Hilary Andre 848958.

Cottingham Cricket Club

Run four Saturday sides, a Sunday side, a Ladies team and junior teams from U9 to U15. Our indoor winter net training will be held at Hymers College, 6-9pm on Wednesdays starting in January. This is for all junior (Hardball) and Senior teams. We also have indoor Softball training for girls and boys aged 7-14 at Sirius Academy North. This is held on Saturdays 12.30 -2.30pm starting in January. In the Summer, junior training is on a Friday evening and Senior training during the week. For any further information please contact Rob Rhodes at cottinghamcc@hotmail.co.uk We are Clubmark Accredited and all Coaches are DBS checked”

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If you are interested in coming along contact: Sally on. 07984 656259. Email sally.layton@gmail.com. Or Angela. 07903 804044. Email. McAngen@hotmail.com, Or Maureen 07928 407027

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We have two walks planned for May.

May 14th: Barton Hill/ Coneysthorpe to Malton Market Place.

May 28th: North Frodingham circulars.

Places must be booked in advance.

For further information and to book a place on the coach please contact Joint Rambles' Secretaries, Sue O'Leary on sue@sueoleary.co.uk

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Free compost giveaways to be held in May

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Nine giveaway events are to be held across the East Riding from 13-27 May, where 55 tonnes of compost - around 4,500 bags - will be given away.

All of the compost has been recycled from the garden and food waste that residents have placed in their brown bins.

Residents are invited to drive along to their nearest event, where they can claim two free 15kg bags of compost. The bags will be placed in their car boots for them.

The giveaways follow successful events held in May and September last year, which were well-supported by residents.

The giveaways are expected to return this September.

Brown bins can take grass cuttings, hedge trimmings, small branches, leaves, flowers and weeds, all cooked and uncooked food, peelings, plate scrapings, bones, bread, meat, eggshells and small amounts of soups, sauces and gravies.

All brown bin contents get recycled into compost by the Biowise plant in Willerby - where all the giveaway compost comes from.

Carl Skelton, acting director of streetscene at East Riding of Yorkshire Council, said: "These compost giveaways are always popular and are the council's way of thanking residents for recycling their waste."

"The East Riding is still one of the top performing areas in the country for recycling and that's down to the fantastic efforts of residents."

Free compost will be given away at the following event:

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Wordsearch courtesy of <http://www.puzzles.ca/wordsearch.html>

Sudoku No. 190

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

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We are a full independent travel agency booking all holidays as well as offering our own tours which are cultural, friendly & fun always enjoying an adventure. We have just returned from a River Cruise everyone had a wonderful time but as with travel at the moment it was not exactly what we expected with three changes within two weeks prior to departure due to French & German Strikes. What is our world coming too?

Our next departure is imminent, Coronation weekend in Scotland - 5th May for 5 days £595 we have availability as I write. We often visit places that a coach would not normally go! Why not join loyal regular travellers.

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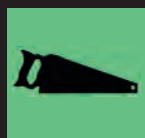
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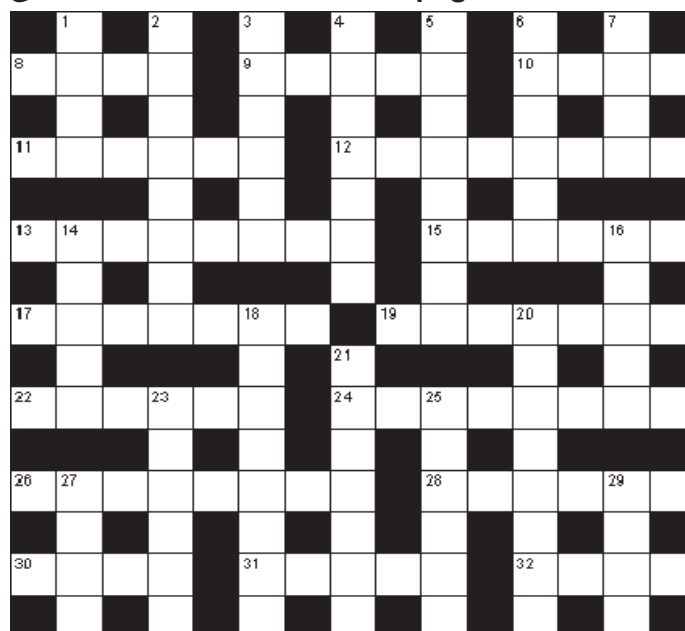
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Crossword - Solution on page 29



