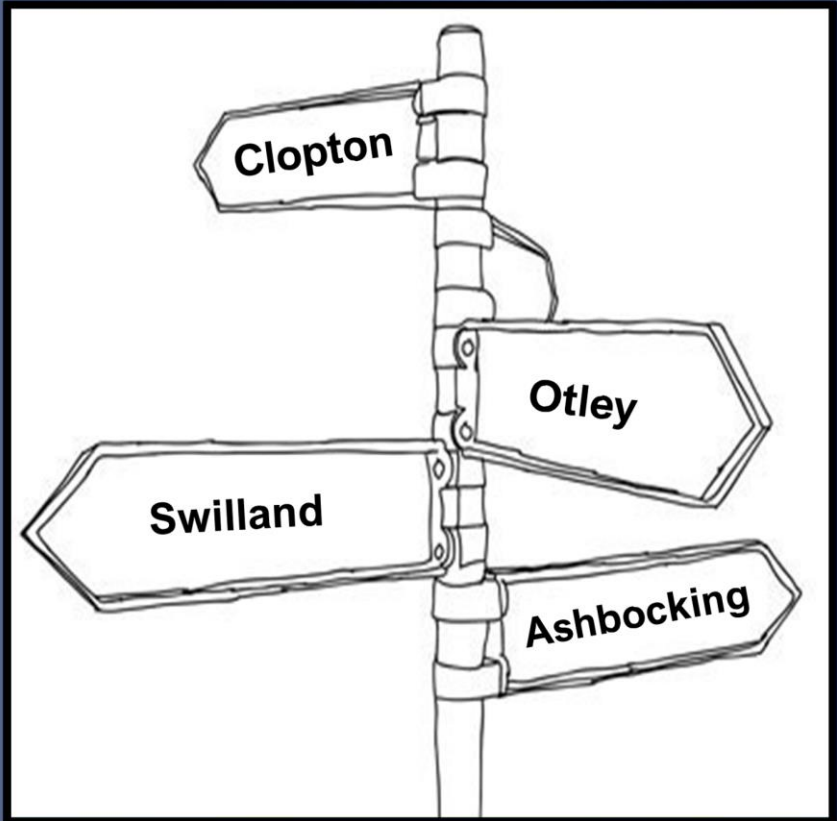


# *The Signpost*



*News from the Parishes*

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



Welcome to the **May Signpost**. Whilst not much has changed for the poor Ukraine, there is a lot of change around us. The gardens are sparking into action with hidden plants making their way to the light. Our Queen has just turned 96 years old and what a wonderful life she has had, not to mention, all the places she has travelled to and people she has met. I wonder where you would like to visit most of all and who you would like to spend an hour talking to? All of the villages are busy making final arrangements for the Jubilee celebrations as you will see within this bumper edition – lots of adverts of events that are happening and providing us all a chance to come together with neighbours. I hope you are all able to enjoy the May Day Bank Holiday, fingers crossed we have more sunshine, although we desperately need rain for the land and gardens. I look forward to bringing you all the latest news again next month.

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 or anniversaries celebrated, then please do let me know and I will include in next month's magazine.

The next magazine will be the June issue with a deadline of 24<sup>th</sup> May 2022.

To register to receive The Signpost via email each month,  
please email Amy [bakergirl174@gmail.com](mailto:bakergirl174@gmail.com)

News of the Carlford Churches and details of online Worship can be found on the website [carlfordchurches.org](http://carlfordchurches.org) and within the Mini Grapevine. If you would like to receive the Mini-Grapevine weekly via email, please register via the website [carlfordchurches.org](http://carlfordchurches.org) or with Mark Cresswell – [mark@carlfordchurches.org](mailto:mark@carlfordchurches.org). There are links on the Carlford Churches website to the Facebook page, Mini-Grapevine and The Signpost. The Carlford Churches Facebook page can be accessed directly <http://facebook.com/carlfordchurches>. Should you wish to speak with Rev'd Katrina Dykes or a member of the benefice team please telephone 01473 735183.

***Keep safe, enjoy the sunshine and take care till next month..***



***With best wishes, Amy***

## The Refugee

All that I was, I no longer am  
All that I have, I hold in my hand  
My home, my love, my world are all gone  
One among thousands, I shuffle along.

Only last week I knew who I was  
All that has gone, and only because  
Someone in a land a long way away  
Turned life into hell one terrible day.

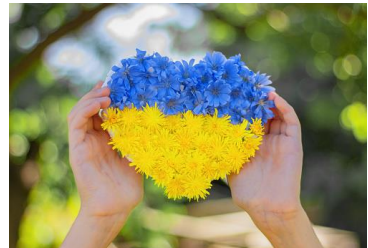
He started a war, his heart icy cold  
He rained down his hell on the young and the old  
I ran for my life for I had no choice  
And nobody heard the fear in my voice.

Everything's gone, and all that is 'me'  
Summed up in a word – the word 'refugee'.  
I have no control, no say in my fate  
Just one in a crowd, I stand and I wait.

Waiting for what? The future's unclear,  
For armed men have taken all that I held dear  
Along with my hopes, and all I had planned  
All swept away by the tanks in my land.

One thing alone puts a smile on my face  
A far nicer stranger has come to this place;  
A bed for the night? A cup of hot tea?  
And – best of all – someone who sees me as me.

*By Nigel Beeton*



## Rainfall March



March winds and April showers bring forth May flowers, this is the old saying that in the past was fairly accurate but during the last few years March has been more unsettled.

This year however, it has reverted to more like it used to be with cold East winds and sunny days, this was the type of weather that farmers wanted in the past to dry up the land for spring drilling. Nowadays the majority of drilling takes place in the autumn but before we had a combine harvester, the harvest lasted much longer. At that time, we relied on horses and less powerful tractors to prepare the land for drilling which usually meant that there was only time for the wheat to be put in. The remainder of the land was ploughed during the autumn and there were always sharp frosts at that time which broke the soil down over the winter. March was the time when the cold east wind dried the soil so that it only required harrowing to get a seed bed. Spring barley and oats were the main crops that were drilled, oats were needed for feeding to the horses and the barley went for feeding or malting depending on the variety.

The wind has consistently been in the east most of the month with cold nights but very few frosts. There have been some very sunny days with temperatures reaching as high as 19 c at times. What rain we had has only been in small amounts. The last day of the month there was some snow and high winds which seemed like a return of winter. There is an old saying that "If March comes in like a lamb, it will go out like a lion", and that is certainly true this year. Rainfall for the month was .95 inches and the total for the first three months was 4.55 inches

*Russell Ling*

### ***May Weather Sayings.....***

*Two Moons in May, no fruit and hay*

*No weather is ill if the wind be still*

*Water in May is bread for the year*

*Don't cast a clout 'til May is out (Reference to Mayflower)*

*Shear your sheep in May and you'll shear them all the way*

*A dry May and a dripping June bring all things in tune*

*The more thunder in May, the less in August & September*



## 2<sup>nd</sup> May James the Less, quiet son of Alphaeus

*(Transferred from 1<sup>st</sup> May)*

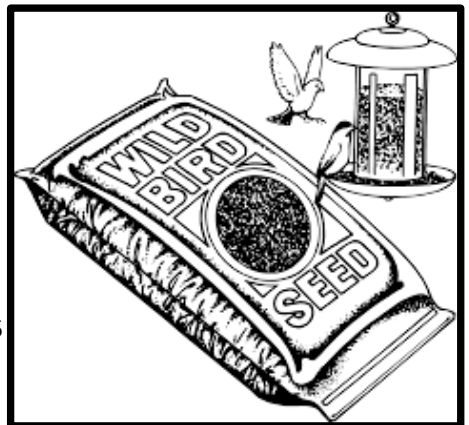


One thing for sure: the apostles were not self-obsessed. In fact, many a church historian has wished that they had left us just a few more personal details about themselves in the New Testament. James the Less is an excellent example.

