

The Chronicle

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We all need to play our part

We have entered the Best Kept Village Competition

Please help to keep our village tidy

Judging takes place in June & July

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From the Editor

Need to thank **Chris Phillips** for leading the campaign for our '**Best Kept Village**' category entry and would ask everyone to take a look at the following article explaining what we need to do to give us the realistic chance of bringing this home again to Aston Abbotts.

It's good to see that, as we go to print, the damaged paths on **The Green** have been marked out for fixing.

Very disturbing news that a vile piece of graffiti has been written on a shed belonging to a guest allotmenteer within the allotment. (See '**Allotment News**' inside).

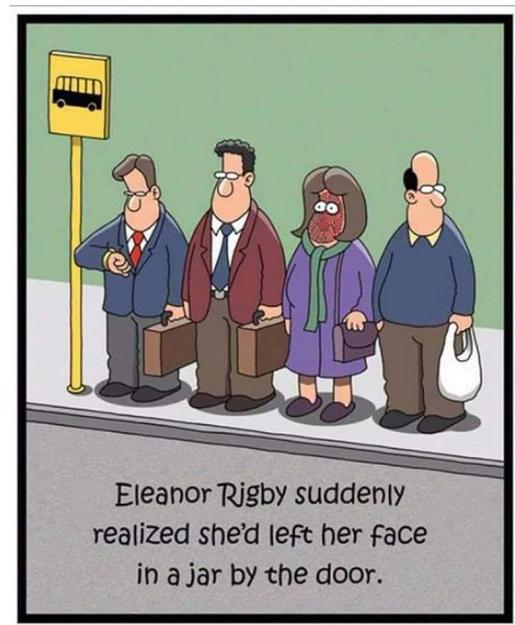
If you haven't joined in the **Quiz Night** yet, you need to. It's great evening entertainment every **1st Sunday of the month**. I thought this event would last for around 6 months but we are approaching our 4th year.



Does anyone get the same feeling in their garden, or is it just me?



Stay safe. **Pete. Ed.**



Best Kept Village entry. We need your help

If you saw the Chronicle at the end of last month, you'll see the headline news. We are going for it – we have entered the Best Kept Village, in the Gurney Cup (for population under 500).

We have now had our entry accepted, yet the work has just started! I like to think we're in a pretty good place to compete, but it still requires the community to come together to show a love for the local environment.

This is what the judges will be looking for:

*** Judging will take place anytime from 1st June 2019 – 6th July 2019.**

*** Verges being cut**
*** Lack of litter**
*** Weeds being removed**
*** Local areas of community interest (pub, bus shelter, community centre) being shown love (see above), but also evidence of the community going**

the extra mile – floral displays are a good suggestion

*** The community coming together for the village environment**

To help the village, I will be donating 5 terracotta pots full of summer plants, I've also grown circa 45 Sunflowers which I'm willing to donate to anyone in the village who would like one. In August, we will also be having a competition to see who has grown the highest sunflower. There will be a prize for first, second and third. More details to follow. If you can donate any pots, that will help our submission.

If you would like a sunflower or two, please help yourself from the table on our front garden (67 The Green – the house with the building work and the skip outside, with the gravel drive)

I will also be planting some around the village to help them grow on.

There is an element of luck to our entry and when the judges visit (we will not know). I will be liaising with the lawn mowing team so they are aware, we'll also organise some more litter picks too.

Thank you for your help and assistance. If you wish to help the village, every piece of support will be welcome.

Thanks, **Chris Phillips**
07879660115 for information.

FETE – 20th July 2019



Thank you for all those who came to the meeting on 15th May. We now have enough volunteers to hold the Fete but there are still a few jobs that need filling. In particular we need volunteers to run the PIMMS stall and the coconut shy and there are always jobs to do setting up the Fete on the Saturday morning and putting away afterwards. Please contact me if you think you can help.

I have written brief descriptions of what is involved so if you are Interested but need more details before making a commitment, please send me an email or postal address.

So please put Fete day, Saturday 20th July in your diaries and invite friends and family to come along. Put aside all those books, bottles, bric-a-brac and unwanted gifts so that our various stalls are brimming over and the Fete proceeds can benefit good causes in the Village.

David Gray, 681952,
ukdavidgray@gmail.com.