Across:

- 8 Rubber wheel (4)
- 9 Keyboard instrument (5)
- 10 X X X X (4)
- 11 Tremblors (6)
- 12 Cornhusker state (8)
- 13 Winking (8)
- 15 Customs duty (6)
- 17 Proceeding in small stages (7)
- 19 Varnish (7)
- 22 Respite (6)
- 24 Step (8)
- 26 Marrow squash plant (8)
- 28 Enrol (6)
- 30 Leg joint (4)
- 31 Step (5)
- 32 Latin for "Will be" (4)

Down:

- 1 Place (4)
- 2 Summoned (8)
- 3 Dwarf ornamental tree (6)
- 4 Punches of sweetened milk and eggs (7)
- 5 Cliquish (8)
- 6 Pack up and leave (6)
- 7 A euphemism for "Hell" (4)
- 14 Big (5)
- 16 A cloak (5)
- 18 Ails (8)
- 20 Deceased (8)
- 21 Where administrative workers work (7)
- 23 Irritated (6)
- 25 Do to excess (6)
- 27 Vases (4)
- 29 The founder of a family (4)

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In March, they held a truly memorable and prestigious event at the Oulton Hall Hotel & Spa in Leeds, offering their valued and loyal passengers a chance to meet the team, share their stories and anecdotes, enjoy a gala dinner, all complete with guest appearance from BBC Travel Journalist Simon Calder.

In April this year they held their very first Acklams Spring Social Yorkshire-themed event at the Old Swan Hotel in Harrogate. With pick-ups from all around Yorkshire and North Lincolnshire, they were delighted to welcome over 600 customers – a fantastic mix of loyal regulars as well as new faces – the weather was even on side to make it the most remarkable day!



16 May - www.cottinghamtimes.co.uk



They invited customers to go along to the Spring Social Event for an insight into their holidays and operation, to thank them for travelling with them over the years, to advertise and highlight new products, showcase their fantastic Elite coaches and chat to the Acklams team. A lovely way to personally thank their customers for their continued support and their hope is to demonstrate the longevity of coach and group travel and the excellent service Acklams customers have come to expect, and they are proud to provide.

In keeping with the Yorkshire-themed Day, there was a multitude of local exhibitors taking part in the event, all of whom play a vital role in the holiday products - Embsay and Bolton Abbey Steam Railway, Skipton Canal Boats, Emmerdale, York Chocolate Story, Coronation Street, Destination Harrogate, Confederation of Passenger Transport (CPT), Acklams Driver Training School,



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Alan Acklam, Director, explains 'The holiday business is going from strength to strength and following the challenges of Covid, we cannot thank our customers enough for their continued support. We know what a fantastic group of people we have travelling with us, so we are busy behind the scenes, adding value to our holidays and experiences to give them the tours and services they deserve and look forward to. Since October, our vehicles have covered 1.6 million road miles and that is a credit to all the team here and the hard work that has gone in over that last few years. We look forward to many more in the years to come.'

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Which side of the fence are you on?

The Grand National has just been run again amid big controversy.

It is a horse race which engenders many emotional responses depending on where you stand in support or against. This particular horse race certainly seems to be the one race in the entire British racing calendar to cause so many mixed emotions and THE most controversy.

It has certainly faced numerous challenges over the years, mainly related to the subject of **animal welfare and the lack of it.**

The main arguments against are:

- The undeniably high number of horse deaths and injuries on the track. According to Animal Aid, 62 horses have died at the Grand National Festival since 2000, and very many more (behind the scenes) have suffered life threatening stress fractures, ligament and tendon sprains, significant cuts and lacerations, alongside seriously deep and damaging bruising. Of course, we never get to hear about any of that side of things! It is kept quiet



and out of the public eye as is the way in all horse sports events. Who wants to hear what the real impact is on individual horses across the board?