This is the name we give to James the son of Alphaeus, but beyond that, who was he? Sometimes he is identified as the James whose mother stood by Christ on the cross. Sometimes he is thought to be the James who was ‘brother of the Lord’. Sometimes he is thought to be the James who saw the risen Christ. He has also, and often, been called the first bishop of Jerusalem. And finally, sometimes James the Less has been thought of as the author of the Epistle of James.

But who really knows? If none of these identifications are correct, we know practically nothing about James the Less. So perhaps on this day we can simply recall ‘all’ of the James’ above, and thank God for the mother who stood by the cross, the brother that supported Jesus, the apostle who saw his risen Lord and gave his life to proclaiming the truth, the first bishop of Jerusalem, and the author of the marvellous Epistle of James. Whether it was one James or several, they were all faithful to Jesus, and proclaimed Him as the Messiah. So perhaps that should make them James the More! James the Less has been given an unusual iconographic emblem: a fuller’s club. Tradition has it that he was beaten to death with one, after being sentenced by the Sanhedrin in AD62. In England there are only 26 churches which are dedicated to James the Less.

**Ill never forget the  
look on the cashiers  
face, when she  
scanned the packet of  
bird seed,  
And I asked her how  
long does it take for  
the birds to grow once  
I plant them.**



## DID YOU KNOW.....

- “May” is likely named for the Roman goddess Maia, who oversaw the growth of plants.
- A maypole was built in 1543 that was 100 feet high. Isaac Newton later purchased the pole in 1713 and used it to prop up a telescope. Maypoles were actually banned in England in 1644. Those who were found to have erected them were fined five shillings every week it was standing.
- The Eurovision song contest is held in May. The UK has won 5 times, last time 17 yrs ago.
- The two flowers of May are the hawthorn and the lily of the valley, birthstone emerald.
- In Old English May was known as the Month of Three Milking’s – this was because cows could be milked three times a day.
- May Day is celebrated with a cheese-rolling contest in Stilton.
- 1<sup>st</sup> 1707 – The union between England and Scotland is proclaimed.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> 1841 – New Zealand was declared a British Colony.
- 6<sup>th</sup> 1954 – Roger Bannister was the first man to run a mile in under 4 minutes at the Iffley Road Sports Ground, Oxford.
- 9<sup>th</sup> 1887 – Buffalo Bill’s Wild West Show opens in London.
- 10<sup>th</sup> 1940 – Promising nothing but “blood, toil, tears and sweat”, Winston Churchill replaces Neville Chamberlain as British Prime Minister.
- 15<sup>th</sup> 1567 – Mary Queen of Scots married Bothwell in Edinburgh.
- 16<sup>th</sup> 1943 – RAF Lancaster bombers caused chaos to Nazi German industry by destroying two huge dams.
- 19<sup>th</sup> 1536 – Anne Boleyn, King Henry VIII’s second wife was beheaded in London.
- 21<sup>st</sup> 1894 – The official opening of the Manchester Ship Canal by Queen Victoria.
- 24<sup>th</sup> 1809 – Dartmoor Prison in Devon is opened to house French Prisoners of war.
- 25<sup>th</sup> 1659 – Richard Cromwell resigns as Lord Protector of England.
- 27<sup>th</sup> 1657 – Lord Protector Oliver Cromwell refuses parliament’s offer of the title King of England.
- 30<sup>th</sup> 1536 – Eleven days after he had his wife Anne Boleyn beheaded, King Henry VIII marries Jane Seymour.

## Famous Birthdays

- 1<sup>st</sup> 1769 Arthur Wellesley, Duke of Wellington
- 4<sup>th</sup> 1827 John Hanning Speke, English explorer
- 7<sup>th</sup> 1812 Robert Browning, English poet
- 10<sup>th</sup> 1754 Sir John Sinclair, Scottish politician and agriculturalist
- 12<sup>th</sup> 1820 Florence Nightingale, English nursing pioneer of the Crimean War
- 15<sup>th</sup> 1935 Ted Dexter, English cricket captain and MCC President
- 18<sup>th</sup> 1872 Bertrand Russell, English philosopher received Nobel Prize for literature 1950
- 21<sup>st</sup> 1736 Francis Egerton, Duke of Bridgewater – Pioneer of Britain’s canal system
- 23<sup>rd</sup> 1795 Sir Charles Barry, Architect who designed the Houses of Parliament
- 26<sup>th</sup> 1904 George Formby – Wigan born entertainer
- 28<sup>th</sup> 1759 William Pitt (the younger) – Politician who became the youngest ever British Prime Minister at the tender age of 24.
- 31<sup>st</sup> 1443 – Margaret Beaufort, Countess of Richmond – married Edmund Tudor

## A word from Rev'd Katrina Dykes



There are a number of people from across our villages who have registered to offer accommodation to Ukrainian refugees. There are others, unable to make this offer for different reasons, but who nonetheless want to offer their support.

Following a very positive meeting of local people to discuss some of the issues involved, we have identified a few ways some of you might want to consider:

**Car drivers:** Could you join a list of people able to offer lifts to supermarkets, doctor or dentist appointments and the like?

**Clothes:** If you have some good quality clothes you no longer need, could you keep them to one side for now. We want to be able to offer suitable clothes for adults looking for jobs, children joining in with parties as well as every day activities.

**Teaching English:** We would like to gather a list of people who have a TEFL qualification who would be willing to volunteer some time to teach English, particularly to adults.

We anticipate there will be other ways to join in and will keep you posted. Another meeting has been scheduled for **Tuesday 17th May, 7pm at Burgh School Room.**



Thank you

Rev'd Katrina

### **DON'T FORGET.....**

On Sunday 8th May at 11am, St Mary's church, Grundisburgh, will be hosting Katrina's induction service on behalf of the benefice. This is the part of the licencing of a new Rector which has to happen physically in a church building.

Covid prevented this happening a year ago due to the restrictions.

Archdeacon Jeanette will be taking this service and it will be followed by a Bring and Share picnic afterwards. Everyone welcome.