What's on in June

Rambling Club	Sunday 2nd 14.00	Ashridge Monument
Evensong	Sunday 2nd 18.00	Church
Quiz Night	Sunday 2nd 19.30	Royal Oak
Pilates	Every Tues 09.30	Village Hall
Yoga	Every Tues 17.30	Village Hall
Chip Van	Every Weds 20.15	Various
Morning Cafe	Every Thurs 10-12	Village Hall
Whist Drive	Thurs 6 & 20th 19.30	Village Hall
Bingo	Thurs 13th 19.30	Village Hall
Best Village Litter Blitz	Saturday 15th 10.00	Village Hall. Pls wear Hivi tops/Bands
Fathers Day Lunch	Sun 16th 12-16.00	Royal Oak
Aylesbury Vale Transport Meeting	Tues 18th 14.00	Train & Bus queries to Colin
Open Gardens	Sunday 23rd 14-1530	
Ladies Club	Every 3rd Thur 14.30	Village Hall
Parish Council	Tuesday 25th 19.30	Village Hall
Bus Trip(Ladies welcome)	Friday 28th 10.00	!0.00 bus to Aylesbury
Village Footpath Walk	Sunday 30th 14.00	The Green

Aston Abbotts Fete is on Saturday 20th July 2019

Our MP visits Cottesloe School to talk about his career in politics NEIL SHEFFERD



Mr Bercow took part in a careers question and answer session where he spoke about his own career journey and told pupils from years 7-13 about what a career in politics is like.

Buckingham MP and Speaker of the House of Commons John Bercow visits Cottesloe School in Wing to talk about his career in politics

Mr Bercow also participated in a round table discussion about careers education which was

hosted by The Cottesloe School headteacher Simon Jones.

Other contributors were Buckinghamshire Thames Valley Local Enterprise Partnership's under-19 skills manager and careers hub lead Marina Jackson, BTVLEP's enterprise co-ordinator Ruth Deraed and John Yarham, deputy CEO from the Careers & Enterprise Company.

The group were also joined by the school's two senior business volunteer enterprise advisers Dave Oxley and Jo Cowdrey from McAfee.

John Yarman from the Careers and Enterprise Company said: "It's great to have this opportunity to bring John Bercow MP to The Cottesloe School, which is making great progress in delivering careers education.

"We're delighted that through the BTVLEP careers hub we've been able to support a number of local schools to develop their careers

provision significantly over the last year.

"It's so important that young people get the support they need to be better prepared for the world of work."

Marina Jackson, under-19 skills manager and careers hub lead said: "This was a great opportunity to showcase to John Bercow the work of the Buckinghamshire

Thames Valley Local Enterprise Partnership careers hub and the progress that the Cottesloe School have made in delivering a world class careers education to their students.

"Students benefited from John Bercow's message about resilience, hard work and determination, whatever path they might chose to follow."



Good Samaritans Bingo!

£75 raised in May for:





Your Letters

Some of the new recycling charge rules at Rabans lane are just idiotic. (May issue) Moral is do not cut up any single wooden item to fit in the car as you will be charged for each bit! I've just taken some stuff down there and whilst most was ok they tried to charge me £7.50 for three cut up sections of a single feathered fence board I used for garden edging, it only cost me £2 brand new!

Dear All

Thank you to everyone who came on Saturday to support the Orchard Fun Day especially to the Gnomes ladies and other folk who helped to set up. Also thank you for all the sharing cakes, very delicious!

A big thank you too to Peter Knight, for bringing along the hay bales and providing amazing entertainment for the kiddies with his very popular tractor rides around the orchard!

It was a lovely way to while away some time on a sunny afternoon! Best wishes. **Heather.**

Dear All

I am sure that many of you will have read Peter Cooper's recent email about the new broadband service now being available.

I would just like to re-iterate, the new service is only available from the following service providers:

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If you are interested in the new service, please contact one of the above direct, in order to find out what packages they can offer. This includes existing BT customers (please note that you will not automatically be upgraded).

If you have any questions, please drop me an email:

Richard.lakin@hotmail.co.uk

Richard

To start our series of clubs in the village, we take a look at the Ladies GNOMES club & the Rambling Club

Common or Garden

MisGnomers



1) G.N.O.M.E.S stands for: **Girls Night Out Men Excluded Sorry**

2) We pay subs and have all sorts of rules and regulations

3) We are a “closed shop”

Firstly, GNOMES is just the plural of GNOME and we are not sorry at all! Secondly we have no rules or regulations and pay no fees or subs. Thirdly we welcome new ladies and although we have a long standing “hard core” one of the purposes of the group is to welcome newcomers to the village or indeed anyone, the only stipulation is to be female. We have had two ladies join us in the past year or so and so far they have stayed, some people come and go, it does not suit

everyone, just come and try for yourself.

Gnomes was founded in 2003 by myself and Jackie Farrands. We just thought it would be nice to get together once a week for a chat and a drink. We meet mostly at The Royal Oak from about 8pm onwards, and usually stay for an hour or two. There is no pressure to come each week and in fact many of us don't, there is always someone who has something else on that night. So sometimes there are four of us and other times, ten or eleven, our numbers are at thirteen at present. Occasionally we meet at someone's house or we arrange to go to the theatre or cinema just for a change, usually always on a Tuesday evening. Once a year in February, we organise an anniversary dinner out and at Christmas we usually have a little celebration. So, whether new to the village or not, if you are interested in a friendly social get together then just come along and join us, or call me first (681544) just to be sure we will be at the pub.