- **The Grand National** is considered one of the deadliest horse races in the world. The whole festival is racing horses over massively challenging fences and its death and injury toll is enormous. The next big killer of racehorses is the Gold Cup. Its 3 day festival always claims several horse lives each year. **The National** has 2 fences, which pose the greatest threat to the lives, legs and necks of the horses. - **Becher's Brook and The Chair.** Both these fences have been lowered in recent years because of the death and injury toll to the horses, however they remain the main culprits in killing and crippling competing racehorses each and every year.

- That race horses are purely disposable commodities being exploited for entertainment and gambling.

- Too many runners allowed to start the race. **40 horses and jockeys** all setting off, jinking and crowding each other trying to find a good line. Being cut off in front of fences and having nowhere to land safely in balance. Too crowded. Too long. Too challenging and totally dependent on our variable weather conditions.

- That there are not enough safety measures implemented and that the fences should be lowered and softened to try to stop rotational falls. Animal welfare should be the no1 priority which is sadly not the case. Start numbers should be halved.

- The jockeys are there by choice, being paid and all wanting that prestigious win. This impacts on welfare hugely as the chance to win will override any concern for the animal beneath them. The horse is merely a tool for their vanity. Whipping a tired, flagging horse is unforgivable. Whipping a horse anytime, any where is equally unforgivable yet racing has the legal right to allow and encourage the use of whips on horses. **It is legal animal abuse.**

And so the list goes on. Google offers up another 10!

In defence of the big race and the 3-day festival is the right to uphold its tradition. That there are vast amounts of money to be earned for a few (the racecourse itself, gambling businesses, TV and media deals and the sponsors). That local businesses like shops, hospitality, hotels and petrol stations all benefit, and that it creates employment (mostly temporary)

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I'm weighing up the scales here. What are your thoughts?

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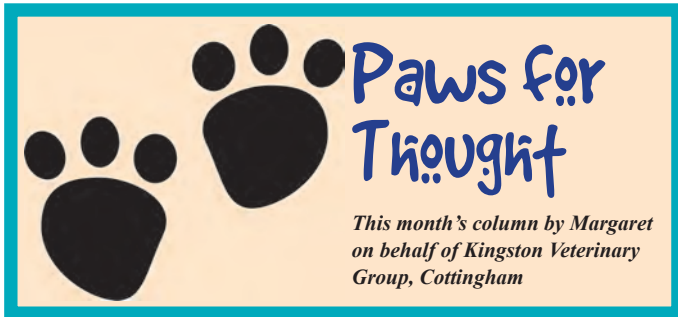
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Puppies. Where do I start? As you most probably have read from past articles, my girl Tali has led me a very merry dance in the past, especially during her younger days. "I shall be fine with a puppy" I announced when questioned by my family, "How difficult can it be, after all, I have had a Labrador puppy before?". These words have come back to haunt me time and time again. Yes, I used to have Teal but I also forgot I was 15 years younger at the time! Having a puppy in the house can and should be fun but it can also be very challenging. So how can KINGSTON help?

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AND FINALLY...TALI.

My girl has been in the wars again. A few months ago, after haring around on the park, she damaged her dew claw. Twisted at an angle, she had it cut back, bandaged and was back to normal in a few days. Since then, every time we go onto the field, I cover her back dew claws just in case they get caught again BUT this time it wasn't on the field. She was so pleased to see me one evening, that she did her greyhound impersonation, running around the garden, skidding into the kitchen and back out again that yes, it was damaged once again. Maybe I can find her some socks to wear around the house... or maybe not...knowing Tali she would eat them!

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Celebrate King Charles III with Champagne

Well, here we are in May and what a month in prospect . . . I'm sure we'll all be raising a glass in celebration of the King's Coronation on the 6th; a glass (or two) of fizz is definitely in order - Champagne preferably.

Talking of which, not surprisingly, there are many anticipating our demand for anything that will help us remember this historic day. Souvenirs of all shapes and sizes abound and communities up and down the country plan to come together with special events that ensure we stay in celebratory mood across the whole extended weekend.