# NATIONAL GARDEN SCHEME

## Garden Open For Charity



Berghersh Place  
Witnesham, Ipswich, IP6 9EZ

**Sunday 29 May - 12 - 5pm**

Adults £5 Children free

Light Refreshments with Gluten-free options

**Open by arrangement in June**

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*In 2021 the National Garden Scheme donated over £3 million to beneficiaries, providing critical support to nursing and health charities following a year of crisis.*

*The principal charities who received proceeds from garden openings were: Marie Curie, Macmillan Cancer Support, Hospice UK, Carers Trust, The Queen's Nursing Institute and Parkinson's UK.*



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# *Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Celebration*

## *Witnesham & Swilland*



*"I, Queen Elizabeth II, call upon all persons here present to support your fellow comrades in the organisation of celebrations in my honour".*

*Saturday 4th June 2022 - Witnesham Primary School Field - 11am onwards*

*\*There will be 30+ Stalls providing ...*

*Jewellery  
Resin Gifts  
Sweets  
Handmade clothes  
Books  
Beauty Products  
Skin Care  
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And much much More...*

*\* Live Music*

*\*BBQ by The Moon & Mushroom Swilland*

*\*Cakes & Soft Refreshments*

*\* CTC Musical Theatre  
Performance & Workshop*

*\* Pitch & Putt Golf*

*\* Bowls*

*\* Witnesham Wasps 5 Aside*

*\* Bouncy Castle*

*\* Face Painting*

*\* Fun Fete Games, Lucky Dip, Tombola,  
Hook a Duck, Coconut Shy, Stocks...*

*\* Craft Activities*

*\* Raffle*

*All funds raised will be donated to Witnesham Primary School  
and Witnesham Pre-School*

## 1ST GRUNDISBURGH BROWNIES & GUIDES

We are pleased to announce that the Brownies & Guides in Grundisburgh have now re-opened and are up and running, having stopped during the lockdown. We are looking for girls to join us to have fun, make new friends and enjoy a variety of activities, games, crafting, cooking and lots of outside activities with the summer fast approaching.

**Brownies** – Age 7-10 Years



**Guides** - Age 10-14 Years

If you are interested or would like to find out more, please register on the Girlguiding website and one of the Leaders will contact you directly.

<https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/information-for-parents/register-your-daughter/>

We are also looking to re-open the Rainbow Unit for girls between 4-7 Years old but at present have no Leaders! If you would be interested in becoming a leader or would like some more information, please register your interest on the Girlguiding website.

We look forward to welcoming you and your daughters to the wonderful world of Girlguiding. You can email us at [Grundisburgh.brownies@outlook.com](mailto:Grundisburgh.brownies@outlook.com)



Let my soul smile through my heart and  
my heart smile through my eyes, that I  
may scatter rich smiles in sad hearts.

Paramahansa Yogananda

*“Hope is like a road in the country; there was never a road, but when many people walk on it, the road comes into existence.”*

*Lin Yutang*

## The House Martins Return

**Scientific name:** Delichon Urbicum **Bird family:** Swallows and Martins



The House Martin is a small bird with glossy blue-black upper parts and pure white under parts. It has a distinctive white rump with a forked tail and, on close inspection, white feathers covering its legs and toes. It spends much of its time on the wing collecting insect prey. The bird's mud nest is usually sited below the eaves of buildings. They are summer migrants and spend their winters in Africa. Although still numerous and widespread, recent moderate declines earn them a place on the UK Conservation Red List and they are protected by The Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981.

The House Martins are closely related to other swallows that build mud nests, particularly the *Hirundo* Barn Swallows. They breed only in Europe, Asia and the mountains of North Africa. Three species, the Common, Siberian and Asian House Martins, migrate south in winter, while the Nepal House Martin is resident in the Himalayas year-round.

As with other Swallows and Martins, the moult is slow and protracted because of the need to maintain efficient flight at all times to enable feeding. Moult normally starts on arrival at the wintering grounds but overlaps with the breeding season for the non-migratory Nepal House Martin.

The *Delichon* Martins have simple flight calls of one to three notes. In the two more widespread species these have a distinctive buzzing quality. The male's song is a short simple ripple, perhaps less musical than that given by other swallows

What they eat: **Insects such as flies and aphids (about 800 insects a day!)**

Measurements: Length: **12cm** Wingspan: **26-29cm** Weight: **15-23g**

Population: UK breeding: 510,000 pairs

Identifying features: **Feather colour:** Black Blue White **Leg colour:** White  
**Beak:** Black Short Thin

**Natural habitats:** Farmland Urban and suburban Wetland

TYPES OF APHIDS



## Where and when to see them

You will find House Martins across the UK, although they are scarce in far North and West of Scotland. Mostly associated with man, found around towns and villages. Feeds on aerial insects and so is most frequently seen in areas of mixed agriculture, near water and in the vicinity of woodland. They return to the UK from late April/early May, often feeding over wetlands for a while before returning to their traditional nest sites and remaining here until September/October before migrating south, often clocking up more than 25,000km per year.

## Conflict with sparrows



*While house martins are rarely affected by predation, house sparrows frequently damage or take over nests and attack adults, eggs and young.*

Sparrows can be discouraged by placing a curtain of weighted strings in front of the nest. Sparrows find it difficult to fly up at a steep angle to the nest, but Martins do so easily. The strings should be about 230 mm long, 65 mm apart and no nearer than 150 mm to the nest hole. This curtain may be erected before the Martins arrive but should only be put up during nest building if Sparrows attempt to take over. If Sparrows are keen to nest on your house, placing nest boxes with 32 mm entrance holes under the eaves well away from the House Martin nests may persuade the Sparrows to nest in these instead. The cries of the young House Martins usually encourage the parents back very quickly before too much damage has been done.

When the nest cannot be reattached, or chicks have fallen out of an inaccessible nest and cannot be returned to it, the young will be dependent on human help for their survival. Hand rearing young House Martins is difficult and time consuming and should be taken on only as a last resort.

The main predators are birds of prey, those which are able to catch these agile fliers. They can also be plagued with mites and fleas and often parasitic insects such as ticks and mosquitoes.



*House Martins need three things to help them successfully breed : a suitable nesting site, the correct building materials and plenty of food.*

## **What you can do to encourage them**

As House Martins feed entirely on insects caught in flight, they cannot be attracted by providing food. A muddy pool or puddle where they can collect nesting material is helpful, especially during a dry spring. They appear to choose sites at random but painting the top half of a building white or cream may attract them.



Various artificial House Martin nests are available. These are usually mounted on a board, smeared with mud and can be fixed easily under the eaves. They do not guarantee that martins will nest, but often encourage them to build their own. The artificial nests are best placed in groups, especially near existing nests. There is some evidence that Martins prefer to nest on north and east facing walls.

*Widespread declines in house martin numbers have been reported from central and northern Europe since 1970.*

## **House Martins and the weather**

From 1970-2014 there was a 47 per cent reduction in numbers of House Martins with a 10 per cent reduction between 1995-2014.

House martin populations are affected greatly by weather.

They require rain so that there will be plenty of wet mud to build their nests as well as warm weather to ensure there are plenty of insects for them to eat. When weather is either cool or dry this causes problems with insect presence and mud availability impacting on their ability to breed.





Their numbers have also been impacted by reduction in suitable nesting habitat due in part to barn conversions.



Their habitat in their overwintering grounds in Africa is also being degraded.