Carol Spooner

Rambling Club



The Aston Abbots Rambling Club was formed in 1972 as a means of leisure, using our local footpaths, many of which now have gates to replace stiles (still some stiles) and all paths are clearly waymarked.

The club meets on the 1st Sunday of the month and members take it in turn to lead a walk from various venues and usually end with a cup of tea. (2nd June) Transport is usually shared.

We hold a halloween walk around Aston Abbots starting and ending at the Royal Oak for a sausage & mash supper.

We also have a New Year lunch (January) in lieu of a walk as weather is usually wet/snowy. I

also lead various Sunday walks from The Green. Next date, Sunday 30th June 2pm.

It's full of social contact, many laughs and friend making.

Come and join us and have good company and good exercise.

Colin Higgs



Aston Abbotts Theatre Goers Lottery - Waterside Theatre Aylesbury

Please see the list of shows below for which a ballot will be drawn 2 weeks before the date of the show.

If you are interested please state the shows that you would like to see and I will put your name into the draw. Email me — judyhardcastle@me.com

<p>THE TIGER WHO CAME TO TEA Up to 4 tickets available</p>	<p>SAT 8 JUN 2PM</p>
<p>RHYTHM OF THE DANCE - Tickets limited</p>	<p>THU 20 JUN 7.30PM</p>
<p>MONEY FOR NOTHING – DIRE STRAITS TRIBUTE Tickets limited</p>	<p>SUN 23 JUN 7.30PM</p>
<p>HORMONAL HOUSEWIVES - Tickets Limited</p>	<p>THU 27 JUN 7.30PM</p>
<p>Vivo D'Arte Theatre School - MADE IN BRITAIN</p>	<p>SAT 6 JUL 7.30PM</p>
<p>AVENUE Q</p>	<p>MON 22 JUL 7.30PM</p>
<p>THE ADDAMS FAMILY</p>	<p>THU 15 AUG 7PM</p>
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Nature Watch in Aston Abbots – Peter Knight

17th MAY 2019

It is the middle of May as I write and again rather too hot for me during the day. Sheep shearing will soon be upon us and what a stressful time - for the shepherds that is. Some of the great urban masses think we should not shear sheep as it is stressful for them – nowhere near as stressful as not being sheared and leaving them to overheat and suffer from all manner of insect problems. Already the ewes are spending most of the day in the shade of trees and hedges – they want to be freed from their great thick woollen coats. Sheep are sheared for their welfare. Farmers lose money shearing. A friend of mine told me the shearing cost was £1000 more than the value of the wool harvested. That is an amazing under valuation of a quite remarkable product.

I see there's yet another wildlife programme on T.V. coming soon - "Save the Hedgehogs" – but how?

We've run them over in their thousands, poisoned them with slug pellets and to finish them off we have allowed their only predator to quadruple in numbers. If you want to see hedgehogs go to a leafy urban area or a farm where there has been a Badger cull!

The wildlife in Aston Abbots has taken a big hit recently with the moat at the Abbey being drained – in Spring of all times – breeding frogs, toads and newts and nesting birds will have been severely damaged. Imagine if a farmer had caused that mayhem – he would have been pilloried and fined thousands.

Another animal I feel sorry for at this time of year is a vixen with cubs to rear. With the rabbit population almost non-existent round here the foxes must have a serious problem to find meat for their cubs. I know where 4 cubs are being reared and round the earth lies the remains of pheasant,

lamb and a rabbit leg – wouldn't they love a dead sheep – but of course we have to take our dead sheep 15 miles away where they are legally disposed of and quite right too.

I hope someone else has written about the picnic in the Orchard.

May I just say what a pleasure it was to share a lovely sunny afternoon with villagers and their children. I hope the children enjoyed it as much as I did. Thank you all for getting together and organising such a pleasant afternoon.



The Royal Oak Aston Abbotts



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***Don't forget to book for Fathers Day
Sunday Lunch 16th June***

Astonians Two pieces of Gossip

I'm ashamed to say that I was caught speeding the other day. The Thames Valley Police Officer said, "I've been waiting all day for you". I replied, "I got here as fast as I could". Humour lost on some.

Condom Code

Nosella Parker's daughter, Zoe Parker, is on her Gap year and has started working for the local chemist. Nothing unusual with that except that she was very shy about having to sell condoms to the public.

Now the Pharmacist was going on holiday for a couple of weeks and asked Zoe if she would be willing to run the shop on her own.

