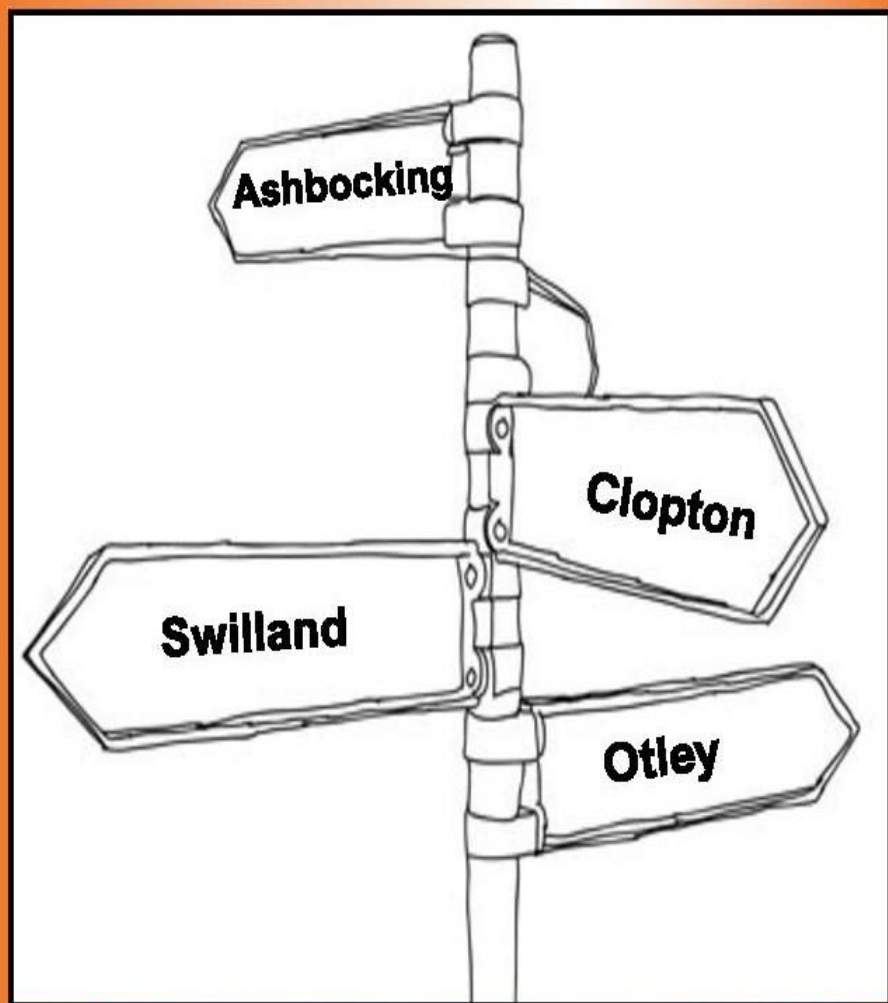


# *The Signpost*



*News from the Parishes*

## A Word from The Editor.....



Welcome to the **July Signpost**. I hope you are all enjoying the beautiful sunshine we have had with the exception of a couple of wet days but overall, very warm and pleasant. It is good for haymaking this year and the crops are looking well all round. What a lot of effort went into the Queen's jubilee celebrations – well done and thank you to all those who helped to organise, set up, man stalls and to each and every one who attended the events across our villages. I have heard so many good reports of local events which were well supported.

It will not be long before the children break up for their long summer holidays from schools, colleges or universities. For some this may mean leaving their school, college or university and moving to a new one – we wish them all well for their next chapters.

For our local farmers, it will not be long before harvest begins. So, while some will be relaxing and unwinding enjoying their holidays, the farmers will be busy beavering away at all hours to gather in their corn. We hope they have a dry harvest and hopefully a bountiful crop this year.

If you would like to see anything else within the magazine, whatever it may be, I would gratefully receive it for inclusion in upcoming editions. If you would like any family or friends' birthdays, exam results or anniversaries celebrated, then please do let me know and I will include in next month's magazine.

The next magazine will be the August issue with a deadline **of 24<sup>th</sup> July 2022.**

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***Keep safe and take care till next month...***

***With best wishes,***

***Amy***

## The Summer Garden



Summer comes and waves her hand,  
The garden blooms at her command,  
Plants abounding everywhere  
As fragrant perfumes fill the air.  
Roses, geraniums, lilies too  
Agapanthus with globes of blue,  
Sumptuous colours in such array,  
Their beauty takes our breath away.  
To sit beneath the shady trees,  
To listen to the humming bees,  
As Summer wears her rainbow dress  
We thank God for such loveliness.

*By Megan Carter*

*Never look back unless you want to go that way.*

*Anon*

Apart from a few light showers the first part of the month has been predominately dry with some sunny days. On the 18th we had some more unsettled weather and this continued up until the end of May without any consistent rain. Rainfall for the month was only 1.80 inches.

*Russell Ling*

### ***July Weather Sayings.....***

*If the 1<sup>st</sup> July be rainy weather, Twill rain more or less four weeks together*

*An English summer – three fine days and a thunderstorm*

*Much thunder in July injures wheat and barley*

*When the sun enters Leo, the greatest heat will then arise*

*The rose is said to begin to fade on St Mary Magdalene's Day (22<sup>nd</sup> July)*

*When the moon is at the full, mushrooms you may freely pull. But when the moon is on the wane, wait before you pluck again.*

### **How to keep yourselves cool this summer**

These top tips will help you to keep cool, calm and collected this summer.

- Look out for those who may struggle to keep themselves cool and hydrated; older people, those with underlying health conditions and those who live alone are particularly at risk
- Close curtains on rooms that face the sun to keep indoor spaces cooler and remember it may be cooler outdoors than indoors
- Drink plenty of fluids and avoid excess alcohol
- Never leave anyone in a closed, parked vehicle, especially infants, young children or animals
- Try to keep out of the sun between 11am to 3pm
- Walk in the shade, apply sunscreen regularly and wear a wide brimmed hat, if you have to go out in the heat
- Avoid exercising in the hottest parts of the day
- Make sure you take water with you, if you are travelling
- If you are going into open water to cool down, take care & follow local safety advice
- Drinking a hot cup of tea helps to regulate your temperature and cool you down

For more information visit [GOV.UK: Heatwave Plan for England](https://www.gov.uk/government/news/heatwave-plan-for-england)



## 1<sup>st</sup> July - Henry Venn of the CMS

Most Christians in the UK have heard of the Church Mission Society or CMS. Far fewer have heard of the Revd Henry Venn (1796-1873), whose father, the rector of Clapham, founded CMS in 1799, and who himself became the greatest missionary strategist of the 19<sup>th</sup> century.

Not that Henry Venn ever became a missionary himself; after Cambridge he served his curacy at St Dunstan's in Fleet Street, and then an incumbency at Drypool in Hull, before becoming vicar of St Johns, Holloway in 1834. But Henry Venn's parish-based ministry did not obscure his passionate interest in overseas evangelism, and in 1841 he accepted an invitation to become the honorary secretary of the Church Mission Society. That decision was to shape the history of overseas missions, and to make CMS into the most effective force in Britain for delivering effective overseas mission.