Large-scale mortality is regularly recorded during and after periods of bad weather, during both breeding and migration. On the other hand, hot and dry weather can result in mortality through dehydration and heat stress.

## Breeding timeline

The breeding season runs from May to August when insects are abundant, but some chicks are still in the nest in September. The nest is made of pellets of mud mixed with grass, lined with feathers and vegetable fibre. A house martin nest is made up of around 1000 lumps of clay and weighs about 500g. It is most often lined with white feathers brought in by the male bird. A new nest is completed in one to two weeks, while repairs to an existing one normally take only a few days.

As with other swallows, pairing and copulation displays are normally brief, taking just a few minutes. The male calls to a female and attempts to lead her to the nest, where he lands and continues calling while posing with lowered head, dropped wings and ruffled throat. If he is successful, the female calls and allows him to mount her, usually in the nest.



Four or five white eggs are laid at daily intervals, sometimes delayed by bad weather. Both sexes incubate for 14-16 days, and the chicks hatch together. The female broods them for a week, while they are naked and unable to maintain their own body temperature. Both parents feed them.

Being totally dependent on flying insects, extended periods of bad weather seriously affect nestling growth and survival. In years of cold wet weather food

shortage is a major cause of mortality. However, nestlings can survive for a few days without food by drawing on their large fat reserves and by going into torpor, a kind of hibernation, which reduces their energy requirement to a minimum.

The chicks leave the nest at 22-23 days, depending on the brood size and weather. Once fledged, the young return to the nest to roost and to be fed for several days and can remain in the colony for several more weeks before they disperse to join pre-migratory flocks.

## Colonies

House Martins are frequently double brooded and three broods are not uncommon. Fledged young from first broods often help their parents feed a second brood. Up to 11 House Martins have been found in a single nest.



Colonies are traditional and nests are usually occupied from one year to the next, although rarely by the same two birds. House Martins breed when one year old. Males often return to the colony they fledged from or close by, while females tend to settle several kilometres away.

They are short-lived, and most birds only breed for one year, though a few can have five or six breeding seasons. The oldest known wild bird was 14 years 6 months old.

## Otley and District Gardening Club

Dear Garden Enthusiasts

A short piece from me this month, just to say our next meeting is Monday 2nd May at 7:30pm at Otley Village Hall, where we have the talented Deb Hart coming to demonstrate willow weaving and explain its history. This is a meeting not to miss. She will be showing us how to weave a willow obelisk and it will be the star prize for our raffle. I will also be providing some extra prizes as the proceeds from the raffle will be





added to the total of our Annual Charity Plant Sale, which we are donating to Dementia UK this year.

Talking of our Annual Charity Plant Sale... This year we're having 2 stalls, one in Otley at Anerley House, Helmingham Road, IP6 9NR, and the second at Old House, The Green, Ashbocking IP6 9JZ. There will be a good selection of plants to buy that weekend, so have a look out for the signs. It's on May 28th-29th to coincide with Helmingham's plant sale. We're hoping to attract some new faces this year, so come along and pick up some bargains and have a chat with the people manning the stations as they're all gardening club members.



We look forward to seeing you at the next meeting or our plant sale.

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

*“When we run away from our problems,  
they will be waiting wherever we go.”*

*John Gray*

### **Mount Everest**

On 13<sup>th</sup> May 1995, British woman Alison Hargreaves became the first woman to conquer Everest without oxygen or the help of sherpas. She was only the second person in history to reach the top of Everest unaided; the first person was Reinhold Messner in 1980.



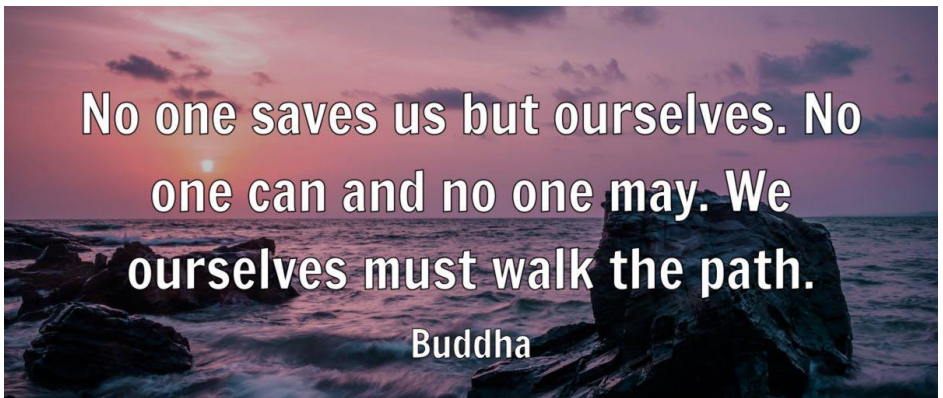
The summit of Everest was first reached on 29 May 1953, by New Zealander Edmund Hillary, and the Nepalese Sherpa Tenzing Norgay.

Since then, more than 600 climbers from twenty countries have climbed to the summit.

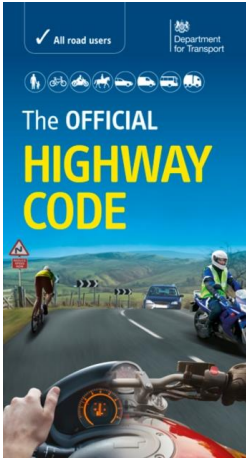
Mount Everest is the highest mountain on Earth above sea level, and the highest point on the Earth's continental crust, as measured by the height above sea level of its summit, 8,850 meters (29,035ft). The mountain, which is part of the Himalaya range in Asia, is located on the border between Sagarmatha Zone, Nepal, and Tibet, China.

Just three months to the day after her successful conquest of Everest, Alison Hargreaves was killed shortly after reaching the summit of Pakistan's K2. The climb to the summit took over 12 hours and what had started out as a beautiful clear day ended in the clouds with winds up to 140mph. Six climbers died that day on K2.

At least 100 people have died trying to reach the summit of Everest. Avalanches, falls in crevasses, cold or the effects of thin air are the main causes of death on a mountain.



## Out and about on the roads? Remember the NEW Highway Code



When did you last read the Highway Code? Various ‘fundamental’ changes were recently made which will surely affect you.

For example, there is a new hierarchy of road users, where drivers now have new responsibilities to watch out for people who are walking, cycling, or riding a horse.

Another example is that cyclists are now advised to cycle in the *centre* of lanes in slower-moving traffic.

Finally, do you even know how best to open your car door?

According to the Highway Code, you should use your hand on the opposite side to the door you are opening; for example, use your left hand to open a door on your right-hand side. This will make you turn your head to look over your shoulder. You are then more likely to avoid causing injury to cyclists or motorcyclists passing you on the road, or to people on the pavement.

Read all about the new rules at: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/the-highway-code>

### Brain teasers



1. What word begins and ends with an E but only has one letter?
2. What type of cheese is made backward?
3. I’m tall when I’m young and I’m short when I’m old. What am I?
4. In a one-story pink house, there was a pink person, a pink cat, a pink fish, a pink computer, a pink chair, a pink table, a pink telephone, a pink shower — everything was pink! What colour were the stairs?
5. Who is bigger: Mr. Bigger, Mrs. Bigger, or their baby?