According to Nosella, Zoe had to confide in the Pharmacist regarding her worries about selling condoms.

"Look" he said. "My regular customers don't ask for condoms; they either ask for a 310 (small); a 320 (medium); or a 330 (large). The word condom is never mentioned".

The first couple of days were fine, but on the third day a guy came into the shop, put his hand out and said "350 please". Well Zoe panicked. She phoned the Pharmacist on his mobile and told him the predicament she was in.

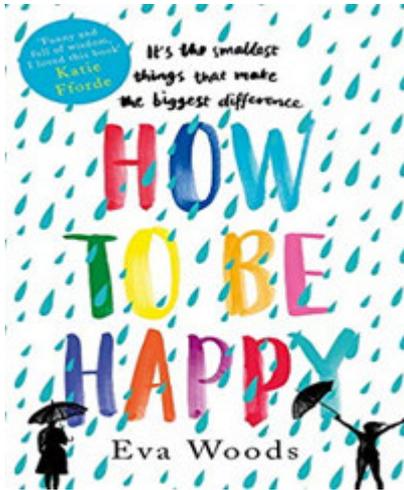
He said "Go back in and check if he has a bucket hanging between his legs ". She took a look through the door and saw the bucket hanging between the guy's legs. "Yes!" she shouted down the phone. "He's got one hanging there!"

The boss replied, "Well, go back in there and give him £3.50 ...he's the window cleaner!"

ASTON ABBOTTS

BOOK CLUB

My choice for April was 'How to be Happy' by Eva Woods,



Pam's Dad was a happy soul and lived till he was 96. On the wall in his house were the words 'The place to be happy is here, the time to be happy is now and the way to be happy is to make other people happy'. With so much sadness and depression in the western world, particularly in the younger generation who spend far too much time on their iPhones, this is a motto that should have much more prominence. The book describes how helping one another can bring happiness.

Annie has a boring job with boring people and visits her demented mother in the hospital most days. Polly has been diagnosed with an inoperable brain tumour and given 3 months to live. Pretty depressing really. But Polly has resolved to make every day count and enrolls Annie in her '100 days project' which involves "doing at least one thing each day that makes you happy". Annie, at first resistant to this irritating stranger who is determined to improve her situation, eventually warms to Polly's infectious enthusiasm for life (the 100days). Polly's physician Dr Mac is the stereotype of a hospital doctor; passionate about the NHS but depressed that his determination to help people is thwarted by limited resources.

Our reviewers were split between those that found the book entertaining and uplifting and those that found some difficulty in empathising with irritating characters. A good read.

David Gray

Aging process, and how we deal with bad news. A word from Revd Philip

Dear friends,

One line of a great hymn goes: "Age and decay in all around I see". There's certainly no doubting the ageing process and its complications and everything inevitably breaks down given the time available.

But there is also a lot of life, energy, growth around to enhance our enjoyment of life. A few years ago someone tried to start a 'good news' item for each TV news broadcast. I think it lasted about a week at most! You just can't engineer these things---as the late great Doris Day sang 'Que sera,sera---whatever will be, will be' and therefore the reverse is also true.

The sad truth is that we all too often seem much, much more interested in disasters than in good stuff.

Now I wonder if that is because we are basically scared of dying or is it just the process. It was the crazy filmmaker Woody Allen who said: 'I'm not worried about death, I just don't want to be there when it happens'!

The truth is we often deal with difficult and unpleasant realities by splashes of humour. It certainly helps put things in perspective. We all need positive support in times of stress: family, friends, faith can all get us through our times of trial.

Whatever works for you, I wish you God's blessing this hopefully 'glorious June'. God bless,
Revd. Philip.



Church Matters

The diary of St. James's

We will be doing all we can to keep the churchyard looking neat and tidy over the next few weeks when judging for the 'Best Kept Village' is due to take place. Our sit-on mower is going in for repairs on 20th May so fingers crossed it is back before 1st June!

The Family Service on Sunday 19th May involved time travel with Dr Who fans and the rest of the congregation transported back to the time when Moses and the Israelites were wandering in the wilderness before they finally came to the Promised Land.

We also looked at the 10 commandments and a poetic version (from McGuffey's Reader):
'Above all else love God alone; Bow down to neither wood nor stone.

God's name refuse to take in vain;
the Sabbath rest with care
maintain.

Respect your parents all your days;
Hold sacred human life always. Be
loyal to your chosen mate; Steal
nothing, neither small nor great.
Report, with truth, your
neighbour's deed; and rid your
mind of selfish greed.'

The key message of the
Commandments is:

'With all your soul love God above,
and as yourself your neighbour
love.'