For Henry was an outstanding administrator, and his wisdom and management of the missionaries enabled CMS to grow and flourish. When Henry first began work on CMS, it employed 107 European clergy and nine local indigenous people. When he died in 1873, there were 230 European clergy and 148 local people in service.

After his resignation from St Johns Holloway in 1846, Henry devoted himself almost exclusively to the work of CMS. He was directly responsible for sending out 498 clergymen, all of them chosen by him, and with most of whom he continued in regular correspondence. He also established eight or nine bishoprics for the supervision of CMS missionary clergy and was usually involved in the appointments made.

Henry and a missions colleague in America were the first to use the term 'indigenous church', and they were way ahead of their time in seeing the necessity for creating churches on the mission fields that in time would become not only self-supporting, but also self-governing and self-propagating. In fact, Venn wrote with enthusiasm on this "euthanasia of missions," meaning that missionaries were only ever meant to be temporary, and not permanent.

All in all, Henry Venn's exposition on the basic principles of indigenous Christian missions was so powerful that much of it was later adopted by the Lausanne Congress of 1974. But alongside Venn's passion for evangelism was his concern for social justice, and he frequently lobbied the British Parliament, especially the closure of the Atlantic slave trade. In 1873, when he was 76, Venn died at his home in Mortlake, Surrey. He is buried in the churchyard.

## DID YOU KNOW.....

- July's birth flowers are the **larkspur** and **water lily**.
- The July birthstone is the ruby, which is believed to protect its wearer from evil.
- July, is known as both Picnic Month & Ice Cream Month.
- Lord Byron once said of July it is the month when English winter ends, only to recommence in August.
- July is a pretty unique month, being known for the month in which a grand total of seven US Presidents has died in.
- **1st** 1872 Louis Bleriot, French inventor, became the first person to fly across the English Channel.
- **1st** 1997 UK returned Hong Kong to China after more than 150 years.
- **2nd** is "I Forgot Day" - Founded in 1999 by Gaye Anderson, today is a day about making up for all the things you've forgotten this year so far: birthdays, anniversaries, gatherings etc.
- **4th** is the time of aphelion, when Earth is the farthest it will get from the Sun for the entire year—specifically, we'll be 94,509,598 miles away from our bright star!
- **6th** 1957 John Lennon and Paul McCartney met for the first time at a church hall in Liverpool.
- **8th** 1932 USA's stock market (Dow Jones Industrial Average) fell to its lowest point (41.22) during the Great Depression.
- **9th** 1982 that Michael Fagan broke into Buckingham Palace and spent 10 minutes talking to the Queen in her bedroom.
- **10th** 1962 Swedish engineer Nils Bohlin was granted a US patent for the three-point safety belt for vehicles. It is now used in practically all road vehicles.
- **11th** International Town Criers Day
- **14th** is Bastille Day, which commemorates the storming of the Bastille and the start of the French Revolution.
- **16th** 622 the Islamic calendar began.
- **20th** 1822 Gregor Mendel was born. This Austrian/Czech friar, and botanist discovered the laws of heredity and created the science of genetics.
- **21st** 1897 Tate Britain art museum opened in London.
- **21st** 1972 Bloody Friday took place when the IRA exploded 22 bombs in Belfast, killing nine people and injuring 130.
- **22nd** 1942 the Nazis began the mass transportation of Jews from the Warsaw Ghetto in Poland to the Treblinka extermination camp.
- **24th** 1847 Salt Lake City in Utah was founded by Mormon pioneers
- **27th to 12th August 2012** the Summer Olympics were held in London.
- **28th** 1922 Jacques Piccard, Belgian born Swiss oceanographer and engineer was born. Best known for developing deep-sea submarines, and for becoming one of the first two people to reach the Mariana Trench, the deepest point on earth. (Died 2008)
- **31st** 1942 British charity Oxfam was founded.

# **THUNDERFLIES**

## **All you need to know about the annoying little insects swarming sunny Suffolk**

Thunderflies, also known as Thrips and Thunderbugs, have been out in force as temperatures stay warm. Whether you're out and about or sat in the garden at home, chances are you'll have been pestered by annoying little insects lately. Even the sanctuary of your increasingly sauna-like house won't get you away from them if you leave the door or window open.

Yes, thunderflies, are back and the hot, muggy weather has seen them emerge in droves, clinging to clothes and occasionally veering into your face and mouth. Ugh.

### **What are thunderflies?**

They are an order of insects with many names including Thunderbugs, Storm Flies, Thunderblights, and Corn Lice although they are officially called Thrips.

Thunderflies found in the British Isles are tiny insects, just 1-2mm long, but in other parts of the world they can be up to 14 mm. They have two pairs of narrow, fringed wings, although some are wingless.



More than 6,000 species of thrips are known around the world, with more than 300 of these in Europe and only around 150 are native to Britain.

### **Do they bite?**

Thunderflies are not bloodsuckers thankfully and most feed on plants. Some species can bite but they only cause minor irritation and they do not pass on any diseases.

Their biggest annoyance simply comes from their mere presence and it is best to avoid bright clothing if you want to avoid them.

### Are thunderflies classed as pests?

Yes, they cause small silver patches and black dots on the leaves of plants. Feeding thrips can also turn petals on flowers brown. New growth can be distorted, browning and curled. Virtually all garden plants can be affected, from ornamental species, to fruit, vegetable, and cereal crops.



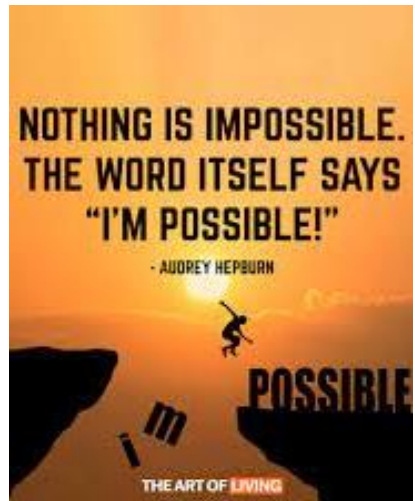
### Could the appearance of thunderflies mean a change in the weather?

Thunderflies are so called because they tend to swarm just prior to thunderstorms. They love hot and dry conditions. They don't really fly but, with a warm breeze, they can travel from plant to plant. It is these conditions that emerge in the run-up to a storm, so that is when you'll see them swarm.




*St Swithun's day, if thou dost rain, For forty days it will remain;*

*St Swithun's day, if thou be fair, For forty days 'twill rain na mair.*





## Cathedrals can ‘light the way’ to Net Zero



England’s ancient cathedrals could be in the ‘vanguard’ of technological development needed for the green revolution. In fact, cathedrals could show the way in making changes for achieving Net Zero carbon across the whole Church by 2030, with a route map due for a vote at General Synod this month (July).

So says the Church of England’s lead Bishop for Environmental Affairs, Graham Usher, who is Bishop of Norwich. He points out that cathedrals have an impressive track record within the heritage sector.