(Solutions on Page 26)

## NEWS FROM OUR CHURCHES

### ASHBOCKING

This spring has brought beautiful weather, plenty of sunshine overall but with a chilly wind. Ideal for doing those jobs in the garden, but we could now do with a drop of rain, dare I say it, to soften the ground and refresh the borders.

It was an extremely cold day on the day of the jumble sale at Ashbocking church, and for those of us working in the church all day it would have been quite unpleasant if it hadn't been for all the lovely people who came and rummaged. We met people we knew but hadn't seen since lockdown and met many new faces. Thank you to everyone who supported our event both in giving jumble, attending, and buying, making cakes and manning the stalls. We have so far made just over £500 but still have a few things to sell on eBay.



Following this there was the beautiful service on Easter Sunday which was very well attended, and the children enjoyed an Easter egg hunt in the graveyard whilst coffee was served inside.

In addition to our normal service slot, we have had an extra service in Ashbocking which is a new initiative to introduce another service to both Ashbocking and Swilland. Services will alternate between the two churches and are Lay led, which means they are led by the Lay elders, Brian Williams and myself.

The April service at Ashbocking was the first Lay service and was appreciated by those who attended. Swilland is hosting the next Lay service in Swilland on Sunday 22nd May at 11:00am.

Our main May service in Ashbocking, which is the Christian Aid service, will be held on Sunday 15th May at 11:00am. This service will be led by Rev Katrina Dykes. Refreshments are available after the service.



The Knit and Stitch group usually meet on the first Monday of the month but as this is the May Bank Holiday, we will meet the following day on Tuesday 3rd May at 10am. We meet at my house, Hawthorns, The Green and welcome anyone interested in knitting, crochet, crafting, or stitching. We also welcome anyone who would like to learn as our members have a range of skills they are willing to pass on.

The next coffee morning will be on Friday May 6th and will be hosted by Sarah and Steve Wilson at their home, Eastbrook House, The Green, at 10:30am-12:00noon.

They can be found a few doors along from Nelson Close and they will be very pleased to see you.

If you need any further details, please ring me on the number below.

*Linda Pollard*  
Tel: 07887 537152

*By three methods we may learn wisdom: First, by reflection, which is noblest; Second, by imitation, which is easiest; and third by experience, which is the bitterest.*

## CLOPTON

The Clopton APCM took place on April 10th. James Hall took our service and then chaired our meetings. The two churchwardens, Jenny Schurr and Doris Main were re-elected for another year. The minutes of last year's meeting were read and approved. Andrew Schurr gave the report on the Electoral Roll. We have eight new people joining which means we now have sixteen people.

Our annual report showed how Covid had affected the church. We only held fourteen services in the church due to lockdown. We managed to hold our Harvest service in the church and the boxes of produce were taken to the Salvation Army Hostel in Ipswich. The toys from our gift Service went to the Salvation Army in Felixstowe.



We did manage to meet at the 493rd Memorial for our Remembrance Service this year but it was decided not to meet afterwards for refreshments.

The PCC voted unanimously to join the Joint Council. We still do not have a representative for Deanery Synod. All the PCC members are standing again. David Stanford is our treasurer. James ended the meetings with prayer.

Jenny Schurr and her daughter Katie ran a very successful 'Bake for Ukraine' day at the Village Hall on Saturday 19th March. They had spent two whole days baking and made some wonderful cakes. They raised £650. It was in the top twenty for March on the Just Giving site. Thank you to all the people who baked cakes and came to support them. Well done Jenny and Katie!



On 27th March we were delighted to welcome Caleb MacDonald to the church with his parents for his baptism. One of his Godparents was also baptised.

Hobbies Group will meet on Wednesday 4th May and our Coffee Morning will be on Wednesday 18th May. Both of these events will be in the Village Hall and will run from 10am until noon. Everyone is very welcome.

*Doris Main*

## OTLEY

### Easter Services in Otley

As part of the rota of services during Holy Week, a Maundy Thursday evening service was held in Otley church. This was a solemn service, re-enacting the Last Supper. Bread and wine were shared before a ritualistic washing of feet by Katrina and Mark. The altar was then stripped of all artifacts and hangings. Twelve people attended the service which was very moving.



Easter Sunday brought glorious sunny weather and the church was filled with light. Beautiful flower arrangements were placed on window sills, in the porch, and by the altar. An Easter garden had been made by the Upson family, with the



stone rolled away from the entrance. In contrast to the solemnity of Holy Week, the church looked wonderful and welcoming. Our collection on Easter Sunday was donated to help for Ukraine. It totalled £106.43.

Archdeacon Sally conducted the service with Holy Communion. Traditional Easter hymns were sung, accompanied by Judy on the piano. A congregation of twenty-two attended the service and enjoyed tea and coffee at its conclusion.

### *Coffee Morning*

The monthly coffee morning will be held on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May at The Gables, the home of Richard and Angela Treloar.

*Everyone Welcome*



The long-delayed service of induction for Katrina will take place in Grundisburgh church on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May. This is a benefice service, and all are welcome.

*Nigel Crowley*

### **Annual Meetings in Otley Church April 2022**

The annual parochial church meeting was held on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> April, as part of, and following the usual 9.30 am service. No Church Warden was elected, the duties are being carried out by Karin Upson and Nigel Crowley, who have both served as Church Warden in the past.

The first report was provided by our Rector, who outlined the major events in the benefice since her licencing in May last year. It has been a difficult year due to Covid restrictions, with some services presented online, and church meetings held on Zoom. Katrina has clearly settled in very well and looks forward to the coming year with much more relaxed restrictions, and normal service patterns.



The annual PCC report, excellently written as usual, by Penny Clark, was presented and discussed. It covered membership of the PCC and sub-committees. The PCC had met, by Zoom, five times during the year. Monthly services, on the first Sunday, had recommenced with a Family Service, or Communion. Covid risk assessment guidelines were followed. Notable services included Harvest Festival at the beginning of October, and a service on Christmas Morning.



Donations of food continue to be collected in church, and in the village shop. They are delivered to Families in Need (FIND) in Ipswich, where they are very gratefully received.

There are currently 23 members on the church electoral role.

The fabric report stated that no significant structural work had been completed on the church, other than the usual ongoing maintenance work. The churchyard was well maintained, and the drive had been re-gravelled. In areas around recent graves, and adjacent to the church, the grass was periodically cut and strimmed by Sue Montgomery. Issy Lincoln worked on the triangular bed in front of the east window. Large areas of the churchyard were left uncut during Spring and Summer to encourage wildflower growth. Seven oak trees are to be planted in the churchyard in celebration and recognition of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.



The financial report showed that the PCC remains solvent, although fund-raising events could not be carried out during Covid lockdown. The Parish Share was paid in full to the diocese.

The proposed Joint Council Scheme for the Carlford benefice was unanimously approved and wholeheartedly welcomed.