June is the month for renewing
your 100 Club membership or
joining this monthly lottery. We
return half of the membership fees
over the next year in prize money
so please consider a small
gamble/donation to this worthy
cause. Look out for the
membership forms that will come
through your door in the next few
days and please get them back to
me before the end of the month.

Thanks

David Gray

June Church Duties

Date	Cleaning	Flowers	Mowing Mark Davison (07525 853929) Please let Mark D or David G know if the petrol is running low
1st	Colin & David	Donated	David Gray
8th	Ann & Caroline	Donated	Mark Davison
15th	Alex & Anita	Colin	Andy Peacock
22nd	Colin & Gay	Colin	Phil Spooner
29th	C David	TBA	Andy Bystra

The 'sit on' mower has been playing up in the last couple of weeks and maintenance has been sought to resolve this, so if it is not serviceable on the rota, it would be helpful if you could use the walking mower to mow mainly by the area by the entrance to the Church. We hope this problem will be resolved in the next few days and normal service can be resumed. Thank you for your support.

Stewkley Country Fayre 2019 – Classic Car Display

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& St. Michael's Church, Stewkley. If you have a classic car/commercial vehicle and could be interested in exhibiting it, we would be pleased to hear from you. For more information -please call- Norman Draper 01525-240524.

Services at Saint James Church - Aston Abbotts June 2019

2nd June	6.00pm	Evensong	Rev. Philip Derbyshire
9th June	10.30am	Parish Communion	Rev. Peter Binns
16th June	9.30am	Breakfast in the Village Hall,	Father's Day
		followed by a short service	
23rd June	10.30am	Parish Communion	Rev. Canon David Holloway
30th June		No Service at St. James but	
	9.30am	Service at Wingrave	
	10.00am	Service at Stewkley	
	6.00pm	Patronal Festival Evensong at Wingrave with Wingrave Singers	

100 Club Draw

May 2019

1st prize, £50 Carol Spooner

2nd prize, £10 Nigel Brown



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Aston Abbotts Village Hall news

Annual general meeting

You might just see this in time: all are welcome at our AGM on Wednesday 29 May, 8pm in the village hall

Short report, review of finances, election of officers

Come along if you are interested in hearing more about what we are doing, if you have any ideas/feedback/comments about the hall, or you'd like to join us in some capacity. The hall is run by a group of trustees together with non-trustee volunteers.

- The hall continues to have good use
- Lettings income covers costs with small surplus
- A small amount of income from the Vale Lottery (thanks to

those who support us that way) and sale of Aston Abbotts history books (village history from the year 1000-2000, £10, let us know if you want one)

Just a reminder: if anyone is having difficulty in getting the tables in and out of the storeroom for regular events, please contact one of us and we'll be happy to help. In particular, John Whyte (681685), Nigel Palmer (681152) and Peter Shorrocks (681260)

Caroline Lane – Aston Abbotts Village Hall trustees

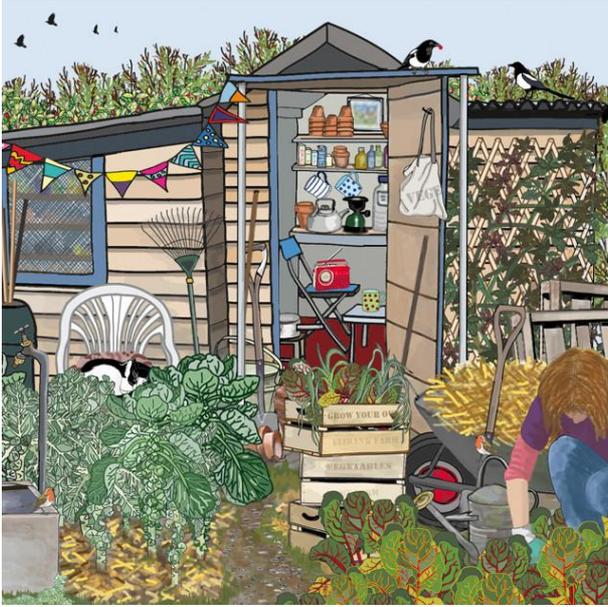
Aston Abbotts Village Hall Trustees group: Caroline Lane (Chair), Liz Hall (Secretary), Nigel Palmer (Treasurer), Liz Barlow, Peter Shorrocks, John Whyte, Kevin Copping.