Many have already installed green adaptations such as solar panels, or replaced light fittings, or increased draft exclusion. Others have re-designed precincts to give greater access to green space and a chance for biodiversity to thrive. Over two thirds of cathedrals are already part of the A Rocha ‘Eco Church’ programme.

However, with cathedrals still responsible for around two per cent of the total Church of England carbon emissions, they need to identify more opportunities to meet the ambitious target set by General Synod in 2020. The Church of England’s Route Map to Net Zero Carbon will be discussed at General Synod this month (July).

## A Floating City

In a turquoise lagoon in the Indian Ocean, just 10 minutes by boat from Male, the Maldivian capital, a floating city, big enough to house 20,000 people, is being constructed.

Designed in a pattern similar to brain coral, the city will consist of 5,000 floating units including houses, restaurants, shops and schools, with canals running in between. The first units will be unveiled this month, with residents starting to move in early 2024. The whole city is due to be completed by 2027.



*There are no new thoughts... ..*

*Just new ways to say them.*

*Anon*

The project is a joint venture, between property developer Dutch Docklands and the Government of the Maldives. It is not meant as a wild experiment or a futuristic vision: it's being built as a practical solution to the harsh reality of sea-level rise.

An archipelago of 1,190 low-lying islands, the Maldives is one of the world's most vulnerable nations to climate change. 80% of its land area is less than one meter above sea level, and with levels projected to rise up to a meter by the end of the century, almost the entire country could be submerged.



A city that floats can rise with the sea and can prove that there is affordable housing, large communities, and normal towns on the water that are also safe. The Maldivians will go from climate refugees to climate innovators.

Born and bred in the Netherlands -- where about a third of the land sits below sea level -- the developer, Olthuis, has been close to water his whole life. His mother's side of the family were shipbuilders and his father comes from a line of architects and engineers, so it seemed only natural to combine the two, he said. In 2003, Olthuis founded Waterstudio, an architecture firm dedicated entirely to building on water.

At that time signs of climate change were present, but it wasn't considered a big enough issue that you could build a company around it, he said. The biggest problem then was space: cities were expanding, but suitable land for new urban development was running out. However, in recent years, climate change has become "a catalyst," driving floating architecture towards the mainstream.

The cost of not adapting to these flood risks is extraordinary. There is a choice to make: we either delay and pay, or we plan and prosper. Floating offices and floating buildings are part of this planning against the climate of the future."

Last year, flooding cost the global economy more than \$82 billion and as climate change triggers more extreme weather, costs are expected to rise. One report from

the World Resources Institute predicts that by 2030, urban property worth more than \$700 billion will be impacted annually by coastal and riverine flooding. But despite momentum in recent years, floating architecture still has a long way to go in terms of scale and affordability.

The Maldives project aims to achieve both, constructing a city for 20,000 people in less than five years. Other plans for floating cities have been launched, such as Oceanix City in Busan, South Korea, and a series of floating islands on the Baltic Sea.

Waterstudio's city is designed to attract local people with its rainbow-colored homes, wide balconies and seafront views. Residents will get around on boats, or they can walk, cycle or drive electric scooters or buggies along the sandy streets.

The capital of the Maldives is hugely overcrowded, with no room to expand besides into the sea. Male is one of the most densely-populated cities in the world, with more than 200,000 people squeezed into an area of around eight square kilometres.

The modular units are constructed in a local shipyard, then towed to the floating city. Once in position, they are attached to a large underwater concrete hull, which is screwed to the seabed on telescopic steel stilts that let it gently fluctuate with the waves. Coral reefs that surround the city help to provide a natural wave breaker, stabilizing it and preventing inhabitants from feeling seasick.



The potential environmental impact of the structure was rigorously assessed by local coral experts and approved by government authorities before construction began. To support marine life, artificial coral banks made from glass foam are connected to the underside of the city, which help stimulate coral to grow naturally.

The aim is for the city to be self-sufficient and have all the same functions as one on land. There will be electricity, powered predominantly by solar generated on

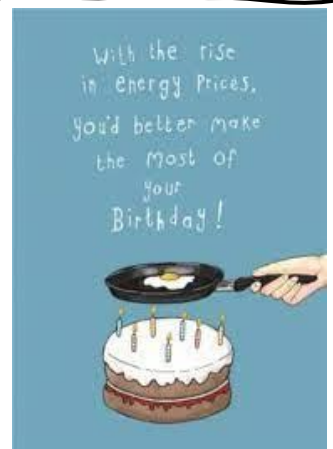
site, and sewage will be treated locally and repurposed as manure for plants. As an alternative to air conditioning, the city will use deep water sea cooling, which involves pumping cold water from the deep sea into the lagoon, helping to save energy.

By developing a fully functioning floating city in the Maldives, Olthuis hopes this type of architecture will be propelled to the next level. It will no longer be "freak architecture" found in luxurious locations commissioned by the super-rich, but an answer to climate change and urbanisation, that's both practical and affordable.

### 10<sup>th</sup> July Sea Sunday

*Look around your home. How much of the contents in your cupboards, wardrobe, rooms, and even garage came to you over the seas, via the great merchant ships? What would your home be like without them? Yet when did you last give a thought to the people who bring them to you? It is a curious fact that seafarers are one of the most important, and yet invisible, people groups in our society. We all of us depend on them to fill our homes and businesses with an endless variety of goods, and yet we never see them, never speak to them, and rarely even remember their existence. It suddenly makes Sea Sunday seem good sense: an annual opportunity to give thanks for the seafarers of the world, and to pray for their personal well-being. For going to sea is a lonely occupation. It separates families for months on end. It can sometimes be dangerous, and it is always physically demanding work. So, this month, on Sea Sunday, let's pause and give thanks to God for the seafarers of the world. Let's remember how their work so enriches our lives. Let's pray for them, for their families, and let's support the organisations that offer them care and support through their chaplaincy work.*

**"If everyone is moving forward together, then success takes care of itself."  
~Henry Ford**



## Otley and District Gardening Club

Dear Readers,

What a month it's been in the garden! The sun has been shining brightly and things are really shooting up at a rate of knots. The vegetables we planted last month are now producing small fruits and we will be harvesting some things soon. We've already had some beans, spinach, and lettuces, and can't wait to try this year's tomatoes. We've got some unusual ones this year, all gold, black Russian, and tiger striped to give you just a few. The cucumbers are getting rather large now, so it won't be too long before we can have a fully home-grown salad!

In terms of Otley and District Gardening Club, we're on a break until September, but we've been beavering away behind the scenes. We've got the final total for our charity donation, this year we were collecting for Dementia UK and managed to raise a whopping £1,319.00!!