In the world of wine, Moët & Chandon is marking the Coronation of King Charles III and Queen Consort Camilla with the release of an exclusive Moët Impérial magnum that's fit for Royalty.

Moët has a longstanding historical association with the British Royal Family. In 1893, Queen Victoria granted the house a Royal Warrant, meaning that it was supplied to the Royal household.

In the 20th century, this relationship would continue, with Coronation cuvées being released for Edward VII (1902), George V (1911) and George VI (1937) and Elizabeth II (1953).

The house also marked the Silver, Golden and Diamond Jubilees of the late Queen with the release of limited-edition Champagnes. It was also one of a number Champagne brands to hold a Royal Warrant from Elizabeth II, alongside Bollinger, Pol Roger, Lanson, Mumm, Krug, Louis Roederer and Veuve Clicquot.

The souvenir bottle (a magnum, of course, being the equivalent of two standard bottles) features a badge commemorating the May 6 date of the ceremony in Westminster Abbey, and a label which commemorates the date, time and location of the ceremony and reads: "The House of Moët & Chandon are proud to present this special cuvée to celebrate the Coronation of His Majesty The King."

The recommended retail price for the limited-edition Moët & Chandon Impérial Magnum, which will be available online from May 1, is £96. And should you see the bottle as an investment, rather than for drinking on the big day, I've seen auction listings for Queen Elizabeth II's 1953 Coronation Champagne selling online in the range of £400 – £600.

I should also say I've seen, as a much cheaper option, souvenir Champagne gift packs, including one from Moët than includes a 20cl bottle (enough to raise that glass), along with a souvenir flag and beer mat in a commemorative box for £28. And I don't suppose there'll be any shortage of similar rival offerings.

English wine producers are also getting in on the act, with Kent-based Chapel Down announcing a limited edition English sparkling wine from the "exceptional" 2016 vintage to commemorate the Coronation of King Charles III. All profits from the sale of the Chapel Down Coronation Edition 2016 will be donated to charity partner the Royal British Legion.

Just 2,000 bottles of the Chapel Down Coronation Edition 2016 will be released. The liquid inside the specially-designed bottle replete with Union Jack flag hails from the "exceptional" 2016 vintage, which was characterised by cool weather during the growing season and a warm, dry August and September.

It's a classic blend of Chardonnay, Pinot Noir and Pinot Meunier aged on the lees for five-and-a-half years before its release.

Chapel Down's head winemaker, Josh Donaghay-Spire, described the fizz as boasting "complex aromas of ripe apple, fresh red berries and toasted brioche" making it "perfect for grand celebrations". It has a recommended retail price of £65 and is available to purchase via the winery's website.

Chapel Down Coronation Edition 2016 Chapel Down chief executive Andrew Carter commented: "Whilst this is a moment for great celebration, it is also a moment of reflection and of giving back to those that protect our great nation. For that reason, we are proud to be donating the profits from the sale of this wine to the Royal British Legion, a charity that supports members of the Armed Forces community and their families. We are also running a number of wider fundraising initiatives to support the Royal British Legion." And Ben France, head of corporate partnerships at the Royal British Legion, added: "We are grateful that Chapel Down will be donating profits from the sale of its Coronation Edition English sparkling wine to the Royal British Legion.

"The RBL provides a lifeline for serving personnel, veterans and their families, supporting them in the face of hardships, injuries and bereavements. As the nation comes together to celebrate the crowning of a new monarch, the money raised from this Coronation Edition wine will help the RBL continue its vital work supporting the Armed Forces community throughout their lives."

And finally, Nyetimber - their fizz was a particular favourite of the late Queen - has also released a Coronation Classic, created especially for the occasion from selected vintages, which is available at £39.50 alongside a Coronation wine gift set, which includes two glasses as well as the bottle, for £61.50.

So lots of options to help us celebrate. Do join me in raising a glass!