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Sun 26	Mon 27	Tue 28	Wed 29	Thu 30	Fri 31	Sat 1
	Spring Bank Holiday	9:15 Pilates 20 Band Practise	17:45 YOGA CLASS 19:30 Provisional Village Hall Trust Meeting and AGM	9:30 Coffee Morning		12 E M Farrell 16:30 Party
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9 Breakfast service	19:30 PCC Meeting	9:15 Pilates	17:45 YOGA CLASS	9:30 Coffee Morning 19:30 Whist		
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
14:30 Possible Open Gardens Teas		9:15 Pilates 18:15 Dancing Class 19:30 Parish Council	17:45 NO Yoga	9:30 Coffee Morning		

ALLOTMENT DIARY



The current dry spell has not been good for growing vegetables; but luckily has had the effect of reducing the number of weeds. (Every cloud, etc.). As I had to do last year, I have already started watering my patch. If global warming continues, I suspect this will become a regular occurrence. In years to come, children will be asking “Daddy, what were April showers?”

Since the season is so young I can only comment on my crops in simple terms: Potatoes – good. Onions - good, including those which, for the first time, I am growing from seed. Leeks – good.

Carrots – so far a disaster: not a single seed had germinated. Parsnips – no sign of any germination yet. Beetroot – just starting. Mangetout – no germination. Did I use last year’s seed? Sweetcorn – slow to get going in the greenhouse, and fearing the worst, Adam bought more seed, and planted it direct in the ground. However, the glasshouse seed is now coming good, and we have nearly 60 plants appearing there. We should have a glut, but fortunately, Adam grows it to freeze, so this will not be a problem. My asparagus crop has been disappointing: perhaps I need to get new crowns.

Meanwhile in the greenhouse my tomatoes are thriving; and I have 3 courgette plants doing well and a couple of peppers just starting off. I did succeed in growing two cucumber plants, but took them out of the heated propagator too soon, and they perished – and I have not been able to repeat the trick with the remaining seeds. For some reason only half of my French

beans have germinated so far, but I am hopeful that the others will also come good..

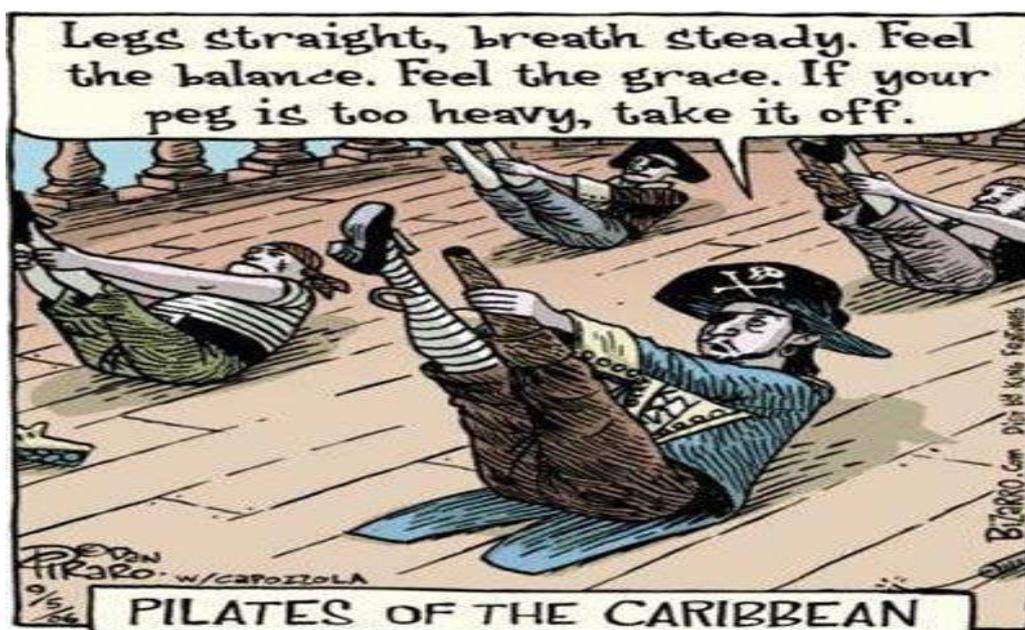
The mesh covering I have put over my strawberry plants is working well, and I have been spared the burden of continual weeding. This was particularly important, since my strawberry patch is riddled with a weed of which I do not know the name, but is impossible to eradicate. It is a small creeping plant, with tiny yellow flowers, and with leaves which gradually turn a purple colour as the plant gets older. If anyone can tell me its name I should be grateful.

One final point. I was appalled yesterday to hear from one of my

neighbours on the allotment, who come from Weedon, that someone had daubed a message on his shed calling him a vulgar word, and suggesting that he "Go home". I suspect that any idiot who would do such a thing is unlikely to read my articles, but if he does, I should like him to know how much I deplore this. It is all the more unfair, since the neighbour in question took over an allotment which had basically been abandoned for a couple of years, and at a time when there were no applicants in this village for allotments.