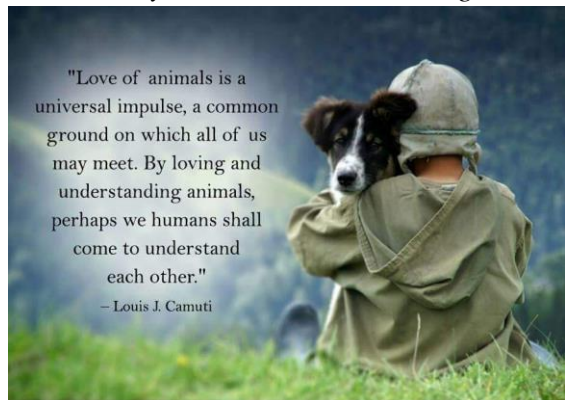
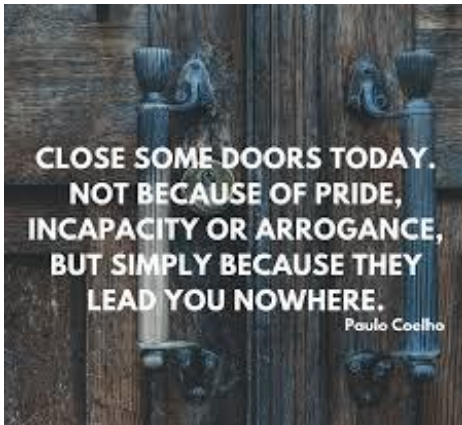
Such a fantastic result. A huge thank you to all of you that bought some plants from us during our plant sale. Massive appreciation goes to Liz & Steve Stegman, and Issy & Si Lincoln for hosting the plant sale on their driveways. We couldn't do it without your tireless efforts for the gardening club.



The gardening club are off on our trip on 29<sup>th</sup> June to The Urban Jungle and East Ruston Old Vicarage Gardens. A trip I've been looking forward to for a very long time. I've never been to either, so I'm truly ecstatic to be going and helping to coordinate the trip. We'll all be singing "the wheels on the bus" at the top of our voices if I've got anything to do with it!

Until next month,

*Phil Pollard, The Green Chairman,  
Otley and District Gardening Club*





## Branteasers

1. What fastens two people yet touches only one?
2. What has a mouth, but cannot eat; moves, but has no legs; and has a bank, but cannot put money in it?
3. You're in a dark room with a candle, a wood stove, and a gas lamp. You only have one match, so what do you light first?
4. What is yours that other people use more than you?
5. Turn me on my side and I am everything. Cut me in half and I am nothing. What am I?

(Solutions on Page 21)

### A WORD FROM KATRINA.....

We are delighted to be welcoming Gail, Tony, Oliver and Zoe to our villages. Gail is joining us as our curate and she has written us a brief biography to help us start to get to know her.

“Hello, I'm Gail. I'm married to Tony and we have 2 children. Oliver is 18 and goes to Suffolk College, Zoe is 8 and will start at Witnesham school in September. Tony is a primary school teacher. As a family, we enjoy walking and, in warmer weather, being on the beach. I really like gardening and baking (and eating the result!). We also love board games. We'd love to find some local walks and always enjoy a new game or playing with new people.



Both Tony and I came to faith as adults. I was introduced to church by my Avon lady and was encouraged to keep going by the amazing welcome I received and how warm and friendly everybody was. I began my faith journey at St Augustine's in Ipswich where I served in various roles and then have been on placement during my training at St Matthew's, also in Ipswich. I'm looking forward to continuing my journey here.

Before training for ordained ministry, I worked firstly in the City of London as an analyst and more recently in a Health and Children's Centre in Ipswich where I particularly enjoyed teaching baby massage and leading our messy play group.

During my training I most enjoyed learning about different ways to read and think about the Bible and also all the different approaches to prayer. I went to the Eastern Region Ministry Course which is a non-residential theological college with centres across East Anglia. I met some really wonderful people and was encouraged that God calls and values a diverse range of people into service and that God always equips us for what we're asked to do.

I'm looking forward to working as part of the team here in the Carlford Benefice and especially, to meeting and getting to know you all."

Please keep Gail and her family in your prayers as they move and settle into their new home.

Gail will be ordained on Saturday 2nd July and her first service with us will be at 11am in Grundisburgh on Sunday 3rd July. Coffee and cake will be served from 10am to welcome them. Do join us if you can.

*Rev'd Katrina Dykes*

## **NEWS FROM OUR CHURCHES** **ASHBOCKING**

I am writing my article from Northumberland, where John and I, and of course Evie our dog, are holidaying in our caravan. We are coming to the end of our second week and have been listening to reports of very high temperatures at home. My son has been giving us regular updates. We have had mixed weather here but was surprised to find ourselves wearing raincoats to keep the cold wind out. We have, however, got out and about enjoying the area and all the places to visit. Holy Island was a memorable one and particularly warm for a change.



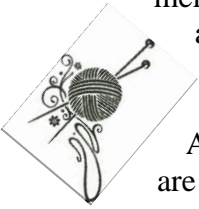
I don't have much other news until next month so I'll just let you know what's on and when.

*A good friend is like a four-leaf clover;  
Hard to find but lucky to have.....*

We kick off with coffee morning on the 1st July, 10:30am until 12:00 noon. Last month's one was well attended and because it was a bank holiday for Jubilee, we saw lots of people we don't normally see. Anyway, do come if you can, everyone is always very welcome and its lovely when we can get into the garden. So, fingers crossed.

Knit and stitch is on Monday 4th July at 10am until 12:00 noon. We are enjoying membership from other villages too. So come along with whatever you are working on, or just for a chat and coffee and biscuits. You will be very welcome.

Both of these gatherings are at my house, Hawthorns, The Green, Ashbocking. We are accessed via Ashley Grange from The Green and are the bungalow at the very end. Loads of parking.



We continue with our lay led services shared alternately with Swilland. It is the turn of Swilland in July and I shall be with Brian Williams at Swilland Church. Brian has changed this service to the first Sunday of the month as far as I know at the moment, so that will be 11am on 3rd July. Please refer to Swilland's article for details.

At Ashbocking we will have our lay led service in August, and this remains on the 4th Sunday which is August 28th at 11:00am.

Hopefully things will be sorted and settle into a regular pattern.

The regular service at Ashbocking will be on Sunday 10th July and is the Pet Service. Usually well attended by an assortment of pets and their families. Everything and everyone, with or without a pet, is very welcome but please make sure they are contained or restrained to avoid any mishaps. The service may be outside, weather permitting so a rug or chair to sit on is advised. If not, we will manage inside. We are often blessed with all kinds of pets from horses, donkeys to chickens and hamsters, plus plenty of dogs of course. We, however, accept no responsibility for the safety of your pet and ask you to clear up any mess they might make.



I'll report on service next month!!!!

*Linda Pollard Tel: 07887 537152*



## CLOPTON

On May 31st the rickshaw passed through Clopton on its route around Suffolk. It stopped at Clopton church and picked up one of the children from Riding for the Disabled and her father. She really enjoyed her ride along the B1079 and was very proud to be carrying the beautiful torch.



Clopton celebrated the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in style. On Thursday 2nd there was live music and a barbeque at the Village Hall with the lighting of the beacon at 9.15pm along with others all around the country. On Friday afternoon there was a fete, again with live music.