BEST BUYS



Bredon Cuvee Jean Louis Brut NV

Where: Waitrose
When: Now, until May 9
Why: Of all the Champagne offers floating around to tempt us ahead of the Coronation, this one caught my eye - offering a saving of a third on normal pricing. This is a smooth, fruity Champagne made by the award-winning team at Champagne Lombard. Pinot Noir gives the wine attractive complexity and depth of flavour, while a dash of Chardonnay adds pure vibrancy.

£21.99 (was £32.99)



Bowler & Broly English Sparkling

Where: Aldi
When: Now
Why: Aldi's sparkling was one of three wines to be awarded a Best Buy following a rigorous blind English wine taste test, organised by Which? Judges noted its "light and lemony" characteristic, with notes of "ripe apple and honeysuckle", and commented how its "impressive, slightly savoury finish" was likened to bread-and-butter pudding.

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Where: Waitrose
When: Now, until May 9
Why: A silver medal winner in the 2021 International Wine Challenge, this Chilean Sauvignon is fresh and vibrant, with zesty notes of lime and tropical fruit.

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Let's go fly a kite! Bridlington Kite Festival returns for 2023

Some of the world's largest inflatable kites will take to the skies above the dramatic cliffs of the East Yorkshire coast for the annual Bridlington Kite Festival this spring.

Taking place on Saturday 20th and Sunday 21st May 2023, kites of all descriptions, sizes and colours will take to the air for two days of aerial displays over Sewerby Fields.

There will be professional demonstrations and visitors can get involved, with kites available for loan during supervised sessions.

The festival will run from 10am-5pm both days and is free to attend. Visitors can arrive in style on the land train which runs between Sewerby Hall & Gardens and East Riding Leisure Bridlington every half an hour.

Adam Toes, tourism events manager at East Riding of Yorkshire Council, said: "Bridlington Kite Festival has become an event we really look forward to hosting in East Yorkshire."

"The Northern Kite Group always put on a packed programme of kite flying activities from kites dancing to music to synchronised displays.

"It promises to be a weekend of fun for all the family, bringing happy smiles to faces and a lot of memories to share. And don't forget it is a free event."

For those who love a fun fact about kites, the event's website has plenty of information to get you in the mood for the festival.

For more information about the event, visit www.bridlingtonkitefestival.co.uk.

To find out more about East Yorkshire as a destination, visit www.visiteastyorkshire.co.uk.

East Riding Flower Club

The East Riding Flower Club will welcome June Borrowdale, a well known and respected Area demonstrator, to our next meeting on Monday 22nd May 2023 in the Cottingham Civic Hall.

She has chosen the title 'Floral Fanfare' and all are welcome.

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Motoring - with Roy Woodcock



Deep pockets may be needed to step into the new Peugeot 408, but you'll be rewarded with something a little out of the ordinary. Roy Woodcock reports . . .

I'm going to wax all lyrical here, because sometimes new cars really make an instant impression. Now, I concede we tend to say good things about most cars these days (and it's a truism that there are few, if any, really bad cars any more) but Peugeot really have pulled off something to admire with the new Peugeot 408.

It only became available to UK drivers in February but I was lucky enough to be amongst the first motoring journalists to drive one and the week I spent with the car went by all too quick.

Let's get the negatives out of the way quickly . . . on the road prices can make you wince a bit, particularly as you go up the range. Prices for the 408 start from £31,050 for the 1.2 PureTech petrol in the base Allure trim, travel via Allure Premium at £32,175 and reach £34,650 for the GT.

Other engine choices, currently, are two plug-in hybrids, based on a 1.6-litre petrol engine but giving either 178bhp or 222bhp and if you choose the range-topping GT Hybrid with the most powerful PHEV powerplant then the price reaches £44,700 on the road, or £48,025 for the model I was driving, which came with things like a "spoiler sunroof" tinted with interior blind (£900), premium hi-fi (£600) and four digital cameras (£450).

Fully electric models will follow in due course, we're told.

But back to what made me so impressed by this car: It's incredibly comfortable, oozes quality and is very smooth to drive. Journeys seemed effortless.

It's quite a head-turner, too, the dramatic five-seater, with an eye-catching sloping roof and deep macho grille, is an innovative cross between a sleek fastback, almost coupe-like, with almost SUV-like amounts of useable space.