Peter Shorrocks

Shame on them. Ed





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Sun 2 1400 Swingrave tea dance Community Centre

Sun 2 1500 Cream teas begin Parish Church

Sun 2 1930 Quiz night Royal Oak Aston Abbotts

Tue 4 1900 Wingrave Art Club

Wed 5 1000 WI: A talk on the R.N.L.I. Methodist Church

Sat 8 0845 Men's Breakfast Talk: Why is there little evidence of civic pride in the UK compared to many other countries? Methodist Church

Mon 10 0930 Weekday Walkers' walk The Green

Tue 11 1200 Nup End Café Methodist Church

Tue 11 2000 WCA AGM and Council meeting Community Centre

Fri 14 1800 WCA Village Barbecue Community Centre

Sat 15-16 Winstock Rose & Crown

Sat 15 Wingrave Singers' concert Parish Church

Sun 16 0930 Local ramble Nup End Lane

Tue 18 1900 Wingrave Art Club

Wed 19 1200 Last of the Summer Ukuleles Rose & Crown

Thu 20 1800 Copy date for Communiqué

Fri 21 Ladies Day (Ascot) Rose & Crown

Fri 21 1900 Local ramble Nup End Lane

Fri 21 1930 WCA Village bingo Community Centre

Sat 22 1200 Charlotte & Max's Camp Kenya fundraising day Rose & Crown

Tue 25 1200 Nup End Café

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Fri 28 1800 WCA Village Barbecue Community Centre

Fri 28-30 In Awe and Wonder in June Arts Festival Parish Church

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**Chilterns 3 Peaks Challenge –
 Sunday 8 September 2019**

Dig out your walking boots and strap on your Fitbit – the ever-popular Rennie Grove Chilterns 3 Peaks Challenge once again takes

to the stunning Bucks countryside in September.

Now in its second decade, the annual event is a unique opportunity to clock up your steps, soak up miles of rolling landscape in the company of

others and raise vital funds for Rennie Grove Hospice Care at the same time.

The local charity provides nursing and support services for people in Herts and Bucks with cancer or other life-limiting conditions, and supports their families too. Many hundreds of participants have taken part over the years in memory of loved ones, while many others simply relish the opportunity to take to the hills in a good cause.

Last year, more than 600 walkers in distinctive Rennie Grove T-shirts enjoyed a glorious sun-soaked day walking through woodland, along farm tracks and over the Chilterns' breezy hilltops – stopping at the 3 Peaks of Whiteleaf Cross, Coombe Hill and the finishing post at Ivinghoe Beacon along the way.

Walkers of all abilities are welcome, including dogs (on leads). You can take on a 7, 11 or 20-mile challenge, with Arriva once again generously providing buses and volunteer drivers for free transport between drop-off points throughout the day.

“We are grateful for all the walkers who sign up each time for the Rennie Grove Chilterns 3 Peaks Challenge and put so much effort and energy into raising funds,” said Rennie Grove Director of Fundraising Tracey Hancock. “The money they raise through donations and sponsorship enables us to continue to provide vital, dedicated nursing and support services for thousands of local patients and their families each year.