There were lots of stalls, a huge raffle, a very upmarket tearoom and a dog show. It was great to see so many local people enjoying the event and a big 'thank you' is due to Gary Bright and his team who worked so hard to make the weekend such a success. *(You can read a report from Gary on the next page)*

On Sunday 5th June there was a 'Singalong' in the church arranged by Jenny and Andrew Schurr. The very talented Peter Day played a selection of well known songs from the past seventy years. It was interesting to hear small items of interest about each song and the afternoon was enjoyed by everyone. I believe that at one stage there was even dancing in the aisle! Tea and cakes were served afterwards, All money raised is going to the Organ Restoration Fund. Thank you Peter.

In July the Hobbies Morning will be on Wednesday 6th July from 10am until noon and the Coffee Morning will be on Wednesday 20th July, also from 10am until noon and will be hosted by Della Hughes. Everyone is very welcome to join us at either or both these events.

*Doris Main*



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After many months of planning and organisation, the Clopton jubilee celebrations were a huge success and enjoyed by many residents of Clopton as well as a large number of people who had travelled from near and far to join in the fun. The attendance at both the Beacon lighting concert and barbecue on the Thursday evening and at the village fete on the Friday afternoon, exceeded all expectations, bringing the community together to truly celebrate the momentous occasion. And the event wouldn't have been the huge success it was without the help of many generous local businesses and individual sponsors who all supported the local community in many ways.

Thursday night kicked the celebrations off and showcased some amazing local talent. Nick Ling, Izzy & Ollie and Billy Hunt who all provided their time for free, took to the MIDAS stage to entertain the gathered crowd, who enjoyed the freshly cooked barbecue and an all-night bar.



The village fete saw people enjoy the many traditional side show type stalls, as well as browse the many vendors selling a variety of wares. The sun shone all day, encouraging many people to stay for the whole event, sat on hay bales and enjoying picnics, freshly baked cakes from Norma's Tea Room, ice creams and liquid libations from the bar. For many the highlight of the fete was the dog show whose many participants were extremely well behaved, both human and canine and there were plenty of winners.

A great time was had by everyone who attended the jubilee celebrations, and all involved raised a massive total of **£2,841** for our nominated charities, Riding for the Disabled Woodbridge at Otley, East Anglian Air Ambulance and our own Clopton Village Hall.



Thanks to ALL our Sponsors:



## OTLEY

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee was celebrated in Otley with a beacon lighting on the Thursday, annual village fete (brought forward from early July) on Saturday, and an open-air church service followed by community picnic on Sunday.

All events were very well supported and a wonderful community spirit was achieved. Many people were involved, mostly under the direction of Anthony and Vanessa Ling. Anthony constructed the excellent beacon which should probably be made a permanent fixture in the village.

Whilst the weather was warm and sunny for the fete, it became much cooler and a little damp on Sunday. The service was held under a large awning and was well attended. Archdeacon Sally Gaze officiated and involved several readers who spoke about life in our village – Penny Sunnaway, Sharon Proctor, and Anthony Ling.



The community picnic was hampered by light rain, but a good number of people enjoyed music from village residents, including Jemima and Nick Ling, Clare Free and Jonathan Farnhill. The Otley choir sang several numbers. Junior TOPS performed items from Shrek the Musical. A special mention should be made for Mike Bullock, who provided the sound and PA system throughout the weekend – an unsung hero!



The next service in Otley will be at 9.30am on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July. July coffee morning will be on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July at the home of Ruth and Jonathan Farnhill, 9 Spring Park.

*Nigel Crowley*

## SWILLAND

The Jubilee weekend was a great success. We had a scarecrow competition and there was had a great variety displayed outside many houses. Also, lots of flags and bunting. There were several events at the Moon and Mushroom including a Dog Show, an Auction, a quiz and general festivities. There was a fete at the school with lots of stalls.



The new Swilland WhatsApp has been a great success. It's an excellent method of telling everyone about future events and generally sharing information.

Do keep an eye out for the A Board at the end of Church Lane where we post notices of services and coffee morning.

At last summer has arrived and it's good to be able to enjoy the sunshine. I have been away for two weeks and everything has grown enormously in that time.

*Ann Kent*

### **14<sup>th</sup> July - Phocus of Sinope – The Brave Gardener**

Many of us are gardeners, but not many of us are buried in our gardens.

Phocus was a fourth century Christian gardener who ran a little guest house in Sinope, on the Black Sea (now part of modern Turkey). He used the produce from his garden to welcome and feed any visitors who came by, as well as giving anything left over to the poor.

In a time of persecution, the governor of the district sent soldiers to kill him because of his Christianity. But when the soldiers arrived at Phocus's guest house, they did not recognise him. Phocus politely fed them and invited them to stay the night, during which he crept out into his garden to dig his own grave and prepare for death. In the morning, Phocus divulged his true identity, rather to the dismay of the soldiers, who did not want to kill this kindly man. But Phocus assured them that he considered martyrdom the highest honour, and humbly bent his head to their swords. And so, the soldiers killed him and buried him in the grave he had prepared.

The news of Phocus's martyrdom spread far and wide, drawing many pilgrims to his garden. His calm courage and faith in God were widely admired and in time Phocus became the patron of sailors in the Black Sea, and then the whole Eastern Mediterranean.

Phocus's life echoes that of many Christians today, who go calmly about their daily mundane jobs in lands of persecution, and who do not avoid the call to Christian martyrdom, however it may come to them.

## The Difference

So often  
I can't wear the right clothes,  
Speak the right words,  
Fit the right mould,  
Be the shape people want me to be,  
Expect me to be,  
Demand that I am,  
To conform.  
But you Lord  
Accept me,  
Release me,  
Make it possible to be me,  
Perfectly free  
In your service,  
Open for you  
To transform.

*By Daphne Kitching*

### **Solutions to the Brainteasers on Page 14**

1. A wedding ring
2. River
3. The match
4. Your name
5. The number 8

How did you do?



## "I DO"..... Quick Wedding Facts

- For good luck, Egyptian women pinch the bride on her wedding day.
- Middle Eastern brides paint henna on their hands and feet to protect themselves from the evil eye.
- Moroccan women take a milk bath to purify themselves before their wedding ceremony.



- Engagement and wedding rings are worn on the fourth finger of the left hand because it was once thought that a vein in that finger led directly to the heart
  - In the symbolic language of jewels, a sapphire in a wedding ring means marital happiness.
  - Seventeen tons of gold are made into wedding rings each year in the United States
- Ancient Greeks and Romans thought the veil protected the bride from evil spirits. Brides have worn veils ever since.
- Most expensive wedding ever? The marriage of Sheik Rashid Bin Saeed Al Maktoum's son to Princess Salama in Dubai in May 1981. The price tag? £36 million
- Brides carry or wear "something old" on their wedding day to symbolize continuity with the past. The "something blue" in a bridal ensemble symbolises purity, fidelity, and love.
- The tradition of a wedding cake comes from ancient Rome, where revellers broke a loaf of bread over a bride's head for fertility's sake.
- Queen Victoria's wedding cake weighed a whopping 300 pounds.
- In many cultures around the world -- including Celtic, Hindu and Egyptian weddings -- the hands of a bride and groom are literally tied together to demonstrate the couple's commitment to each other and their new bond as a married couple (giving us the popular phrase "tying the knot").
- Valentine's Day and New Year's Eve are the two busiest "marriage" days in Las Vegas -- elopement central! Las Vegas is the top wedding destination with over 100,000 weddings a year, followed by Hawaii at 25,000 weddings a year
- Men who kiss their wives in the morning are said to live five years longer than those who don't.
- In many cultures, the groom historically often kidnapped the bride, and the groom's friends would help him, leading to the modern-day groomsmen. At the altar, the groom always stood on the bride's right side so his right hand—or his sword hand—would be free to fight/defend a jealous rival
- Guests in ancient times would tear off part of the bride's gown as tokens of good luck, leading to the tradition of the bride throwing both her garter and her bouquet
- Greek brides believed that tucking a lump of sugar into the wedding gown would bring sweetness throughout married life
- More than 40% of couples now plan their weddings together, and three out of four grooms help select items for their wedding gift list.
- Because eyebrows are considered intensely alluring in the Orient, historically the bride's eyebrows were shaved entirely, rendering her powerless to attract a man