Sit inside the 408 and you are faced with Peugeot's latest i-Cockpit, similar to that in the 308, which features a 10-inch digital instrument panel as well as a 10-inch touchscreen. The GT model uses 3D technology which allows things like satellite navigation instructions to stand proud of the other details on the screen which makes them much easier to view.

I found the cabin spacious and business-like yet at the same time trendy, with the trim again reflecting the interior of the new 308. But while leg room in the 308 is adequate in the 408 it's positively lounge-like.

A minimalist approach means there are few dashboard

switches as most operations are carried out on the touchscreen, but responsive voice control helps to lessen the time your eyes are off the road.

The high-tech onboard technology on the 408 means the car can be set up to recognise individual drivers so as you take your seat your personal preferences are activated, changing everything from radio stations, to display settings and even ambient lighting colours. It's all geared to the Bluetooth connection on your smartphone.

The compact gear selector in the centre console falls easily to hand as does the button which give you access to a choice of three driving modes. All the cars also come with paddles behind the steering wheel for manual gear changing.

And as it's a family car there's generous luggage space, with 536 litres in the petrol models – rising to 1,583 litres with the rear seatback lowered - and 471 litres in the hybrid version, rising to 1,545.

The new 408 benefits from a range of convenience and safety features. As standard, new 408 models are equipped with a 180-degree Colour Reversing Camera, rear parking sensors and Peugeot "Smart beam" High Beam Assist, while safety is improved via Advanced Emergency Braking as well as Extended Traffic Sign Recognition.

A range of further safety features are available across the various trim levels, including Long Range Blind Spot Detection and Rear Cross Traffic Alert on Allure Premium models.

GT models get a powered hands-free operated tailgate as well as the bonus of a heated steering wheel and seats and full Matrix headlights as opposed to eco LEDs lights on Allure and Allure Plus models.

Performance wise, acceleration is crisp and precise, covering 0-62mph in 7.8 seconds. Hybrid models are capable of an electric range of 40 miles, resulting in a Benefit-in-Kind (BIK) rate of just eight per cent for business users (2022/23).

Overall, this has been a car a long time in the making (seven years from the first production sketches to an actual production model, we're) led to believe, but well worth waiting for. It's one of those vehicles that really does stand in a class of its own.

More details: www.peugeot.co.uk.



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The Cottingham Community Garden Group opens its door to visitors

The Cottingham Community Garden Group [CCGG] is open to all local people to come along and enjoy or to come and get involved in all aspects of gardening

activities. Our group has been going for 18mths and began as an overgrown area on the Worklink site on Eppleworth Road to a working allotment / garden as it is today.

A local resident and Worklink volunteer had the initial idea of creating a community garden. This suggestion was then taken up by the Worklink staff and along with The East Riding active communities, health and well-being initiative the idea was put into practice.

Local residents who were interested were invited to attend a meeting to discuss the concept and how to plan the next steps. Through the invaluable support and practical help from Worklink and the active communities staff our small group became self sufficient and self funding and is now a "Constituted" group. We were very fortunate to be successful with some of our applications and we received funding from The Cottingham Parish Council, The Community Lottery Fund and Asda Kingswood. We also received a generous donation from a local family.

Recently we have had our small plot extended so there are exciting times ahead for new members to come along and get involved in developing the extended site. Our group meet Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1pm to 3pm. We are situated on The Worklink Site on Eppleworth. Road in Cottingham HU16 5YF on the far right of the plot past the last polytunnel. All welcome to come along and see whether it's for you. e-mail cottinghamcommunitygarden@gmail.com.

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This 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 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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Attract Wildlife with Plants

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 insecticides 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.

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10 Jobs for this month

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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. Tie 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.

Make a Wildlife Habitat

Making a wildlife habitat can be easy. Buy a birdhouse or a bee hotel for your 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.

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 low cost way to help your local wildlife.

Create your own culinary herb garden that looks almost too good to eat!

Try planting a selection of tasty herbs valued as much

for their ornamental appeal as their flavour. From sage to thyme, rosemary to clipped bay and flowering chives, combine herbs valued for their ornamental beauty to produce long-lasting displays as well as regular pickings for the kitchen.