At the first meeting of the new PCC, the following appointments were made :

Lay vice-chair : Nigel Crowley

Secretary : Penny Clark

Treasurer : Sharon Proctor

Safeguarding Officer : Karin Upton

*Nigel Crowley*

### **Jubilee celebrations in Otley**

We are now busy planning for the Jubilee weekend in the village. To follow are the details and we look forward to seeing you all.

To get into the spirit of the celebrations we would like you to decorate your homes in a Jubilee way the week before.



The judging is at 11am on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> June with the winner being announced at lunchtime. Our eldest residents will be the judges. The winner will have the honour of lighting the beacon!

### **Celebrations begin on:**

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> June** where we will join the nation in the playing field with our very own Beacon Ceremony at dusk. There will be a competition to find the lucky person who will light the beacon as well as a candlelight procession.

Judging of the best dressed house in the village.



During the Beacon lighting the whole nation is being encouraged to learn a new song for the Commonwealth specially to celebrate the Jubilee. Judy Cairns is inviting anyone who enjoys singing to join a choir to learn the song. She will be running sessions in the village hall in the coming weeks. If you are interested, please contact Judy on 01473 892681.

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup>** – Inter-village baton relay – more information in the village shop.

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup>** – is going to be our day for the fete, (usually held in July)

As in past years, we begin the afternoon with the Samba dancers.

Our fete wouldn't be the same without the tug of war and egg throwing but we also aim to have some traditional races too.

We hope there will be plenty of entries for the Dog Show!

Of course, there will a BBQ, beer tent, ice cream and afternoon teas.



Festivities then move to The White Hart where there will be live music during the evening.

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup>** - At 12 noon, you are welcome to come together for The BIG Lunch where we bring our picnics to share and enjoy live entertainment.

We would like this weekend to be a coming together of our village as well as the Jubilee celebration and so we're looking for volunteers to help run these events, over the four days. If you can help, please email [julie.m.baker@gmail.com](mailto:julie.m.baker@gmail.com) or [jk.w@btopenworld.com](mailto:jk.w@btopenworld.com).



## 1st Otley Scouts

We are delighted that all our sections are back meeting as normal and we have had lots of new members joining which has swelled our numbers back to pre-pandemic levels. The children have enjoyed lots of activities this term, taking place in and around the hut, such as scavenger hunts, cooking on open fires, junk modelling and learning how to tie knots. We have continued further refurbishment and have a newly installed hot water system. Our Scouts are heading back onto the water in May for our annual Canoe course through the Deben Watersport Centre and some



will be heading off to have fun at our summer camp at Hallowtree in August.

To ensure that Scouting continues in Otley we are looking for new volunteers to help run and plan activities. Scouting is a fully inclusive organisation, and we welcome people from all walks of life. Full training is given (for free), all we ask for in return is some of your time and enthusiasm. You will be sharing your existing skills and no doubt learning some new ones whilst helping young people gain experience in life skills and grow in confidence. The only criteria required to be a volunteer with Scouts is that you are over 18 and willing to undertake a DBS check.

Please contact our Group Leader Martyn Osborne at [gsl\\_otley@btinternet.com](mailto:gsl_otley@btinternet.com) if you have any questions or would like more information.

## SWILLAND

Our APCM was held following our service in March. Brian Williams was willing to continue as our only churchwarden and thanked for all his hard work during the previous year.

The Annual and Fabric Reports were presented and approved. Planning permission has now been granted for our toilet/kitchenette project and once a faculty has been received, we can start fundraising and applying for grants.



The accounts were presented and remain in a healthy state despite fewer services, with our Parish Share being paid in full. Special thanks were given to our treasurer, Ann Kent, who has held this position for over 45 years.

The current members of the PCC were re-elected and we remembered with gratitude the contribution made by Christopher Stennett prior to his death last August.



Brian Williams thanked members of the PCC for their work over the year, John Lord for keeping the churchyard tidy and other parishioners who assisted in church maintenance, cleaning and flower arranging.

Our March Village Coffee Morning was held at Red Court on a warm Saturday morning and we were able to sit in the garden. It was good to welcome some new faces. Sam Salter has set up a Swilland WhatsApp group so all those on it are able to see what is going on in the village. Our coffee mornings will be held on the fourth Saturday of each month. The A board at the end of Church Lane will give the venue.

It was good to have flowers back in Church for Easter and to be free of masks. What lovely weather we had for Easter. I hope everyone had a happy weekend. We now look forward to the Jubilee Celebrations.

*Ann Kent*

***Please note:***

***We are short of entrants from Swilland to take part in the Baton Relay which is happening during the Queen's Jubilee events – see page 29 for further details. It would be great to have someone take part on behalf of the village!!***

**Solutions to the Brainteasers on Page 18**

1. An envelope.
2. Edam
3. A candle
4. There weren't any stairs, it was a one-story house.
5. The baby because he is a little bigger.



How did you do?

## **16<sup>th</sup> May - Caroline Chisholm, helping the emigrants to Australia**

If you want an example of someone who can show you their faith through their works, Caroline Chisholm is a saint for you. This doughty little 19th century English woman had such a compassionate heart that she helped tens of thousands of people, from India to Australia.



Caroline was born in Northamptonshire in May 1808. Her father William was a pig dealer, and already had 15 children, by four wives. When Caroline was about five, her father brought a poor maimed soldier into the family home and urged his children to look after the wretched man well, as he had fought for their freedom. This disinterested compassion for a poor struggling ‘outsider’ would become the lodestar of Caroline’s life.

In 1830, when Caroline was 22, she married Captain Archibald Chisholm, of the East India Company Army. Out in Madras, Caroline grew alarmed for the young girls growing up in the barracks. She founded the Female School of Industry for the Daughters of European Soldiers, to provide a practical education.

After having two sons and working on the Indian subcontinent for a number of years, Captain Chisholm was granted a two-year furlough in 1838 on grounds of ill health. The family moved to the sunshine of Australia, near Sydney. Here Caroline was appalled at the conditions that faced emigrants, especially female, arriving in the colony. Many ended up working the streets, just to survive.

Caroline stayed for seven years in Australia, placing more than 11,000 people in homes and jobs, and in all, her Female Immigrant Home helped more than 40,000 people. Highly respected by the government, she gave evidence before Legislative Council Committees, but accepted money from no one. When Archibald left the army in 1845, he and Caroline toured Australia at their own expense, collecting more than 600 statements from emigrants that detailed the truth about the problems of emigration.



Back in England, the statements caught the attention and respect of Charles Dickens, the House of Lords Select Committees, Lord Shaftesbury, Sir Sydney Herbert, Wyndham Harding FRS and even Pope Pius IX. Caroline and Archibald went on to help more than 3,000 people *safely* emigrate to Australia, before moving back there themselves, where they both died in 1877. In his novel *Bleak House*, Charles Dickens is said to have partly based the character of Mrs Jellyby on Caroline Chisholm.