*If a true friendship can be found, cherish it like a fine gem. Polish it, go out of your way to keep and protect it. Keep it Safe.*

*Mary Swaney*

## 10 ways to reduce energy bills

You could save hundreds of pounds on your energy bill with these expert tips. Here is what you can do to save electricity and gas and reduce your carbon footprint by making your home more energy efficient.



1. Review your energy bill for small savings - Cheap energy deals have disappeared over the last several months so for most, it's not a good time to switch energy provider. If you haven't switched your supplier or tariff recently or were moved to a new provider when yours closed, you'll probably be paying out-of-contract rates (also known as a variable or default tariff). Historically, these haven't been very good value, but they're now among the cheapest tariffs so it's worth staying put for the moment. Very few, if any, suppliers are currently offering fixed tariffs worth swapping to. However, given that prices will be rising again when the October price cap comes into effect, it's worth keeping an eye out in case your provider does advertise a fixed deal that would suit you. The price cap on out-of-contract tariffs rose by 54% for a typical user (based on Ofgem's calculation) on 1 April 2022. That means the majority of households in the country are now facing much larger energy bills than they're used to.

Other tips to keep your energy payments in check:

- Choose paperless bills and manage your account online (some companies charge extra for paper bills)
  - Pay by direct debit. This is usually cheaper than paying when you receive a bill.
  - Send regular meter readings to keep your bill accurate. If you have a smart meter, it will do this automatically
  - Question any direct debit increases that seem too high. Your energy company should be able to explain the changes and your usage and payments should balance out over a year.
2. Choose energy efficient appliances to save up to £425. If you're replacing an appliance, you can cut your electricity bills by choosing the most energy-efficient model. For example, depending on size, washing machine running costs can vary from £15 to £70 a year. The most obvious indication of a product's energy efficiency is its energy-efficiency rating. How much money energy-efficient appliances can save you per year:

Fridge Freezer – £138	Tumble dryer – £137	Washing machine – £69
Dishwasher – £44	Built-in oven – £37	

*These are the maximum savings based on the difference between the highest and lowest annual running costs from product tests.* Research shows that swapping power-guzzling kitchen appliances for energy-saving models could save you up to £425 a year.

3. Add insulation to save up to £290. Insulating both your loft and cavity walls can save you up to £290 a year. Laying loft insulation to a thickness of 270mm in a typical non-insulated three-bedroom semi could trim £135 a year from energy bills, as less heat will be lost through the roof and insulating cavity walls can save up to £155 a year in a semi-detached house. Solid-wall insulation, although more expensive to fit, could save you £210 in the same type of house. If you have already installed loft insulation, you could save an extra £100 a year by topping it up from 120mm to the recommended 270mm. And you can also reduce heat loss through your windows by replacing single glazing with double glazing.
4. Get a new boiler: save around £195. Your heating is responsible for more than half of your energy bill each year. So, replacing an old, inefficient boiler with a modern energy-efficient one will make a big difference to your payments. It could save you £195 per year, if you upgraded an old G-rated gas boiler to a new A-rated condensing one with a programmer, room thermostat and thermostatic radiator valves, for a typical semi. If you live in a detached home, you could save £300. Buying a new boiler can cost a couple of thousand pounds, including installation. So, if money-saving is your top priority and your boiler isn't beyond repair, balance your savings against the cost of the upgrade. Find out how much a new boiler will cost. In addition, the fact that gas boilers won't be around forever so if you're looking to the future, consider renewable heating systems such as air source heat pumps.
5. Replace light bulbs to save £180. Energy-saving light bulbs can help you to cut your energy bills easily. An LED light bulb costs around £1.71 a year to run. Remember, energy-saving light bulbs last longer than traditional ones. LEDs are the most energy-efficient light bulbs and use almost 90% less energy than traditional incandescent. LED bulbs can cost less than £3 for one, and some can pay for themselves through energy savings in a few months. Lastly, remember to switch off lights when you leave the room.



6. Install and use central heating controls and save £75. If you don't already have a room thermostat, programmer, and thermostatic radiator valves, installing them – and using them well – could save a typical home £75 a year according to the Energy Saving Trust. It will also cut your home's carbon emissions by 320kg a year. Heating controls should let you: Set your heating and hot water to turn on and off to suit you. Heat only the parts of your home that need it. Set different temperatures for different areas of your home. Keep your home at a temperature that's comfortable, without wasting heat. If you only have one thermostat for the whole house, each degree you turn it up will increase your heating bill by around 10%. Put on a jumper before you turn up the heating. If you only need to heat one room in your home, it may be cheaper to use a portable electric heater and keep the thermostat turned down. For those who live alone or work from home, investing in an electric heater could save on heating bills over time as you're not heating your whole home unnecessarily. Electric heaters are best used sparingly though.
7. Draught proofing: By putting draught excluder at the bottom of a door Stopping heat from escaping through unwanted gaps around doors and windows could help you save around £25 a year in a typical home. Take a look at the following areas:
  - Windows - Use draught-proofing strips around the frame. Brush strips work better for sash windows
  - Doors - Use draught-proofing strips around the edges and brush or hinged-flap draught excluders at the bottom.
  - Chimney and fireplace - If you don't use your fireplace, use an inflatable pillow to block the chimney, or fit a cap over the chimney pot. If you have an open chimney, this alone could save you £18 a year.
  - Floorboards and skirting - Floorboards need to move, so use a flexible silicone-based filler to fill the gaps.
  - Loft hatches - Use draught-proofing foam strips to keep heat in.
 Also consider smaller holes that let in air, such as keyholes and letterboxes.
8. Use less hot water. Though you might only use your heating in winter, you use energy year-round to heat your water. So, heating and using it wisely will impact your bills. Plus, if you have a water meter, these tips will help you save money there too. If you have a hot water tank (rather than a combi boiler), use your heating controls to turn your water heating on and off, so you only heat as much water as you need. High-volume power showers can use more water in less than five minutes than a bath. Fit an eco-shower head. Your shower will still feel powerful but it'll cut down on your hot water use.