There are no hard and fast rules about creating herb gardens, but successful designs often define the space using brick pavers, dividing-up the area with small paths to provide easy access for picking.



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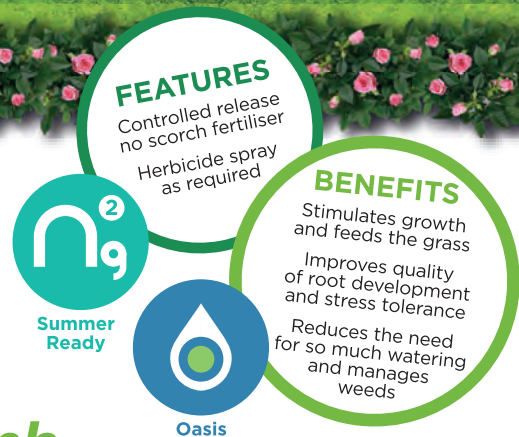
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Your Stars for May 2023

By Kay Gower

Aries (Mar. 21- April 20)

May will be a month of renewed energy and focus. You may find yourself taking charge in various aspects of your life and pursuing your goals with determination. Your confidence and assertiveness are high, and you may have the opportunity to showcase your leadership skills.

Taurus (Apr. 21- May 21)

Be cautious of being overly stubborn or resistant to change this month. Embracing flexibility and adaptability will allow you to make the most of opportunities that are about to come your way

Gemini (May 22-June 21)

Your wit and charm are in full swing and you will sparkle in any negotiations or presentations you may have to give. It's a great time to express yourself creatively too, and you will share your ideas with others. However, be mindful of scattered energies later in the month and a tendency to be overly talkative.

Cancer (June 22-July 22)

May brings a focus on home and family. You may feel a strong need for emotional security and will find comfort in spending time with loved ones. Home improvement projects or family gatherings may be on the agenda. Your empathetic nature shines and you may find fulfillment in taking care of others. Be cautious of becoming overly emotional or moody.

Leo (July 23-Aug 22)

Everyone needs a rest stop now and then. Your body may be telling you that it could use a bit more tenderness and care. This month is a good time for you to pull over and fuel up. Do it sooner rather than later.

Virgo (Aug 22 – Sept. 23)

Your analytical and discerning nature is highlighted this month and you will excel in problem-solving or decision-making. It's a great time for planning and setting achievable goals, just be cautious of being overly critical or perfectionistic, as it may lead to unnecessary stress.

Libra (Sept. 24 -Oct. 23)

You may find yourself delving deep into your subconscious mind and uncovering hidden emotions or patterns that need healing. It's a good time to let go of any emotional baggage that may be holding you back. Just be mindful of balance in all aspects of your life, try to avoid becoming overwhelmed by intense emotions.

Scorpio (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)

It might be easy mid month to make wrong assumptions about people especially if they remind you of someone you once knew in the past. A strange couple weeks, but try to resist jumping to conclusions or making impulsive decisions that will have long-term consequences.

Sagittarius (Nov. 23 -Dec. 21)

You will be drawn to new experiences, possibly exploration of different cultures and philosophies. It's a good time to broaden your horizons and learn through travel, education, or self-discovery. You may also feel a renewed sense of optimism and enthusiasm which will help you overcome any challenges.

Capricorn (Dec 22.- Jan. 20)

Your confidence will be high all month and you may have opportunities to show off your abilities or take on leadership roles. It's a great time for self-promotion, you may also feel inspired to pursue your passions and hobbies.

Aquarius (Jan 21 - Feb 19)

May is a month of innovation and creativity for you, Aquarius. Your unique ideas and perspectives will be in high demand and you may find yourself being recognised for your originality and creativity. It's a great time to think outside the box and explore new ways of doing things.

Pisces (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)

You may find yourself drawn to introspection, meditation, or spiritual practices that nourish your soul. Your intuition is heightened and you may receive guidance from your inner wisdom. This month would be a good time to focus on your emotional well-being.