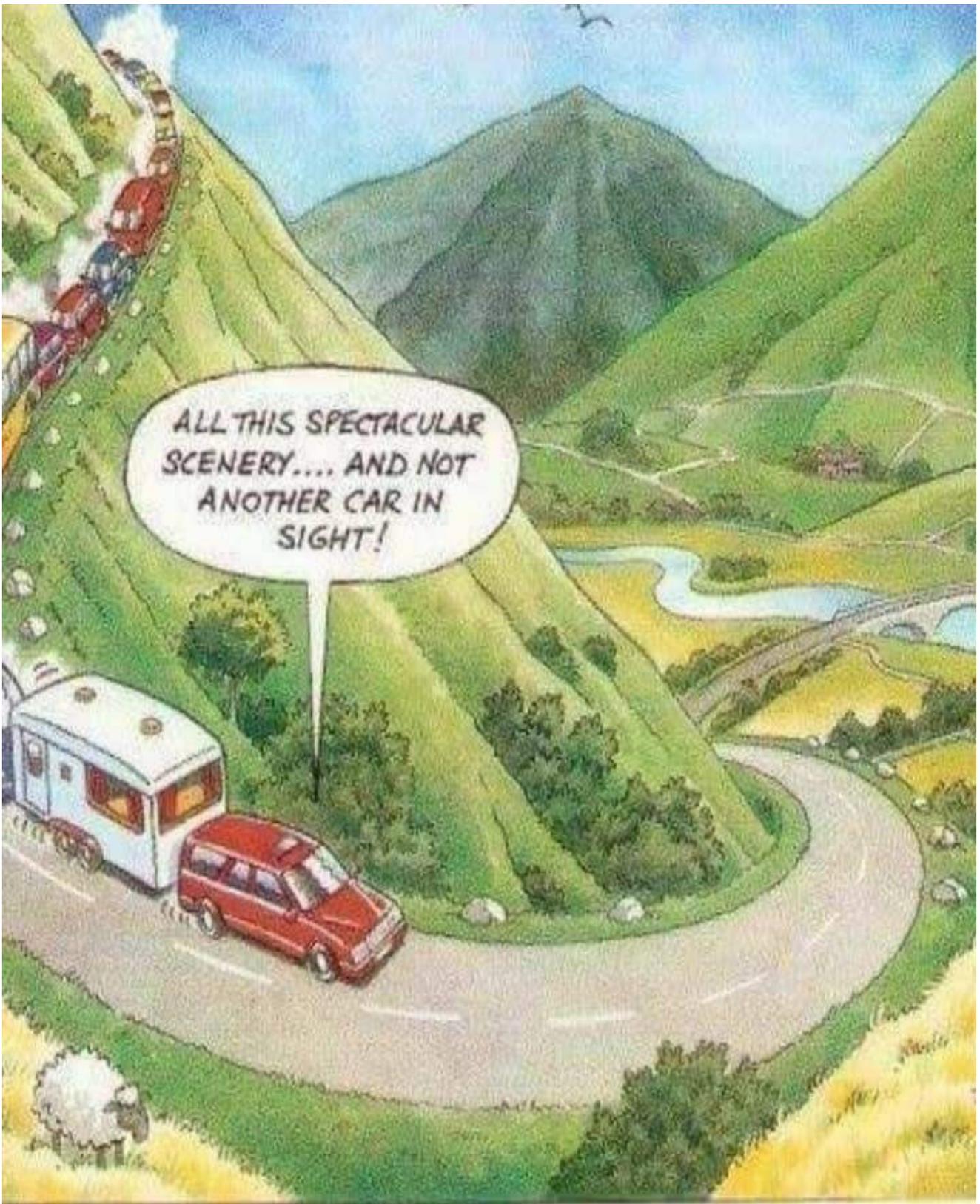
“Anyone who has ever taken part will know what a wonderful day it is. It's a lovely route, with cheerful volunteers marshalling with words of encouragement and water supplies. Everyone is rewarded with a medal when they finish – even the four-legged participants.”

You can sign up now for this year's Chilterns 3 Peaks Challenge, which takes place on Sunday 8 September. **Visit the Rennie Grove website at renniegrove.org/events for more information and to register.**

Thanks to Colin this 'Out and About' Quiz

- 1 What annual event takes place between London and Brighton?***
- 2 Which London Underground Station is the busiest?***
- 3 As well as it's Airport and Car industry, what other industry was Luton famous for?***
- 4 When was the Great Fire of London?***
- 5 What famous house was used to film The Forsyte Saga?***
- 6 The Yorkshire village of Goathland was re-named in which TV series?***
- 7 Who was the legendary hero/rogue of Sherwood Forest?***
- 8 Which Welsh town lost the Eisteddfod?***
- 9 Which town is the Capital of the Fens?***
- 10 In which Cathedral is housed Mappa Mundi***

- 1 The Oldcrocks Race***
- 2 Kings Cross St Pancras***
- 3 Straw hat making***
- 4 1666***
- 5 Maple Durham***
- 6 Heartbeat***
- 7 Robin Hood***
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- 9 Ely***
- 10 Hereford***





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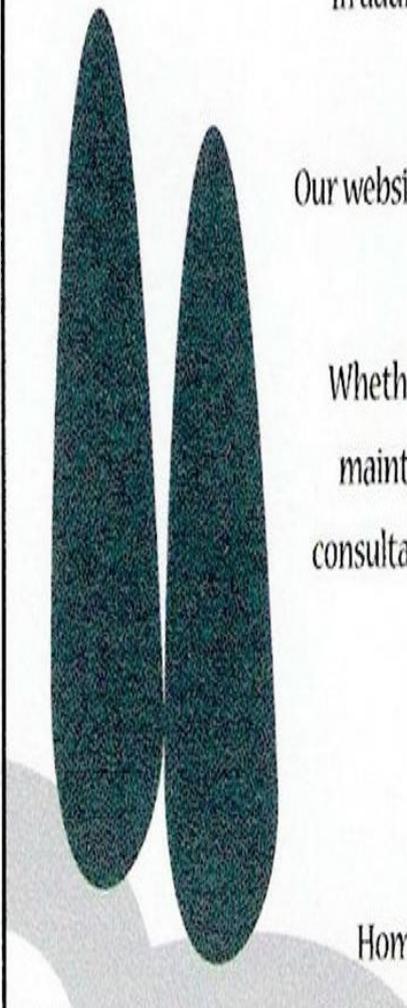
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