#### Other tips to try:

- Use a shower timer. Keeping your shower time to four minutes or under and swapping one bath a week with a four-minute shower can save you £35 per person.
  - Insulate your hot water tank and pipes so water stays warmer for longer.
9. Find out if you could get energy efficiency grants. Energy schemes and grants are available to help pay your energy bills or to support you with the costs of renewable heating. This includes:
    - Warm Home Discount - £140 (increasing to £150 in October 2022) mainly to pensioners and those who get certain benefits
    - Winter Fuel Payment - £100 - £300 per winter for those born before 26 September 1955
    - Boiler Upgrade scheme (launched in May 2022) - up to £5,000 to replace your current gas or oil heating with low-carbon heating
    - Help with loft insulation and boiler costs from energy suppliers.
  10. Quick energy-saving tips.
    - A smart meter shows how much energy you use in real time and how much it costs. Use this information to work out where you can cut back.
    - Don't leave your gadgets on standby. Turning appliances off could save you £55 a year, according to figures published in March 2022.
    - Dry your washing outside, rather than using your tumble dryer.
    - Only run your washing machine and dishwasher when they're full, reduce your use by one run per week and wash clothes at 30°C where possible (unless you're washing really soiled clothes).
    - Defrost food in your fridge to help cool the fridge temperature down, and cool hot food before you put it into the fridge or freezer.
    - Only boil as much water in the kettle as you need.
    - Clean your tumble dryer and fridge's filters to keep them running efficiently.





## RUSSELL LING REPORTS

### Otley Church

In May I gave the history of the immersion baptistry in Otley Church but there are a number of other interesting features that are not well known about the building. Beginning at the East end the large stained-glass window was paid for by the Rev Francis Storr when the Chancel was partially rebuilt in 1840. Moving on round the South side the exterior chancel buttress has a Scratch Dial or Sun Dial, these were put in so that in times before watches were available parishioners would be able to know that they were in time for the services. It was called a scratch dial as the wall of the buttress had grooves cut into it to indicate the hours and a hole for a stick was put into the centre so that the sun's rays would fall on these cuts thus giving the time.



Next, there is the outline of the blocked-up priest's door leading into the Chancel for visiting clergy and this was last used in 1904 when the Rev Gretton was buried. It was also used by Lepers receiving communion, as they were not allowed to go into the Church itself.

In the South Porch there is a stoup or bowl for Holy water situated on the right hand side next to the door. This was used in olden times by visitors who would dip their fingers into the water before making the sign of the Cross.

The North Porch has had a few changes. A double door from the outside originally allowed parishioners to access the Church through a door into the Nave. In the late 19th century, the nave door was blocked up and a staircase installed next to the wall on the inside of the porch to access a gallery constructed at the west end of the Nave, this was to enable a doorway to be made above it to access this gallery. There were three instrumentalists who accompanied the hymns - one violin, one clarinet, the other not known. The gallery was taken down in



the early 1900s when a pump organ was installed in an opening to the vestry, now covered up by a tapestry made by Mrs Rowell, the Rector's wife in the 1960s and 70s. The door to the gallery was then blocked up and the staircase dismantled but the door to the Nave was not reopened.

Thereafter the North Porch was used for storage, including a wheeled bier for coffins paid for by the Parish Council in 1938 for use by the Church and Chapel, coffins at that time being made by local builders. Following WW2 when hearses became more available, the bier became redundant and it was taken to the Transport Museum in Ipswich minus its wheels, which had disappeared. In the 1990s changes again took place, when the porch was converted to a kitchen and a disabled toilet, and the door to the Nave was then reopened.



The Vestry on the north side of the chancel has also seen changes. Look to the roof and you will see a very ornate chimney, built in Victorian times for a coke stove in the Vestry to provide heating in the Church. Hot air from the stove was piped under the nave aisle, the heat exiting by grids let into the floor, with a return pipe back to the chimney. In 1903 Henry Smith, who was in charge of the stove and also pumped the organ, was on duty at a communion service. When the last hymn came to be played, no sound came from the organ and Henry was discovered dead from carbon monoxide poisoning. In 2000 when the chancel and vestry roofs were being replaced, the joints fixing the chimney to the base broke. Because the Church is listed II\*, we were obliged to have the chimney rebuilt at a cost of £3000.

### **The Land of the Brave, the Free, and the Gun**



Several friends in Otley have marvelled and recoiled at the seemingly endless firearms' incidents, shootings and mass killings that occur in the United States. One acquaintance wondered why we don't have an amnesty period when the federal government would buy back all guns. Thereafter any guns would be confiscated. Another

suggested that all guns be licensed by the federal government. These are logical suggestions and ones that have been implemented in other developed countries.

The first obstacle to “gun control” in the United States is the Second Amendment to our Constitution. Our founders distrusted the notion of a standing army due to their colonial experience. They envisioned defence by means of an armed civilian militia. Their solution was the Second Amendment, adopted in 1791 as part of the Bill of Rights. It states, "**A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed.**" This single sentence has been subject to endless political and judicial interpretations. Basically, arguments over its meaning break it into two parts – the “prefatory” clause “A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State” and the “operative” statement, “the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed.” Whatever one may believe about the actual intent of gun ownership in the minds of the Framers as expressed in the prefatory clause, the operative clause appears to make the right of possession absolute for the people.

The second obstacle to gun safety regulations is the Tenth Amendment to our Constitution. It reads, "**The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the states, are reserved to the states respectively, or to the people.**" Because firearm possession and use are guaranteed by the Second Amendment and nowhere is power to regulate possession and use granted to the United States, our 50 state governments determine individual laws and regulations for their populations. We are a patchwork of conflicting gun laws.

In Utah, where I live, it is legal to purchase and carry a rifle (a long gun) or shotgun without a permit if: 1) you are at least 18 years old; 2) you are not a prohibited person as defined in law; and 3) the firearm is statutorily “unloaded” unless you have a concealed firearm permit. It is legal to buy a handgun (pistol) and carry it or any firearm fully loaded, visible or concealed, without a concealed firearm permit if: 1) you are at least 21 years old; 2) you are not a prohibited



person as defined in law; and 3) this right extends to any legal firearm. It is illegal to carry a firearm in a [state prohibited area](#) or [federal prohibited area](#) and on any school premise unless you have a valid Utah concealed firearm permit.

To buy a gun in Utah from a licensed dealer, you must go through a background check which costs 5.94 pounds sterling, non-refundable. You will be deemed “prohibited” from purchasing or carrying a firearm if: 1) you have been convicted of any violent felony; 2) you are on probation or parole for any violent felony; 3) you are on parole from a secure facility; and 4) within the last 10 years you have been an adjudicated delinquent for an offence which if committed by an adult would have been a violent felony. None of these restrictions apply if you buy a firearm from an unlicensed dealer or private seller; you do not undergo a background check. Firearms instruction is not necessary.



Utah has no waiting period to purchase a gun and a license/permit to purchase is not required to do so. It does not require a person to register the gun with authorities or report if the weapon is lost or stolen. Long guns of any calibre, including assault weapons, can be purchased at age 18 as well as the ammunition. There is no ban on purchasing large capacity ammunition magazines. Only tracer and incendiary ammunition are banned due to fire hazard. You must be 21 to purchase a machine gun.