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Celebrate the King's Coronation Sunday May 7th 2023



- 9.30am, St Michael's Church, A Special Commemoration Service for the Coronation
- 1.00 – 3.00pm, Skidby Village Hall for afternoon tea

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- Cakes, sandwiches and drinks (donations welcome)
- Singing from Skidby and Kirkella St. Andrew's Primary Schools (2 - 2.15pm)
- Children's colouring/puzzles

The event is organised by the Skidby Village Hall & Institute Management Committee. Proceeds from the event go towards upkeep of both the village hall and St. Michael's Church.

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Weekend of medieval re-enactment to come to Sewerby Hall and Gardens

Sewerby Hall and Gardens will welcome Sir John Savile's Household to the Grade I listed house for the first time this May.

The sound of handgonne fire and the clash of amour will be heard coming from the event field when the Household will demonstrate medieval warfare during The Wars of the Roses period. Visitors can expect to see a variety of warfare, with a contingent of archers demonstrating the use of the feared English longbow and a small company of foot soldiers which include bill men, men-at-arms, crossbowmen and gunners.

Sir John Savile's Household, which was formed in 1995, portrays the family, servants, and retinue of the Savile family from the middle of the 15th century until the beginning of the reign of Henry Tudor. It is a member of The Wars of The Roses Federation and stages historic re-enactment displays for several clients including English Heritage and The National Trust.

The group will be fully equipped with a living history camp, complete with medieval tents. They will demonstrate the everyday tasks of medieval life to visitors, such as chopping wood, fetching water, food preparation and often cooking meals on open fires to feed the camp.

Visitors of all ages can enjoy, join in, or just observe the range of activities taking place over this action-packed weekend. From bill drills, period armour, costumed mummers' plays and even a bit of merry dancing, there's something for all of the family to enjoy.

This event will take place, 11am - 4pm, on Saturday, 13 and Sunday, 14 May 2023. Visitors can prebook online or can pay upon arrival. Included in the admission price to this great event, visitors will also be able to wander the magnificent gardens, visit the zoo, check out the play areas, and explore the deep-rooted heritage of Sewerby Hall – not forgetting time to enjoy the hog roast or just relax at the Clock Tower Café.

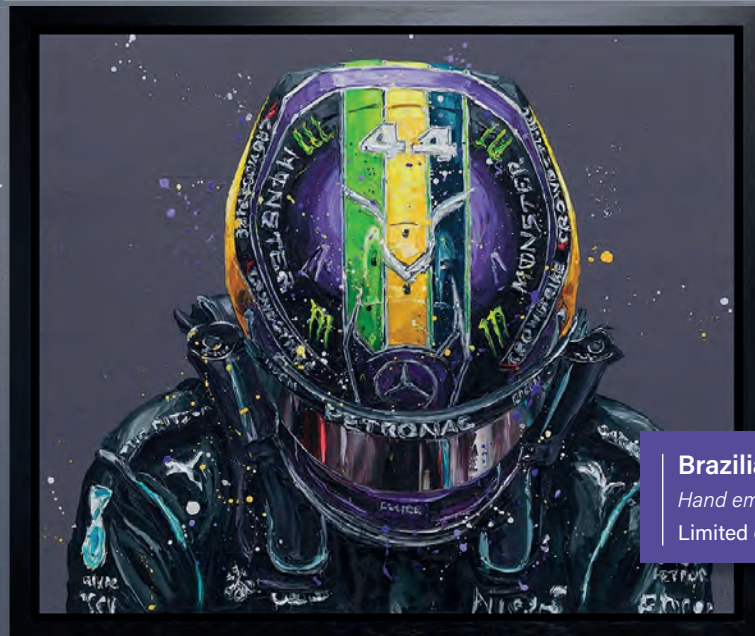
Sharron Wilson, Events and Activities Officer, said: "We can't wait to welcome Sir John Savile's Household for a weekend of battles, history, and fun!

"Our events and activities are so varied at Sewerby Hall and Gardens and it's brilliant to be able to offer so much choice our visitors."

For more information, or to pre book admission online, please visit: <https://www.sewerbyhall.co.uk/>.

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