*“With every true friendship we build firmly the foundations  
on which the peace of the whole world rests.”*  
Mahatma Gandhi

## **Old Fashioned Apple Cake (serves 4)**

### **Ingredients**

- 2 Tablespoons cake or biscuit crumbs
- 8 Full Flavoured Eating Apples
- 2 Tablespoons White Wine
- 1 ½ oz (45g) Butter
- 6 Eggs
- 2 Tablespoons Sugar
- 1 Teaspoon Vanilla Extract
- 1 Teaspoon Grated Orange Peel



### **Method**

1. Grease an 8 inch (20cm) cake tin and dust with crumbs.
2. Peel and core apples
3. Place apples in a pan with wine and butter, cover tightly and cook until tender.
4. Beat well and leave to cool.
5. Break eggs into a bowl, add sugar, vanilla and orange peel and beat well.
6. Fold into apple mixture and pour into prepared cake tin
7. Place tin in a pan of cold water, bake for 50 minutes at 190c (Gas Mark 5).
8. Leave to cool, then turn out and serve.

This is delicious hot or cold as a pudding. Enjoy!



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## RUSSELL LING REPORTS

### Total Immersion Baptistry Otley Church



The vestry is an ancient part of the Church, though the outer walls have been rebuilt. Once a chantry chapel, it was constructed so that the priests could say prayers for the wealthy patrons. The vestry has a unique feature a total immersion Baptistry, the only one in an Anglican Church in Suffolk. It is reputed to be 17th century and it

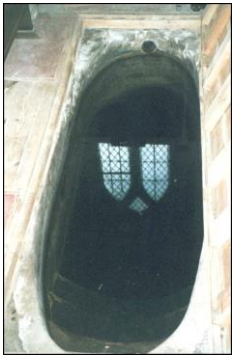
has been suggested that Anabaptists had access to this part of the Church for worship and were allowed to install an immersion tank for themselves, it is particularly unusual in that it was the only indoor example filled by natural seepage.

From 1810 to 1850 there were three Rectors of Otley who were of the Low Church evangelical tradition who disapproved of infant baptism believing that small children were not old enough to take responsibility for their own religious lives. The Baptistry may have been renovated at this time as it was bricked out with Victorian brickwork and the floor cemented. It is possible that the Rev Francis Storr may have paid for this work to be done as his father was the renowned Regency goldsmith Paul Storr and of course very wealthy. The Rev Francis Storr was Rector of Otley from 1837 to 1846.



The Baptistry is some 6ft long with four steps down into 2ft 8 inches of water, the font is oval with two curved extensions on either side of the centre one is part of the font and the other is separated by a brick wall and has two steps down. The Rector who was carrying out the baptism could keep dry by standing in this recess. A helper stood in the water opposite to hold the person being baptised from being totally submerged.

The Baptistry after renovation was filled from rainwater off the chancel roof via an underground pipe and the outlet was piped to a pond beside the church path. The Baptistry is now dry due to a leak in the cement and the downpipe



leading into it relocated. The last recorded baptism took place in 1840 and it was boarded over in 1903 when adult immersion baptism ceased. It was only rediscovered in the early 1950s when the church was being redecorated by George Dowsing a local builder who thought that the floor was deteriorating and took it up only to find the Baptistry. There has always been a square panel in this floor over the Baptistry and it was thought that there was a well underneath. Flower arrangers had obtained water from under this panel for their use for many years without knowing what was really underneath the floor.

### **26<sup>th</sup> May - Where did Jesus go at the Ascension?**

In Salvador Dali's picture of Jesus' ascension all you can see are his feet! As we celebrate the event this month, it prompts the question *'where did Jesus go?'* Peter says Jesus *'has gone into heaven and is at God's right hand'* (1 Peter 3:22). However, the New Testament tells us three things about what Jesus is doing at the Father's side.



At Pentecost Peter said that Jesus is *'exalted to the right hand of God, He has received from the Father the promised Holy Spirit and has poured out what you now see and hear...'* *"The Lord said to my Lord: 'Sit at my right hand'"* (Acts 2: 33-4). Peter is affirming Jesus' position of authority and power at the heart of the universe. By pouring out the gift of the Holy Spirit upon us, Jesus gives us a foretaste of the life of heaven i.e. eternal life, forgiveness, healing, release and God's provision for our lives.

When Stephen, the first Christian martyr, was being stoned to death by the Jewish authorities he points out, *'I see heaven open and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God.'* (Acts 7:56). Our experience of heaven is only ever partial, as we live with the reality of suffering and setbacks. However, Jesus is still on the throne! We are called to trust him daily.

The Bible also tells us that ‘*Christ Jesus who died....is interceding for us.*’ (Romans 8:34, cf Hebrews 7:25). Even when we don’t know how to pray, we have the assurance that Jesus is already praying for us! He knows our needs even better than we do ourselves, so when we feel condemned or defeated in our Christian lives, we have somebody on our side!

The Ascension reminds us that the risen Jesus lives in the immediate presence of God, and both transcends and embraces our present experience. This truth lies at the heart of the *up* language used to describe the event.

*‘Heaven relates to earth tangentially so that the One who is in heaven can be present simultaneously anywhere and everywhere on earth: the ascension therefore means that Jesus is available, accessible, without people having to travel to a particular spot on the earth to find Him.’* (Tom Wright).

### **An American in Otley: A Tale of Two Robins**



I think I said previously that the first English robin I saw in Otley filled me with delight. I don’t believe that I have ever greeted a North American robin with similar joy and satisfaction! No doubt that is because of the differences between the two species.

Homesick British colonists were cheered when they saw a bird similarly coloured to their own dear Robin Redbreast after landing on unfamiliar, rocky shores. They also found birds in India, New Zealand, and Australia to name “robins” and at least 120 other species with that name as part of theirs, i.e., Eastern Yellow Robin of Australia.

Granted, both Eurasian and North American robins have “reddish” breasts, however the English robin’s is brighter and more orangish while the American version is a duller brick red. Robin Redbreast has an olive brown back and head and its orange/red breast stops at its buff-coloured belly. The Yank cousin has a brick red breast and pot belly and a dull black head and back. Males and females of both species appear largely similar.



Feeding habits and preferences are somewhat similar. The English robin enjoys insects, berries, grubs, and worms. It will watch as people turn over earth or mow in case titbits appear. In winter months it will eat softer hulled seeds and come to bird feeders. Like its British cousin, the American robin prefers insects and invertebrates as well as fruits and berries. Rarely does it come to birdfeeders, preferring to migrate to warmer climes in cold seasons to find food.

The most obvious difference between the two is their size. The English robin is petite, about the size of a sparrow, and is in the same *Muscicapidae* family as nightingales and Old-World chats. The American version is a large bird (typical of Americans to brag!), and very similar in size to the Eurasian Blackbird of nursery rhyme fame. There is a reason for that – both are members of the Thrush family, the *Turdidae*.

With its Thrush heritage, the North American robin has a melodic song best expressed as “*cheerily, cheer-up, cheer-up, cheerily, cheer-up.*” During the spring, male robins trumpet this song from dawn until late at night. I have only recently come to appreciate just how lovely their song is ... and how persistent! The English robin’s song has been described as a sweet, high-pitched warble expressed as “*twiddlle-ooo-twiddlle-eeede-twiddlle.*” To be honest, I don’t remember hearing that. Both species will sing throughout the year, but the American robin has an abbreviated, less tuneful song in winter.