Sportsman’s Warehouse, a nation-wide sporting goods store, explains Utah’s firearms’ policy glowingly in this advertisement: “Utah has very permissive gun laws compared to most states in the nation. The Utah state constitution affirms the right to bear arms for its citizens. There are very few hardware restrictions in the state, and it is very simple to lawfully own firearms for Utah residents. Obtaining a concealed carry license in Utah is also a straightforward process, as the state maintains a “shall issue” policy.”

Most states in America are “open carry.” That is, a person may carry openly visible firearms in public. In 44 states it is legal to open carry long guns, including assault rifles. These 9 jurisdictions have relatively strict gun laws Maryland,

Rhode Island, Hawaii, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New Jersey, California, District of Columbia, and New York. Conversely, Alaska, Arizona, Wyoming, Missouri, Idaho, Oklahoma, Utah, and Texas have the least strict.

The third obstacle to gun safety reforms pertains to the use of the filibuster in the United States Senate. This tactic allows the minority party to prevent a bill from coming to the floor for a vote even if a majority of Senators support it. Using this strategy, a minority of 41 Senators can hold popular legislation hostage because it takes 60 votes to end debate. Without approval in both Houses of Congress, no substantive, lasting reform to gun safety can occur. While the filibuster is not a Constitutionally mandated procedure, both parties, when in the minority, find it useful and are unlikely to dispose of it.

There are more than 400, 000, 000 guns in America – more than our total population. Gun deaths are the leading cause of death for children between the ages of 1 and 19 according to the New England Journal of Medicine. Children from ages 5 to 14 are 11 times more likely to be killed with a gun in the US compared to other developed countries (Vox). On average, 70 women each month are killed by guns wielded by their partners (Everytown Research). Reuters News Agency reported on May 19, 2022, that there were 19,350-gun homicides in 2020. African Americans accounted for 62% of those deaths. On average 26 Black men are killed by guns daily (Everytown Research). We Americans know there is a problem. However, we seem to lack the will or ability to address the carnage.

Personally, I despair. The issue of gun safety and common-sense gun laws have moved to the forefront of political discourse. Generally, Democratic politicians favour some restrictions on gun ownership, and Republicans do not. After the most recent incidents in Buffalo and Uvalde, several Senators are attempting to bridge the massive chasm that divides the nation. Ideas include universal background checks, bans on the sale of assault rifles to people under the age of 21, and incentives for states to set up “red-flag” laws that allow courts to take weapons from people deemed at risk of carrying out violent acts.



The wise among you might wonder why Americans don't rescind, clarify, or alter the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> Amendments. I believe that is impossible. The Constitution and its first 10 amendments have an aura of the divine about them. In a poll conducted by the respected Pew Research Center, one in five Americans believes that the Constitution was divinely inspired by God. This belief is widely held among the very religious and white evangelical Americans (also likely gun owners). It is a tenet of faith for members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints (Mormons). The reverence with which many view the Constitution makes its alteration unlikely.

The hope for improved gun safety or modest limits on gun ownership lies in large part with the judicial process of review. Ultimately the Supreme Court will have to decide what, if any, restrictions on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment's right to bear arms are permissible. Of late, given its increasingly conservative bent, it is debatable whether any limitations will be ruled Constitutional.



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## SMILE LINES

### **Solar power**

Somebody finally invented a solar-powered laundry dryer. It's called a 'clothes-line'.

### **Heaven help me**

One Sunday in church a little boy was 'acting up' during the morning worship. His parents did their best to maintain some sense of order in the pew, but it was a losing battle. Finally, an exasperated father picked up his son and strode sternly down the aisle. Just as the church doors closed behind them, the little boy cried loudly to the congregation: "Pray for me! Pray for me!"



## Pleasure

Some people won't suffer in silence because that would take all the pleasure out of it.

## US Holiday

A couple with three young children went on holiday to America, and eventually ended up waiting in line at San Francisco's Pier 41, to purchase tickets for a boat trip to Alcatraz. Others watched with varying degrees of sympathy and irritation as the young children fidgeted, whined, and punched one another. The frazzled parents reprimanded them, to no avail. Finally, they reached the ticket window. "Five tickets, please," the father said. "Two round trip, three one way."



## Summer guide to modern science around the house

1. If it's green or it wiggles, it's Biology.
2. If it stinks or explodes, it's Chemistry.
3. If it doesn't work, it's Physics.

## The lady who wanted three hymns

One Sunday a minister announced that the church needed some extra money. He asked the people to prayerfully consider giving a little extra, and as an enticement, added that whoever gave the most would be able to pick out three hymns.



The offering plate was passed around, and to the minister's amazement, someone had put in a cheque for £1,000. He shared his joy with his congregation and said he'd like to thank the person who'd given the cheque. A very quiet, elderly lady shyly made her way down to the front of the church. The minister told her how wonderful it was that she gave so much and asked her to pick out three hymns. Her eyes brightened as she looked over the congregation. She pointed carefully to the three handsomest men in the

building and said: "I'll take him, and him, and him."

Advert in local paper: 2016 Nissan Micra for sale. Reverend owner from new, never missed a service.



## Advertising terms explained

**NEW** - Different colour from previous design.

**ALL NEW** - Parts are not interchangeable with previous design.

**EXCLUSIVE** - Imported product from goodness knows where.

**UNMATCHED** - Not quite as good as the competition.

**FOOLPROOF OPERATION** - No provision for adjustments.

**ADVANCED DESIGN** - The advertising agency doesn't understand it.

**IT'S HERE AT LAST** - Rush job. Nobody knew it was coming.

**FIELD TESTED** - Manufacturer lacks on-site test equipment.

**HIGH ACCURACY** - Unit on which all parts actually fit.

**FUTURISTIC** - We have no idea why it looks the way it does.

**REDESIGNED** - Previous flaws fixed - we hope.

**DIRECT SALES ONLY** - Factory had a big argument with distributor.

**YEARS OF DEVELOPMENT** - We finally got one to work.

**BREAKTHROUGH** - We finally figured out a use for it.

**MAINTENANCE FREE** - Impossible to fix.

**MEETS ALL STANDARDS** - Ours, not yours.

**SOLID-STATE** - Don't drop it on your foot.

**HIGH RELIABILITY** - We made it work long enough to ship it.

## Spider

Whoever said "Out of sight, out of mind" never had a large spider disappear in the bedroom.



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## CHILDREN'S CORNER



# Summer

## Word Scramble

Unscramble the following list of shuffled words to meaningful words!

EBCHA

SRAGS

BNGIATO

UMMSRE

EAONC

ABELSLAB

WUMSIITS

OOLP

CIPNCI

ATLERV

ENRAOWETML

PICESOLP

IPNAGCM

EOWFRLS



Why did two 4s  
skip dinner?

Because they already 8!

How does the moon  
cut his hair?

Eclipse it!

What did the  
triangle feel sorry for  
the circle?

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