The English robin is a social creature, enjoying proximity to people who will obligingly dig up grubs and other insects. It appears curious and watchful around humans. Interestingly, this seems to be more a British characteristic than a Continental one. Apparently, robins on the Continent were items on dinner plates and came to distrust their two-legged neighbours. Robins don’t as a rule live or travel in groups or flocks and are somewhat solitary except during mating season. Eurasian robins are territorial, aggressive towards other birds, and have been known to kill smaller ones.

American robins live around people but do not seek them out as a rule. In the late spring, they will pair off and jealously guard their territory from other birds and

humans. However, In the winter, new world robins migrate and gather in large flocks in southern states, especially in Texas. American robins are territorial and will chase off other robins but rarely show aggression toward other birds.

Folklore and myths have grown up around both species. Because of its colouration, the English robin has been associated with Christmas and with Jesus. The Robin Redbreast is said to have flapped its wings to keep Mary’s stable fire flaming and brought twigs to keep it alive. The flames were thought to have singed the bird’s white breast and turned it red. Another folk story said that the blood of Jesus on the cross touched the bird’s white breast and stained it red. Nordic myth spoke of the robin as a storm-cloud bird sacred to Thor.



The North American robin has a less ecclesiastical pedigree. Some Native American tribes believed the robin got its red breast by fanning the flames of a dying campfire thus saving a father and son on a cold winter’s night. The Tlingit people in northwestern North America believed the robin was a “culture hero,” given to the people by Raven to please them with its song. Today the robin is a symbol and harbinger of spring for many people because it appears in the northern USA in March and April as temperatures warm. Sighting the “first robin” is believed to give a spotter good luck.

My personal experience with the American robin spans my lifetime. They were among the first birds I learned to recognize, and I remember singing “When the red, red robin comes bob, bob, bobbing along.” (And no, I wasn’t alive in 1926 when the song was written.) In northern Utah robins have begun wintering over recently despite our snow and freezing temperatures. It may be that climate change is making open ground more accessible and there are enough dried fruits and berries so that they can find food. Currently I have a vigilant male perched high on the roof ridge, warbling away, and guarding against other males. He takes a break from security duty to flap around in our birdbath. He doesn’t just daintily dip in his beak for a drink – he hops in and splashes about, throwing water out of the bath and generally making a mess. In May, a pair builds their stick and twig nest in a tree near our front door and then grumbles in alarm whenever we enter the front door.





Small or large, the red breasts of robins gladden the hearts of many a rambler and gardener. Both frequent our gardens, parks, and woodlands. They are an everyday treasure. Enjoy them. Happy spring.

Mary Miner, [susiespinner36@msn.com](mailto:susiespinner36@msn.com)

## SMILE LINES

People have always named their children after expensive things: Mercedes, Chardonnay, Dior. This year, look out for: Electric, Gas, and Petrol – *Anon*

*(And if you're a farmer, Fertiliser!!)*

*On the church noticeboard:* Contact lens found in church. See vicar. If you can.

Sorting out books for the local fete, a parishioner came across some well-worn and dusty illustrated encyclopaedias, treasured from his childhood. Unwilling to part with them, he put them on a shelf in the garage where his small grandchildren found them and spent many happy hours looking at the pictures. These books, however, caused him great embarrassment the day the minister came to visit. One of his grandchildren suddenly said: "Grandad, can we go look at those dirty books you keep in the garage?"

Baker's trade bread recipes on a knead-to-know basis.

What bargains grandchildren are! I give them my loose change, and they give me a million pounds worth of pleasure. - *Gene Perret*

**New dog breeds** - *With all the new crossbreeds appearing, would you fancy one of the following?*

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Pointer + Setter = Poinsetter: a traditional Christmas pet

Pekingese + Lhasa Apso = Peekasso: an abstract dog

Newfoundland + Basset Hound = Newfound Asset Hound: for financial advisors

Terrier + Bulldog = Terribull: a dog that makes awful mistakes

Bloodhound + Labrador = Blabador: a dog that barks incessantly

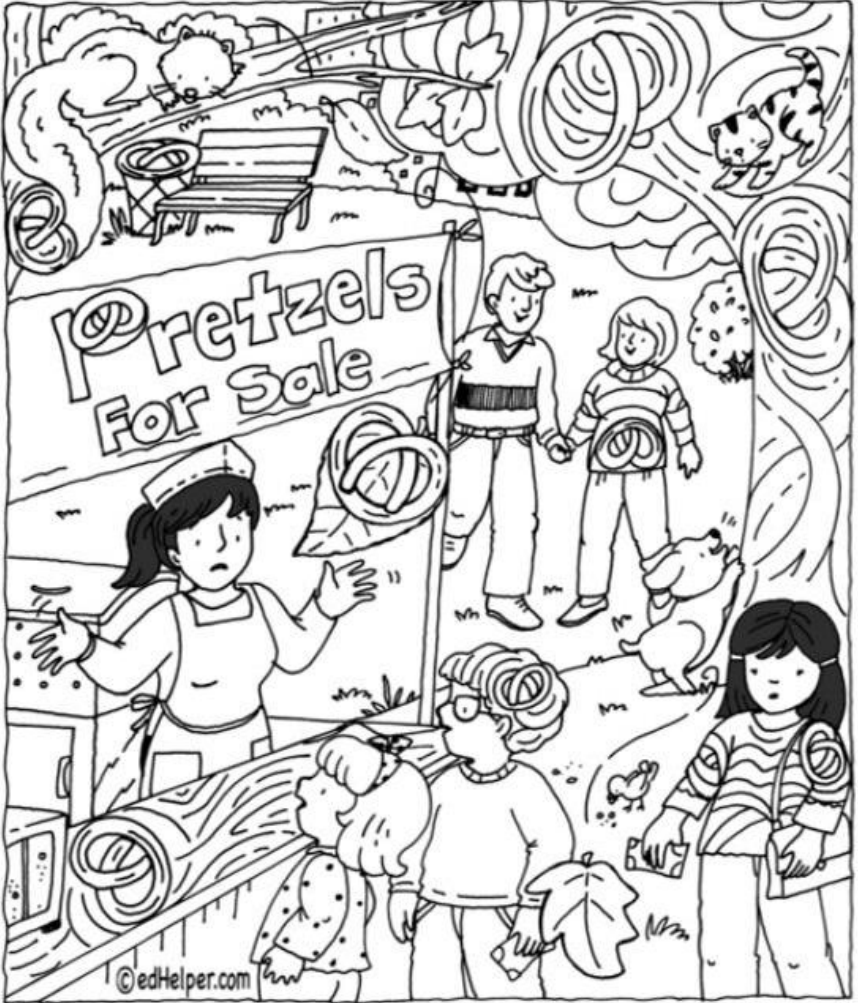
Deerhound + Terrier = Derriere: a dog that's true to the end



## CHILDREN'S CORNER

# Pretzel Prank

People have come to the park to purchase a pretzel for "Eat a Pretzel Day"! But now they've learned someone has hidden them all as a prank! Can you find 10 pretzels here?



**KNOCK, KNOCK.**

*Who's there?*

**Tank.**

*Tank who?*

**You're welcome.**

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